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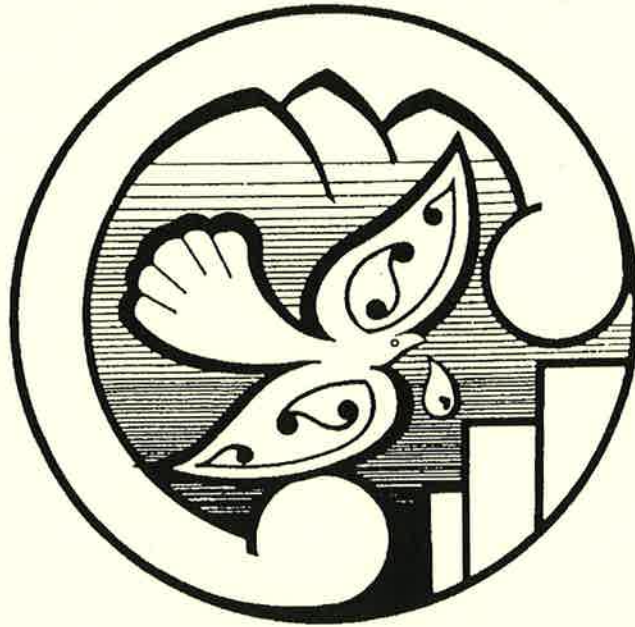


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2009 YEAR BOOK

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AUGUST SYNODS

7-8 August

Please Note:

- Material from Committees and Boards to be considered by the August Synods must be in the hands of the Synod Secretaries for effective distribution at least 14 days before the August Synod meeting date
- If you wish the Administration Division to print and distribute your Report to Synods we will need to receive it by the **17 July**.

BOARD OF ADMINISTRATION

Thursday: 5 March 7 May 2 July 3 September
 10 December

CONFERENCE (MANUKAU) 8 November – 12 November 2008

- 5 November – Tauiri Stationing
- 6 November – Tauiri & Te Taha Maori Meetings
- 7-11 November – Conference (commencing on Sat 7th, concluding 4:00pm on Wed 11th)

CONNEXIONAL BUDGET TASK GROUP

Friday 20 February (Auckland)

COUNCIL OF CONFERENCE

3-5 April 2009 12.00pm Friday to 12.00pm Sunday - Venue - Te Rahui., River Rd Hamilton
4-6 Sept 2009 10am Friday to 8.30pm Sunday - Venue - Te Rahui., River Rd Hamilton

TE TAHA MAORI

Hui Poari

20-21 February (Whakatuora Centre) 1-2 May (Te Rahui Centre),
24-25 July (Te Rahui Centre) 4-5 December (Whakatuora Centre)

METHODIST TRUST ASSN / INVESTMENT BOARD / P.A.C.T. 2086

4 March 24 June 23 September 2 December

- The Executive meets the evening before the meeting.
- Agenda for the meeting closes 10 days before the date of the Meeting.

MISSION RESOURCING

Ordinands Assessment Event: 16 -17 July 2009

Candidates Assessment Weekend: 10 -13 September 2009

Methodist Connexional Property Committee (formerly CB&L)

Tuesday:	10 February	10 March	14 April	12 May
	9 June	14 July	11 August	8 September
	13 October	17 November	8 December	

Please Note:

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

PASTORAL COMMITTEE

6 April (Auckland)

SYNOD DATES 2009

Please note:

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

Northland U.D.C. (30)

14 February 2 May

Auckland (80)

14 March 13 June 8 August 10 October 4 December

Manukau (30)

17 February 21 April 16 June 1-2 August 20 October 17 November

Waikato-Waiariki (2)

13 March 2 June 8-9 August 27 November

Lower North Island (90)

8-9 August

Nelson-Marlborough-West Coast (40)

17-18 March

Central South Island (110)

14 February 16 May 26 May 7-8 August 4 November 21 November

Otago-Southland (40)

13-15 March 13 June 7-8 August 21 November

Sinoti Samoa (120)

24-26 July

Vahefonua Tonga 'o Aotearoa (25)

20-22 February (Auckland)

24-26 July (Auckland)

Wasewase ko Viti kei Rotuma e Niu Siladi

25 March (Wellington)

also required:

Wairarapa Union District Council 15 copies

Westland Buller District Union Council 20 copies

Te Taha Maori 60 copies

TAUIWI STRATEGY COMMITTEE

(7pm) 6 March – (3pm) 8 March (Auckland)

23 August – 26 August (Auckland)

DISTRICT SUPERINTENDENTS RETREAT

8 – 10 March (Auckland)

TAUIWI STATIONING COMMITTEE

23 August – 26 August (Auckland)

TRAVEL & STUDY

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1975	7	Sinclair, Paul [H][F] 07 846 7511 106 Tuhikaramaea Road [O][F] 07 847 2752 Dindsale [Em] stclare@paradise.net.nz Hamilton 3204	3360
Supply		Siolo II, 'Ama'amalele Tofaeono [H] 09 837 6192 68 Forest Hill Road [O] 09 837 3182 Henderson, Waitakere 0612 [Em] atofaeono@yahoo.com	9520
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1964	1999	Slinn, Stuart G (supply) [H] 06 843 8665 237 Kennedy Road [Em H] sandislinn@xtra.co.nz Napier 4110 [Em O] trinity.napier@xtra.co.nz	5010
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1996	8	Tufuga, Fatuatia 10 Caribou Place Kingston, Wellington 6141 (PO Box 6133 Wellington 6021) [H] 04 389 4502 [O] 04 384 7695 [F] 04 382 9708 [Em H] f.tufuga@xtra.co.nz [Em O] Fatuatia@wesleychurch.org.nz	9600
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1996	MI	Tupaea, Marangai (Mara) 133 George Street Tuakau 2121 [H] 09 236 8283	3510
2002	L8	Tupou, Tamata'ane Siosaia 20 Chantelle Place Papatoetoe, Manukau 2025 [H] 09 278 2078 [Em] siosaiat@hotmail.com	7510
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1985	1994	Wicks, Raymond G 31 Jellicoe Ave Tuakau 2121 [H] 09 236 8169	2450
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Taufa, Saikolone , Rev

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Durrant, (Jo) Joanne A, Rev

Tikoinaka, Peni, Rev

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C/- Mr Mark Alexander, 2 Chain Rd, Rapid No: (360 0478), Burnham RD 5, 9C

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St James, Sheffield

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Certificated Lay Preachers Register 2009

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An asterisk denotes that the Network has been informed that the LP is currently 'upskilled'.

* = Accredited, Active and Upskilled; *Dcn* = Deacon; *Sr* = 'Sister' (Deaconess trained); *R* = Retired; 'Upskilled' - led no less than 3 services, and done no less than 8 hours on-going training, in the past year

<u>Synod</u>	<u>Year Certificated</u>
Northland	
Lendrum, Harry (<i>R</i>)	1950
Sheerin, Ronald	1961
Simpkin, Bill *	1963
Gough, Janice	1971
Muir, John	1972
Barker, George (<i>R</i>)	1975
Tolra, Norman	1990
Leadley, Frank (<i>R</i>)	1992
Little, Kathleen	1992
Deverell, Michael (<i>R</i>)	1992
Gwilliam, Rosalie	1994
Pearson, Ann	1999
Auckland	
Palmer, Arthur	1948
Riesterer, Lloyd	1953
Blundell, Ruth *	1957
Skinner, Brenda	1958
Michie, Laurie	1960
Chamberlain, Brian *	1963
Peddie, William *	1968
Allan, Douglas	1985
Robinson, Judy	1988
Cornelius, Elizabeth *	1989
Kalolo, Elia	1990
White, Lynley (<i>R</i>)	1995
Brewster, Tilitaua	1998
Loapo, Saili	1998
Niu, Tui	1999
Ulutunu, Pisikoa	1999
Thorne, Sheila	1999
Selau, Su'a	2003
Bennett, John	2004
Malcolm, Coral	2006
Whitehouse, Megan	2006
Te'o, Muaimalae	2006
Goldsmith, Paul	2006
Overend, Robert *	2007
Butcher, Noeleen *	2007
Manukau	
Carter, Nancy	1948
Paine, Jack (<i>R</i>)	1951
Rushton, Joyce (<i>R</i>)	1953
McConnochie, Dene *	1954

Smith, Clive *	1962
Vili, Malaeloa	1970
To'omata, Luamanuvae	1993
Faulkner, Ian *	1995
Bennett, John	2004
Jones, Brian *	2004
Tu'ipulotu, Foeata	2005

Waikato-Wairariki

Parker, Fred (<i>R</i>)	1933
Clark, Nancy *	1946
Dickie, Catherine *	1951
Rowe, Alan (<i>R</i>)	1953
Riesterer, Don	1953
Old, Robert (<i>R</i>)	1957
Speirs, Alan *	1960
Templer, Michael	1964
Bettany, Alan	1965
Robertson, Graham	1971
Evans, George (<i>R</i>)	1980
Birtles, Margaret (<i>Dcn</i>)	1983
Preece, Dorothy	1984
Luxton, Raewyn	1984
Hight, Maurice	1987
Keightly, Yvonne *	1990
Wilson, Sylvia *	1992
Rose, Mary	1992
Watson, John	1992
Pinkerton, Lynn	1994
McLay, Tui	1997
Robertson, Peter	1997
Purdie, Janice	1997
Diprose, Elaine *	1998
Whimster, Vivien	1998
Warth, Geoffrey	1999
Murray, Barbara *	1999
Dowrick, Noel	2004
Southon, Ngaire	2005
Conway, Margaret	2005
Inwood, Mary	2005
Hebenton, Bonnie	2005
Ross, Dawne	2005
Genner, Hazel	2006
Young, Bernard *	2008
West, Mary *	2008
Sutton, Mary	2008
Creswell, Yolande	2008
Rentz, Rosalie	2008

Taranaki-Wanganui

Bennett, Don	1950
Hoskin, Harvey	1951
Cox, Audrey	2001

Manawatu-Hawkes Bay

Hancock, Mervyn	1946
Millar, Rex *	1953
Thornley, John	1965
Fisher, Miriel (<i>R</i>)	1966
Goodwin, Lorna *	1990
Green, Gordon	1991
Taylor, Lindsay *	1993
Boddy, Ian *	1997

Wallis, Robert (Bob)	2001
Little, Barbara	2007

Wellington

Angel, Alton (<i>R</i>)	1946
Bowden, Ray	1947
Thomas, Fletcher	1949
Quayle, Tom (<i>R</i>)	1954
Beeston, Alison *	1955
Gibson, Ron *	1956
Fleury, Rodney *	1959
Baker, Donald	1961
Williams, Hugh	1961
Price, Lynette (<i>Sr</i>)	1964
Knox, Keith *	1964
Garner, Avis	1975
Loncar, Kathleen	1976
Boyd, Fraser *	1977
Aldersley, Ronnie	1979
Bryant, Margaret (<i>R</i>)	1990
Player, Michael	1991
Pitt, Russell *	1992
Malpass, Ron *	1992
Sugrue, Rosalie *	1994
Davis, David *	1996
Andrews, George	1997
Asiata, Pele	1998
Dunbar, Caroline	2000
Calhaem, Maureen *	2002
Davis, Pam *	2002
Archer, Barbara *	2004

Nelson-Marlborough-West Coast

Harris, Graham (<i>R</i>)	1955
Holdaway, Lester (<i>R</i>)	1958
McKeage, Bruce *	1961
Reynolds, Elva (<i>Dcn</i>)	1967
Ballinger, Ralph (<i>R</i>)	1969
McCallum, Stuart *	1969
Smale, Peter	1969
Bush, John *	1979
Hall, Robin *	1996

Central South Island

Smith, Bryan	1941
Carter, Peter (<i>R</i>)	1955
Rolston, John (<i>R</i>)	1955
Jack, Ray (<i>R</i>)	1957
Walls, Heather	1957
Langdale Hunt, Jackie	1959
Reid, Rita (<i>Dcn</i>)	1959
Cant, Garth *	1959
Dunn, John	1962
Teague, Basil	1962
Hudson, Warren	1963
Cant, Elizabeth (<i>R</i>)	1964
Thorns, David	1964
VanderKley, Martin	1972
Lloyd, Joy	1975
Tregurtha, Rachel	1983
Makinson, Maurice	1984
Watson, Elizabeth	1987

Pryor, Chris (R)	1993
Ridley, Brett	1993
Buxton, Helen	1995
Inglis, Margaret *	1995
Prosser, Digby	1997
Taege, Janet	1998
Trotter, Geoffrey	1999
Atkinson, John *	1999
Peach, Dale	2000
Teague, Chris	2003

Otago-Southland

Weston, Laurie (R)	1956
McLeod, Neil (R)	1960
Farley, Murray *	1961
McLeod, Claire (R)	1962
Willis, Dorothy *	1981
Willis, Ernest *	1981
Macfarlane, Nicol *	1986
Farley, Joan *	1989
Hunt, Stanley (Dcn) *	1990
Gibson, Colin *	1991
Brown, Douglas *	1994
Day, Judith *	1994
Graves, Alan *	1996

Deceased 2008

Collins, Rona
Lawry, Joan
Woodfield, Geoff
Eastwood, Graham

Pasifika additions, July 08

*This list includes only those who have provided a full date of accreditation to the LP Network
Asterisks are awarded to those who have led 3 or more services in 2007, and informed
Network*

Auckland Samoan Parish

Lupematasila F. Tuivaiti	1988
Unasa Simi Elia	1988
Tuiloma Manufalealili	1989
Leaula Vaituutuu	2001
Tuaimalo Matauaina Inu	2001
Savaiinaea Maiava	2001
Lafua Tupu	2002
Ieremia Faamatuainu	2002

Synod: Sinoti Samoa

Parish Mangere Samoan Parish

Samuelu Tupa'i	1976
Losua Autagavaia	1977
Seupule Fa'atoatoa (R)	1980
Selepa Tupa'i (R)	1983
Eteuati Semu	1988
Ulumago Mareko	1990
Va'a Salelea Toe	1993
Niuula Vaega (R)	1994
Faumuina Afuie	1994

Synod: Sinoti Samoa

Mangere East Congregation

Fenunuti Fiaii	1973
Sagalala Ioelu	1991
Tiatia Falemoe	1992

Birkenhead

Kaldo Elia	1990
Meki Fualau Faimoa	1997
Brewster Tilitaua	1998
Ioapo Saili	1998
Niu Tuiana	1999
Ulutunu Tauiliili Pisikoa	1999
Mulitalo Suefuaina	2002
Esekia Sua Selau Esekia	2003
Te'o Salemona Te'o	2006

Synod: Sinoti Samoa**HCUC (Wellington) Certificated Lay Preachers**

Mua'au Sa'o	1987
Fepulea'i Tu	1998
Pele Asiata	1998
Akanesi Havea	1998
Muagututi'a Faalogo	1999
Manoa Havea	2000
Fepulea'i Alataua	2001
Viliami Paea	2006
Faafetai Faalogo	2006
Loli Kuresa	2006
Muaimalae Te'o	2006

Widows & Widowers

of Presbyters & Home Missionaries

Title	Initials	Familiar	Last Name	Postal 1	Postal 2	City	Postcode
Mrs	L S	Lins	Amituana'i	8 King Street	Ivanhoe East	AUSTRALIA	VIC3079
Mrs	M	Margaret	Attwood	Villa 14, Melrose Park	P O Box 6030	Tauranga	3146
Mrs	H J	Hazel	Bennett	63 Coronation Road	Unit 4	Manukau	2025
Mrs	R	Ruth	Benny	1 Queens Drive	Allenton	Ashburton	7700
Mrs	J R	Joyce	Besant	1 Arlington Street	Burnside	Christchurch	8053
Mrs	D E	Daphne	Billinghurst	14 Hamua Place		Waitara	4320
Mrs	D P	Pat	Bruce	Hilda Ross Retirement Village	Studio Unit 219	Hamilton	3216
Mrs	J	Joyce	Burton	13 Union Street	Banbury	ENGLAND	
Mrs	D T	Doreen	Bycroft	12 Gisborne Street		Te Puke	3119
Mrs	N P	Nancy	Carter	20 Woodward Avenue	Flat 2	Auckland	2022
Mrs	S M	Sybil	Christian	28 Colenso Street	Sumner	Christchurch	8081
Mrs	M J S	Muriel	Churchill	Cascades Retirement Resort	55 Pembroke Street	Hamilton	3204
Mrs	Z	Zilla	Clement	14 Edgewater Drive	Unit 34	Manukau	2010
Mrs	M M	Mona	Clements	90 Francis Street	Hauraki	North Shore City	0622
Mrs	A L	Pal	Climo	9 Waimanawa Lane		Waiuku	2123
Mrs	L M	Lois	Clucas	535B Devonport Road		Tauranga	3112
Mrs	J	Jean	Conway	76 Levers Road	Matua	Tauranga	3110
Mr	B J	Brian	Cook	58 Kohu Road	Titirangi	Auckland	0604
Mrs	H M	Harriet	Couch	28 Raymond Street	Fairview Downs	Hamilton	3214
Mrs	G M	Glenys	Currie	16 Karaka Street		Levin	5510
Mrs	F E	Floss	Dawson	Fairhaven Home, Flat 1	91 Harewood Road	Christchurch	8053
Mrs	E M	Enid	Dawson	44 Kupe Street	Orakei	Auckland	1071
Mrs	N D	Noel	Eisner	38 Greenwood Park Lane	Hairini	Tauranga	3112
Mrs	P	Pare	Eureti	c/- 18 Montgomery Crescent	Melville	Hamilton	3206
Mrs	I L	Iris	Fowler	54 Buscomb Avenue	Henderson	Waitakere	0610
Mrs	M M	Margaret	Francis	c/o Cantabria Village	34 Otonga Road, Unit 3C	Rotorua	3015
Mrs	A M	Aileen	George	18A Lupin Road		Otaki	5512
Mrs	E	Elsie	Goodman	Culverden Village, Unit 10	Linnet Place	Manukau	2024
Mrs	M J	Margaret	Gordon	32A Haverstock Road	Sandringham	Auckland	1025
Mrs	H L	Huia	Grant	Somervale, Unit 19	33 Gloucester Road	Tauranga	3116
Mrs	J I	Jo	Hall	493 Prisdale Road	Rosedale	Queensland	4123
Mrs	B	Beverley	Hamlin	9a Pinkerton Grove	Newlands	Wellington	6037
Mrs	W M	Wanda	Hayman	11 Hitherlands	Little Dimocks Balham	London	
Mrs	P	Phyllis	Hilder	43 Einstein Street		Gisborne	4010
Mrs	M O	Maisie	Hill	Hoani Road	37 RD	Taranaki	4652
Mrs	K M	Kath	Horwood	1a Wesley Ave	Mt Albert	Auckland	1025
Mrs	D S	Dorothy	Kitchingman	C/- 141 Cuthberts Road	Bexley	Christchurch	8061
Mrs	B	Barbara	Langley	Unit 13, 53 Waikawa Road		Picton	7220
Mrs	A	Ataile	Latu	38 Wise Street		Wainouimata	5014
Mrs	R M	Ruth	Le Couteur	2 Geraldo Place	Avonhead	Christchurch	8042
Mrs	A	Audrey	Leadley	42 Nixon Street	Tinwald	Ashburton	7700
Mrs	B	Beryl	Leadley	7 Sunnyside Street	Onerahi	Whangarei	0110
Mrs	L	Loraine	Leary	103 Office Road	Merivale	Christchurch	8014
Mrs	G M	Grace	Lewis	33 Lomond Street	Takapuna	North Shore City	0622
Mrs	M J	Myra	Lucas	96 Narrows Road	RD2	Hamilton	3282
Mrs	C A	Carol	Manihera	155a Gilberthorpes Rd	Hei Hei	Christchurch	8042
Mrs	L A	Alice	McDonald	155b Verbena Road	Glenfield	North Shore	0626
Mrs	E M	Elsie	Moore	c/o Allan H Moore	986 Papamoa Beach Road	Mount Maunganui	3118
Mrs	L M	Mary	Morrison	20 Elizabeth Street	Apartment 7	Matamata	3400
Mrs	N C	Noeline	Nuttall	103A Ohaupo Road		Hamilton	3206
Mrs	E M	Edith	Olds	c/o Omokoroa Country Estate	Private Bag 12026	Tauranga	3143
Mrs	B J	Barbara	Olds	1/19 Danbury Drive		Auckland	0630

Mrs	A V	Viti	Olds	Summerset - Trentham	Private Hospital	Upper Hutt	5018
Mrs	J A	June	Olds	91 Harewood Road	Flat 5	Christchurch	8053
Mrs	P A	Phyllis	Olsen	C/- 13 Maxwell Ave	Grey Lynn	Auckland	1021
Mrs	D M A	Daphne	Penman	Everill Orr Village	53-63 Allendale Road	Auckland	1025
Mrs	P F	Pat	Ruck	2B Everest Lane		Cambridge	3434
Mrs	L T	Lisa	Sa'o	27b Kelvin Road		Papakura	2110
Mrs	E R	Rae	Scammell	Villa 5, Woodlands Resort	17 Sherwill Street East	Feilding	4702
Mrs	H I	Helena	Sherson	3 Dallinghoe Crescent	Flat 1	North Shore City	0620
Mrs	E E J	Joyce	Sides	c/- Kamo Home	31 Ford Avenue	Whangarei	0112
Mrs	K G	Kathleen	Thomas	Qualcare (Redwood) Limited	Room 18, 131 Cleghorn Street	Blenheim	7201
Mr	R F	Fletcher	Thomas	304 Maungaraki Road	Maungaraki	Lower Hutt	5010
Mrs	O R	Olive	Thompson	91 Harewood Road	Unit 9	Christchurch	8053
Mrs	E G	Betty	Thornley	Shalom Court, Unit 14	171 St John's Road	Auckland	1005
Mrs	M E	Mavis	Trebilco	60 Maranui Street	Flat 75	Mount Maunganui	3116
Mrs	M	Matilda	Tuimaseve	280 Marion Street	Bankstown	SYDNEY	2200
Mrs	S F	Stella	Watson	241A Port Hills Road	Heathcote Valley	Christchurch	8022
Mrs	H M	Hilda	Widdup	12 Malvern Way		Paraparaumu	5032
Mrs	E M M	Esther	Willing	8 Murray Avenue		Hawera	4610

Chronological List & Record of Years of Service

Of Presbyters & Deacons of the Methodist Church of New Zealand

NOTE: (See Resolution 2, p.8, 1977)

- (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 are listed from the year of their appointment by the Conference.
- (d) S = Supernumerary, R = Retired Deacon

A. Presbyters:		1957	Bell, G Basil W (S) Guthardt, Phyllis M (S) Kitchingman, Henry W (S) Mabon, John C F (S) Pullar, Beverley (S) Russell, Kenneth H (S) Taylor, Philip F (S)		Ungemuth, Shirley V (S)
1943	Grounds, Edmund D (S)			1965	Barnes, Stanley J (S) Chessum, William A (S) Clarke, Edwin B (S) Herbert, C Brice (S) Mackie, Bruce E (S) West, Norman J (S)
1946	Shepherd, Trevor (S)				
1947	Campbell, Michael J (S)				
1949	Baker, Edward (S) Burt, Douglas H (S)	1958	Dickinson, J Mervyn (S) Gilbert, Wilfred S (S) Lewis, Evan R (S)	1966	Alexander, Roy M (S) Prince, Donald F (S) Taylor, Keith J (S) West, Stanley J (S)
1950	Schroeder, Leonard P(S) Woodfield Frank H (S) Woodfield, Owen T (S)	1959	Bowen, Lewis A (S) Dine, Mervyn L (S) Goudge, Stanley R (S) Griffith, Keith C (S) Hosking, John S (S)	1967	Jamieson, Colin G (S) Pratt, David C (S)
1951	Gilbert, Geoffrey T (S) Stead, Peter A (S)			1968	Allan, Robert A (S) Hay, J Cedric (S) Hey, Roger J E (S) Leadley, Alan J McIver, Graeme M Meredith, John D (S) Phillipps, Donald J (S) Te Whare, Morehu (S)
1952	Gibson, Loyal J (S) Hall, John R (S)	1960	Gust, Warwick (S) Hanson, E Francis I (S) Hornblow, Maxwell A (S) Horrill, C Seton (S) Mullan, David S (S) Wedding, P Joan (S)		
1953	Baker, Frederick J K (S) Craig, Hughan M (S) McKay, Archibald W (S) Newman, Alan (S) Osborne, John H (S) Stubbs, David G (S)	1961	James, Russell E (S) Marshall, C Russell (S) Taylor, A Kerry (S) Wallace, William L (S)	1969	Alley, David R Brookes, Norman E (S) Corlett, Ashley I (S) Eagle, Brian R J Harkness, Barry G (S) Pate, Heremia (S) Rigby, Russell G Turner, Brian H
1954	Dickie, Arthur W (S) Hammond, George M (S) Heppelthwaite, Ernest (S) Rakena, Ruawai D (S) Rushton, Percy P (S) Watson, Alexander C (S)	1962	Bilverstone, John (S) Hawkey, Graham E (S) Jones, Barry E (S) Wakeling W J Douglas (S) Woodley, Alan K (S)		
1955	Abbott, William K (S) Bennett, Trevor L (S) Boyd, Edward P (S) Cable, Wilfred J (S) Goreham, Norman J (S) Tauroa, Lane M (S) Thornicroft, Neville (S)	1963	Ansell, David H (S) Browne, Wallis F Clarke, Ian L (S) Laws, Derek G (S) Miller-Taylor, Barbara I (S) Tucker, W Geoffrey (S)	1970	Smith, G Clive (S)
1956	Andrews, Robert S (S)	1964	Gerritsen, Hendrik (S) Neal, Barry W (S) Slinn, Stuart G (S)	1971	Blundell, Warren H (S) Salmon, John B (S)
				1971	Wright, Jack (S)
				1972	MacLeod, D Ian West, Peter J L (S)
				1973	Grant, Stuart C

1974	Roberts, John H	1986	Chandler, Clive H (S)	1998	Anderson, Bruce Gibson, Mark Palelei, Alalafaga
1975	Bell, Anthony N Jacobson, Patricia M (S) Moala, Taniela T (S) Sinclair, Paul F Tana, Diana A		Garner, Edna J (S) Allen-Goudge, Robyn D Pond, H David (S) Reid, Loraine J (S)	1999	Aumua, Tovia Hopner, Elizabeth (S) Nicholls, Val Taufui, Hausia Walters, Kathryn van de Geer, Jill
1976	Greer, Michael W White, Graeme R Webster, Alan C (S)	1987	Ambler, Mavis (S) Baker, Marcia J (S) Clover, Gary A M Kilikiti, Vaikoloa Ta'ufo'ou, Peni Mafi (S)	2000	Faleatua, Faleatua Hall, Margaret Hanscamp, Nigel Heimuli, Kilifi Loader, Vilma (S) Marsh, Janet Webster, Alexander
1978	Wall, Lynne J Wall, Terence W Upson, Alan R	1988	Hughson, Gregory A Trebilco, Paul R Westaway, Robyn E	2001	Cable, Alison Dymond, Michael Fogg, Jan Mann-Taito, Falaniko Molineux, Alison Tema, Stephen (S) Williamson, Peter
1979	Astley-Ford, H Mary (S) Bush, David J Ferguson, Robert A Greenwood, I Marie Short, Robert D (S) Stroobant, Anthony D	1989	Bruce, G Jean (S) Millar, M Anne Manu'atu, Lisiate F T (S) Nesbit, John B (S)	2002	Hardy, Marcia Paea, Holaktiu'akolo Pole, Siosifa Tupou, Tamata'ane
1980	Biggs, Donald F Cooper, K Desmond Cumberpatch, Lindsay E Egli, Bruno W (S) Elderton, William E (S) Murray, John S Telford, Gillian A (S)	1990	George, Norma J (S) Rolinson, David T H	2003	Calvert, Jan Cavit, Jacqui Donald, Margaret Fakatou, Motekiai Finau, Viliani Kinahoi-Veikune, Setaita
1981	Bell, David S Frith, Lynne O Noa, Nomani (S) Tugia, A Fa'aoso (S) Whaley, Graham H (S)	1991	Ancrum, Audrey P (S) Clifford, William J Manukia, Mosese Olsen, Kenneth W Taungapeau, 'Eveli Uasi, Langi'ila Yasa, Mike (S)	2004	Ieli, Paulo Sandiford Phelan, Ruth Stephens, Barbara (S) Tu'itupou, Molia
1982	Clarke, Lois R H (S) McNicol, Derek V (S) Ferguson, I W Leslie (S) Richards, Gillian M (S) Samoa Saleupolu, Aso T	1992	Fa'afuata, Iakopo Moa, Kepu Peterson, Brian C Peterson, Marion J (S)	2005	Devanandan, Prince Durrant, Jo Filiai, Taufa Gibbons, Sandra Grant, Cornelia Isaia, Limu Lasi, Tau Le Roux, Andre Webster, Alan K Woodward, Gillian
1983	Burnett, Margaret E (S) Dickinson, Audrey N (S) Kane, Graham A (S) Rosewell, Wendie (S) Sedon, Ashley J (S)	1993	Parkes, Judith (S) Te'o, Suiva'aia Thompson, Susan J Zanders, Gloria J (S)	2006	Barber, Laurie Judge, Alan Judge, Rachel Ngahe, 'Alifeleti Vaitu'ulala Pupulu, Utumau'u Taufa, Saikolone
1984	Abbott, Bryant S L (S) Elphick, Doris J Keesing, Neil R Springett, Margaret (S)	1994	Alaelua, Faiva Siulangapo, 'Inoke Tregurtha, Paul		
1985	Caygill, Mary E Rogers, Douglas I (S) Smith, Kenneth R Watkin, Gillian M Wicks, Raymond G (S)	1995	Kerr, Jessie (S) Osborn, Beverley (S) Stephenson, P Anne (S) Unasa, Uesifili Vickers, Ralph (S)		
		1996	Taufa, Samiuela (S) Tufuga, Fatuatia		
		1997	Abernethy, Gordon (S) 'Akauola-Tongotongo, Sylvia Manu, Tavake Morunga, Christina Dargaville, Anne (S)		

- 2007 Dye, Michael
Griffiths, Anne
Kinaera, Philomeno
Oh, Martin
Taufalele, Tevita
Taylor, Peter
Tikoinaka, Peni
- 2008 Barber, Petra
Bedford, Chris
Franklin, Tony
Lei'ataua, Tulaga Iosefa
Matangi, Aisea
Norman, Peter
Routledge, Rodney
'Uhila, 'Alipate
- 2009 Kim, Joohong
Nuku, Hiueni
Pope, Ikilifi
Poultney, David
Ratucoka, Apakuki
Tafuna, Metuisela
Gilkison, Anna
Aoina-Salesa, Ali'itasi
Sidal, Bob
Latu, Mele Suipi
Vaka'uta, Nasili

B. Deacons

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| 1979 | Evans, Edna E (R) | 1993 | Hunt, Stan (R) |
| 1982 | Birtles, Margaret
Hunt, P Anne (to '92)
Tregurtha, Rachel A (R) | 1995 | Westaway, Francis |
| 1983 | Cubin, Raewyn (R)
Higham, B June (R) | 1996 | McLeod, Malcolm C (R) |
| 1984 | Ramsay, B Anne (to '97) | 1998 | Williams, Richard |
| 1985 | Gibson, June L. (R) | | |
| 1986 | Barrow, Shirley-Joy
Hallam, Valma E
Hight, Dianne C
Reynolds, Elva M (R) | | |
| 1987 | Reid, Rita J (R)
Unasa-Su, Piula (R)
Wicks, Kay (R) | | |
| 1989 | Bryant, David M (R)
Bryant, Margaret I (R)
Dalton, R Harvey (R)
Fawkner, Brenda R N
Goodwin, Lorna J
Sulzbürger, Elva M J (R) | | |
| 1990 | McInnes, Jean I (R) | | |

Chronological List

*Of Presidents, Vice-Presidents & General Secretaries
of the Methodist Church of New Zealand*

Place	Year	President	Vice-President	General Secretary
Wellington	1913	Samuel Lawry	Hon. Charles M Luke	Charles H Laws, BA
Dunedin	1914	Samuel J Serpell	Ernest Rosevear	Charles H Laws, BA
Christchurch	1915	John Dawson	Henry Holland	William A Sinclair
Auckland	1916	Albert C Lawry	George Winstone	William A Sinclair
Wellington	1917	William A Sinclair	John Veale	Edward Drake
Dunedin	1918	Thomas A Joughin	Edwin Dixon	Edward Drake
Christchurch	1919	Harold E Bellhouse	J H Blackwell	Edward Drake
Auckland	1920	Edward Drake	E H Penny	Arthur Ashcroft
Wellington	1921	William Grigg	W Dobbs	Arthur Ashcroft
Auckland	1922	Charles H Laws, BA	L M Isitt, MP	Arthur Ashcroft
Dunedin	1923	Benjamin F Rothwell	H Field	Arthur Ashcroft
Christchurch	1924	Arthur Ashcroft	F Thompson	Adolphus N Scotter, BA
Wellington	1925	Thomas R Richards	H P Mourant	Adolphus N Scotter, BA
Dunedin	1926	Percy N Knight, BA	Sir Donald C Cameron	Adolphus N Scotter, BA
Auckland	1927	Harry Ranston, MA, LittD	J A Flesher, OBE	Adolphus N Scotter, BA
Christchurch	1928	William J Elliott	J W Shackelford	Adolphus N Scotter, BA
Auckland	1929	John F Goldie	Thomas P Hughson	Adolphus N Scotter, BA
Wellington	1930	Adolphus N Scotter, BA	Arch Peak	Jonathan H Haslam
Dunedin*	1931	Ernest D Patchett	Wm S Mackay	Jonathan H Haslam
Christchurch	1932	M. A. Rugby Pratt	J Voss	Jonathan H Haslam
Auckland	1933	Arthur J Seamer	S T S Martin	Jonathan H Haslam
Wellington	1934	Clarence Eaton	J T Johnson	William A Burley, MA
Dunedin	1935	Jonathan H Haslam	W Charles Francis	William A Burley, MA
Christchurch	1936	E Percy Blamires	Richard Hampton	William A Burley, MA
Auckland	1937	Fred Copeland	Henry R French	William A Burley, MA
Wellington	1938	Percy R Paris	John C Tietjens	William A Burley, MA
Christchurch	1939	Angus McBean	Mark Kershaw	William A Burley, MA
Dunedin	1940	Leslie B Neale, BA, FRGS	David J Wesney	William A Burley, MA
Auckland	1941	William A Burley, MA	Frank Penn, NDH (NZ)	William G Slade, MA
Wellington	1942	William Walker	G H Bransby Lill	William G Slade, MA
Christchurch	1943	Charles H Olds, BA	Hedley Oldham	William G Slade, MA
Auckland+	1944	Robert B Tinsley	Charlie E Bellringer	William G Slade, MA
Dunedin	1945	Arthur H Scrivin	William E Burley, BA	William G Slade, MA
Auckland	1946	William T Blight, BA, BD	James Tyler	William G Slade, MA
Wellington	1947	William G Slade, MA, BD	Gordon S Gapper	Herbert L Fiebig, BA
Christchurch	1948	E Thomas Olds	Harry H Johnson	Herbert I Fiebig, BA

Place	Year	President	Vice-President	General Secretary
Wellington**	1949	E Thomas Olds	Harry H Johnson	Herbert I Fiebig, BA
Napier (Nov)	1949	Henry J Odell	John B Beeche	Herbert I Fiebig, BA
Dunedin	1950	Eric W Hames, MA	Sidney E Chappell	Herbert L Fiebig, BA
Auckland	1951	George I Laurenson	James H Oldham	Herbert L Fiebig, BA
Nelson	1952	J Henry Allen	J Francis Southgate	Herbert L Fiebig, BA
Wellington	1953	Herbert L Fiebig, BA	Hugh M Patrick, MVO	Gordon R H Peterson
Christchurch	1954	Charlie O Hailwood	E Laurence F Buxton FNZIMLT	Gordon R H Peterson
Dunedin	1955	M Alexander McDowell, DD	Leonard A Davis	Gordon R H Peterson
Auckland	1956	Raymond Dudley, MA, DD, RRES	Sister Rita F Snowden	Gordon R H Peterson
Palmerston North	1957	David O Williams, MA, LittD	Philip A LeBrun, JP	Gordon R H Peterson
Christchurch	1958	Gordon R H Peterson	Allen A Dingwall	Athol R Penn
Wellington	1959	A Everil Orr, MBE	Magnus S Hughson	Athol R Penn
Invercargill	1960	Bernard M Chrystall, BA	Hubert de R Flesher, MA, LLB	Athol R Penn
Auckland	1961	E Clarence Leadley	Eric A Humphries	Athol R Penn
Christchurch	1962	Robert Thornley, MA	Frank M Souster	Athol R Penn
Wellington	1963	Athol R Penn	G Cyril Burton, MA	Howard E Harkness, MA, BD
Hamilton	1964	George H Goodman	Raynell C A Marshall	Howard E Harkness, MA, BD
Christchurch	1965	Arthur R Witheford, BA	Russell T Garlick, LLB	Howard E Harkness, MA, BD
Auckland	1966	Ashleigh K Petch, BA	Huia W Beaumont, MA, DipEd(NZ)	William R Laws; MA, BD
Dunedin	1967	John D Grocott, BA	William E Donnelly, MBE	William R Laws; MA, BD
New Plymouth	1968	William R Francis; BA, BD	E Alan Crothall	William R Laws; MA, BD
Wellington	1969	John J Lewis; MA, BD, PhD	H Clifford Vince	William R Laws; MA, BD
Christchurch	1970	Wilfred F Ford; BA	Cedric B Radcliffe; MSc	William R Laws; MA, BD
Wellington	1971	R Frederick Clement; MA	N Patrick Alcorn; MSc	William R Laws; MA, BD
Whangarei	1972	W Selwyn Dawson; MA	E Clifford Flyger	William R Laws; MA, BD
Christchurch	1973	William R Laws; MA, BD	Eric G Heggie; M Comm, ACA	Leslie R M Gilmore; BA (Acting)
Auckland	1974	William J Morrison; MA	Archibald C Barrington; F.S.I.S	William R Laws; MA, BD
Turangawaewae Marae, Ngaruawahia	1975	Ruawai D Rakena; BA	E Geoffrey Hill; M.P.S.	William R Laws; MA, BD
Wellington	1976	Peter A Stead; BA	Vera I Dowie	William R Laws; MA, BD
Christchurch	1977	John A Penman; MA	Thomas G M Spooner; MA	Alan K Woodley; BA
Hamilton	1978	D Bruce Gordon; MA	Charles B Fenwick	Alan K Woodley; BA
Auckland	1979	Ian C E Ramage; MA	Stewart J Collis	Alan K Woodley; BA
Wellington	1980	Loyal J Gibson	Sister Rona W Collins	Alan K Woodley; BA
Christchurch	1981	Edmund D Grounds	Graham B Keightley	Alan K Woodley; BA
Napier	1982	Percy P Rushton; BA, BD	Allan K Surrey, JP, A.N.Z.I.M	Alan K Woodley; BA

Place	Year	President	Vice-President	General Secretary
Takapuna	1983	Geoffrey E Hill, MPS	Albert A Grundy; MA	Alan K Woodley; BA
Blenheim	1984	E Francis I Hanson; BA, BD	Joyce K Dey	Alan K Woodley; BA
New Plymouth	1985	Phyllis M Guthardt; MA, PhD	Kenneth M Fay	Alan K Woodley; BA
Manurewa	1986	Donald J Phillipps; BA, BD	Lani Tupu; BA, A.C.I.S JP	Alan K Woodley; BA
Nelson	1987	Morehu Te Whare	Patricia M Teague	Stanley J West
Palmerston North	1988	Eric H Laurenson; ANZIA	Edith J Little; JP	Stanley J West
Wellington	1989	Barry E Jones; BA	T Kilifi Heimuli; Q.S.M	Stanley J West
Dunedin	1990	Bruce Scammell	Fletcher Thomas	Stanley J West
Wanganui	1991	Margaret E Burnett; BSc, DipAppSocSc	Alan Bettany	Stanley J West
Auckland	1992	B Keith Rowe; BA, BD, STM (Union NY), STD (San Fran)	Barbara Lawrence	Stanley J West
Christchurch	1993	Mervyn L Dine	Margaret Drake	Stanley J West
Whangarei	1994	Dr R Garth Cant	Gillian A Telford MANZ	Stanley J West
Hamilton	1995	S Tavake Tupou; ThDip, DipMin, LTh	Jill van de Geer	Stanley J West
Auckland	1996	Stanley J West	Ruth Silverstone	Donald J Phillipps (Acting)
Wellington	1997	Norman E Brookes; MA	Susau Strickland	Stanley J West
Christchurch	1998	Margaret E Hamilton	John Salmon; MA, ThM (Princeton), Phd, LTh, STh, CA (retired), ACCM	Stanley J West
Auckland	1999	David Bush; BSc	Nicola Grundy	Jill van de Geer; BTheol, LTh, LTCL
Hamilton	2000	Mary Caygill; LTh, RTGN, DMin (SFTS), DipSocWork	John Thornley	Jill van de Geer
Manukau – Sinoti Samoa	2001	Asofia T Samoa Saleupolu, DipTropAgr, LTh	Andrea Williamson	Jill van de Geer
Christchurch	2002	Norman West	Heather Walls	Jill van de Geer
Wellington	2003	Lynne Frith; BTheol, Dip Theol (Otago)	David McGeorge; MBA, DMin	Jill van de Geer
Auckland	2004	Ron Malpass, JP	Kenneth Smith; LTh	Jill van de Geer
Christchurch ++	2005	John Salmon; MA, ThM (Princeton), Phd, LTh, STh, CA(retired), ACCM	Mary West	Jill van de Geer
Rotorua	2006	John Salmon; MA, ThM (Princeton), Phd, LTh, STh, CA(retired), ACCM	Mary West	Jill van de Geer
Wellington	2007	Brian Turner; MA (Hons), DipRE (Melb)	Barbara Peddie; BSc (Hons), Phd, BTheol, PGDipTheol (Dist)	Jill van de Geer
Manukau	2008	Jill van de Geer; TTC, LTCL (organ performance), LTh, BTheol (Melb) (1998)	Ron Gibson; BA, Dip Tching, Dip Soc Sci, Dip Ed, Cert Social Wrk	David Bush; BSc

* William Greenslade, President-Elect, because of illness was unable to assume Office. Died 19th August 1931

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++ John Salmon and Mary West elected for two years as Conference was unable to bring any recommendation for either office.

In Memoriam

Ministers & Probationers

Ministers and Probationers who have exercised Ministry in New Zealand and were still in the Methodist Ministry at the date of their death.

The following list of our honoured dead has been compiled by direction of Conference. As some entries are incomplete any information concerning errors or omissions would be appreciated and can be sent to P O Box 931, Christchurch 8140, New Zealand.

Name of Minister	Birthplace	Year of Birth	Entered Ministry	Date of Death	Place of Burial / Cremation
Abbey, William H E	Melbourne	1883	1907	8 Aug 1944	Fawkner, Melbourne
Abernethy, Christopher	Shetland Islands	1845	1879	29 Apr 1927	Christchurch
Aldred John	Suffolk, England	1818	1839	14 Jan 1894	Christchurch
Allen, Alexander	Christchurch, NZ	1884	1910	8 May 1918	France
Allen, James Henry	Normanby, NZ	1891	1922	6 Dec 1955	Whangarei
Allen, Robert Henry	Kawakawa	1921	1944	16 Apr 1993	Christchurch
Alley, Donald C	Clinton	1906	1932	Jun 1942	Lost at Sea
Amituaua'i, Siauala Tevita	Samoa	1931	1973	10 Dec 1990	Auckland
Andrews, Stanley George	Carterton	1915	1947	12 Mar. 1996	Auckland
Armitage, John	Leeds, England	1834	1875	29 Apr 1881	Drowned in 'Tararua'
Armstrong, David	Greymouth	1916	1963	26 April 2008	North Shore
Ashcroft, Arthur	Lancashire, England	1869	1895	15 Dec 1943	Palmerston North
Attwood, Arthur Francis	England	1900	1947	10 Apr 1993	Waihi
Avery, William W	Blenheim	1878	1906	15 Mar 1954	Christchurch
Ayrton, Moses	Yorkshire, England	1879	1924	3 Oct 1950	Wellington
Bailey, John H	Oldham, England	1895	1924	2 Mar 1983	Cremated, North Shore
Bailey, Samuel	Staffordshire, Eng	1872	1901	27 Oct 1949	Wellington
Barley, Charles E	Fincham, England	1851	1874	5 Oct 1888	Hawera
Bateup, Frank	Patea, New Zealand	1884	1924	29 Nov 1962	Hamilton East
Batley, Percy	Yorkshire, England	1886	1913	12 Jul 1923	New Plymouth
Baumber, William	Lincolnshire, Eng	1852	1876	8 Sept 1932	Christchurch
Bavin, Rainsford	Lincolnshire, Eng	1845	1866	2 Aug 1905	Gore Hill, N.S.W.
Baxter, Matthew	Cumberland, Eng	1812	1831	1 May 1893	Oxford, Canterbury
Beck, William Henry	Sussex, England	1837	1869	20 Nov 1922	Blenheim
Beckett, William	Fitzroy (Vic)	1870	1898	21 Feb 1956	Springvale (Vic)
Beckingsale, George E	Christchurch	1910	1936	23 Jun 1983	Purewa, Auckland
Beecroft, Charles E	Lowestoft, Suffolk	1844	1870	17 Nov 1913	Auckland
Bell, Charles Harrison	New Plymouth	1912	1941	11 Oct 1993	Matamata
Bell, Ronald Graham	Hamilton	1922	1944	15 June 1995	Auckland
Bellhouse, Harold E	Leeds, Eng	1869	1894	4 Oct 1948	Auckland
Benning, Job	Wednesbury, Eng	1858	1905	22 Nov 1915	Waikouaiti
Bennett, Enid	Waihi	1931	1967	21 Feb 2006	Tairua
Bennett, George	Hamilton	1932	1956	13 Feb 2003	Auckland
Benny, Henry	Broadfield	1888	1921	16 Dec 1956	New Plymouth
Benny, Ralph	Timaru	1922	1949	11 Dec 2004	Ashburton
Bensley, Arthur A	Sydenham, Chch	1884	1913	26 Feb 1974	Auckland
Berry, Joseph	Preston, England	1846	1865	9 July 1907	Payneham, S. Aust
Besant, H David, BA, BD	Isle of Sheppey, Eng	1926	1951	13 Feb 1983	Timaru
Best, Edward	Newry, Ireland	1824	1848	18 Nov 1900	Auckland

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Billinghurst, Noel Dunkley	Rangiwahia	1928	1954	1 July 2004	Waitara
Binet, Vincent Le C	Channel Islands	1883	1914	10 Jan 1943	Auckland
Blair, Charles	Creswick, Victoria	1881	1907	4 Sept 1972	Christchurch
Blakemore, Albert	Leicester, England	1886	1923	13 Feb 1979	Nelson
Blamires, Edgar Percy	Melbourne, Australia	1878	1900	16 Mar 1967	Auckland
Blamires, Ernest O	Warrnabool, Victoria	1881	1904	6 Jun 1963	Auckland
Blamire, Henry L	Bendigo, Vic, Australia	1971	1896	18 Aug 1965	Auckland
Blight, J Montgomery	Temuka, NZ	1902	1930	10 May 1972	Matamata
Blight, Joseph	Clare, South Aust	1858	1887	24 Oct 1933	Auckland
Blight, William T, BA, BD Melb	Dargaville	1892	1917	22 Aug 1983	Christchurch
Bond, George	Durham, England	1848	1871	6 Nov 1931	Auckland
Bowie, William S	Scarsdale, Victoria	1865	1896	19 Dec 1914	Victoria
Brasell, H Maurice	Masterton, NZ	1910	1949	9 Jul 1953	Napier
Brazendale, Graham	Carterton, NZ	1931	1961	15 Aug 2002	Auckland
Brooke, Thomas G	Berkshire, England	1849	1879	31 Aug 1931	Auckland
Brooks, Leslie A G	Christchurch	1894	1922	25 Feb 1964	Hamilton
Brown, Clifford G	Dargaville	1917	1943	6 Apr 1981	Opunake
Brown, F Gardner	Seacliff, Port Chmrs	1895	1925	7 July 1987	
Brown, George	Barnard Castle, Eng	1835	1860	8 Apr 1917	Gore Hill, N.S.W.
Brown, Geroge E	Dunedin	1889	1916	23 Jan 1973	Hamilton
Brown, Harold K	Matamata (H.B)	1914	1941	13 Jun 1987	Christchurch
Brown, Hubert G	Murchison	1899	1924	16 Oct 1979	Christchurch
Bruce, Dougal H C	Gourock, Scotland	1932	1976	22 Apr 1986	Cremated Hamilton
Bruce, Maxwell Lawrence	Christchurch	1936	1964	1 Dec 1990	Auckland
Buddle, Thomas	Durham, England	1812	1835	26 Jun 1883	Auckland
Bull, Henry	Middlesex, England	1843	1868	1 Aug 1919	Christchurch
Buller, James	Cornwall, England	1812	1837	6 Nov 1884	Christchurch
Bumby, John Hewgill	Thirsk, England	1808	1830	26 Jun 1840	Drowned, Hauraki Gulf
Bunn, Robert Smith	Dublin, Ireland	1835	1860	22 Jun 1907	Sydney, N.S.W.
Burley, William A; MA	Otago	1885	1910	20 May 1969	Hamilton
Burnet, Oswald	Woodend, Nth Cant	1888	1914	4 Mar 1960	Christchurch
Burrough, Amos	Picton	1925	2005	18 Dec 2005	Feilding
Burton, John W	Lazenby, Yorks, Eng	1875	1897	22 May 1970	Northern Suburbs, N.S.W
Burton, Ormond E; MA, MC	Auckland	1893	1935	7 Jan 1974	Otaki
Burton, Restel Albert	Isle of Wight, Eng	1925	1974	30 Jan 2001	England
Buttle, George	Yorkshire, England	1810	1838	10 Jul 1874	Auckland
Buttle, Joseph Newman	Waipa, New Zealand	1850	1878	23 Dec 1914	Christchurch
Bycroft, Leslie Frank	Cambridge	1918	1944	15 July 1993	Te Puke
Cannell, William	Manchester, Eng	1836	1861	8 Sept 1921	New Plymouth
Carr, W E Allon	Wellington	1906	1931	16 Jul 1992	Auckland
Carr, Thomas Goodwill	Eastwood, Notts, Eng	1846	1871	2 Aug 1935	Auckland
Carr, Thomas H	Masterton	1905	1931	19 Dec 1977	Auckland
Carter, George G	Invercargill	1922	1951	Oct 1990	Auckland
Caygill, Bruce Allott	Christchurch	1920	1985	16 Sept 1995	Christchurch
Chambers, Ernest Bernard	Northamptonshire, Eng	1892	1919	22 Feb 1967	Auckland
Chambers, Wesley Albert	Inglewood	1921	1944	4 Aug 1993	Auckland
Chapman, James G	London, England	1865	1889	30 Dec 1925	Wellington
Chapman, Wallace C	Levuka, Fiji	1944	1969	1 Sept 1992	Hamilton
Chappell, Albert B; MA	Southsea, England	1872	1896	28 Aug 1942	Auckland

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Christian, Owen L	Christchurch	1915	1960	17 Feb 1986	Christchurch
Chrystall, Berand M; BA	Foxton	1909	1933	4 Sept 1974	Auckland
Churchill, John	Northwood, England	1909	1937	5 Nov 1972	Auckland
Clark, Colin Doddsworth	Hamilton	1921	1950	14 Mar 2001	Porirua
Clark, James R	Maysbury, Bucks, Eng	1854	1906	1 Aug 1928	Christchurch
Clement, R Frederick	Hamilton	1916	1942	6 Sep 1982	Auckland
Clement, George	Yorkshire, England	1860	1887	4 Oct 1948	Dunedin
Clements, Leslie Colin	Christchurch	1914	1938	25 May 1995	Auckland
Climo, Frederick John	Rata, Rangitikei	1910	1958	22 Apr 1994	Auckland
Clover, James	Suffolk, England	1850	1874	7 Dec 1919	Hamilton
Clucas, Ivan	Christchurch	1924	1951	9 Apr 2005	Tauranga
Coatsworth, Thomas	Durham, England	1877	1902	21 Mar 1953	Palmerston North
Cochrane, Herbert A	Christchurch	1909	1939	3 Jun 1987	Christchurch
Cocker, James	Derbyshire, England	1862	1890	6 Mar 1935	Masteron
Colley, William	Strensall, York, Eng	1827	1850	21 Sept 1871	Adelaide, S.A.
Collins, Alan F	Kaipoi	1916	1942	2 Sept 1959	Dunedin
Conway, James Hay	Whangamomona	1915	1960	26 Jul 1993	Tauranga
Cook, George S	Braidwood, N.S.W.	1863	1901	23 Feb 1945	Otaki
Cook, Elizabeth	London, England	1938	1994	19 Jun 1998	Auckland
Cooke, Percy I	Blenheim, NZ	1885	1915	24 Jun 1970	Auckland
Copeland, Fred	Waikato, NZ	1880	1905	19 Sep 1970	Auckland
Cornwell, Gordon A R	Kaitia	1922	1949	17 May 2004	Auckland
Cossum, Percy J	Kent, England	1869	1897	9 Sep 1933	Wellington
Costain, Alfred Moore	Isle of Man	1890	1917	16 Feb 1975	Nelson
Cottom, Harry	Birmingham, Eng	1879	1909	10 Feb 1963	Springston
Couch, Moke Albert George	Lyttleton	1927	1968	9 Sept 2007	Rapaki
Cramond, George W	Dunedin	1915	1943	20 Nov 1989	Leeston
Crawford, Samuel J	Londonderry, Ireland	1906	1932	13 Oct 1989	Tauranga
Creed, Charles	Somerset, England	1812	1837	18 Feb 1879	Rookwood, N.S.W.
Cropp, Allan H	Australia	1891	1921	1 Jan 1971	Lismore, N.S.W.
Cropp, James F	Lower Hutt, NZ	1933	1957	6 Jan 2007	Christchurch
Crump, John	Kingsland Herefordshire	1828	1857	28 May 1912	Stoke, Nelson
Currie, John B	Hastings	1939	1962	15 Oct 2004	
Daglish, John Ainsley	Stanley, Durham	1908	1933	14 Nov 1967	Wellington
Daniel, Herbert	London, England	1881	1906	21 Feb 1939	Matamata
Darvill, Harold Alfred	Taihape	1914	1941	2 Jan 1987	Auckland (cremated)
Dawson, John	Keighly, Yorks, Eng	1859	1888	13 Sept 1925	Wellington
Dawson, John Brant,	Gisborne, NZ	1915	1940	1 Jan 2000	Christchurch
Dawson, William Selwyn	Dunedin, NZ	1918	1943	12 Nov 2000	Auckland
Dawson, William	Northumberland, Eng	1865	1894	25 Jul 1906	Christchurch
Day, Reginald	Wimborne, Dorset, Eng	1905	1932	16 Jan 1988	
Dean, William John	Hereford, England	1826	1854	9 Sept 1905	Wellington
Dellow, John	Kent, England	1851	1879	21 Nov 1897	Woodend
Dent, Tom	England	1888	1917	1959	Wales, U.K.
Dennis, John	Otago, New Zealand	1885	1917	25 Aug 1969	Auckland
Dewsbury, Henry R	Alloa, Scotland	1849	1871	18 Jun 1926	Auckland
Dickens, Charles E	Belfast, Christchurch	1902	1929	26 Nov 1974	Christchurch
Divers, W Lloyd	Dunedin	1921	1947	14 Oct 1966	Medford, Oregon, U.S.
Dixon, Haddon	Bunnythorpe	1913	1940	18 Sep 1990	Wellington

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Dorrian, Arthur Peter	Shannon, NZ	1902	1945	12 Sept 1977	Feilding
Drake, Edward	Staffordshire, England	1868	1893	28 Apr 1953	Christchurch
Draper, Joseph C	Teddington, England	1903	1930	24 Feb 1969	Auckland
Duder, Clifford L	Christchurch	1908	1935	20 Oct 1988	Blenheim
Dudley, Ben	London	1873	1898	1 Jan 1948	Christchurch
Dudley, Raymond; MA, DD, FRES	Suva, Fiji	1904	1931	10 Dec 1963	Napier
Dukes, John	Staffordshire, England	1845	1880	16 Aug 1919	Manurewa, Auckland
Dumbell, John	Isle of Man	1830	1852	28 Oct 1923	Wellington
Eaton, Clarence	Auckland	1878	1901	26 Aug 1949	Christchurch
Eisner, Wilfred G.	Germany	1922	1948	1 June 2002	Tauranga
Eketone, Hone	Kawhia	1828	1857	1862	Mokau
Eketone, James Heke	Otorohanga	1929	1984	20 Oct 1991	
Elliott, William J	Waikato	1866	1893	16 Aug 1946	Auckland
Ellis, Henry	Bundoran, Ireland	1828	1877	17 Jun 1879	Woodend
Emmitt, Ernest S; MC	Hull, England	1879	1903	4 Jun 1944	Auckland
Enticott, Walter J	Lewisham, England	1880	1911	23 Jun 1969	Auckland
Evans, Matthew Joseph	Thames, NZ	1882	1912	3 May 1920	Auckland
Falkingham, Wilfred	Christchurch	1917	1943	30 Oct 1999	Christchurch
Fairclough, Paul W	South Australia	1852	1874	17 Apr 1917	Christchurch
Featherston, Jacob	Weardale, England	1864	1901	23 Jun 1951	Christchurch
Fee, Thomas	County Down, Ireland	1850	1878	18 Apr 1940	Christchurch
Fellows, Samuel B	Derbyshire, England	1858	1888	21 Oct 1933	Mt Barker, W.Aust.
Fiebig, Herbert L; BA	Wellington	1899	1924	31 Mar 1974	Christchurch
Fletcher, Joseph Horner	St Vincent, West Indies	1823	1847	30 Jun 1890	Rookwood, N.S.W.
Fletcher, William; BA	Granada, West Indies	1829	1856	20 Jun 1881	Rookwood, N.S.W.
Ford, Thomas Herbert	Latchford, England	1882	1919	28 Nov 1962	Christchurch
Ford, Wilfred Franklin	Christchurch	1920	1950	12 Oct 1999	Hamilton
Fordyce, Robert E	London	1894	1916	6 Sept 1981	New Plymouth
Foston, Charles A	Lincolnshire	1870	1914	4 Jun 1944	Levin
Fowles, Albert H	Davenham, England	1885	1911	7 Apr 1963	Christchurch
Fowler, Irwin J	Bunnythorpe, NZ	1920	1957	14 Dec 2007	Auckland
Francis, William Robert	Christchurch	1912	1937	20 Nov 1994	Auckland
Frost, George	Suffolk, England	1866	1893	29 Mar 1944	Auckland
Garland, Charles H	London, England	1857	1881	4 Nov 1918	Auckland
Garlick, Samuel J	Greenwich, England	1848	1876	27 Aug 1917	Wellington
Gatman, William	Hull, England	1884	1919	21 Sept 1960	Auckland
George, Ronald Leslie	Auckland	1924	1952	20 Aug 1991	Otaki
Gibson, Samuel J	Woolongong, N.S.W.	1859	1881	2 Dec 1940	Rookwood N.S.W.
Gilmore, Leslie R M; BA	Pukekohe	1915	1940	18 Jul 1982	Pukekohe
Gilmour, Matthew K	Inverary, Scotland	1872	1899	22 Jul 1962	Cremated
Ginger, Barton H	Watford, England	1861	1885	27 Jan 1914	Lower Hutt
Gittos, William	Durham, England	1829	1856	26 May 1916	Auckland
Goldie, John F	Hobart	1870	1897	29 Jun 1954	Melbourne
Goodman, George Harrison	Nelson	1908	1934	6 June 1994	Auckland
Gordon, Aldwyn Remington; MA	St Leonards, NZ	1890	1915	26 Aug 1918	France
Gordon, David Bruce	Hamilton, NZ	1926	1950	22 July 1998	Auckland
Gosnell, Robert B	Sydney, N.S.W.	1882	1912	20 Aug 1944	Ashburton
Grant, Ian D	Wellsford	1921	1956	14 Oct 2004	Papamoa
Graves, Norma M	Dunedin	1930		10 Nov 1989	Dunedin

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Gray, Joseph Henry	Jersey, England	1841	1878	3 Jan 1902	Karori
Green, William	Cheshire, England	1888	1914	15 Jul 1966	Cremated
Greening, G Kingsley	Richmond, Nelson	1927	1959	19 Sep 1974	Christchurch
Greenslade, Lawrence	Dunedin	1915	1940	24 Sep 1981	Auckland
Greenslade, William	Nelson, New Zealand	1875	1900	19 Aug 1931	Christchurch
Greenslade, William W H	Roxburgh	1907	1931	Jan 1989	Wellington
Greenwood, Fred	England	1868	1897	18 Oct 1956	Wellington
Grice, Reginald	Fibshelf, England	1903	1939	8 Apr 1986	Cambridge
Griffin, Cornelius	Oldbury, England	1851	1876	17 Jun 1929	Auckland
Griffin, John Wesley	Ireland	1854	1894	6 Jan 1932	Auckland
Griffin, Thomas N	Whitehaven, England	1853	1880	20 Aug 1924	Christchurch
Griffith, Samuel	London, England	1859	1882	19 Dec 1937	Auckland
Grigg, William	Cornwall, England	1862	1888	3 Oct 1951	Christchurch
Grocott, John D; BA	Oamaru	1902	1928	25 Nov 1983	Christchurch
Grundy, Albert A	Lyttelton	1934	1960	22 Aug 1987	Christchurch
Guy, James	Kent, England	1855	1875	6 Mar 1934	Christchurch
Haddon, Robert Tahupotiki	Taranaki	1866	1900	5 Nov 1936	Normanby
Hailwood, Charlie O	Huntly	1904	1928	26 Nov 1991	Hamilton
Hall, Allen Harry	Timaru	1918	1947	23 Jul 2004	Brisbane (Australia)
Hall, James H	Invercargill	1901	1923	5 Nov 1963	Auckland
Hames, Eric W	Takapuna	1897	1923	7 Oct 1984	Auckland
Hamlin, Richard John	Palmerston North	1930	1958	1 Oct 2003	Palmerston North
Hammond, Thomas Godfrey	Richmond, Nelson	1846	1874	15 Dec 1926	Putaruru
Hana, Piripi	Wellington	--	1856	1857	Auckland
Handy, Francis J	Birmingham, England	1900	1928	20 Jan 1961	Otahuhu
Handyside, Allan James	Masterton	1917	1952	19 Jul 1996	Wellington
Handyside, Gwenda	Wellington	1940	1987	9 Jan 2000	Wellington
Hanna, Leslie Gordon	Auckland	1911	1935	11 Jul 1975	Auckland
Harding, Arthur	Ludlow, Shrops, Eng	1861	1887	25 Nov 1938	Lower Hutt
Harding, Issac	Wanstron, England	1815	1836	17 Jul 1897	Toowong, Queensland
Harkness, Edwin S	Bendigo, Victoria, Aust	1878	1916	21 Apr 1966	Auckland
Harkness, Howard E; MA, BD	Haapai, Tonga	1914	1938	6 Dec 1981	Cremated, Hastings
Harper, George S	Yorkshire, England	1840	1864	24 Sept 1911	Palmerston North
Harris, Archer O	Christchurch	1885	1910	10 Dec 1965	Christchurch
Harris, Francis Thomas	Christchurch	1888	1914	19 Apr 1933	Christchurch
Harris, G Raymond	Te Kowhai	1900	1926	8 July 1981	Auckland
Harris, John	Cornwall, Eng	1874	1905	27 Aug 1936	Christchurch
Harris, Walter	Warwickshire, Eng	1848	1872	9 Mar 1926	Christchurch
Harrison, Colin C	Allendale, Eng	1867	1893	22 Nov 1943	Wellington
Haslam, Jonathan H	Christchurch, NZ	1874	1900	19 Oct 1969	Waimate
Hauraki, Hana	Omanaia, Hokianga	1931	1979	7 July 1999	Omanaia, Hokianga
Haylock, Donald C	Bradford, England	1913	1946	30 Jul 1954	Auckland
Hayman, Leslie A D	Waimate	1909	1939	16 Jul 1985	London
Hemara, Hemara Theo	Waima, Hokianga	1929	1980	2 Jul 1994	Kauri, Northland
Hemmes, Lynnette R	Te Aroha	1939	1987	20 Nov 1987	Te Aroha
Henderson, Samuel	Armagh, Ireland	1865	1894	28 Apr 1942	New Plymouth
Henderson, William John	Dunedin	1900	1960	16 Oct 1976	Waipawa
Heretini, Te Tuhi	Whirinaki	1857	1896	9 Oct 1933	Whirinaki
Hickman, J Donald	Tinwald, Cant.	1896	1932	3 Sept 1974	Christchurch

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Hilder, Basil James	Kawakawa	1924	1948	18 Sept 2003	Gisborne
Hinton, George B	Durham, Eng	1884	1912	10 Mar 1965	Auckland
Hobbs, John	Kent Eng	1800	1824	24 Jun 1883	Auckland
Hoddinott, Ernest Sydney	Hawera	1911	1938	16 May 1967	Wellington
Hopper, Arthur	Christchurch, NZ	1896	1911	28 Mar 1968	Hastings
Hopper, Herbert Ian Kirk; BA	Tauranga, NZ	1911	1936	6 May 1997	Christchurch
Horwood, Leonard Charles	Bristol, England	1901	1929	11 Oct 1990	Auckland
Hosking, James Alfred	Coromandel, NZ	1872	1896	1 Oct 1924	Otahuhu
Hounsell, George	Dorset, England	1839	1879	3 March 1906	Gisborne, NZ
Hudson, Lewis	London	1855	1879	13 Apr 1922	Auckland
Hunt, George P	Rongotea	1875	1900	29 Jan 1964	Auckland
Innes, Jonathan	Newcastle-on-Tyne, Eng	1809	1845	6 May 1864	Nelson, NZ
Ironside, Samuel	Sheffield, England	1814	1937	24 Apr 1897	Hobart, Tasmania
Isitt, Francis Whitmore	Bedford, England	1846	1870	11 Nov 1916	Dunedin
Ivory, Arthur H; LLB, BComm	Wellington	1901	1942	Jun 1981	Mangaroa
Jack, J Francis	Palmerston, NZ	1893	1922	8 Sept 1961	Auckland
James, Benjamin J	Victoria	1874	1903	20 Jul 1955	Christchurch
Jamieson, Victor Roy	Lower Hutt	1904	1932	11 May 1968	Hamilton
Jefferson, Alfred E	Bairnsdale, Victoria	1888	1919	27 Mar 1980	Purewa, Auckland
Jenkin, William C	Penzance, Cornwall	1903	1932	Mar 1986	Woodville
Johnston, Andrew	Marton	1904	1934	12 Jun 1986	Dunedin
Jolly, Albert	Preston, England	1913	1943	25 Jan 1975	Waihi
Jones, Alan Osmond	Hokianga	1909	1940	18 Jun 1995	Wanganui
Jones, Peter W	Cheshire, England	1846	1876	2 Dec 1929	Feilding
Jones, T Francis	South Wales	1853	1882	16 May 1943	Auckland
Jordan, Charles B; MA, BD, FRES	Motueka, NZ	1880	1908	19 Oct 1953	Stoke, Nelson
Jory, John D	Cornwall, England	1846	1874	18 Jun 1935	Auckland
Joughin, Thomas A	Isle of Man	1863	1887	10 Jan 1942	Auckland
Kakuere, Hori	Mangere	1863	1911	21 Aug 1938	Pukekohe
Keall, Robert Purcell	Richmond, Nelson	1875	1899	16 Dec 1971	Wellington
Keall, William	Holbeach, Lincolnshire	1838	1869	31 Aug 1906	Palmerston North
Keast, William Henry	Cornwall, England	1849		18 Oct 1880	Christchurch
Keck, Henry (Harry) A G	Strathloddon (Vic)	1883	1907	1960	Springvale (Vic)_
Keightley, Clifford John	Te Aroha	1922	1949	25 Jul 1997	Christchurch
Kendon, Charles H	Jamaica	1889	1916	18 Feb 1979	New Plymouth
Kent, Arthur T	Christchurch	1904	1929	14 Mar 1983	Tauranga
Kings, Harry Stanley	England	1890	1924	19 Jun 1968	Levin
Kirk, William	Owston, Lincs, England	1825	1846	19 May 1915	Wellington
Kitchingman, Owen Arthur	New Plymouth	1925	1956	6 Jun 1993	Ashburton
Knight, Percy N; BA	Norwood, Australia	1867	1889	16 Aug 1944	Auckland
Kukutai, Ngatete; MBE	Te Kohanga	1878	1941	2 Aug 1966	Taupiri
Kuri, Te Hori	Hokianga	1828	1879	6 May 1891	Hokianga
Langley, John	Surrey, England	1923	1961	14 Oct 2007	Picton
Larsen, Norman P	Wairoa	1900	1927	17 Jun 1981	Hastings
Laurenson, George I	Palmerston North	1902	1927	7 Jun 1988	Auckland
Law, John	Lancashire, England	1841	1868	1 Aug 1908	Auckland
Lawrence, Frederick B	London	1883	1912	16 Jul 1959	Nelson
Lawry, Albert Charles	Auckland	1862	1885	21 Jun 1940	Christchurch

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Lawry, Samuel	Cornwall, England	1854	1877	26 Jul 1933	Christchurch
Lawry, Walter	Cornwall, England	1793	1817	30 Mar 1859	Parramatta, N.S.W
Laws, Charles H; BA, BD	Newcastle-on-Tyne Eng	1867	1887	8 Feb 1958	Auckland
Laws, William Robert	Napier	1914	1938	6 Jul 1992	Christchurch
Laycock, William	Lancashire, England	1858	1884	13 Nov 1927	Christchurch
Leadley, Colin	Ashburton	1937	1986	26 Feb 2008	Ashburton
Leadley, Ernest Clarence	Rocesterm, England	1905	1930	9 July 2000	Auckland
Leadley, Frank E	Yorkshire, England	1876	1900	25 Jul 1964	Auckland
Leary, Gordon	Ilford, England	1915	1976	1 Jan 2005	Christchurch
LeCouteur, E Raymond	Manawatu	1917	1953	15 Oct 1992	Christchurch
Lee, William	Yorkshire, England	1841	1864	12 Nov 1925	Auckland
Leigh, Samuel	Milton, England	1788	1812	2 May 1852	Reading, England
Lewis, John James	Abergavenney, Wales	1844	1870	12 Jun 1931	Auckland
Lewis, John James	Utiku, King Country	1917	1942	25 May 2000	Auckland
Liddell, Ralph J	Ballarat, Australia	1872	1903	21 Jul 1948	Auckland
Little, Edith	Dunedin	1924	1979	29 Jun 2007	Lower Hutt, Wellington
Liversedge, Arthur	Barnsley, Yorks, Eng	1874	1898	31 Dec 1948	Christchurch
Lochore, John Alexander	Westland, NZ	1869	1895	2 Jun 1931	Dunedin
Long, Joseph	Carlisle, England	1818	1843	24 Feb 1892	Auckland
Long, Wesley L	Onewhero	1902	1938	16 Aug 1946	Paeroa
Lucas, Campbell Percival	Dannevirke	1912	1939	23 Aug 2004	Matamata
Luke, James Henry	St Just, Cornwall, Eng	1860	1881	22 Nov 1884	Wellington
Luxford, John A; CMG	Hutt, New Zealand	1854	1876	28 Jan 1921	Auckland
Luxton, Clarence T J	Southbrook, Cant, NZ	1907	1935	19 Nov 1979	Auckland
Lyth, Richard Burdsall; MRCA	Yorkshire, England	1810	1836	27 Feb 1887	York, England
McArthur, John D	Christchurch	1880	1909	3 Mar 1961	Blenheim
Macfarlane, Samuel	Liverpool, England	1828	1852	25 Jun 1898	Christchurch
Manihera, John Ian Te Taw	Ngaruawhai	1942	1966	20 Sept 1994	Taupiri Mountain
Mann, George Henry	Yorkshire, England	1868	1894	26 Oct 1918	Gore
Marshall, Edward Major	Eketahuna	1905	1948	15 Sept 2000	Auckland
Marshall, George T	Warwickshire, England	1853	1883	2 Aug 1938	Auckland
Marten, William Benjamin	Essex, England	1847	1871	15 Feb 1907	Lower Hutt
Martin, J Frederick	Waimate	1879	1908	28 Jul 1952	Wanganui
Mather, Joseph John	Leeds, England	1854	1883	10 Nov 1921	Auckland
Matthews, Howard Charles	Waimate	1910	1938	21 Nov 1995	Tauranga
McBean, Angus	Ballarat, Victoria	1876	1904	4 May 1947	Christchurch
McDonald, D I Alister	Edendale	1916	1946	18 Sept 1981	Auckland
McDowell, M Alexander; DD, MBE	Heathcote, Christchurch	1905	1930	18 Nov 1997	
McGregor, Robert	Dunedin	1887	1924	14 Aug 1956	Paeroa
McKenzie, Ian H	Warkworth	1932	1960	27 Nov 1990	Waikumete, Auckland
McNicol, David	Southport, England	1843	1868	7 Jun 1925	Auckland
Mercer, Victor Stanley	Adelaide, S.A	1885	1920	1 Dec 1923	Bluff
Metcalfe, John R; OBE	Gt Norton, England	1889	1916	1970	Melbourne, Victoria
Metson, Basil	Temuka	1879	1905	8 Feb 1952	Rangiora
Millar, Ian	Timaru	1931	1969	30 Nov 2002	
Milne, John Napier Ernest; MBE	Peterhead, Scotland	1874	1904	31 Oct 1957	Beckenham, Kent, England
Mitchell, Arthur	Truro, England	1866	1888	19 Aug 1951	Auckland

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Mitchell, John Leslie	Kent, England	1893	1933	11 Jul 1950	Wellington
Moore, Harry	Leicester, England	1914	1946	Oct 1988	
Moore, William E	Dunedin	1905	1931	6 Sept 1979	Auckland
Morley, William; DD	Notts, England	1842	1863	24 May 1926	Kew, Victoria
Morrison, William James; MA	Hamilton, NZ	1918	1942	1 May 1996	Auckland
Murray, Daniel J	Cambridge, England	1851	1875	27 Sept 1928	Auckland
Murray, Richard James	London, England	1862	1896	6 Mar 1928	Palmerston North
Ngaropi, Hamiora	Waikato	1809	1856	1887	Whatawhata
Neal, Wallace S	Napier	1888	1918	12 Nov 1972	Christchurch
Neale, Leslie B; MBE, BA, FRGS	Auckland	1886	1911	26 Aug 1959	Auckland
Nelson, John R	Cumberland, England	1883	1915	22 Feb 1951	Auckland
Newbold, Thomas Walter	Auckland	1862	1886	19 Oct 1930	Dunedin
Nixon, John	Scotland	1852	1875	2 Mar 1947	New Plymouth
Noble, Dorothea Mettam	Greymouth	1926	1959	2 Jun 1995	Wellington
Norwell, Leslie Thomas	Edinburgh, Scotland	1908	1937	7 Feb 1995	Cambridge
Nuttall, Andrew Roger	Richmond	1920	1949	30 July 1999	Hamilton
Odell, Henry J	New South Wales	1888	1915	16 Mar 1961	London
Oldfield, Charles Brightmore	Waiuku	1913	1939	24 Dec 1993	Auckland
Oldham, Frederick B	Ballarat, Victoria	1863	1887	1949	Adelaide, SA
Olds, Charles H; BA	Oamaru	1884	1910	29 Sept 1969	Auckland
Olds, E Thomas	Enfield, North Otago	1890	1915	25 Aug 1966	Auckland
Olds, John Stanley	Christchurch	1921	1949	19 Aug 1977	Wellington
Olds, Norman William	Invercargill	1918	1946	16 Nov 2006	Christchurch
Olds, Osborne McLennan	New Plymouth	1915	1951	5 Aug 2000	Omokoroa
Oliver, William C	Sutherlandshire, Scot.	1842	1867	14 Apr 1922	Christchurch
Olphert, John	Auckland	1866	1888	5 Mar 1950	Auckland
Olsen, Brian L	Wanganui	1939	1964	20 Jul 1984	Tuakau
Orchard, Hector C	Geelong, Australia	1884	1920	16 May 1957	Dunedin
Orchard, John	Devonshire, England	1838	1861	6 Jan 1907	Christchurch
Orr, A Everill; MBE	Roxburgh, NZ	1904	1933	25 Aug 1971	Auckland
Oxbrow, Walter	Ballarat, Victoria	1873	1902	29 Jun 1956	Auckland
Paris, Percy R	Dunedin	1882	1906	29 Mar 1942	Wellington
Parker, Francis (Frank)	Gisborne	1914	1944	13 Oct 2004	Te Awamutu
Parker, Frederick John	Dunedin	1892	1917	15 Nov 1959	Auckland
Parker, Gordon	Waiuku	1907	1931	3 Mar 2002	Te Awamutu
Parker, James William	Silverdale, Lanc, Eng	1883	1918	14 Aug 1975	Auckland
Parker, J Wesley	Waiuku	1907	1930	9 Feb 2003	Auckland
Parker, Walter	Lancaster, England	1898	1929	5 Jun 1986	Auckland
Parsons, John Ernest	Birmingham, Eng	1885	1912	8 Apr 1932	Palmerston North
Parsonson, William George	Lerwick, Shetland Is.	1855	1881	8 Sept 1903	Christchurch
Patchett, Ernest D	Styx, North Cant	1878	1902	13 Sept 1958	Auckland
Patchett, Ralph E	Pahiatua	1910	1933	17 May 1989	Christchurch
Patene, Wiremu	Waikato	1810	1859	Dec 1884	Karakariki
Paul, Hauraki	Orakei	--	1882	1910	Kaipara
Payne, Herbert W	Essex, England	1904	1931	7 Nov 1984	Auckland
Peart, Cuthbert F	Hamilton	1926	1955	17 Mar 1983	
Peat, Harold T	Thames	1885	1913	24 Aug 1948	Auckland
Pendray, John J	Camborne, Cornwall, Eng	1845	1870	2 Jul 1914	Taumaranui

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Penman, John Albert	Ashburton	1924	1952	9 Sept 2007	Auckland
Penn, Athol R	Otaki	1903	1927	10 Oct 1999	Auckland
Penney, Charles	Camborne, England	1851	1876	17 Mar 1917	Reefton
Peryman, Samuel H D	Tai Tapu	1867	1892	16 Aug 1945	Wellington
Petch, Ashleigh K; BA	Inglewood	1916	1938	15 Sept 1983	Auckland
Peters, Alfred	Truro, Cornwall, Eng	1850	1877	8 Nov 1939	Christchurch
Peterson, Frederick	Dargaville	1915	1960	28 Aug 2001	Christchurch
Peterson, Gordon R H	Inglewood	1903	1925	Oct 1988	
Pewa, Wiremu Warena	Waima	1852	1879	31 Jul 1907	Waikato
Pickering, William B	Staffordshire, England	1881	1920	1 Nov 1948	Rotorua
Pinfold, James Thomas; DD	Manchester, England	1855	1881	30 Jul 1933	Wellington
Pomeroy, Harold C	Invercargill	1933	1962	16 Jun 1989	Invercargill
Potter, William Smith	London, England	1854	1876	30 Jan 1929	Auckland
Pratt, M A Rugby	Gisborne	1875	1902	6 Mar 1946	Christchurch
Prior, Samuel F	Bedford, England	1851	1875	1919	Masterton, NZ
Prosser, Frederick O	Blaenavon, Wales	1883	1943	26 Mar 1963	Wellington
Purchon, Samuel Rowling	Leeds, England	1851	1875	24 Jan 1878	Motueka
Pybus, T Arthur	Yorkshire, England	1873	1897	28 Aug 1957	Port Chalmers
Raine, Robert	Durham, England	1866	1892	17 Mar 1942	Wellington
Rakena, Piripi	Maungamuka, Nthland	1859	1882	25 Mar 1934	Mangamuka
Rakena, Rakena P	Maungamuka, Nthland	1890	1908	Feb 1956	Rapaki
Ramage, Ian C E	Napier	1922	1949	6 Mar 1992	Cheviot
Rands, Frederick	Methven, NZ	1883	1908	14 Feb 1919	Germany
Ranston, Harry; MA, LittD	Keightley, England	1878	1901	6 Jun 1971	Auckland
Ratou, W Te Kote	Wairarapa	1820	1859	4 May 1895	Greytown
Raynor, Ivo Mervyn	Waipuku, Taranaki	1901	1927	30 May 1977	Levin
Read, Frederick T	Sleaford, England	1867	1889	29 Jul 1937	Christchurch
Reader, Amos	Northamptonshire, Eng	1875	1901	20 Jun 1926	Dargaville
Ready, William	London, England	1860	1885	7 Sept 1927	Auckland
Reddihough, John W	Menston, Yorks, Eng	1900	1957	23 Jan 1973	Dunedin
Redstone, Harry B	Tavistock, Devon, Eng	1836	1862	20 Sept 1914	Wellington
Reed, Alexander John	Middlesex, England	1879	1904	5 May 1912	Te Aroha
Reid, Alexander	Edinburgh, Scotland	1821	1848	25 Aug 1891	Auckland
Reid, Andrew Gibb	Scotland	1911	1960	1993	Dunedin
Richards, Horace L	Moonta, South Australia	1883	1911	14 Aug 1962	Christchurch
Richards, James	Victoria, Australia	1883	1910	7 Mar 1957	Christchurch
Richards, Raymond	Mooroopra, Victoria	1879	1905	13 Aug 1948	Christchurch
Richards, Thomas R	Wodonga, Victoria	1866	1895	9 Jan 1944	Wellington
Richardson, John B	Nottingham, England	1840	1864	29 Apr 1881	Drowned in 'Taranua'
Rigg, Charles W	Leeds, England	1826	1850	9 Sept 1883	Drowned, Victoria, Brit Colombia
Riseley, Benjamin Henry	Lithgow, N.S.W	1906	1947	30 Apr 1975	Auckland
Rishworth, John S	Bingley, Yorks, Eng	1835	1864	21 Oct 1918	Auckland
Roberts, Charles M	Henderson, Auckland	1882	1906	17 May 1958	New Plymouth
Rogers, Ranginohora	Waima, NZ	1911	1942	21 Oct 1971	Otaua
Roget, Henry H C	Warrnambool, Vict	1874	1902	1950	Springvale, Vic
Roke, Charles Edward	Gisborne, NZ	1907	1960	13 Aug 1977	Tauranga
Rothwell, Benjamin Francis	Wexford, Ireland	1860	1885	11 Sept 1924	Hamilton
Rowe, William	Cumberland, England	1885	1911	16 Jul 1980	Nelson

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Rowse, William	Cornwall, England	1835	1858	15 Jul 1899	Greytown
Ruck, Idris James	Mountain Ash, Wales	1921	1951	30 Apr 1994	Cambridge
Ryan, Lawrence J	Island of Jersey	1870	1893	4 Jan 1902	Roxburgh
Ryan, Henry	London, England	1881	1906	22 Jul 1971	Auckland
Sadler, Thomas	Whexall, England	1854	1876	1914	Welshpool, England
Sa'o, Tuafanua Tanielu	Western Samoa	1933	1978	18 Dec 1999	Auckland
Sage, Ernest E	Ashburton	1890	1916	25 Sept 1981	Cremated Auckland
Scammell, Bruce B	Invercargill	1932	1956	7 Aug 1998	Feilding
Schnackenberg, Cort Henry	Hanover	1812	1853	10 Aug 1880	Auckland
Scott, William Bramwell	Thames, NZ	1873	1907	13 Mar 1935	Wellington
Scotter, Adolphus N; BA	Napier	1875	1900	8 Oct 1955	Christchurch
Scrivin, Arthur H	London, England	1883	1912	13 Jul 1969	Auckland
Seamer, Arthur J; CMG	Tongala, Victoria	1877	1903	17 Sept 1963	Auckland
Sefuiva, Iosua Lemuma	Salani, Western Samoa		1984	26 Nov 1993	Auckland
Serpell, Samuel J	Victoria, Australia	1858	1884	9 Jul 1918	Thames
Shapcott, Leonard	Christchurch	1916	1945	2 March 2007	Auckland
Sharp, Harold A	Christchurch	1885	1910	27 Sept 1956	Christchurch
Sharp, Joseph	Maidstone, Kent England	1849	1871	15 Aug 1916	Auckland
Shamy, Eileen	Timaru	1926	1988	1999	Christchurch
Shaw, Harry	Christchurch	1928	1952	5 Feb 2009	Hamilton
Shaw, Joseph T	Yorkshire, England	1826	1859	13 Feb 1894	Hawthorn, Vict
Sherson, Donald	Mangaweka	1904	1944	9 Sept 2000	Auckland
Sides, Brian	Timaru	1929	1961	2 Apr 2005	Whangarei
Silvester, A Wharton E	Ellesmere, Irwell, Cant	1899	1927	18 Dec 1967	Auckland
Silvester, John	Hamilton, Waikato	1912	1938	26 Jan 1993	Auckland
Simmonds, Joseph H	Nelson	1845	1869	30 Jun 1936	Auckland
Sinclair, William A	Christchurch	1868	1891	4 Jan 1950	Auckland
Skevington, John	Nottingham, England	1814	1839	21 Sept 1845	Auckland
Skuse, Thomas	Wales	1890	1918	27 Jul 1965	Auckland
Slade, William	Staffordshire, England	1859	1881	20 Apr 1916	Onehunga
Slade, William G; MA, DD	Taveuni, Fiji	1892	1915	15 May 1974	Christchurch
Smalley, Joseph S	London, England	1845	1868	26 Apr 1921	London
Smith, Arthur Jackson	The Potteries, England	1854	1874	1 Feb 1935	Vincetown, USA
Smith, G Knowles	Yorkshire, England	1870	1892	1 Jun 1951	Greytown
Smith, John	Prince Edward Island	1835	1862	19 Aug 1926	Auckland
Southern, John	Oldham, England	1874	1899	23 Dec 1933	Christchurch
Speer, William H	Bergalia, N.S.W.	1874	1908	18 Feb 1954	Rotorua
Spence, George W J	Dromore, Ireland	1852	1879	20 May 1917	Auckland
Spencer, Herbert	Lancashire, England	1881	1923	15 Sept 1961	Wanganui
Spindler, Sydney J	Feilding	1916	1948	30 Apr 1999	New Plymouth
Standage, Charles Henry	Cambletown, Tasmania	1848	1875	8 Jun 1936	Dunedin
Stannard, George	Yorkshire, England	1803	1844	8 Dec 1888	Wanganui
Stockwell, George F	Leicestershire, England	1876	1904	20 Dec 1945	Auckland
Su, Unasa (John)	Fogapoa, Wstrn Samoa	1929	1980	18 Nov 1991	Gisborne
Suckling, Joseph B	Chelmsford, England	1880	1909	7 Dec 1918	Nadroga, Fiji
Tahere, Wati Te Awha	Mangamuka	1928	1954	9 May 1989	Rapaki
Taylor, Cecil R	Stropshire, England	1892	1924	21 Jun 1966	Christchurch
Taylor, James A	London, England	1839	1863	13 Jun 1908	Melbourne, Australia
Taylor, Robert	Rochdale, Lancs, Eng	1839	1866	28 May 1918	Christchurch

Te Tuhi, Eruera	Whirinaki	1888	1911	14 Jan 1976	Oturei
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Thomas, Ann Marie	Wellington	1934	1982	13 Mar 1995	Wellington
Thomas, Gordon	Te Aroha	1913	1941	26 Nov 2005	Blenheim
Thomas, James	Hobart, Tasmania	1846	1871	14 May 1926	Malvern, Victoria
Thomas, Thomas E; MA	Auburn, S.A.	1851	1877	6 Mar 1909	Christchurch
Thomas, William George	Milford Haven, Sth Wales	1843	1868	2 Dec 1909	Auckland
Thompson, George R	Auckland	1905	1946	23 Jul 1984	Waikumete, Auckland
Thompson, J Herbert	Reefton	1908	1952	22 Sep 1989	Cremated, Christchurch
Thornley, Robert	Bolton, England	1911	1935	1 Nov 2002	Auckland
Tinsley, Robert Borrows	Port Chalmers	1880	1908	4 Apr 1968	Hamilton
Tinsley, William	Hertfordshire, England	1848	1869	22 Aug 1913	Levin
Toia, Samuel N	Waimate North	1924	1967	16 Apr 1992	Papatuanuku
Toomer, Kenneth	Auckland	1928	1963	12 Dec 2008	Whangarei
Toothill, Harry William	Hastings, NZ	1916	1951	22 Jan 1976	Wellington
Trebilco, David L	Te Aroha	1924	1954	14 Jan 2005	Mt Maunganui
Trebilco, George R	Waikari, NZ	1926	1952	21 Oct 1971	Christchurch
Trestrail, Thomas	Penwortham, S.A.	1859	1888	18 Mar 1920	Woodville, S. Aust
Tuimaseve, Fisiga	Gataivai, Wstrn Samoa	1928	1981	1 Apr 1997	
Turner, Nathaniel	Wednesbury, England	1793	1821	5 Dec 1864	Toowong, Queensland
Turner, Nicholas	Kent, England	1863	1909	19 Feb 1930	Christchurch
Uhi, Siosifa Latu	Tonga	1951	1991	15 Jan 2003	
Utting, Harry V	Auckland	1904	1927	25 Sep 1965	Christchurch
Vealie, Thomas W	St Just, England	1864	1889	1 Jan 1950	Lower Hutt
Voyce, Arthur H	Tasmania	1899	1926	28 Dec 1984	Auckland
Waiti, Hoani	Kaipara	1820	1860	1879	Kaipara
Waiti, Karawini	Kaipara	1851	1878	25 May 1878	Auckland
Waiti, Martini L	Kaipara	1860	1880	1887	Kaipara
Walker, William	Bradford, England	1880	1912	10 Jun 1969	Auckland
Wallis, James	Blackwell, England	1809	1833	5 Jul 1895	Auckland
Wallis, James W	Waingaroa (Raglan)	1842	1864	2 Aug 1877	Auckland
Wallis, T Jackson	Raglan, NZ	1863	1885	25 Dec 1943	Turakina
Walters, Charles	Hungerford, England	1827	1851	1910	Rookwood, NSW
Ward, Charles Ebenezer	New Plymouth, NZ	1846	1870	24 Aug 1935	Christchurch
Ward, Josiah	New Plymouth, NZ	1848	1872	19 Sept 1926	Wellington
Ward, Robert	Sporle, Norfolk, England	1816	1835	13 Oct 1876	Wellington
Warihi, Heteraka	Te Kuiti	1826	1865	19 Jul 1898	Blenheim
Warren, John	Norfolk, England	1814	1836	23 Nov 1883	Auckland
Watkin, James	Manchester, England	1805	1830	14 May 1886	Rookwood N.S.W.
Watkin, William James	Tonga	1833	1857	28 Sep 1909	Auckland
Watson, John Kellett; BA	Yorkshire, England	1911	1939	12 Jun 1979	Thames
Werren, Samuel J	Little River, Canterbury	1890	1914	10 Sep 1965	Hamilton
Whewell, John	Hadfield, England	1825	1852	11 Dec 1886	Remuera
Whiteley, John	Nottinghamshire, Eng	1806	1832	13 Feb 1869	New Plymouth
White, Hedley	Silchester, England	1883	1906	14 Dec 1950	Wellington
White, Joseph	England	1835	1860	1905	Melbourne, Victoria
Whitfield, Harris	Durham, England	1905	1938	13 May 1967	Auckland
Whittaker, J D	Lancashire, England	1822	1845	3 Oct 1862	Wellington
Widdup, Robert	Te Kopuru	1922	1959	4 Jan 2009	Christchurch
Wilcox, Davis Pou	Hokianga		1911	Jan 1937	Waikare

Williams, Alfred E	Streatham, London	1906	1967	16 Jan 1969	Auckland
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Williams, David O	Westport	1908	1931	28 Dec 1986	Waikoumete
Williams, J C Aldwyn	Ashburton	1912	1944	25 Nov 1983	Auckland
Williams, William James	Redruth, Cornwall, Eng	1847	1870	11 May 1936	Auckland
Willing, Leonard Victor	London, England	1918	1942	22 Sept 2007	Hawera
Wills, Peter	Staffordshire, Eng	1853	1879	29 Sept 1884	Springston
Wills, William	Cornwall, England	1872	1899	3 Sep 1950	Auckland
Wilson, Jeremiah	England	1844	1868	1905	Bendigo, Vict
Witheford, Arthur R	Auckland	1910	1935	15 Dec 1984	Christchurch
Woolford, Joseph Henry	Hamilton	1913	1941	15 Apr 1992	Auckland
Woodnutt, Alfred George	Lynton, Devonshire	1884	1952	16 Nov 1971	New Plymouth
Woodward, William Coombs	London, England	1868	1890	27 Sep 1901	At Sea
Woolloxall, Thomas R B	Liverpool, England	1873	1901	29 Jan 1946	Auckland
Woon, William	Cornwall, England	1804	1830	22 Sept 1858	Wanganui
Worboys, John Wesley	London, England	1843	1874	10 Jul 1908	Wellington
Worker, William	Cornwall, England	1817	1841	2 Feb 1900	Wellsford
Wrigley, James	Yorkshire, England	1857	1887	3 Jun 1937	Auckland

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Barnett, May	Tai Tapu	1886	1915*+	7 Sep 1976	Lower Hutt
Beaumont, Winifred	Temuka	1891	1920*	28 Aug 1966	Lower Hutt
de Berry, Lillian (Eaton, Woodnutt)	Makino	1890	1922*+	28 Mar 1981	New Plymouth
Bott, Olive (Venn)	Dannevirke	1905	1985*	1 Dec 1985	Nth Auckland
Button, Lenna	Australia	1901	1929*	30 Aug 1940	England
Carter, Merle (Grice)	Cambridge	1919	1941+	31 Aug 2004	Tauranga
Clark, Catherine	Christchurch	1876	1906*	22 Nov 1918	Christchurch
Clement, Grace	Hamilton	1918	1949	2002	Hamilton
Collins, Rona (Sister)	Palmerston North	1925	1947	5 September 2008	Christchurch
Common, Elizabeth	Oamaru	1889	1923+	12 Mar 1946	Auckland
Dalziel, Jean (Butler)	Amberley	1897	1921*+	21 Apr 1981	Oamaru
Davidson, Nance (Bensemman)	Dunedin	1907	1943*	3 May 1994	Nelson
Davies, Marie	Australia	1872	1899*	31 Jul 1956	Dunedin
Denham, Margaret (Kippenburger)				27 Oct 2007	Ashburton
Dobby, Eleanor	Yorkshire	1888	1922*	4 Sep 1974	Christchurch
Duthie, Thelma (Scanlen)			1952+	Sep 1989	Auckland
Fawcett, Ruth	Wellington	1884	1912*	4 Nov 1973	Christchurch
Fell, Constance (Sage)	Waiotemarama	1906	1964	2002	Auckland
Fitzpatrick (Seymour), Celia Te Atakohu		1929	1949	30 Jun 2005	
Gittos, Netta (Jones)	Auckland	1887	1930*	6 Nov 1975	Auckland
Graves, Norma	Dunedin	1930	1970*+	See also list of ministers	
Hall, Emily (Hutt)	Dunedin	1885	1914*	21 Feb 1967	Dunedin
Hamilton, Hazel (Bryant)		1892	1921*	1 Oct 1956	Christchurch
Harkness, Effie	(Tonga)	1911	1937+	2000	Napier
Hauraki, Hana	Omanaia	1931	1972*	See also list of ministers	
Hayes, Nellie (Williams)	Isle of Man	1873	1912*	11 May 1950	Wellington
Hill, Desmond (Des)		1927	1982(D)	18 Mar 2007	New Plymouth
Hobbs, Airini	Wellington	1902	1930*	Jan 1992	Auckland
Holland, Madeline	Dunedin	1909	1936*	8 Sep 1996	Auckland
Hollamby, Florence	Central Otago	1884	1912*	12 Aug 1968	Christchurch
Howard, Katherine	Christchurch	1885	1910*	4 Jun 1954	Auckland
Jamieson, Jean (Spoonier)	Awapuni	1878	1912*	9 Oct 1921	Palmerston North
Jeffreys, Rosalie (Slater)	Nelson	1905	1927*		Tauranga
Jenkin, Edna	Opotiki	1938	1962*+	3 Jul 1981	Palmerston North
Jones, Ivy; MBE, JP	Devonport	1893	1932*	20 Dec 1974	Auckland
Jones, Lina	Christchurch	1890	1924+	11 Jun 1979	Christchurch
Jones, Violet	Wharehine	1916		13 Nov 2008	Palmerston North
Lee, Ada	Ashburton	1909	1934+		Christchurch
Lawry, Aline (Joan)	Wellington	1924	1985	23 July 2008	Invercargill
McDonald, Grace	Ireland	1903	1927*+		Ireland
McFarlane, Bessie	Yorkshire	1867	1933*	28 Oct 1933	Christchurch
McKenzie, Kenneth		1912*		18 Apr 1941	Auckland
Miller, Jean	Thames	1911	1945*	6 Dec 1981	Auckland

Name	Birthplace	Born	Entered	Died	Place of Burial / Cremation
Moriarty, May	Australia	1898*	1950's		Australia
Morley, Mabel	Lyttelton	1871	1906*	16 Aug 1954	Christchurch
Money, Lucy	Christchurch	1916	1947*+	9 Sep 2005	Morrinsville
Nicholls, Margaret	Normanby	1894	1925*	8 Dec 1978	Auckland
Pointon, Dorothy	Gisborne	1914	1939	8 Jun 2005	Auckland
Poole, Winifred (Venis, Honey)	Tasmania	1917	1945*+		Nelson
Sinclair, Isabel	England		1903*	8 May 1922	Sydney
Slinn, Ngaire	Christchurch	1932	1987(D)	1995	Greymouth
Snowden, Rita	Nelson	1907	1929*	1999	Auckland
Taylor, Margaret (Blundell)	Kaukapakapa	1922	1948*	19 Jan 1986	Masterton
Thornton, Annie	Wellington	1879	1910*	7 Nov 1961	Lower Hutt
Tocker, Annie	Greytown	1889	1917*	13 Oct 1980	Lower Hutt
Wallace, Gladys (nee Thomas)					
West, Mildred	Taranaki	1878	1920*	5 May 1959	Te Awamutu
Wharemaru, Heeni	Mokau	1912	1936*	24 Jun 2007	Mokau
White, Edna		1902	1927+	2 Sep 1987	
White, Lily	Riverton	1890	1919*+	9 Mar 1967	Waimate
Wilcox, Atawhai (George)	Waiomio	1907	1931*	4 Jun 1994	Kaikohe bur
Wilson, Anne	Tasmania	1914	1944*	26 Sep 1983	Auckland
Yearbury, Betty	Hawera	1919	1949*	3 Sep 1991	Rotorua

* Deaconess D Deacon + Overseas Sister

Those Deaconesses/ Deacons / Overseas Sisters listed above have normally served 10 or more years. This is a first attempt at compiling such a list, if there are others who should be included, or if there are omissions or mistakes, please advise the Connexional Office. Further information is available from the Church Archives for all those women who have served the Methodist Church of New Zealand full time in New Zealand or overseas.

In Memoriam

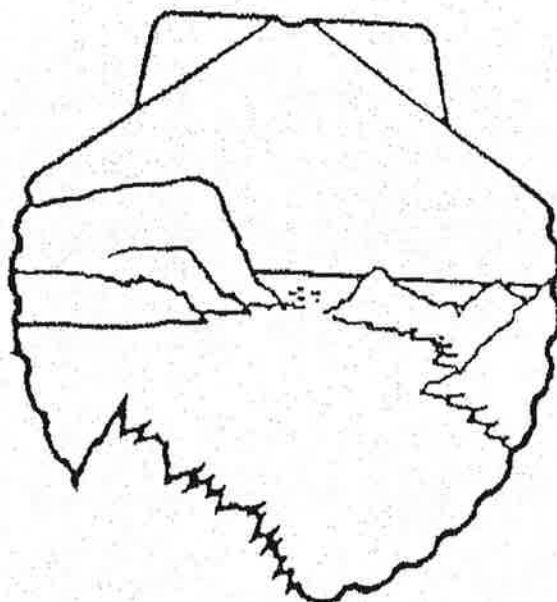
Home Missionaries of the Methodist Church of New Zealand

Who have served the Church as Home Mission agents and who at the date of their death were still active or had the status of Retired Home Missionary. In some particulars this list is incomplete. Information concerning any errors or omissions should be sent to PO Box 931, Christchurch 8140, New Zealand.

Name of Home Missionary	Birthplace	Born	Entered	Died	Place of Burial/Cremation
Aker, Christian	Timaru	1875	1903	6 Feb 1949	Auckland
Alexander, Roy T	Motueka Valley	1894	1924	14 Jun 1974	Nelson
Ashworth, Harold R	Manchester, England	1879	1922	1961	New Plymouth
Ashworth, John Cyril Robert	Ohoka	1898	1930	16 Jul 1963	Timaru
Bayliss, John (James) W	West Bromwich, England	1888(?)	1915	Jun 1966	Auckland
Belshaw, James	Wigan, Lancs, England	1867	1918	10 July 1951	Auckland
Bridgman, George Hocking	Cornwall	1852	1888	3 Sep 1936	Oamaru
Brown, Charles William	North Shields, England	1872	1909	10 Jul 1948	Auckland
Bryant, William J	Dunedin	1898	1939	30 Aug 1969	Whakatane
Common, John	Enfield, Oamaru	1880	1912	30 Oct 1952	Levin
Coombridge, Roy	Opunake	1900	1928	27 Oct 1985	Te Kuiti
Duncan, Charles	Dunedin	1879	1910	25 Jun 1947	Auckland
Edmondson, John H	Silverdale, England	1876	1910	6 Sep 1946	Auckland
Featherstone, Thomas William	England	1879	1909	4 Aug 1957	New Plymouth
Foot, F E	Hokitika	1872	1914	27 Aug 1937	Dunedin
Hall, Green	England	1877	1924	15 Nov 1945	Napier
Harris, Charles	Invercargill	1877	1915	13 Nov 1918	Ohura
Hooper, William Thomas	Moonta, Sth Australia	1868	1904	12 May 1942	Wellington
Hosking, James	Cornwall, England	1831	1877	24 Aug 1888	Kumara
Johnson, Francis (Frank) Lathbury	Masterton	1907	1951	26 July 1983	
Keen, Sylvester	Port Albert, Victoria	1875	1907	30 Oct 1954	Otaki
Malcolm, Henry John	Bendigo, Victoria	1876	1925	1 Mar 1955	Christchurch
McDonald, William	Central Otago	1886	1923	27 Oct 1940	
Oliver, John	Sutherlandshire, Scotland	1847	1899	17 Aug 1930	Palmerston North
Patchett, Ray C	Temuka	1911	1934	13 Aug 1948	Auckland
Prowse, Herbert	Ballarat, Australia	1892	1948	3 Jun 1973	
Robertson, Donald Ian			1940	5 Feb 1973	Auckland
Robinson, Cyril	Hull, England	1888	1922	3 Mar 1967	Napier
Sleep, William Edgar		c.1884	1908	20 Oct 1961	
Steele, Thomas	Oamaru	1886	1941	9 Jul 1969	
Stephenson, George	England	1851	1878	29 Apr 1946	Christchurch
Strand, Charles	Wingham, England	1865	1911	29 Apr 1946	Christchurch
Sussex, William	Stowell, Victoria	1872	1927	1 Mar 1960	Auckland
Tardiff, Alfred E	Guernsey, Channel Is.		1949	5 Dec 1982	Dunedin
Trim, Frank Edgar	Wellington	1892	1945	17 Mar 1972	Levin
Watson, William	Larton, Cumberland	1853	1909	19 Aug 1929	Patea
White, John H	Ludborough, England	c.1843	1895	13 Jul 1928	Richmond
Wilson, Wilfred Henry	Todmarden, Yorks	1879	1924	7 Jul 1970	Auckland
Witthford, Arthur Lawrence	Port Albert	c.1882	1917	29 Dec 1964	Hamilton
Wright, Harry Robert	London, England	1898	1933	20 Dec 1994	New Plymouth

The Methodist Church of New Zealand

Te Hāhi Weteriana O Aotearoa



CONFERENCE

MANUKAU

NOVEMBER 2008

PRESIDENT	-	Jill van de Geer
VICE-PRESIDENT	-	Ron Gibson
SECRETARY	-	David Bush

Conference Staff

Manukau

President	:	Jill van de Geer
Vice-President	:	Ron Gibson
Ex-President	:	Brian Turner
Ex-Vice-President	:	Barbara Peddie
Secretary	:	David Bush
Associate Secretary	:	Michael Greer
Conference Manager	:	Karen Isaacs
Office Staff	:	Amy Stoddart
	:	Greg Wright
	:	Peter van Hout
Daily Record	:	Alison Molineux
Journal Secretary	:	Keith Hopner
Legal Adviser	:	David Smith
Chaplains	:	Jan Tasker
		Tovia Aumua
Hosts	:	Bruce Anderson
		Liz Hopner

Business from Day to Day

Manukau

Venues: Bader Drive Methodist Church - 40 Bader Drive, Mangere, Manukau 2022
 Lotafala'ia Church – Orly Avenue, Mangere, Manukau 2022
 Wesley College - State Highway 22, Paerata, Pukekohe
 New Life Convention Centre -110 Montgomerie Road, Mangere, Manukau 2022

(N.B. these times may vary during the course of the Conference)

Thursday 6 November ~ Bader Drive Methodist Church

10.00am - 1.00pm	Pre Conference Stationing Committee
2.00pm - 5.00pm	Tauiwi Strategy

Friday 7 November

9.00am - 5.00pm	Whakatau [Welcome] Tauiwi and Te Taha Maori Meetings (Lotafala'ia Church)
5.30pm	Wesley Historical Society (Bader Drive Methodist Church) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - 5.30pm - AGM - 6.30pm - Dinner - 7.15pm - 'Friendship House, past and present: inspiration for the future?' Open to all who are interested in attending.

Saturday 8 November ~ all sessions held at Wesley College

10.00am - 11.00am	Introduction to Conference
10.00am - 11.15am	Lay Preachers Annual Gathering
11.00am - 11.30am	Assemble for Powhiri
11.30am	Powhiri / Tributes to the deceased
	<i>10 Minute Break</i>
12 noon approx	Induction of General Secretary
	<i>Lunch</i>
2.00pm - 3.30pm	Induction of President and Vice President
3.30pm - 4.30pm	<i>Afternoon Tea</i>
4.30pm - 6.00pm	Retirees
6.00pm - 7.30pm	Conference Dinner
7.30pm - 10.00pm	Concert

10.00pm	Finish (<i>approximately</i>)
Sunday 9 November ~ all sessions held at Wesley College	
7.00am	Evangelical Network breakfast at Wesley Church, 37 Kolmar Rd, Papatoetoe
	Worship in local churches (<i>see Conference Handbook for times</i>)
1.30pm - 3.00pm	Ordination Service/Full Connexion
3.00pm - 3.45pm	<i>Afternoon Tea</i>
3.45pm - 4.55pm	Interest Groups
5.00pm - 6.30pm	Business Committees
6.30pm	Close
7.00pm - 9.00pm	Evangelical Network and Liberal Society (\$25 per person) – Shed 16, 64 Jesmond Rd, (Runciman), Drury

Monday 10 November ~ all sessions held at the New Life Convention Centre	
8.30am - 9.00am	Opening Worship
9.00am - 9.30am	Introduction to Conference Staff, Observers, Visitors (Auditorium) Process for President and Vice President Selection Questions 1-24 – General Secretary
9.30am - 9.45am	Commissioner
9.45am - 10.15am	<i>Morning Tea</i>
10.15am - 11.45am	Commissioners Report (<i>Dome</i>)
11.45am - 12.30pm	Stipends Report
12.30pm - 1.30pm	<i>Lunch</i>
1.30pm - 1.45pm	Rev. Jim Stuart launches his new book
1.45pm - 3.00pm	Board of Administration (<i>Auditorium</i>)
3.00pm - 3.30pm	<i>Afternoon Tea</i>
4.00pm - 5.00pm	Social Services / WesleyCom
5.00pm - 6.00pm	Trinity College
6.00pm - 7.00pm	<i>Evening Meal</i>
7.00pm - 8.30pm	Partnership Reporting
8.30pm - 9.00pm	Closing Worship

Tuesday 11 November ~ all sessions held at the New Life Convention Centre	
8.30am - 9.00am	Opening Worship
9.00am - 10.00am	Social Issues Paper (<i>Auditorium</i>)
10.00am to 10.30am	<i>Morning Tea</i>
10.30am - 12.00pm	4 + 4 on Presidency (<i>Dome</i>)
12.00pm - 12.30pm	Ex President – Vice President
12.30pm - 1.30pm	<i>Lunch</i>

1.30pm - 2.30pm	Faith and Order
2.30pm - 3.30pm	Mission and Ecumenical
<i>3.30pm - 4.00pm</i>	<i>Afternoon Tea</i>
4.00pm - 4.30pm	Communications
4.30pm - 5.00pm	Vahefonua Presentation – Walking Together
5.00pm - 5.30pm	Mission Resourcing
5.30pm - 6.00pm	MYC08: Where is God for young people?
<i>6.00pm - 7.00pm</i>	<i>Evening Meal</i>
7.00pm - 8.30pm	The use of Videos and DVDs in Worship led by Andre Le Roux
8.30pm - 9.00pm	Closing Worship

Wednesday 12 November – all sessions held at the New Life Convention Centre

8.30am - 9.00am	Opening Worship
9.00am - 9.30am	Law Revision
9.30am - 10.00am	Communications
10.00am - 10.30am	Unfinished Business
<i>10.30am - 11.00am</i>	<i>Morning Tea</i>
11.00am - 12.00pm	Unfinished Business
12.00pm - 12.30pm	Thanks and Acknowledgements
<i>12.30pm - 1.30pm</i>	<i>Lunch</i>
1.30pm - 3.00pm	Covenant Service
3.00pm	Finish

Business Committees

Manukau

A. COUNCIL OF CONFERENCE

Convenors: Lana Lazarus and Tovia Aumua

B(i) TE TAHA MAORI

Convenors: Bella Ngaha

Te Taha Maori

Grey Institute Trust

Wellington Charitable Trust

B(ii) TAUIWI

Convenors: Lynne Frith and Paula Taumoepeau

Tauiwi Strategy

Evangelical Network

New Zealand Methodist Women's Fellowship

Wasewase ko viti Kei Rotuma

C. LAW REVISION

Convenor: David Smith

**D. ADMINISTRATION/CONNEXIONAL
PROPERTIES & FUNDS:**

Convenor: Ruth Silverstone

Administration Division

Connexional Trust

Investment Advisory Board

Methodist Trust Association

Robert Gibson Trust

Wesley Historical Society

Travel & Study

E BOARD OF MINISTRY:

Convenor: John Hinchcliff & Brian Turner

- Board of Ministry

- Ministry Education (Trinity College)

- Mission Resourcing

- Churches Education Commission

- Chaplaincies

- Wesley College

- Uniting Congregations of Aotearoa NZ

F. FAITH & ORDER

Convenor: Terry Wall

Faith and Order

G. SOCIAL SERVICES

Convenor: Ruth Silverstone
WesleyCom
Methodist Mission Northern
Wesley Wellington Mission
Christchurch Methodist Mission
Dunedin Methodist Mission

H. MISSION & ECUMENICAL

Convenor: Keith Hopner
Partner Mission Church Relations
Ecumenical Relationships
Inter-religious Relationships
World Methodist Council
Christian World Service

I. COMMUNICATION/ORGANISATIONS

Convenor: Nicola Grundy
Communications Committee
Methodist Publishing
PAC Media & Communications
Churches Broadcasting Commission

J. SOCIAL ISSUES

Convenor: Lynne Frith
Report to Conference from the Work Group Commissioned by Conference 2007
Interchurch Bioethics Council

Mission Statement

Our Church's Mission in Aotearoa New Zealand is to reflect and proclaim the transforming love of God as revealed in Jesus Christ and declared in the Scriptures. We are empowered by the Holy Spirit to serve God in the world. The Treaty of Waitangi is the covenant establishing our nation on the basis of a power-sharing relationship, and will guide how we undertake mission. In seeking to carry out our mission we will work according to these principles:

Ko te putake a to tatou Hahi Weteriana i Aotearoa nei, he whakakite atu, he kauwhau hoki i te aroha whakatahuri o te Atua, he mea whakaatu mai i roto i a Ihu Karaiti, me nga Karaipiture. Ko te Wairua Tapu e whakakaha ana i a tatou kia tu maia ai hei tuari ma te Atua i roto i te ao. Otira, ko Te Tiriti o Waitangi te kawenata e whaka o rite ana i ta tatou noho hei tangata whenua, hei tauwi hoki, ki tenei whenua. Ma tenei Tiriti tatou e arahi i roto i nga whakariterite o tenei whakahau, tono hoki, ki roto ki te ao.

Christian community

To be a worshipping, praying, and growing community, sharing and developing our faith and working through its implications in our social context.

Evangelism

To challenge people to commitment to Christ and Christ's way.

Flexibility

To be flexible, creative, and open to God's Spirit in a changing world and Church, so that the Church is relevant to people's needs. To release energy for mission rather than to absorb energy for maintenance.

Church unity

To foster networks and relationships with communities of faith having similar goals.

Inclusiveness

To operate as a Church in ways that will enable the diversity of people (e.g. all ages, all cultures, male and female) to participate fully in the whole life of the Church, especially decision-making and worship.

Every member a minister

To encourage each person to develop his/her full potential by accepting and nurturing each other, developing skills and providing resources, challenging and enabling for service in the Church and community.

Cross-cultural awareness

To become aware of, and challenged by, each other's cultures.

Justice

To work for justice for any who are oppressed in Aotearoa New Zealand, keeping in mind the implications of the Treaty of Waitangi. To share resources with the poor and disadvantaged in Aotearoa New Zealand and beyond.

Peace

To be peacemakers between people and in the world.

Healing

To listen for hurt and work for healing.

Ecology

To care for creation.

Procedure for election of...

President & Vice-President

SECTION 7:5.1.7

- (d) Tauiti and Te Taha Maori will each select its preferred candidates for the offices of both President and Vice-President according to their own procedures.

Process

1. Hui Poari and Tauiti Strategy Committee each nominate five members for the Conference panel from the membership of their respective Council of Conference members.
2. The Panel is not the Council of Conference (Council membership is a convenient way of selecting Connexionally experienced people).
3. The first task of the panel is to choose two Convenors, one from each of the groups of five.
4. The five members of Taha Maori and the five from Tauiti bring to the panel the names agreed by their caucus groups as being appropriate people to lead Te Haahi for the following Connexional year.
5. In conversation as a group, the panel's task is to come to a consensus as to the names of the President and Vice President Elect. Only those names which are common to both caucus groups are to be considered. The panel does this as a Conference panel, having listened into the discussions in their respective caucus groups as to both the task of the Presidency and the qualities required in this coming year.
6. The Panel should, from the names acceptable to both caucus groups for Presidency, select the President, having regard to the qualities and skills necessary for that office. The panel should then, from the names acceptable to both caucus groups for the Vice Presidency, select the Vice President, having regard to the qualities and skills necessary for that office and the person whom the Panel believes would be able to work in a complementary manner with the President as a Presidential team.
7. If there are no names in common for either President or Vice President, the two caucus groups shall reconvene to enquire whether any names not previously forwarded to the 5+5 from the list of nominations in the Conference agenda, would then be acceptable. If additional names are agreed upon, the panel meets again and follows the process from paragraph 4 above.
8. (a) In the event that it is still not possible to have any names in common for the presidency, then the current President and Vice President remain in office for a further year.
(b) In the event that there is a commonality which enables the selection for President but not the Vice President the existing Vice President will remain in office with the newly elected President for a further year.
9. If the panel members at any point in their conversations require any assistance that may help them reach a consensus they may call on the General Secretary and the Legal Advisor.
10. The request for assistance is conveyed to both parties by one or other of the Convenors.
11. The request for assistance, noting the specific reasons for the assistance, is to be put in writing by the panel.
12. The assistance given by General Secretary and Legal Adviser is also noted in writing by the two Convenors and checked for accuracy prior to the General Secretary and Legal Adviser leaving the panel.
13. Having come to a consensus, the Convenors report to the General Secretary that the appropriate process has been followed, and name the President and Vice President for the next year.
14. At an appropriate time the General Secretary reports to President that this is the decision of the panel.
15. The names of the duly appointed President and Vice- President Elect are then announced by the President.

Guidelines for...

Conference Decision Making

The primary goal of the decision-making process is to enable Te Taha Maori (Tangata Whenua, the people who are of the land) and 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 first step in decision-making is for Te Taha Maori to reach general agreement and Tauwiwi to reach general agreement on the decision before them. Then the two groups meet together to see if they can agree with a suggested decision.

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 demonstrate our Treaty Partnership: i.e. between Taha Maori and Tauwiwi.

- The aim of Conference decision-making is to discern what is best for the Church.
- A decision is made only when it is clear that both partners – i.e. Taha Maori and Tauwiwi can state that they can agree with the suggested decision.
- Taha Maori may caucus if this will enable their group to reach general agreement so a partnership decision can be explored.
- 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

Consensus is a term often used when general agreement or substantial support, 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 options 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 accept 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 do not agree, but in the interests of the Church we will allow this to be the decision.

In consensus decision-making, if it is clear that no agreement is possible at the time of the discussion, before the topic is adjourned the President may choose to ask the Council of Conference to meet to explore whether there is any way forward. If Council reports that there is

no way forward then plans will be made for other approaches which may lead to consensus in the future. In the meantime the status quo will continue.

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.

PROCESSES

Some processes help us to listen to each other and find a way forward for the Church.

For example:

Discussion

Contribution which assists decision is about

- The issue
- Theology of the issue
- Suggested ways forward

Consensus

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:

- caucusing
- brainstorming to collect ideas
- buzzing in pairs or threes to clarify a position
- dividing into small groups to respond to the same of 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
- 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 allow the decision to be made.

Caucusing is a method used in large groups to assist decision making. It is a meeting of group(s) within the larger group. Caucusing enables any group to clarify its position on the business in hand. Conference does not continue when it divides into Taha Maori/Tauwiwi 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 Tauwiwi 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:

- or (a) the person presiding over the Conference may determine that caucusing is appropriate
- or (b) Tauwiwi may call for a caucus
- (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.

- or
- (a) They may work in one group
 - (b) They may divide into smaller 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 expected 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.

What does the Conference do?

When Taiwi and Te 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.

SUMMARY

- Conference decision-making is a process which demonstrates Te Taha Maori-Taiwi 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.

Decision-making Procedures through a Consensus Process

Information/Clarification for Conference

CAUCUSING

a) Calling for a caucus

According to present procedures, calling for a caucus only relates to the convening of Te Taha Maori and Tauwiwi caucuses. However, interest groups can meet within the Tauwiwi caucus. If an individual or an interest group in the life of the Conference wishes to raise a process issue, they should approach their caucus facilitators and express their concern. The facilitators are:

- **Tauwiwi:** Lynne Frith and Paula Taumoepeau
- **Te Taha Maori:** Will choose their facilitators at their pre-conference meeting

The facilitators will then take what action they feel is appropriate

b) Steps for making Treaty partnership decisions

In the process of making Treaty partnership decisions, we have discerned the following 5 steps:

- **Step One: Starting together**

Both treaty partners are present. Caucusing does not occur in this step. The report is received. A presentation is made outlining the contents of the report and the suggested decisions. Space is made for questions seeking clarification etc.

- **Step Two: Testing out how the Treaty partners feel about the issues under discussion**

Focus is now upon the 'suggested decisions'. The President/Vice-President seeks the mind of Conference on 'suggested decisions' where there appears to be consensus, and these are processed. Where a consensus is not obvious on specific 'suggested decisions' there is clarification as to lack of consensus. For example, is it related to differences between the Treaty partners or within a partner? At this point either partner may request caucusing, or the President/Vice-President may suggest it. An initial time limit is proposed for the caucusing. The President/Vice-President clarifies for the whole Conference, what both caucuses will be addressing when they meet separately.

- **Step Three: Sharing responses from the caucuses**

When both caucuses are ready to report back, both sets of facilitators will meet with the President and Vice-President to share the responses. This is suggested for two reasons. Firstly, it will avoid the President/Vice-President having to react 'cold' to what is reported to the Conference. Secondly, the sharing will indicate if either or both caucuses need to give reasons as to why they have arrived at a particular point. For example, if both caucuses were in agreement, there would be no need to share reason.

If a caucus does not achieve a consensus, this will be reported to the whole Conference. It would not be appropriate for the other caucus to indicate its response at this point. If finally within a caucus there is no consensus to proceed, no decision by Conference can be made (see page 9, last paragraph).

- **Step Four: Making a Treaty Partnership decision**

If there is agreement by both caucuses, Conference can make a decision. Conference can only make a decision if both partners agree.

If there is no agreement between caucuses, or within a caucus, the areas where there is a lack of agreement will be clearly identified. Some or all of the following questions might then be asked: Is more information required? Is it necessary to caucus again? Could an

'ad-hoc' representative group meet during Conference to address the areas of disagreement and seek a way ahead? If there is still lack of agreement between the two partners, then no decision is made by the Conference, and the status quo remains. The President/Vice-President will define the 'status quo'.

- **Step Five: Moving on to the next business**

Before this happens, Conference is asked if there are any concerns/issues arising from the discussion that need to be addressed and reported back to Synods/Conference the next year. This is important where Conference members agree 'in principle' with a particular proposal, and expect that their concerns will have been addressed when the 'fleshed-out' principle returns to the next Conference for final endorsement. Consequently, a decision might read "We have agreed that ... and the following concerns/issues have been referred to ... for consideration and a report to Synods and Conference next year".

If any Conference member wishes to record their dissent from a Conference decision, they should put it in writing and hand it to the Daily Record Secretaries.

Procedures to enable the business of Conference...

to be taken "En-Bloc"

- (1) Committees/Boards 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 or Boards they will be put to the Conference En Bloc. Reports/Resolutions to be taken En Bloc will be highlighted on the PowerPoint presentation.
- (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, amended 2004)

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 of Waitangi, and at Conference specifically will:

- (a) monitor and recommendations of all Conference Committees and Boards of the Conference, and
- (b) reflect and comment on the style, processes, work and priorities of all Conference Committees and Boards, Conference discussion and decision making, 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.

Members of Conference

Manukau 2008

President of Conference:

General Secretary:

Ex President of Conference:

Jill van de Geer

David Bush

Brian Turner

Presbyters

'Akau'ola-Tongotongo, Sylvia

Alaelua, Faiva

Allen Goudge, Robyn

Anderson, Bruce

Aumua, Tovia

Barber, Petra

Bell, David

Bell, Tony

Biggs, Don

Brookes, Norman

Browne, Wallis

Bush, David

Calvert, Jan

Caygill, Mary

Clifford, Bill

Cooper, K Desmond

Cumberpatch, Lindsay

Devanandan, Prince

Donald, Margaret

Dymond, Michael

Eagle, Brian

Eden, Paul

Elphick, Doris

Faafuata, Iakopo

Fakatou, Motekiai

Faleatua, Faleatua

Finau, Viliami

Fogg, Jan

Franklin, Tony

Frith, Lynne

Gibson, Mark

Grant, Cornelia

Grant, Stuart

Greer, Michael

Griffiths, Anne

Thompson, Susan

Tikoinaka, Peni

Tu'itupou, Molia

Tufuga, Fatuatia

Hanscamp, Nigel

Hansen, Bruce

Heimuli, Kilifi

Ieli, Paulo

Isaia, Limu

Kikiliti, Vaikoloa

Kinahoi Veikune, Setaita

Kinera, Philomeno

Lasi, Tau

le Roux, Andre

Leiataua, Tulaga Iosefa

Mann-Taito, Falaniko

Manukia, Mosese

Matangi, `Aisea

Moa, Kepu

Molineux, Alison

Murray, John

Ngahe, Vaitu'ulala

Nicholls, Val

Norman, Peter

Palelei, Alalafaga I

Peterson, Brian

Pole, Siosifa

Pupulu, Utumau'u

Roberts, John

Salmon, John

Samoa Saleupolu, Aso

Sandiford Phelan, Ruth

Siulangapo, Inoke

Smith, Kenneth

Tana, Diana

Taufa, Saikolone

Taufalele, Tevita

Taufu'i, Hausia

Taungapeau, Epeli

Taylor, Peter

Te'o, Suivaaia

Tupou, Siosaia Tamata`ane
Uasi, Langi`ila
'Uhila, 'Alipate
Unasa, Uesifili
Upson, Alan
van de Geer, Jill
Wall, Terry
Walters, Kathryn
Webster, Alan
Webster, Alex
White, Graeme
Williamson, Peter
Yasa, Mike

Deacons

Barrow, Shirley-Joy
Fawkner, Brenda
Hight, Dianne
Wicks, Kay

Members of Other Churches in Full Connexion

Bedford, Chris
Dye, Mike
Filiai, Taufa
Kaio, Fakaofo
Latu, Mele Suipi
Oh, Martin
Sidal, Bob
Stephens, Barbara
Taylor, Alf
Woodward, Gillian

Ministers from Other Churches Serving the Conference

Calman, Maureen
Hinchcliff, John

Lay Representatives

Methodist Conference 2008 - Manukau

Vice President of Conference: Ron Gibson
Ex Vice President of Conference: Barbara Peddie

Boards & Committees

Board of Administration
Board of Administration and WesleyCom
Board of Ministry
Chaplain
Christian World Service
Council of Elders
Dunedin Methodist Mission
Dunedin Mission
Evangelical Network
Methodist Mission Northern
Methodist Publishing Board
Methodist Women's Fellowship
Methodist Women's Fellowship
Mission and Ecumenical
Tauiri Youth Ministry / Mission Resourcing
Trinity Methodist Theological College
TYTANZ
Wellington Methodist Charitable and Educational Endowments
Wesley College
Wesley Community Action
Wesley Historical Society (NZ)
Wesley Wellington Parish

Claridge, Frank
Bilverstone, Ruth
Hinchcliff, John
Tasker, Jan
Whitehead, Liz
Roberts, Diana
Black, Laura
Gibson, Colin
Williamson, Andrea
Johnston, Norman
Titus, Paul
Samoa Saleupolu, Vaotane
Scott, Lynne
Hopner, Keith
Peyroux, TeRito
Grundy, Nicola
Tu, Filo
Price, Neville
Faulkner, Ian
Hanna, David
Laurenson, Helen
Baker, Jed

Te Taha Maori

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Te Taha Maori - Tai Tokerau Rohe
Te Taha Maori - Tai Tokerau Rohe
Te Taha Maori - Tamaki Rohe
Te Taha Maori - Taranaki Rohe
Te Taha Maori - Taranaki Rohe
Te Taha Maori - Waikato Rohe
Te Taha Maori and Council of Conference

Hotere, Marama
Kingi, Evelyn (Tuss)
Kingi-Katene, Frances
Ngaha, Bella
Cassidy, Dorta
Hotere, Keita
Laird, Gillian
Barney-Katene, Julie-Anne
George, Jim
Waaka, Pari
Lazarus, Lana

Northland District

Churches Together in Northland
Kaeo-Kerikeri Union Parish

Gwilliam, Rosalie
Scott, Neil

Auckland

Aotea Chapel
Auckland Central Parish
Auckland Central Parish
Auckland Central Parish
Auckland Central Parish
Auckland Fijian Methodist Circuit
Auckland Synod
Birkenhead Methodist Parish
Devonport Methodist Parish
Fijian fellowship
Mahurangi Parish
Mt Albert Methodist Parish.
Orakei Parish
Takapuna Parish
Waitakere Methodist Parish
Waterview Methodist
Wesley Roskill Parish
Whangaparaoa Parish

McGee, Doug
Hines, David
Laurenson, Eric
Narayan, Kushma
Peddie, Bill
Kini, Sireli
Peak, Christine
Whitehouse, Megan
Strickland, Marilyn
Ratucoka, Apakuki
Sheerin, Ron
Taule'ale'ausumai, Gardenia
Leman Christiansen, Jan
Holloway, Sharon
Whittome, Ruth
Lefau Faigame Toleafoa
George Heimuli
Blundell, Ruth

Manukau

Mangere-Otahuhu Parish
Manurewa Parish
Papakura Methodist Church
Papatoetoe Parish
Parish of Howick-Pakuranga

Uasi-Fononga, Maurice
Vao, Bill
Morkel, Paul
Shephard, Barbara
Crichton, Barrie

Waikato

Anglican/Methodist Church Whakatane
Chartwell Co-operating Parish
Hamilton East Methodist Parish
Hamilton Parish
St John Union Parish Opotiki
Tauranga Parish
Tauranga Parish
Te Awamutu, Pirongia, Otorohanga
Trinity United Parish

Rondon, Betty
West, Mary
Lennox, Doreen
Williams, Marj
Young, Peg
Southon, Ngaire
Whimster, Viv
Campbell, Ailsa
Watson, John

Taranaki, Wanganui

New Plymouth Methodist Centre
New Plymouth Methodist Parish

Armitstead, Dawn
Fawkner, John

Hawkes Bay, Manawatu

Ashhurst-Bunnythorpe-Pohangina Parish
Hawkes Bay/Manawatu Synod
Mangapapa Church
Palmerston North Parish

Gore, Judy
Boys, Jocelyn
Norman, Gretchen
Little, Barbara

Wellington

HCUC

Hutt City Uniting congregations

Hutt City Uniting Congregations

Johnsonville Uniting Parish

Mana Methodist Parish

Ngaio Union Parish

Upper Hutt Uniting

Wesley Wellington Parish

Alofi, Pauliasi .

Kuresa, Loli

Price, Lyn

Baker, Don

Rae, Ken

Bolitho, Elaine

Malpass, Ron

Finau, Valeti

Nelson, Marlborough. West Coast

Blenheim Methodist

Greymouth Uniting Parish

Nelson/Marlborough/West Coast

Stoke Methodist Church

Union Parish of Picton

Bush, John

Efford, Thelma

McKeage, Bruce

Bateup, Doreen

Baird, David

Vahefonua Tonga O Aotearoa

Auckland Manukau Tongan Methodist Parish

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Auckland Manukau Tongan Methodist Parish

Christchurch Tongan Methodist Parish

Otara Tongan Methodist Parish

Saione Parish, Papatoetoe

Saione Parish, Papatoetoe

Vahefonua Tonga O Aotearoa

Vahefonua Tonga O Aotearoa

Vahefonua Tonga Youth

Vahefonua Tonga Youth

Vahefonua Tonga Youth

Vahefonua Tonga Youth

Akoteu, Simone Kalolo

Filiai, Seini Mafi

Kaufononga, Moi

Latu, Manase

Takau, Lopeti

Talakai, Edwin

Talia`uli, Tu`ineau

Taukolo, Havila

Tupou, Tau`ataina

Fifita, Moses Havili

Williams, Soane

Havili, Metali

Pauta, 'Eneasi

Finau, Tevita

Taumoepeau, Paula

Kalonihea, Manusiu

Kupu, 'Osaiasi

Latu'ila, Takipo

Siulangapo, Joseph

Central South Island

Ashburton Parish

Central South Island Synod

Halswell Union Parish

Hornby/Riccarton Parish

Rangiora Methodist Parish

Sydenham/Beckenham Parish

Leadley, Audrey

Spindler, Sue

Sidal, Morven

Tikoinaka, Unaisi

Ayers, David

Utting, Alec

Otago Southland

Dunedin Methodist Parish

Dunedin Parish

Lay Preachers' Network & Riverton Union Parish

Otago Southland District

Richardson, Fay

Bain, Olive

Willis, Dorothy

Masterton, Rachael

Sinoti Samoa

Auckland Samoan Parish

Hastings Samoan Parish

Mangere-Otahuhu Samoan Parish

Mangere-Otahuhu Samoan Parish

Panmure Samoan Parish

Papatoetoe Otara Parish

Sinoti Samoa

St Pauls Otara Samoan Parish

Waitakere Methodist Samoan Parish

Wesley Hastings Samoan Parish

Wesley Wellington Parish

Vai, Ben

Amani, Opeta

Fialelei, Leleua

Leao, Leumalealofa

Tuimauga, Toleafoa F

Ollie Siaea

Aumua, Afa

Tyrell, Faumuina Siaki

Lauaki, Motuopuaa

Amani, Ieremia

Vaai, Sala

Observers

Manukau 2008

`Alatini, Nonu
`Ofanoa, `Analine
`Otutaha, Pelenaise
Boddy, Ian
Finau, Tu`ipulotu
Fusitu'a, Ma'ata E
Galo, Ruta
Hafu, Kalolina
Hafu, Ongo`atoloke
Halapua, Mele
Havea, `Ana Tekiata
Kaisa, Kalo
Kim, Joohong
Lafo`ou, Jogene
Langi, Penisimani
Loloa, Maile
Lolohea, Tapu
Tu`ipulotu, Laulelei
MacKenzie, Peter
Manu, Naita
Manukia, Gollfan
Manukia, Tangitangi
Matangi, Tupou T.
Misinale, Salome
Mohi, Paea
Nacagilevu, Meleane
Ngata, Sesimani
Niu, Sela

Paea, Sioeli
Paongo, Waitemata
Pope, Ikilifi
Poultney, David
Prescott, `Aisolina
Prescott, `Opeti
Pulupuna, `Amelia A.
Schaaf, Fumi
Sipa, Siale
Smith, David
Ta`ufo`ou, Kathleen T.
Tafuna, Metuisela
Tatafu, `Alisi
Tatafu, Tanaki
Terepo, Sila
Tesimale, John
To`ofuhe, Mataiasi
Tu`ipulotu, Palu
Tu`ipulotu, Tevita
Tuiha'angana, Fane
Unu, Silioni
Vaipulu, Sione
Vaitohi, Siosifa
Vaka'uta, Nasili
Van de Geer, Maurice
Vehikite, Minoneti
Veikune, Maika

Official Representatives

The Free Wesleyan Church of Tonga

Ahio, Rev Dr

Mone, `Alifaleti, Rev Dr

Catholic Church

Barrington, Vic

Lythe, Pat

The Uniting Church of Australia

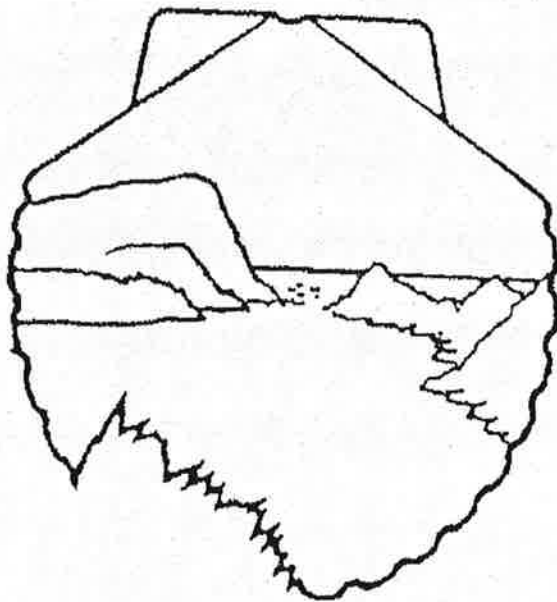
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The Presbyterian Church of Aotearoa NZ

Low, Margaret, Rev

The Methodist Church of New Zealand

Te Hāhi Weteriana O Aotearoa



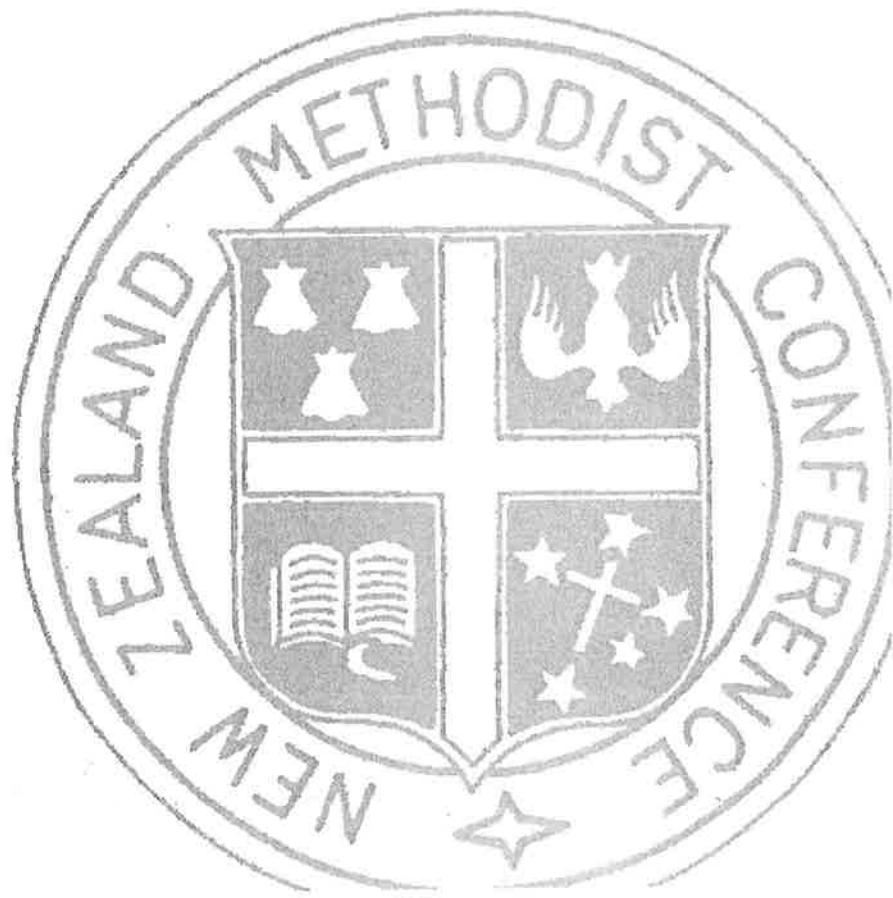
**REPORTS FROM
CONNEXIONAL COMMITTEES
AND BOARDS**

2008

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Council of Conference

- Council of Conference
- Budget Task Group



COUNCIL OF CONFERENCE

Information and Reporting Back

The Council of Conference has met twice this year, during the months of April and September. We met to discuss a range of issues that concern the life of The Methodist Church of New Zealand –Te Haahi Weteriana O Aotearoa.

We gather together for two days at Te Rahui Centre, beside the Waikato River. A venue that enhances our working relationships is constantly referred to during our theology sessions.

The Council sees it as a privilege to do this work on behalf of the Church. We are a diverse group of people, representing Tauwi and Te Taha Māori, working in unison in a bicultural manner, to which we are deeply committed.

Our robust conversations are guided by, *"What is the Spirit saying to the Church?"* and *"What more can be done to promote the work of God?"* Our meetings begin with a theological reflection led by the Presidential Team, after which the partners work together on bicultural responses to the agenda items which include the following:

Theology

Council of Conference incorporates the theological reflections as a major part of its first session each meeting. For the first meeting, the theme was "Transformation and Treaty" – two important concepts embedded in the Church's Mission Statement, but both felt to be 'difficult' words.

Council members reflected on the transforming power of the Easter event, and shared transforming events in their own lives. Using the biblical understanding of Treaty and Covenant, members wrestled with the links between transformation and Treaty, and were left with the following question: *"As leaders/members of Te Haahi, what are we going to do about promoting the links?"*

At the September meeting, we were challenged to reflect on how we see society and church emerging in Aotearoa-New Zealand, what kind of society is emerging, and how well does Te Haahi understand and relate to these trends?

The challenge for members to take away and reflect on was *"How well does the 'Hinchcliff Report' help us to position ourselves as Church in response to the needs of our time and culture?"*

We share these questions with the whole church.

2007 Conference Resolutions

Notice of Motion 'M' from Ecology Network:

As we arrive at Te Rahui Centre we are always aware of the deep and wide Waikato awa. At our September meeting, we were also conscious of the significant Treaty decision in the preceding week: announcing the guardianship, in partnership, of Waikato awa.

The place and time then, speak to the affirmation by Council of Conference of the direction arising from the climate change and ecology decisions taken by Conference 2007. But we also recognise the decisions require ongoing consideration by Synods and Rohe, particularly in regard to the time frame set.

Small steps lead to big journeys, and different geographic areas will journey at different paces.

A growing grasp of a theology of creation in Te Haahi is encouraged, with an awareness that as we work together to address environmental concerns, we also build up community.

Notice of Motion 'N' re Wesley College Special Character:

Conference 2007 asked the Council of Conference to initiate conversations within the Church to clarify what the Wesley College Special Character statement *"direct affiliation with the Methodist Church of New Zealand"* means for the relationship between Wesley College and the Methodist Church of New Zealand in the 21st century.

At its April meeting, Council of Conference established a small Work Group to begin this task. The Work Group met and prepared a report which was presented to the September meeting of Council. The report suggested changes to the Special Character Statement which might make it more relevant for the 21st century.

This report will be circulated to all Synods and Hui Poari for discussion by March 2009 and the outcomes will be presented by the Council to Conference 2009.

Social Issues Group:

Council of Conference acknowledges the huge concern within the wider church for the ongoing work of Social Issues. The Council acknowledges the prior work of CASI and Public Questions Committee.

The key objectives in the establishment of a Public Questions Network are to educate, advocate, to research and share current social/public issues amongst the linkages in the Church. Council of Conference seeks avenues for financial assistance to further the development of the Public Questions Network.

Official Name of the Methodist Church of New Zealand

The Board of Administration is currently preparing a Private Members' Bill to go to Parliament to enable changes to be made to the purposes of some Charitable Trusts. This is because the purpose for which the money was given no longer exists e.g. orphanages.

In the course of preparing the Bill the legal drafters in Parliament asked, "What is the correct name of the Church?" as they had it listed as 'The Methodist Church of New Zealand'.

The General Secretary undertook research and discovered that Conference has never adopted 'Te Haahi Weteriana O Aotearoa' as an official part of the name. Records show that this translation became common usage in the mid 1980's; however, this was never taken to Conference for adoption.

Reception into Full Connexion

Council of Conference received the names of:

- Ali'itasi Toleafoa, and
- Bob Sidal

who have completed the appropriate process to be received into Full Connexion.

We welcome Ali'itasi who comes into the Methodist family from a Presbyterian tradition who already utilises her teaching and chaplaincy skills within the life of Wesley College. The Council noted that Bob comes out of the Fijian Methodist tradition and brings that background to us.

Both Ali'itasi and Bob offer their particular gifts and skills to enrich and enhance our Church.

Council of Elders – Monitoring Bicultural Partnership

In the year 2008, Council of Conference agreed that in terms of the bicultural partnership, the Council would monitor its own processes. Members of the Council of Conference each took responsibility for the care and consideration of each other in their deliberations. We have found it has worked extremely well. However, Council of Conference re-affirms the role of Council of Elders in continuing to monitor Conference.

In acknowledging budget constraints, the Council of Conference also suggests that membership to Council of Elders be two members from Te Taha Māori and two members from Tauīwi.

Wesleyan Methodist Church

Council of Conference received and discussed the progress report contained in a letter from Alan K Webster regarding relationships between The Methodist Church of New Zealand and the Wesleyan Methodist Church of New Zealand.

Council of Conference thanks Alan K Webster for the work done and continues to support him as Evangelical Network Superintendent.

After discussion, Council of Conference suggested the following:

1. We agree to the setting up of an initial meeting between representatives of The Methodist Church of New Zealand and Wesleyan Methodist Church of New Zealand.
2. The intention of the meeting is to explore the possibility of finding areas of mutual concern between the two churches.
3. The group to meet with the Wesleyan Methodist Church of New Zealand representatives to be President Brian Turner, Tumuaki Diana Tana, President-elect Jill van de Geer and Alan K Webster.
4. President Brian Turner to identify a facilitator for the meeting.
5. In preparation for the meeting The Methodist Church of New Zealand representatives will need

to have a clear understanding of guidelines for items to be discussed.

Looking Forward

In the coming year, Council of Conference will address the following:

- Circulate a report to all Synods and Hui Poari for discussion by March 2009 and the outcomes presented to Conference 2009.
- Consider feedback about the Wesleyan Methodist Church of New Zealand.
- Seeks avenues for financial assistance to further the development of the Public Questions Network.
- Continue evaluating its life and work.

Suggested Decisions:

1. The report is received.
2. Conference thanks Kilifi Heimuli, Aroha Houston, Jessie Kerr, Alex Webster and Ruby Winikerei who complete their time on Council of Conference.
3. Conference adopts the official name of the Church to be "The Methodist Church of New Zealand–Te Haahi Weteriana O Aotearoa".
4. Conference:
 - a. implements the proposed Model of Presidency from 2010;
 - b. asks the Administration Division and Law Revision Committee to work on matters of funding and other structural and legal aspects and report to Conference 2009.
5. Conference asks the Council of Conference to circulate a discussion paper on the Wesley College Special Character by March 2009 to Synods and Hui Poari and report the outcomes to Conference 2009.
6. Conference approves the membership of the Council of Elders to be two members from Te Taha Māori and two members from Tauīwi.
7. Conference thanks Jill van de Geer for her significant contribution to the life and work of the Council of Conference in her role as General Secretary.
8. The Budget Task Group for 2009 shall be the President, Vice President, General Secretary, Tumuaki, Evelyn Kingi, David McGeorge, Paula Taumoepeau, Pari Waaka, plus one other to be brought to Conference and with Connexional Office Staff in attendance.
9. The two new members for the PAC Distribution Group for 2009 shall be
10. Council of Conference membership for 2009 shall be Te Taha Māori: Lana Lazarus (Co-Convenor), Julie-Anne Barney-Katene, Jim George, Keita Hotere, Gillian Laird, Rex Nathan, Bella Ngaha, Diana Tana, Pari Waaka and one further member to be appointed by the President from the substitute list following the Council of Conference Training Workshop.
Substitutes: Raiha (Dorta) Cassidy, Christine Kershaw, Sonny Livingstone and Shirley Wiki.
Tauīwi: Tovia Aumua (Co-Convenor), Mary Caygill, Des Cooper, Motekiai Fakatou, Tevita Finau, Jan Fogg, Barbara Peddie, Aso Samoa Saleupolu, Olive Tanielu and Susan Thompson.
Substitutes: Thelma Efford, Mark Gibson, Derek Holland, Akisi Renner, Susau Strickland, Nigel Hanscamp and Viv Whimster. President Jill van de Geer, Vice President Ron Gibson and General Secretary David Bush will also be in attendance.

CONNEXIONAL BUDGET

SECTION A

2007-2008 Connexional Budget

For the Year to 30th June 2008, contributions from parishes toward the wider work of the Church through the Connexional Budget totalled \$600,313 – an increase of \$11,911 over the previous year. As in prior years amounts requested exceeded this amount and the Budget Task Group made a request to the PAC Distribution Group for a grant of \$80,000 which was necessary to enable the Church to carry out its mission.

During the year the Budget Task Group granted \$756,400 to the various Connexional groups. Despite some parishes responding positively to the call for increased contributions to the Connexional Budget, the askings still exceed the giving. Therefore, some new initiatives are not being funded.

Budget Requests 2007-2008

	Amount Requested	Net Amount Allocated
Recipients of guaranteed funding	44,620	37,300
Recipients of non-guaranteed funding	<u>861,738</u>	<u>704,055</u>
	906,358	741,355
Fund administration	<u>13,000</u>	<u>13,000</u>
Totals	<u>\$919,358</u>	<u>\$754,355</u>

To be funded from:

	Net Amount Allocated	Actually Received
Connexional Budget from Parishes	445,874	440,614
Uniting Congregations in Aotearoa	145,000	159,698
PAC distribution group	80,000	80,000
Grants - special account	50,000	78,971
Other Income	<u>30,000</u>	<u>31,197</u>
Totals	<u>\$750,874</u>	<u>\$790,480</u>

(i) Receipts from both Methodist and Union Parishes (not including grants and donations)

	Allocations \$	Contribution \$	Percentage %
2007-08	\$590,874	\$600,312	101.6
2006-07	\$589,004	\$573,402	97.4
2005-06	\$588,694	\$575,200	97.7
2004-05	\$594,075	\$598,931	100.8
2003-04	\$568,951	\$584,748	102.8

(ii) Results from Methodist Parishes

(a)	Fully Paid	Not Fully Paid
2007-07	76	4
2006-07	78	4
2005-06	74	8
2004-05	72	6
2003-04	69	5
2002-03	65	7

(b) Percentage of Budget Allocation reached from Parishes

	Methodist			Union		
	Allocation	Contribution	%	Allocation	Contribution	%
2007-08	445,874	440,614	98.8%	145,000	159,698	110.1%
2006-07	440,254	413,391	93.9%	145,000	160,011	110.4%
2005-06	450,094	421,665	93.7%	138,600	153,535	110.8%
2004-05	452,328	440,015	97.3%	125,000	158,916	127.1%
2003-04	443,951	432,823	97.5%	125,000	151,925	121.5%

(iii) **Payments to Divisions and Committees**

	Allocation	Payment
Guaranteed		
World Council of Churches	5,200	6,467
World Methodist Council (incl Member Expenses)	4,600	3,388
Christian Conference of Asia	2,500	2,500
WCC Programme to combat racism	1,000	1,000
Bio Ethics Committee	4,000	4,000
Travel & Study	<u>20,000</u>	<u>20,000</u>
	37,300	37,355
Non Guaranteed		
<u>Partnership & Mission Expenses</u>		
Connexional Expenses	180,350	180,350
Board of Administration	85,000	85,000
Ministry Education	200,000	200,000
Methodist Mission and Ecumenical	3,000	3,000
Touchstone	46,000	46,000
Uniting Congregations of Aotearoa New Zealand	14,500	15,710
Budget Administration	13,000	13,462
Christian World Service Overseas Aid- 2% of parish contributions	11,705	12,023
<u>Tauiwi Mission & Expenses</u>		
Mission Resourcing	160,000	160,000
Evangelical Network	<u>3,500</u>	<u>3,500</u>
	<u>717,055</u>	<u>719,045</u>
Grand Total	<u>\$754,355</u>	<u>\$746,400</u>

(iv) **Payments to Divisions and Committees**

	Guaranteed	Non Guaranteed	% Paid to Non Guaranteed
2007-08	\$37,355	\$719,045	100.0%
2006-07	\$37,118	\$764,110	100.0%
2005-06	\$23,999	\$754,450	100.0%
2004-05	\$22,921	\$729,301	100.0%
2003-04	\$31,817	\$687,327	100.0%

SECTION B

2008-09 Year

This year the Budget Task Group, as part of the budget preparation process invited major asking groups to make presentations of their strategic priorities. This reinforced the need for some certainty around levels of funding so these key groups in our life can do their work.

The Task Group also realises that there is little opportunity for discussion and dialogue about the budget throughout the church, as budget preparation work currently needs to occur after Conference in November and before the end of January. It would be preferable to enable wider discussion on the proposed budget, but the process of setting the budget cannot be started earlier and the deadline to establish the final budget can not be moved.

To address these ongoing dilemmas the Budget Task Group is suggesting that the church move from the existing practice of funding the budget, in arrears, as money is paid in by parishes, to having a pre-paid budget. This means that amounts allocated would be guaranteed, and that there would be space for the church to consider budget priorities away from the busy end of year period.

To implement this, the Council of Conference is asking Conference to approve a moratorium on PAC Funds to groups outside the Methodist Church of New Zealand for 3 years, commencing in the 2009/10 financial year. During these three years the Connexional Budget would be a priority for the PAC funds as a budget fund of \$900,000 is established.

The Budget Task Group will also contract professional expertise to implement a development plan for both the ongoing budget and the new opportunities which are presenting themselves to the church. Funding for such a consultant was given by PAC 3 years ago.

The Task Group continues to draw attention to the significant contribution which the Connexional banking arrangement makes to the budget and strongly urges any Methodist parishes or other Methodist church groups who operates an account outside of the Bank of New Zealand arrangement to transfer to the banking arrangement that the Church has negotiated with the Bank of New Zealand.

The Budget, which was adopted by the Council of Conference for the year for the year to 30 June 2009, was:

Contributions from Parishes

Northland	4,200	
Auckland	104,829	
Manukau	38,737	
Waikato – Bay of Plenty	61,004	
Taranaki – Wanganui	16,181	
Hawkes Bay – Manawatu	23,742	
Wellington	22,880	
Nelson	12,220	
Central South Island	59,453	
Otago – Southland	11,500	
Auckland Manukau Tongan Parish	51,000	
Te Taha Maori	25,000	
Sinoti Samoa & parishes	23,540	
Uniting Congregations in Aotearoa New Zealand	<u>140,000</u>	594,286
Special Account Grant		79,705
Connexional Legacies and Other		28,000
PAC distribution group		<u>75,000</u>
Total Income		<u>\$776,991</u>

Allocations to Divisions & Committees

<u>Guaranteed</u>	Amount requested	Amount allocated
	\$	\$
World Council of Churches	4,000	4,000
World Council of Churches Committee Expenses	1,200	1,200
Churches Agency on International Issues	4,600	4,600
World Methodist Council	2,200	2,200
Christian Conference of Asia	1,100	1,100
Te Runanga Whakawhanaunga I Nga Hahi	2,720	0
WCC Programme to combat racism	<u>1,000</u>	<u>1,000</u>
	\$ <u>16,820</u>	<u>\$14,100</u>

<u>Non-Guaranteed</u>	<u>Amount requested</u> \$	<u>Amount allocated</u> \$
<u>Partnership & Mission Expenses</u>		
Connexional Expenses	251,412	230,260
Board of Administration	51,811	40,000
Archives	40,371	40,371
Ministry Education	200,000	170,000
Methodist Mission and Ecumenical	18,000	3,000
Touchstone	48,500	45,000
Wasewase ko Viti Kei Rotuma e Niu Siladi	10,000	8,000
Uniting Congregations of Aotearoa New Zealand	14,000	14,000
Budget Administration	13,000	
Christian World Service Overseas Aid- 2% of parish contributions	8,781	9,086
<u>Tauiwi Mission & Expenses</u>		
Mission Resourcing	205,000	170,000
Evangelical Network	5,100	4,000
Interchurch Tertiary Chaplaincy	9,350	0
Hospital Chaplaincy	26,000	20,000
Travel & Study	20,000	20,000
Bio Ethics	2,500	2,500
	<u>923,825</u>	<u>776,217</u>
Grand Total	<u>\$940,645</u>	<u>\$790,317</u>

The Task Group has again approached the PAC Distribution Group which has made funding available to meet the shortfall between the anticipated Connexional Budget income and the allocations made from the Budget. The task Group requested \$90,000 and the PAC Fund has generously agreed to fund \$75,000.

Connexional Budget Task Group

The Budget Task Group for 2008 will consist of; President, Vice-President, General Secretary, three person appointed by Taha Maori and three persons appointed by Tauwi. The Tauwi Strategy and Stationing Committee are to consider the Tauwi members of the Connexional Budget Task Group and will report to Conference.

Question 25(c): What are the decisions of Conference relating to the Connexional Budget?

Suggested Decisions:

1. The report is received.
2. Conference notes and affirms the Budget Task Group and the direction it has outlined regarding the contracting of professional expertise to implement a development plan, noting the moratorium in 3 below. (A PAC Grant is in place to fund this).
3. (a) A moratorium be placed on the PAC Funds from the PAC Distribution Group to outside groups other than MCNZ.
(b) The moratorium be placed on the PAC funds for a period of up to 3 years commencing 1/7/09.
(c) A priority for the PAC Funds will be the Connexional Budget for those 3 years.
4. Conference notes the Budget Task Groups intention to contract professional expertise to implement the development plan and that the consultant is to report to Budget Task Group and Council of Conference on the above and also to suggest what relief might be given to Parishes/Rohe during the moratorium.

CONNEXIONAL EXPENSES FUND
SUMMARY FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2008

**SUMMARY STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL PERFORMANCE &
SUMMARY STATEMENT OF MOVEMENTS IN EQUITY FOR THE
YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2008**

	2008 \$	2007 \$
Income	205,710	202,401
Expenditure	(270,026)	(272,259)
Net Operating Surplus/(Deficit)	(64,316)	(69,858)
Conference Arrangements Committee Surplus/(Deficit)	12,069	(11,463)
NET SURPLUS/(DEFICIT)	(52,246)	(81,320)
OPENING EQUITY	129,141	220,640
Net Surplus/(Deficit)	(52,246)	(81,320)
Movement in Reserves	17,933	(10,179)
CLOSING EQUITY	94,828	129,141

	2008 \$	2007 \$
SUMMARY STATEMENTS OF FINANCIAL POSITION AS AT 30 JUNE 2008		
Accumulated Funds	16,090	52,179
Reserves	78,738	76,962
TOTAL EQUITY	94,828	129,141
Current Assets	19,068	111,984
Current Liabilities	(2,978)	(15,653)
WORKING CAPITAL	16,090	96,331
Non Current Assets	78,738	32,810
NET ASSETS	94,828	129,141

SUMMARY FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

The summary financial statements have been prepared from the full financial statements of Connexional Expenses Fund for the year ended 30 June 2008 which were approved by the Board on 11 September 2008.

The summary financial statements cannot be expected to provide as complete an understanding as provided by the full financial statements of the financial performance and financial position.

The full financial statements of Connexional Expenses Fund have been audited and received an unqualified audit opinion. They are available for review from the Connexional Office, Christchurch.

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The members of the Connexional Expenses Account

We have audited the summary financial statements of the Connexional Expenses Account for the year ended 30 June 2008.

Board of Administration's responsibilities

The Board of Administration is responsible for the preparation of summary financial statements, in accordance with New Zealand law and generally accepted accounting practice.

Auditors' responsibilities

It is our responsibility to express to you an independent opinion on the summary financial statements.

Basis of opinion

We conducted our audit in accordance with New Zealand Auditing Standards. We planned and performed procedures to ensure the summary financial statements are consistent with the full financial statements on which the summary report is based. We also evaluated the overall adequacy of the presentation of information in the summary financial statements against the requirements of FRS-39: *Summary Financial Reports*.

Other than in our capacity as auditor we have no relationship with or interests in the Connexional Expenses Account.

Unqualified opinion

In our opinion, the information reported in the summary financial statements complies with FRS-39: *Summary Financial Reports* and is consistent with the full financial statements from which it is derived and upon which we expressed an unqualified audit opinion in our report to the members dated 15 September 2008.

Our examination of the Summary Financial Statements was completed on 15 September 2008 and our unqualified opinion is expressed as at that date.



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CONNEXIONAL BUDGET ACCOUNT
SUMMARY FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2008

**SUMMARY STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL PERFORMANCE & SUMMARY
STATEMENT OF MOVEMENTS IN EQUITY FOR THE YEAR ENDED
30 JUNE 2008**

	2008	2007
	\$	\$
Income	710,480	685,710
Expenditure	<u>(756,400)</u>	<u>(801,228)</u>
Net Operating Deficit	(45,920)	(115,518)
Grants Received	<u>80,000</u>	<u>80,000</u>
NET SURPLUS / (DEFICIT)	<u>34,080</u>	<u>(35,518)</u>
OPENING EQUITY	120,501	149,815
Net Surplus	34,080	(35,518)
Net Increase in Designated Funds	<u>6,800</u>	<u>6,203</u>
CLOSING EQUITY	<u>161,381</u>	<u>120,501</u>

	2008	2007
	\$	\$
SUMMARY STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION AS AT 30 JUNE 2008		
Accumulated Funds	56,894	22,814
Designated Funds	<u>104,487</u>	<u>97,687</u>
TOTAL EQUITY	<u>161,381</u>	<u>120,501</u>
Current Assets	146,653	241,917
Current Liabilities	<u>(6,969)</u>	<u>(141,526)</u>
WORKING CAPITAL	139,684	100,391
Non Current Assets	<u>21,697</u>	<u>20,109</u>
NET ASSETS	<u>161,381</u>	<u>120,501</u>

SUMMARY FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

The summary financial statements have been prepared from the full financial statements of Connexional Budget Account for the year ended 30 June 2008 which were approved by the Board on 5 September 2008.

The summary financial statements cannot be expected to provide as complete an understanding as provided by the full financial statements of the financial performance and financial position.

The full financial statements of Connexional Budget Account have been subject to a review by an independent Chartered Accountant. They are available for review from the Connexional Office, Christchurch.





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Review Report

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The Members of the Council of Conference for the Connexional Budget Account

We have reviewed the summary financial statements of the Connexional Budget Account for the year ended 30 June 2008.

Board of Administration's responsibilities

The Board of Administration is responsible for the preparation of summary financial statements in accordance with New Zealand law and generally accepted accounting practice in New Zealand.

Reviewer's responsibilities

It is our responsibility to express to you an independent opinion on the summary financial statements presented by the Board of Administration.

Basis of statement

We have reviewed the summary financial statements of the Connexional Budget Account for the year ended 30 June 2008 in accordance with the Review Engagement Standards issued by the New Zealand Institute of Chartered Accountants to ensure the summary financial statements are consistent with the full financial statements on which the summary financial statements are based. We also evaluated the overall adequacy of the presentation of information in the summary financial statements against the requirements of Financial Reporting Standard 39: *Summary Financial Reports*.

Other than our capacity as independent Chartered Accountants, Grant Thornton has no other relationship with or interest in the Connexional Budget Account.

Statement of review findings

In our opinion, the information reported in the summary financial statements complies with FRS-39: *Summary Financial Reports* and are consistent with the full financial statements from which they are derived and upon which we expressed a review opinion to the Members of the Council of Conference on 15 September 2008.

Our examination of the summary financial statements was completed on 15 September 2008 and our review opinion is expressed as at that date.



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COUNCIL OF CONFERENCE FOUR PLUS FOUR RE MODELS OF PRESIDENCY

Preamble

The Council of Conference four plus four in association with the Faith and Order Committee was charged by Conference 2007 to undertake the following:

1. Research the most appropriate and responsible Model of Presidency to take the Church into the future given its changing nature and size, as well as the understanding that people have of the role of President and Vice President.
2. Investigate the reasons behind the resistance of people to be nominated for the positions.
3. Prepare a discussion paper for June Synods with possible models.
4. Bring a report to Conference 2008.

A discussion paper reflecting on the nature of Presidency, resistance factors to being nominated for the positions of President and Vice President and possible models of Presidency was sent to June Synods and Hui Poari. Responses were received from eight Synods, one parish, one individual and Hui Poari. The Council of Conference four plus four thanks those who replied. Your questions and comments were particularly helpful.

The Council of Conference four plus four in association with the Faith and Order Committee now presents this report for further consideration. We believe the model of Presidency being suggested is the most appropriate for the size and future of the Methodist Church in New Zealand/Te Haahi Weteriana o Aotearoa. We expect that a decision to implement the proposed model will be a two-year process.

Affirmation

The Council of Conference four plus four believes the President is important to the life and well-being of the Church. This was also reflected in the responses received.

We are strongly committed to the bicultural partnership. This partnership is reflected in our Conference, in the responsibilities of the President (one of whose tasks is to sustain the bicultural partnership) and in the selection process for the Presidency.

The Nature of Presidency

The role of the President is one of **Governance** or 'Headship'. As the representative of the Conference when it is not in session, the President is responsible for maintaining the overall policy and direction setting of the Church.

This includes the following tasks:

- Being a **Leader**: The President is expected to bring gifts of visioning, discernment and guidance to the life of the Church. He or she is a voice for the Church and may speak out to the wider community (after seeking advice) on issues of justice, peace and integrity.
- Being the **Chief Pastor**: The President cares for the life of the Church in all of its parts, and so seeks to maintain justice in the life of the Church. He or she is available to listen, to pray and to be alongside all groups within the Church. He or she may offer personal pastoral care to individuals when required. The President acts as a 'spiritual mentor' to the Church.
- Having a **Ceremonial Role**: The President expresses the life of the whole Church on significant Church and/or community occasions. The role of President carries with it respect and status which is an expression of the Church's confidence in an individual and of the mana of the Body of Christ which is greater than any individual.

Proposed Model of Presidency

The Council of Conference four plus four offers the following proposed model of Presidency after reflecting on the responses received from the Church and the future needs of Methodism in New Zealand.

(2 years)
President Elect

(2 years)
President

(2 years)
Ex-President

- The President is a full-time position.
- This model does away with the position of Vice-President in favour of a President Elect.
- The office of President is open to all lay and ordained members of the Methodist Church who fulfil the Law Book requirements (7.5.1.6).
- Conference would be held every two years (issues like the time and place of ordinations will need to be explored).
- We believe costs would be similar to as at present.
- The current bicultural partnership selection process would remain in place.
- The first President under this model would be selected in 2010 and would begin as President in 2011. Thereafter Conferences would be held in 2013, 2015 etc.

Rationale for the Model

The Council of Conference four plus four believes the proposed model is the most sustainable given the changing size and nature of the Church.

We believe that it best overcomes some of the factors behind the resistance of people to be nominated for the Presidency.

A two-year full-time Presidency will strengthen the role of President allowing greater continuity and the chance to make a sustained contribution to the Church. The time spent as President Elect will be a valuable opportunity for people to prepare themselves for the task ahead.

The Council of Conference four plus four believes the proposed model continues to affirm the place of lay leadership in the Church, which is a significant part of our heritage.

The model will have ecumenical advantages. The President will have time to get to know and be known by other Church leaders.

The Council of Conference four plus four believes the current selection process best expresses the Methodist Church's commitment to a bicultural partnership.

Additional Matters

The Council of Conference four plus four recognises that a number of issues were raised in Synod responses which remain unresolved. We have not been able to address these within this report but remind the Church of the need to continue to struggle with them in an attitude of prayer and concern for each other.

The Council of Conference four plus four notes:

- Ongoing and serious concerns among some members regarding the bicultural partnership selection process.
- The call for a more adequate resolution process in the event of disagreement over nominations.
- The desire among some parts of the Church for the President to be an ordained person.
- Concern that, while the position of President is open to all lay and ordained people who fulfil the Law Book requirements, debate continues within Tauīwi over the acceptability of gay and lesbian nominees - at the moment eligibility does not equal acceptability.

Suggested Decisions

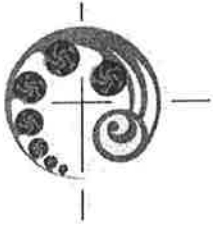
1. Conference implements the proposed model from 2010.
2. Conference asks the Administration Division to work on matters of funding and other structural and legal aspects and report to Conference 2009.

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Te Taha Maori

- Te Taha Maori
- Grey Institute Trust
- Wellington Charitable Trust





TE TAHA MĀORI

Information and Reporting Back

Ka ngaro ratou, ka ngaro ratou.

Ko Muliaina Foepapa, Ken Christiansen, Roy Hasseldine, Irwin Fowler, Dorothy Allen, Kathleen Gilmore, Colin Leadley, Nellie Cramond, Ivan Hall, James McGeorge, Melva Flyger, Dave Armstrong, Frank Walters, Mabel Grocott, Laura Blundell, Dorothy Ford, Joan Lawry, Harkness Letoa, Judith Patterson,

Sister Rona Collins, ko wai atu, ko wai atu.

Ko te hunga piripono ki a Ihu Karaiti. Haere koutou.

Te hunga ora e hui nei, tena koutou katoa.

Theology in Aotearoa/Education and Training

Thinking and doing theology takes place in a variety of settings. At the beginning of each meeting Te Taha Maori takes the time to reflect theologically on what is happening around us, the issues that we have to address and the ways in which we interact in church and community.

Following the passing of so many of our members in 2007, it has been important for Te Taha Maori to momentarily pause and take stock of our future directions. This has meant that as part of our ongoing work, we have deliberately focussed our theology sessions at Hui Poari around the following themes:

- Recalling our Te Taha Maori and Methodist history/memory;
- Re-examining our structures;
- Strengthening our governance and management procedures;
- A deliberate focus on our visioning, strategy and goals;
- Our overall future directions.

In addition to all the above we have also spent time looking at other issues such as:

- HIV and AIDS;
- Key Connexional reports – Commissioner's report, Law and Property, Stipends Review, Local Shared Ministry, Models of Presidency, Anglican Methodist Covenant.

Education programmes and training wananga continue to be the way in which Te Taha Maori strives to achieve its goals of *enabling every member to be a minister – within his/her own whanau and community/rohe and producing our own resources for nurture and growth in the faith; for continuing education, ministry and mission in the world.*

Development hui for Kaikaraka and candidates training to be Minita-a-lwi continue at a Rohe level. A national Minita-a-lwi event is planned for the end of September to be held at Whakatuora Centre.

Te Taha Maori has been ably assisted by the Rev Morehu Te Whare in training candidates for Minita-a-lwi from the Rohe Potae area. It is with pleasure we announce that **Ella Nelson, Solomon Nelson and Thomas Waaka** have completed their Minita-a-lwi training and will be received as Minita-a-lwi at this year's Conference.

In August at a Special Meeting of Hui Poari, it was unanimously agreed that **Rex Nathan** go forward as a candidate for Ordination at Conference 2009.

Te Taha Maori recognises this is a significant spiritual journey for each candidate and rejoices in their achievements.

Rangatahi

In February, **Keita Hotere** concluded her position as National Rangatahi Worker. Te Taha Maori acknowledges and pays tribute to Keita for her work and ministry amongst the Rangatahi of our Rohe. Her work on national boards and committees has also been valued. We wish Keita many blessings for her future endeavours. Hui Poari continues to work on the future ministry of Rangatahi and Tai Tamariki.

Activities that have occurred/will happen for Rangatahi since last Conference include:

- A Tai Tokerau Rohe wananga for their Rangatahi and Tai Tamariki at St John's Co-operating Parish Whangarei;
- Participation at MYC08;
- Representation on Connexional Boards and Committees as well as Hui Poari;
- An upcoming hui in October for Tamaki.

Te Taha Maori has been invited to send a representative group with Tauwi Young People to attend the National Christian Youth Convention in early January in Melbourne, Australia. Details for a group to participate are being finalised.

Finance and Properties

Finances: Te Taha Maori Budget Working Group continues to meet during the year to consider the income and expenditure for the life and work of Te Taha Maori. The Work Group makes adjustments accordingly. Te Taha Maori makes no requests for funding from the Connexional Budget. It does however, contribute to the Connexional Budget and has done so for a number of years.

Te Taha Maori once again wishes to record its thanks and appreciation to the Grey Institute Trust, Kurahuna Committee, Margaret and Bruce Gordon Fund and the Wellington Methodist Charitable Educational and Endowments Trust for their financial support. A number of students have received grants from these funds/trusts which assist them with their education.

Furthermore we also record our thanks to Dina McCarthy for the monitoring of our accounts and finances on a daily basis.

Properties: Te Taha Maori continues to regularly maintain our properties particularly our key Centres – Te Atawhai in Kawakawa, Whakatuora in Mangere East, Te Rahui in Hamilton and Tahupotiki in Hawera. Ongoing work and discussions are continuing with regards to Te Patunga Church, Te Huinga Centre, Te Waitere Land and finding an appropriate property for Tai Tokerau Rohe. Te Taha Maori are indebted to the Rev Bob Short for his continued commitment in carrying out the work on the development project at Kawhia. We hope to have this project completed in time for the 75th anniversary of Kawhia Church.

Ecumenical Concerns

Te Runanga Whakawhanaunga I Nga Haahi O Aotearoa: Rev Rua Rakena continues as Interim Administrator for this organisation. Advisors have met sporadically during the year. An invitation was extended by Te Aka Puaho for Te Runanga to meet in Ohope in June. The objective was to meet with students of Te Wananga-A-Rangi as well as recall the history and discuss the future of Te Runanga.

Key National Events: Te Taha Maori for many years has supported these key annual national events – the Ratana celebrations, Waitangi and Koroneihana (coronation of Kingi Tuheitia). These keys national events have strong affiliations to our Methodist Church. We encourage our church to learn about these occasions and participate.

Methodist Mission & Ecumenical Committee: Hui Poari at its May meeting took the time to workshop on the issues of HIV and AIDS. There was robust dialogue and Rohe members were asked to continue engaging with the issues noting education and awareness is the key.

World Council of Churches: The Tumuaki and Lana Lazarus were part of a group that met to consider the WCC Ecclesiology Texts.

Connexional Matters

Te Taha Maori records its sincere thanks to **Jill van de Geer** for her significant contribution to the life and work of the Methodist Church of New Zealand-Te Haahi Weteriana O Aotearoa during her term as General Secretary. We wish Jill well with her future endeavours.

Te Taha Maori remains convinced that the Bicultural Journey emerges out of a deeper acknowledgment of the gospel for Aotearoa. Therefore we persevere and expend the necessary time and energy required. Significant involvements this year have included:

- Keita Hotere and Lana Lazarus along with the Tauwi Youth Facilitator were part of the Organising Committee for MYC08.
- 4+4 Connexional Appointment for Principal of Trinity Methodist Theological College;
- Representation on the Board of Administration, Connexional Budget Task Group, Council of Conference, Grey Institute Trust, Kurahuna Committee, Methodist Mission and Ecumenical

Committee, PAC Distribution Group, PAC Media and Communication Committee, Pastoral Committee, Te Runanga Whakawhanaunga I Nga Haahi O Aotearoa, Wellington Methodist Charitable Educational and Endowments Trust and the Wesley College Trust Board.

- The Tumuaki has also represented Te Taha Maori on the Advisory Committee to the Commissioner, Dr John Hinchcliffe.
- The Tumuaki along with Lana Lazarus co-facilitated sessions at the Bicultural Orientation Workshop earlier this year.
- The Tumuaki and Lana Lazarus along with the Taiwi Executive Officer, Nigel Hanscamp and Taiwi Co-Convenor, Tovia Aumua led a training workshop for existing and new members of Council of Conference as well as substitutes.
- Bella Ngaha made a presentation at the request of Superintendent John Murray to the Managers of Methodist Mission Northern on "Methodist Bicultural Journey in Practice" in May.

Te Taha Maori takes its Connexional responsibilities and partnership obligations seriously. At times it feels like this same commitment is not matched by our Partner.

Looking Forward

The areas of Te Taha Māori work, which we continue to develop are:

1. Visioning, strategy, structures, governance and management.
2. Rangatahi and Tai Tamariki Ministry;
3. Rangatahi Co-ordinators planning a national Rangatahi Hui;
4. Kaikarakia and Minita-a-lwi training;
5. Other forms of development that may be appropriate for our people;
6. Maintaining our bicultural and partnership relationships;
7. Awareness and participation to social and political events in this country.

Suggested Decisions:

1. The report be received.
2. Conference thanks Keita Hotere for her work and contribution to the life and ministry of Rangatahi.
3. The 2009 membership and officers of *Hui Poari* be Tumuaki Diana Tana, Lana Lazarus, Rangatahi: Raiha (Dorta) Cassidy, Julie-Anne Barney-Katene, Tiraroa Toki; Tai Tokerau: Raiha (Dorta) Cassidy, Rex Nathan; Tamaki: Gillian Laird, Bella Ngaha; Waikato: Pari Waaka, Evelyn Kingi; Taranaki: Frances Kingi-Katene, Jim George; Otautahi-Te Waipounamu: Sonny Livingstone and one further representative and two representatives each from Te Rohe Potae and Poneke to be appointed by the President.
4. The 2009 offices of *Rohe* shall be Tai Tokerau: Raiha (Dorta) Cassidy; Tamaki: Gillian Laird; Waikato: Pari Waaka; Taranaki: Frances Kingi-Katene; Otautahi-Te Waipounamu: Sonny Livingstone.
5. That the 2009 membership of *Te Runanga Whakawhanaunga I Nga Haahi O Aotearoa* shall be Tumuaki Diana Tana, Keita Hotere and Lana Lazarus.

GREY INSTITUTE TRUST

The year to June 2008 has been a year of significant change for the Grey Institute Trust.

The Trust was sad to record the passing of long serving Trustee Rev Moke Couch who died just before Conference 2007, and former Trust Chair Rev Len Willing.

The Trust and the Church are indebted for the love and dedication shown in the service of all of our former trustees.

Lease Renewals

The ground leases for the 193 sections owned by the Grey Institute Trust in New Plymouth came up for renewal in December 2007. In terms of the lease documents the Trust had to give a year's notice of the renewal to each lessee and to commence proceedings leading to the review of the rental payable by each lessee which would remain unchanged for the next 21 year lease term.

At the time of the previous rent review in 1986 the Trust looked at the possibility of being able to offer lessees the option of purchase of the freehold of their sections. With many questions surrounding the purchasing the original property by the Trust and possibly competing interests of local Iwi and hapu the advice of Te Taha Maori was that freeholding the sections was inappropriate at that time. Over the course of the next twenty years significant progress was made both in understanding the relationship of Trust to its property and to any outstanding issues between the Church and Ngati Te Whiti the tangatawhenua. As was proper in terms of the Church's bicultural journey Te Taha Maori took the lead in resolving these issues and matters progressed to the stage where as trustees contemplated the 2007 renewal, there was sufficient accord for the Trust to make an offer to each lessee for the purchase of the freehold of their property.

The Trustees believed that the ability to purchase the freehold interest in their land would enable the lessees to have more confidence in the "ownership" of their property and ultimately to lead to the improvement of the neighbourhood as leasehold tenure did not always enjoy the highest regard by property purchasers and lead to reduced capital investment in the improvements.

The offer of freeholding was not a provision of the lease but was a voluntary offer made by the Trust as an alternative to the right to renew the lease for a further 21 years with the rent to be set by agreement or failing that by arbitration. It was decided that each property would be individually assessed and a non negotiable offer be made to each lessee for the freeholding of their section.

The renewal of the leases and the offer of the freeholding attracted significant publicity in New Plymouth (as was to be expected) and whilst the freeholding option did not suit all lessees nearly 80% chose to take up the freeholding offer.

The remaining 20% of the properties had their leases renewed for a further 21 years with all but the last two or three ground rentals having been settled by 30 June 2008.

Obviously the freeholding of the land will significantly change the dynamics of the Trust. It is a long standing decision of Conference that the surplus income earned by the Trust be made available to Te Taha Maori each year and pending a full review of the future directions of the Trust but it is not intended to seek any change in Conference's current instructions.

It is anticipated that a full review and recommendations will be brought to Conference 2009.

Relations with Ngati Te Whiti Hapu

As mentioned previously Te Taha Maori was responsible for resolving questions with tangatawhenua relating to the church's ownership of the Grey Institute Trust property. It is understood by the Trust that there are no bona fide claims or reservations of title with regard to the Trust property. The opportunity arose however for the Trust to purchase a piece of former railway land declared surplus by the Crown that had been acquired from the Trust under the Public Works Act in the 1930s. This land adjoined property already owned by Ngati Te Whiti in Bayly Road and the property was repurchased by the Trust and given to the Bayly Road Trust together with a Koha from Te Taha Maori representing funds that had been put aside from the annual income of the Grey Trust over many years awaiting the freeholding of the sections.

The Trust has also sought to agree the future of the Rangiatea property with the Ngati Te Whiti hapu.

Discussions have been delayed as there was no one group with a mandate to represent the entire hapu.

The Trustees are delighted to advise Conference that with Ngati Te Whiti being able to nominate an appropriate Group to represent it discussions on the gifting of the former Rangiatea Hostel property – now occupied by a number of education providers focused on Maori education plus some sports fields leased to Spotswood College – have progressed very quickly.

The gift on behalf of the Grey Trust and Te Hahi Weteriana has been offered and accepted with a formal transfer of the property likely to occur in early 2009.

The Grey Trust has now been able to transfer both land and an economic base to Ngati Te Whiti from whom the original Grey Trust lands were purchased in 1840.

Conclusion

In conclusion the Trustees are mindful of the turmoil created by the 21 year review of rental and the offer of freeholding extended to lessees. The Trustees believe that the high level of take up of the freeholding offer indicates that it met a significant aspiration of the vast majority of its lessees. The Trustees acknowledge with gratitude the work of the Trust Secretary Pauline Lockett and her staff at P.W.C. (especially Raewyn Greening) the Trust's Solicitor John Konijn and Valuer Mike Myers. They all provided excellent advice and assistance to the Trust during what were testing times.

The Trustees also record their appreciation to the careful and wise leadership provided by Rev Alan Upson as Chairperson of the Trust.

Suggested Decisions:

1. That the report be received.
2. That the members of the Grey Institute Trust for the 2009 year be: The Superintendent of the New Plymouth Methodist Parish (Chairperson), currently Rev Alan Upson, Rev Diana Tana, Julie-Anne Barney-Katene, Juanita Bishop, Doreen Erueti, John Honeyfield, Aroha Houston and Greg Wright. Another member (or members may be added to the Trust to assist with changes in the work of the Trust during the coming year).

THE BOARD OF THE WELLINGTON METHODIST CHARITABLE AND EDUCATIONAL ENDOWMENTS

The Board approved the following grants during the financial year ended 30 June - all grants are required to be targeted for the benefit of children or youth –

	\$
Te Taha Maori - Moutoa Scholarship	20,000
Rangatahi worker	30,000
Educational Resource Work	10,000
Masterton Christian Childcare Programme	20,000
Methodist Youth Conference 2008	5,000
Schools (5)	15,500
Gifted Kids Programme	8,000
Activate Trust – 'High Five' Programme	1,080
Te Waipuna Trust – Team Xtreme	2,000
St John's Avalon Uniting Church	4,258
Youth Development Trust	5,000
SPELD Association Hutt Valley Inc.	4,000
Gracefield Early Childhood Centre	1,740
Wesley Methodist Samoan Sunday School	4,500
Methodist Social Services, Palmerston North	5,000
Wesley Community Action –	
Porirua Youth Development Initiative	<u>20,000</u>
	\$156,078

This amount compares with \$138,230 in the 2007 year, and \$119,700 in the 2006 year – when applications received did not fully match our income.

We have continued to invite applications for grants from (a) Kura Kaupapa, Maori Immersion Units, Decile 3 Schools, and (b) Community Groups.

The Board's farm at Moutoa, near Foxton, continues to be well managed.

Barrie Woods, Chairperson
Neville Price, Secretary

Suggested Decisions:

1. That the Report be received.
2. The membership of the Board for 2009 is: Lynne Frith, Nola Hanson, Heather Lumsden-Ratu, Diana Tana, Bunny Willing, Trevor Dine, Owen Prior, Matthew Roberts, Lani Tupu, Barrie Woods (Chairperson), Neville Price (Secretary), and any others appointed by the President.

TE TAHA MAORI
SUMMARY FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2008

**SUMMARY STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL PERFORMANCE & SUMMARY
STATEMENT OF MOVEMENTS IN EQUITY FOR THE YEAR ENDED
30 JUNE 2008**

	2008 \$	2007 \$
Distributions/Contributions Received	397,822	418,562
Other Income	<u>127,240</u>	<u>105,964</u>
Total Income	525,062	524,526
Te Taha Maori Expenses	(168,040)	(158,342)
Te Tari Expenses	(201,036)	(164,052)
Property Expenses	<u>(161,601)</u>	<u>(159,337)</u>
NET SURPLUS	<u>(5,615)</u>	<u>42,795</u>
OPENING EQUITY	15,818,947	14,908,807
Net Surplus	(5,615)	42,795
Net increase/(decrease) in Designated Funds	726,088	(645,883)
Net increase in Reserves	<u>331,281</u>	<u>1,513,228</u>
CLOSING EQUITY	<u>16,870,701</u>	<u>15,818,947</u>

SUMMARY STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION AS AT 30 JUNE 2008

	2008 \$	2007 \$
Designated Funds	6,307,873	5,581,785
Accumulated Funds	3,528,270	3,499,321
Reserves	<u>7,034,558</u>	<u>6,737,841</u>
TOTAL EQUITY	<u>16,870,701</u>	<u>15,818,947</u>
Current Assets	38,370	63,368
Current Liabilities	<u>(39,143)</u>	<u>(24,426)</u>
WORKING CAPITAL	(772)	38,942
Non Current Assets	<u>16,871,473</u>	<u>15,780,005</u>
NET ASSETS	<u>16,870,701</u>	<u>15,818,947</u>

SUMMARY FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

The summary financial statements have been prepared from the full financial statements of Te Taha Maori for the year ended 30 June 2008 which were approved by the Hui Poari on 11 September 2008.

The summary financial statements cannot be expected to provide as complete an understanding as provided by the full financial statements of the financial performance and financial position.

The full financial statements of Te Taha Maori have been audited and received a qualified audit opinion. They are available for review from the Connexional Office, Christchurch.





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The members of the Te Taha Maori

We have audited the summary financial statements of the Te Taha Maori for the year ended 30 June 2008.

Hui Poari responsibilities

The Hui Poari is responsible for the preparation of summary financial statements, in accordance with New Zealand law and generally accepted accounting practice.

Auditors' responsibilities

It is our responsibility to express to you an independent opinion on the summary financial statements.

Basis of opinion

We conducted our audit in accordance with New Zealand Auditing Standards. We planned and performed procedures to ensure the summary financial statements are consistent with the full financial statements on which the summary report is based. We also evaluated the overall adequacy of the presentation of information in the summary financial statements against the requirements of FRS-39: *Summary Financial Reports*.

Other than in our capacity as auditor we have no relationship with or interests in the Te Taha Maori.

Qualified opinion

Grey Institute Trust Funds (GIT)

Te Taha Maori has not accounted for a distribution receivable from the Grey Institute Trust Funds as at 30 June 2008 and is not following proper accrual accounting which is a departure from generally accepted accounting principles.

In our opinion, except for the effect of the non accrual of the distribution receivable noted above, the information reported in the summary financial statements complies with FRS-39: *Summary Financial Reports* and is consistent with the full financial statements from which it is derived and upon which we expressed an qualified audit opinion in our report to the members dated 15 September 2008.

Our examination of the Summary Financial Statements was completed on 15 September 2008 and our qualified opinion is expressed as at that date.

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Tauiwi

- Tauiwi Strategy
- Evangelical Network
- New Zealand Women's Fellowship
- Wasewase Ko Viti Kei Rotuma



TAUIWI STRATEGY & STATIONING

Tauwi Strategy continue to work within the stated purpose of the committee, "to give expression to the partnership between the cultural groups within Tauwi and other expressions of diversity and to pursue visioning, strategy, planning and decision making on behalf of Tauwi".

The August meeting was bracketed by worship sessions around the theme "Together in Christ as Tauwi". The theme was about being church together, identity, diversity, and our unity in Christ. Members of the committee led these worship sessions creatively and there was considerable affirmation of the variety, challenge and depth of input.

Commissioners Report

Tauwi received the Commissioners initial and subsequent reports. Discussions on matters relating to Tauwi structures and processes are on-going.

Stipends Review Group

Tauwi Strategy addressed seven recommendations from the Stipends Review Group report to Conference 2007, which had been referred back to the church for further discussion. These related to job descriptions and ministry tasks for part time appointments, presbyter medical/health insurance, setting of remuneration packages for Connexional appointments, responsibility margins, and the establishment of a task group to review the regional and national structure of Conference and Synods.

Tauwi Strategy identified some areas that it believed needed further detail to enable informed decisions to be made, but supported in principle the general thrust of the recommendations. Responses to each recommendation were made to the Stipends Review Group.

Continuous Stationing

The committee confirmed the following regarding Continuous Stationing: Continuous Stationing is a process which may be used when a parish is not able to be stationed in a previous year, where a parish becomes vacant during the year, or for pastoral imperative approved by the President. It is also be used with applications during the year from ministers coming from outside the Methodist Church of New Zealand. All Continuous Stationing appointments are to be processed by Mission Resourcing through the Stationing Workgroups and approved by the President.

Tauwi Strategy finalised a Continuous Stationing process for use by Synod Superintendents. This process includes advertising, timeframe and the connection of the process with the current stationing processes.

Tauwi Council of Conference Membership

Nominations and processes for Tauwi membership of Council of Conference and substitutes has been somewhat unstructured in the past few years. There has not always been consistency in applying the guidelines and criteria for nomination and membership, training, and the number and role of substitutes. At the August meeting, the Council of Conference Tauwi co-convenor proposed changes in the way Tauwi membership of the Council is processed.

The criteria for Tauwi Council of Conference membership has therefore been amended as follows:

- Nominations will be called each year for up to 3 new Tauwi members.
- The Tauwi Nominations Committee will recommend up to 3 new members of Council of Conference annually who will be substitutes/ trainees in the first year. These will be mentored by current Tauwi Council of Conference members.
- Tauwi Council of Conference members will then serve a term of 5 years on the Council after their first year in training.
- At the end of a Tauwi member's term they will be a substitute for two years.
- The Mission Resourcing Director not appointed as TEO will continue to be a resource person for the Council and may also serve as a substitute for the committee.
- The Tauwi Co-Convenor will be a member of the Tauwi Strategy meeting.
- All Tauwi members of Council of Conference are able to attend Tauwi Strategy. However there will be at least five Tauwi members of Council of Conference represented at Tauwi

Strategy (normally this would be made up of those who are also members of Tauwi Strategy).

- Copies of Tauwi Strategy and Council of Conference minutes will be sent to all Tauwi Council of Conference members, trainees and substitutes.

Tauwi Executive Officer

Tauwi Strategy have agreed to a trial role description for the Tauwi Executive Officer. This role description defines the difference in role between the TEO and the Directors. The Committee also affirmed the appointment of Aso Samoa Saleupolu to replace Nigel Hanscamp as Tauwi Executive officer following his agreed 3 year term.

Tauwi Strategy Facilitation

Since the formation of Tauwi Strategy from the General Purposes Committee, the facilitation of the Tauwi Strategy meeting has been done by the President and Vice President together with the Superintendent Development Division / Director(s) Mission Resourcing. Tauwi Strategy has examined its own life this year as well as the role of the TEO and the role of the Tauwi Facilitators, and has decided that it would be more helpful for the TEO, Directors, President and Vice President if the Tauwi Facilitators were to take a leadership role at Tauwi Strategy. Preparation for the meetings would be done in cooperation with the TEO, and facilitation could be effectively managed by the Tauwi Facilitators. Tauwi Stationing will continue to be led by the Presidential team with support from the General Secretary and TEO.

This will be trialled for meetings in 2009, with the intention of bringing a change to the Laws and Regulations to Conference 2009.

Ecology

The February meeting of Tauwi Strategy considered the Notice of Motion M from Conference 2007 encouraging the church to be more environmentally sustainable.

Tauwi Strategy asked that Synods report on their discussions regarding the Notice of Motion to the August meeting of Tauwi Strategy. Some Synods reported steps they have begun to take.

The committee also affirmed that the issue was important enough to stay in front of the church, and suggests that it stay on the agenda of all boards and committees in the church. In considering the issue further Tauwi Strategy asks Synods to promote the use of the CASI Energy Audit. This is a detailed checklist which can be easily applied at parish and synod level.

Leadership and Human Sexuality

Tauwi Strategy had further discussion on Te Taha Maori's core question, "Will Tauwi accept a gay or lesbian person as President or Vice President?" In response to this question, Tauwi Strategy have advised Te Taha Maori that because there is no consensus within Tauwi at this time, Tauwi is unable to accept a gay or lesbian person for the office of President or Vice President.

Tauwi Strategy will continue to address questions relating to sexuality, diversity, multiculturalism and theology. Further work is to be done on this during 2009.

Lay Superintendency

Tauwi Strategy supports in principle that the office of Synod Superintendency be open to Deacons and Lay people.

The committee received several papers and notices of motion as well as responses from the Faith and Order committee for consideration. Tauwi Strategy noted that the close relationship between the concepts of 'covenant' and 'full connexion' needs fuller exploration.

Therefore Tauwi Strategy recommends that further work be undertaken by the Faith and Order Committee together with Law Revision in consultation with the wider church on this matter. The work undertaken should explore both what it means for a lay superintendent to be brought into full connexion, and any changes to the Laws & Regulations to open up eligibility for the office of Synod Superintendent to Lay people and Deacons.

Lower North Island Synod

The proposal to meld the Taranaki-Wanganui, Hawkes Bay – Manawatu and Wellington Synods has had a long gestation period and all necessary consultation has been undertaken.

The driving influence behind the move to a Lower North Island Synod is to stream-line administration and to enable the main focus to be mission for each parish as the primary place of mission, and for the synod to resource and encourage each parish to reach its full potential as a people and place of God's people sharing the Good News.

All three Synods agreed at a combined August Synod to ask Conference to amend Synod boundaries to create the Lower North Island Synod. The ideal is to have a full-time Superintendent, but funding issues have yet to be finalised.

Anticipating approval, a service of inauguration and induction for the Synod and officers is planned for early December.

Vahefonua Tonga

Vahefonua Tonga is working on establishing a mission to respond in the best possible inclusive, holistic manner to calls and challenges of Christ in the community.

It intends to work collaboratively with missions, social services and other bodies of the Methodist Church of New Zealand and other agencies. It is also exploring ways of working in partnership with both local and central government departments with relevant services.

Vahefonua is engaged in a process of wide consultation, education and promotion of this exciting development. Vahefonua had two education, training and employment expo's as part of this development.

Vahefonua acknowledges the prayers and support of all and also the generous support of the PAC Trust in this process.

Nominations

The Taiuiwi nominations committee processed nominations from Synods for:

- Taiuiwi Council of Conference members
 - Trainees / Substitutes: Thelma Efford, Mark Gibson and Viv Whimster
 - Members (from the substitutes list): Tevita Finau, Olive Tanielu, and Susan Thompson
- Council of Elders: Garth Cant

Nominations were also confirmed for:

- Taiuiwi 5+5 members: Tovia Aumua, Kilifi Heimuli, Susan Thompson, Desmond Cooper and Motekiai Fakatou
- Methodist representatives UCANZ: Tony Bell and Nigel Hanscamp
- Convenor Taiuiwi Nominations Committee: Rachel Masterton
- Taiuiwi meeting advisor: Bruce Anderson

Suggested Decisions:

1. That the report be received.
2. Conference acknowledges the contributions made by Alex Webster, Setaita Kinahoi Veikune, Kilifi Heimuli, Ron Gibson and Dawn Armistead on the Taiuiwi Strategy and Taiuiwi Stationing committee, as well as their work in Synod leadership.
3. Conference notes the changes to the membership criteria for Taiuiwi members of Council of Conference as in the report.
4. Conference asks that Hui Poari, Synods and Boards have an ongoing agenda item focussing on ecology matters relevant to their work.
5. Synod Superintendents and Lay Representatives are asked to promote the CASI Energy Audit as a tool for use by Parishes, Rohe, Hui Poari, Synods and Boards.
6. Faith and Order Committee and Law Revision are asked to further explore what it means for a Lay Superintendent to be brought into full connexion and bring recommendations to August Synods, Hui Poari, Taiuiwi Strategy and Conference 2009.

7. Conference notes that Aso Samoa Saleupolu will be Tauivi Executive officer from 2009.
8. Conference expresses appreciation to Nigel Hanscamp for the time and commitment he has brought as Tauivi Executive Officer to Conference, Tauivi Strategy and Tauivi Stationing.
9. Conference agrees that
 - a. for 2009 the Tauivi Facilitators will facilitate Tauivi Strategy.
 - b. Tauivi Strategy will bring recommendations to Conference 2009 for changes to the Laws and Regulations to this effect.
10. Tauivi Membership of Council of Conference will be: Tovia Aumua (Co-convenor), Aso Samoa Saleupolu (Tauivi Executive Officer), Mary Caygill, Desmond Cooper, Motekiai Fakatou, Tevita Finau, Jan Fogg, Olive Tanielu, Susan Thompson, and one substitute for Barbara Peddie. Substitutes: Thelma Efford, Mark Gibson, Nigel Hanscamp, Kilifi Heimuli, Jessie Kerr, David McGeorge and Viv Whimster.
11. Tauivi members of Council of Elders will be: Diana Roberts, Kepu Moa, Garth Cant.
12. The Methodist Representatives to Uniting Congregations of Aotearoa New Zealand standing committee will be: Nigel Hanscamp (Director Pakeha Ministries) and Tony Bell.
13. The Tauivi Facilitators for 2009 will be: Lynne Frith and Paula Taumoepeau.
14. Tauivi Strategy Committee for 2009 will be: President Jill van de Geer, Vice President Ron Gibson, General Secretary David Bush, Tauivi Executive Officer Aso Samoa Saleupolu, Director Pakeha Ministries Nigel Hanscamp, Tauivi Facilitators Paula Taumoepeau, Lynne Frith, Principal / Director Trinity College (to be named), Peter Williamson, Rosalie Gwillam (Northland), Kenneth Smith, Christine Peak, (Auckland), Setaita Kinahoi Veikune, Tevita Finau (Vahefonua Tonga), Tovia Aumua, Lani Tupu (Sinoti Samoa), Prince Devanandan, Ian Faulkner (Manukau), Viv Whimster and one other to be named (Waikato), Jocelyn Boys, Tony Bell, Desmond Cooper (Lower North Island), Bruce McKeage, Alison Molineux (Nelson – Marlborough – West Coast), Bruce Anderson, Sue Spindler (Central South Island), Stuart Grant, Rachel Masterton (Otago – Southland), Peni Tikonaka, Niko Bower (Wasewase ko Viti kei Rotuma), Alan K Webster (Evangelical Network) and other current full members of Council of Conference not named in the committee, Mary Caygill, Motekiai Fakatou, Jan Fogg, Olive Tanielu, and Susan Thompson.
15. Tauivi Stationing Committee for 2009 will be: President Jill van de Geer, Vice President Ron Gibson, General Secretary David Bush, Tauivi Executive Officer Aso Samoa Saleupolu, Director Pakeha Ministries Nigel Hanscamp, Principal / Director Trinity College (to be named), Peter Williamson, Rosalie Gwillam (Northland), Kenneth Smith, Christine Peak, (Auckland), Setaita Kinahoi Veikune, Tevita Finau (Vahefonua Tonga), Tovia Aumua, Lani Tupu (Sinoti Samoa), Prince Devanandan, Ian Faulkner (Manukau), Viv Whimster and one other to be named (Waikato), Jocelyn Boys, Tony Bell, Ron Gibson (Lower North Island), Bruce McKeage, Alison Molineux (Nelson – Marlborough – West Coast), Bruce Anderson, Sue Spindler (Central South Island), Stuart Grant, Rachel Masterton (Otago – Southland), Peni Tikonaka, Niko Bower (Wasewase ko Viti kei Rotuma), Alan K Webster (Evangelical Network).

EVANGELICAL NETWORK

The Evangelical Network continues to provide a voice for those within the Methodist Church of New Zealand te Haahi Weteriana o Aotearoa who consider themselves evangelical in thought and deed: and we continue to broaden our base of contacts who are either In Association, Friends or Members of the Network.

All of our contacts have the opportunity to subscribe to E-fish, our fortnightly e-mail publication managed very capably by Rev Bill Clifford (subscribe at cliffordhouse@bigfoot.com), and receive a (very) occasional print publication, E-net, for which we have future plans... To get onto our mailing list for E-net or to make further enquiries, please write to Rev Alan K Webster P O Box 12-127 Beckenham Christchurch 8023.

The work of the Evangelical Network over the last calendar year has been on four major fronts:

1. Denominational work
2. Ecumenical work
3. Resourcing opportunities
4. Conference occasions

1. Denominational Work

Alan attends the Stationing and Strategy meetings, where he is a voice for presbyters and parishes with some kind of connection (connexion?) to the Evangelical Network. As noted above, sometimes this is a very loose and informal "associated with" relationship: at other times, it has been more formal, as Members of the Network. The role of the Network, as provided for by previous conferences, remains that of a denominational voice offering an evangelical perspective into the church's diversity.

2. Ecumenical Work

At various times throughout the church year, different evangelical meetings take place throughout the country from groups looking towards building bridges between churches and denominations on the basis of shared beliefs and understanding. The Evangelical Network provides for Methodist input into and feedback from such meetings, in formal and informal ways: for example, we represented the Methodist Church at the Vision Network at Waikanae, where evangelical churches from several different streams met to worship together, to consider ways of speaking together and to more effectively network for the future. We were also represented by our President Rev Brian Turner and Vice President Barbara Peddie.

From time to time representatives of other evangelical ecumenical bodies have made contact with the church: and it has been part of our continuing role to meet, for example, with Peter Bentley of the Assembly of Confessing Congregations within the Uniting Church of Australia, and with Dr Geoff Tunnicliff of the World Evangelical Alliance to hear what other evangelicals are doing around the world.

Part of our brief from Conference has also been to begin exploring a way forward towards healing the relationship between the Methodist Church of New Zealand and the Wesleyan Church of New Zealand. Our shared membership in the World Methodist Alliance and our desire to find a way forward that honours the reasons for our separation yet finds commonality towards some kind of ecumenical future has occupied some time and effort this year: and we look forward to having something to report. The Council of Conference is currently discussing what steps should be taken to progress relationship and will report to the 2008 Conference. As previously noted, it has been of considerable importance to establish some kind of working relationship here, in view of our shared involvement with the Wesleyans in running Equipt '09. (see below)

3. Resourcing Opportunities

The Evangelical Network takes seriously the idea of offering resources for reaching into our communities, and we have on many occasions been instrumental in formulating initiatives designed to equip churches for effective outreach.

Our biggest effort in this regard is the coming conference in Ngaruawahia planned for April 2009 called "Equipt 09: Connecting Communities To Christ". This is to be run in conjunction with the World Methodist Alliance, and specifically the World Methodist Evangelism Institute, who will be coming across with an international team in order to share with us some of the ways in which Methodists worldwide have reached into their communities with the gospel. The aim of this week-long seminar is for New Zealand Methodists (and others...see below!) to come together and glean selected appropriate resources for their own contexts, from a broad base of offerings from the praxis not only of North America but internationally. To this end we will be offering plenary sessions from some of our own local speakers as well as international experts, workshops and seminars aimed at smaller specialist interest areas and giftings, culminating in a weekend spent in the churches in the field utilising new-found and fresh-honed skills towards connecting our communities for Christ.

Revs David Bush and Alan K Webster experienced a little of this in Atlanta in July 07 (see previous reports) and we invited the WMEI to come across and run a similarly themed and structured event here in New Zealand. Towards this end, we have joined up with the Wesleyan Church of New Zealand, also part of the World Methodist Alliance family, and with the Church of the Nazarene, who also trace their ancestry back to a certain pair of brothers! We have

been meeting regularly to plan this event: watch for more details, and keep the week following April 28th 2009 free for your participation, regardless of your label.

4. Conference Activities

At each conference, the Evangelical Network has a structured and an unstructured role. The structured role expresses itself in a formal Network Breakfast, for members and friends of the Network, held on the Sunday morning of Conference at a local church. At that meeting, we have worshipped together and prayed for the incoming president and vice-president, by the laying on of hands and the blessing of our colleagues. This has been warmly appreciated by all who have taken part.

We also hold on the Sunday evening a Resourcing Event, at which we aim to explore some of the different ways in which we can be relevant to our communities. We began this three years ago with a raconteur and artist, Mr Peter Majendie the following year we invited a folk-singer song-writer Roger White to sing for us in a local café and last year we met for nibbles while the Henderwoods, an eclectic alternative band played for us and spoke of Gen X expectations of church. This year we will be exploring multi-sensory worship with Rev Andre le Roux in a café somewhere...watch these spaces.

We have also offered Methodist artists a chance to display their work around a theme, and offer a prize of the entry-fee pool from a popular vote: this is proving to be very interesting and worthwhile, and we will continue this for future years. Again, watch these spaces: especially Touchstone and E-fish for advertisements!

Last year for the first time we extended an invitation to the newly formed Liberal Network to join with us to offer this resource: we all felt that this was an important gesture to make of mutual appreciation, demonstrating that we can still enjoy the company of people with whom we disagree!

The Evangelical Network provides important links and connexions inside and outside the body politic of the Methodist Church of New Zealand te Haahi Weteriana: we remain committed to the wider family of Methodists and to the call of Jesus to preach the gospel to all people groups everywhere, in every way possible and, as someone remarked somewhere, if necessary, to use words.

Rev Alan K Webster, Evangelical Network Superintendent

Suggested Decisions:

1. That the report be received.
2. That the Executive for 2008-9 be Rev Alan Webster, David White (Treasurer) Andrea Williamson, Rev Peter Williamson, Rev Marion Peterson, Rev Brian Peterson and Mr Graham Older.

NEW ZEALAND METHODIST WOMEN'S FELLOWSHIP ANNUAL REPORT FOR YEAR ENDING 31 AUGUST 2008

Malo e Lelei, Talofa Lava, Noa'ia e Mauri, Ni sa bula vinaka, Namaste, Taloha Ni, Kia Orana, Kia Ora.

As I complete my term of office as President, I feel it has been a privilege and a blessing to have been entrusted with the leadership role of Women's Fellowship. I thank God for this opportunity and my wonderful, supportive Executive team as we honour God and continue the work of MWF.

Sympathy

We recall with sadness, but also thanksgiving, members of previous National Executives who have died during the past year – Joan Shaw (Waikato/Thames), Dorothy Ford (Irvine) (North Canterbury and Waikato) and Rona Collins (North Canterbury). We honour the memory of their generous gifting of their talents and time for Fellowship. To friends and family, we extend our loving sympathy.

Communication

President's Letters continue to be sent out to Districts quarterly. The content of the newsletters is designed to offer readers a glimpse of what the National Executive is doing on behalf of the membership and also to provide a devotional segment. Where possible links are maintained through email contact, but some information continues to be sent through the postal system.

The World Federation of Methodist and Uniting Church Women publication "The Tree of Life" gives information on what is happening on the world scene. Unfortunately because the newsletters are shipped from the States, it is often many months before copies get out to Districts. Although there are four newsletters per year, at this stage we still have only received two. A continuing source of frustration!

Special Events

National Executive receives many invitations to annual meetings and events throughout the country. To avoid high travel costs for such occasions a local member is asked to represent MWF. This works extremely well and gives others opportunities to network with organisations at a National level.

Visits to Districts, Fellowship gatherings, sitting alongside amazing women either in their own homes or retirement villages, has been such a rich blessing – and no, I will not forget the men who have assisted in so many ways! This God-given privilege is one I will continue to cherish. Mostly accompanied by at least one other Executive member, our "team" has travelled to, and enjoyed fellowship in, all 19 Districts. It has been evident that a great deal of work has gone into giving us so many opportunities to not only be a part of your Fellowship gathering, but also to experience the beauty and uniqueness of each of our wonderful regions. I have visited towns I know I would never have had the opportunity to see and I pray that I may be able to return before too long. (What an admission from a "mainlander"!).

107 New Zealand Methodist Women's Fellowship members travelled to Tonga for the South Pacific Area Seminar of the World Federation of Methodist and Uniting Church Women from 13 – 19 September. (Units are usually allocated only 50 places) As Unit Leader I attended a "Weaving Together" programme 12/13 September. It was disappointing that the original date for the Seminar (late August) was changed. With Convention following on very closely after our return from Tonga considerable pressure has been put on Executive members.

Finance

Thank you to everyone who has contributed in a variety of ways to our annual fundraising. As Executive has travelled throughout New Zealand, we have been encouraged by the support from congregations for the fundraising efforts of MWF groups. The major focus of the APW/MWF Special Project was CWS partner, House of Passage, in Brazil. House of Passage is a programme giving young people living on the streets of Recife some choices for a different life. This Project attracted a 4:1 government subsidy.

The New Zealand focus was chaplaincy in state schools, the programme of the Churches Education Commission which aims to help young people make good life choices.

Funds for disbursement:

Special Project 2007/2008	\$33,459.29
Stamps and Coupons	\$3,597.26
Medical and Educational Fund	\$2,087.30

Recipients of these latter two funds will be confirmed at Convention.

Yet this is only part of the story – the total gifting of time, talents, love and energy of our membership is impossible to calculate. We are aware of the outstanding contribution of hundreds of extraordinary, ordinary women who sincerely, faithfully and practically live out their Christian faith. Members are committed to, and involved in the local Church, Parish and District, often initiating and maintaining programmes of caring and support which reach far into community.

Grants and Scholarships:

Friendship Scholarship Trust – \$4,950.00 was available and paid directly to Colleges for 12 students at the end of January.

Kurahuna Trust – 13 grants have been made this year, totalling \$7,800.00.

Smethurst Trust – Smethurst ... What is That?

To different people it means different things. To the sisters in the early days of Solomon Islands Missions isolation, it meant parcels packed by Mr and Mrs Smethurst. To the Methodist Women's Missionary Union it meant the Dominion Box Department Organiser from 1922, at the beginning of New Zealand responsibility for the Solomon Island Church, to 1945. From then up to 1981 it meant a gracious house on the waterfront at Kohimarama, in Auckland, left by the generosity of the late Smethurst couple for the use of missionaries, deaconesses and others as a place of holiday, relaxation and recuperation.

Following the 1982 MWF Convention held in Upper Hutt the Smethurst Committee was constituted to disperse interest received on the investment of \$269,000 - coming from the sale of the Smethurst home and property on Tamaki Drive, Auckland, which had been bequeathed to the Methodist Women's Missionary Union. That organisation later joined with the Methodist Women's Guild Fellowship to form the MWF. The Smethursts' wish was for their legacy to benefit the missionary work of the Church and those women working in our mission areas.

Twenty-five years later the outcome of that decision has encouraged, assisted and enabled so many women to achieve their dreams and aims of further education and missionary endeavours. \$NZ750,000 in grants has been made during this period to over 2000 women for many varying reasons including: Diaconate and Ministry, Home setting studies, training and counselling, management courses, volunteer work abroad, seminars for social workers, conflict seminars, international conferences, self supporting Presbyterate studies, assistance for retired missionary sisters, research, women in ministry, history of missionary women, Convocation, Clinical Pastoral Education, Kurahuna Fund, Maori Division, National Executive attending Conventions, Overseas Speakers to Conventions, attendance at WFM&UCW World Assemblies and Area Seminars.

Little did Mr and Mrs Smethurst know in 1922, as they dispatched their first gift box just how far their giving would spread and multiply! Their concern was for women in Mission situations and testimony to their generous gift is evidenced through other Units in the South Pacific Area being assisted to travel to the recent Seminar in Tonga. We continue to thank God for the Smethursts' mission-hearts and pray that all the grants made will be used in the spirit of the Smethursts' gift and for the glory of God.

This year 36 grants and koha have been made totalling \$22,041.50.

Our Vision: Convention this year marks a milestone in the life of MWF as Mrs Vaotane Samoa Saleupolu, from the Samoan Women's Fellowship District was commissioned as National President. Congratulations Vaotane! At a time when "traditional" Fellowship group numbers are shrinking and leaders have been exploring different styles of continuing the life and work of MWF, our Pacific Island sisters continue to build in numbers with many younger women moving into leadership roles. Fijian women too, are exploring ways of supporting and belonging to the MWF national body. Because of the structure of our Pacific Island churches in New Zealand, this is not as straightforward as the older Synodal District model. We are indeed richly blessed and well served by these women as they continue the vision.

We continue to maintain and strengthen our links with the World Federation sisterhood through attendance at Area Seminars, World Assemblies and subscribing to the WFM&UCW newsletter "The Tree of Life" published quarterly.

We also continue to maintain close links with the Association of Presbyterian Women.

SPECIAL PROJECT 2008/2009 – The major focus of the APW/MWF Special Project for

2008/2009 is to aid The Hearing Association of New Zealand's Communication Project. It is reported 400,000 New Zealanders have hearing loss. Monies raised will see us provide the relevant information about hearing loss to both our members and the general public. The Overseas Project is "Lauru – Our Land – Solomon Islands Women Face the Future". In establishing the Women's Programme, the Lauru Land Conference aims to give women new opportunities and the capacity to earn income and hold on to the land they know as Mother. (Lauru is the name now given to Choiseul) We acknowledge with thanks the support and help of CWS our partner for this part of the Project.

In conclusion, we thank all MWF members and the wider church fellowship for their loving prayers. What a wonderful journey my role has taken me on. As mentioned, I have spent time in each of the 19 Districts, accompanied by at least one other Executive member, and enjoyed Sunday worship and rich fellowship in both large and small churches. The warmth of the hospitality, the creative and innovative programmes, the caring and sharing and the support by congregations of Special Project services has been such an encouragement and affirmation of MWF/APW work. Yes, there have been challenges for each of us but as we have been there for the membership of our organisation, so we have been there for each other. Together with your help MWF can continue to be "Women Making a Difference".

Our love and prayers surround Vaotane and Executive members as they continue the Fellowship journey! May you too, be blessed as the work, witness, ministry, education and outreach continues.

A Blessing

Go as far as you dare,
For you cannot go beyond the reach of God
Give as extravagantly as you like,
For you cannot spend all the riches of God
Care as lavishly as you are able,
For you cannot exhaust the love of God
Keep journeying as a servant,
For God will always be with you.

– From A World of Blessings, Canterbury Press

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WASEWASE KO VITI KEI ROTUMA

'Ni sa bula vinaka,, Noa' ia e Mauri, Kiaora, Talofa lava, Malolelei, Greetings'

Acknowledgement

We do acknowledge the enormous support and contribution that 'Tehahi Weteriana O Aotearoa had offered and continue to offer to the ongoing development of Wasewase ko Viti kei Rotuma e Niusiladi. We have grown from strength to strength in our membership and also in the structures that have been established to help us move forward in to the future. Without your support, this could not have easily been achieved. 'Vinaka vakalevu'.

Membership

Our members are represented in terms of the churches we have in our various regions. Our Executives are working hard to ascertain and confirm the actual memberships as of to date. There is an estimate of 600 active members around the nation let alone those who are passive members and have yet to be registered.

It is encouraging to note that over the year, there has been additional TWO more Congregations; namely Rotorua and New Plymouth Fijian.

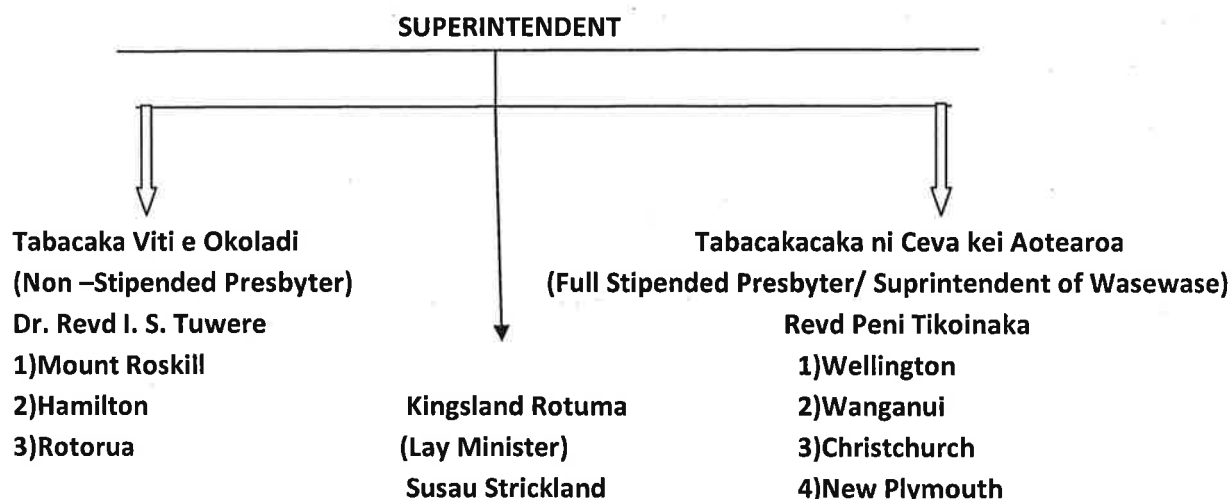
In total, the Wasewase ko Viti kei Rotuma e Niu Siladi are made up of members from:

i) *Mount Roskill*

- ii) Kingsland Rotuma
- iii) Hamilton
- iv) Wesley Wellington,
- v) Wanganui
- vi) Christchurch
- vii) New Plymouth
- viii) Rotorua

Structure:

Wasewase ko Viti kei Rotuma e Niu Siladi



Pastoral Visit to Kyber Pass: Revd Peni Tikoinaka as the Suprintendent, has made the first call of visiting and listening to our Kyberpass members in an effort to convince them that we all joined together as members of the Wasewase. Members have expressed their interests and willingness but to continue to engage in further dialogue.

Property: Auckland Fijian Congregations have created history by successfully buying a church building and the piece of land on which it is seated, which we can proudly call, our very own. It is situated in Onehunga. This is the end result of years and years of hard work, and enormous amount of sacrifices and savings. It is only the first and not the last for the future developments of Wasewase ko Viti kei Rotume e Niusiladi.

Strategy:

1. Goal - A Vision of FORMING A SYNOD by 2012.
2. Critical need - One or two more Fijian Presbyters.

As the only full time presbyter, Rev. Peni is finding it a very great challenge to look after Tabacakacaka ni Ceva [geographical locations(lower North and Upper South] and the affairs of Wasewase ko Viti kei Rotuma e Niu Siladi. One can guess how much time Revd Peni has for his family, if any?

Note: All members of Wasewase ko Viti kei Rotuma are full of enthusiasm and eagerness to move forward to the future as an integral part of Tehahi Weteriana O Aotearoa. Our strength is the commitment or our youths in their participation and also taking leadership roles in the life of Wasewase.

It is our prayer that God through the power of the Holy Spirit will guide and bless Conference, 2008 in all it's deliberations.

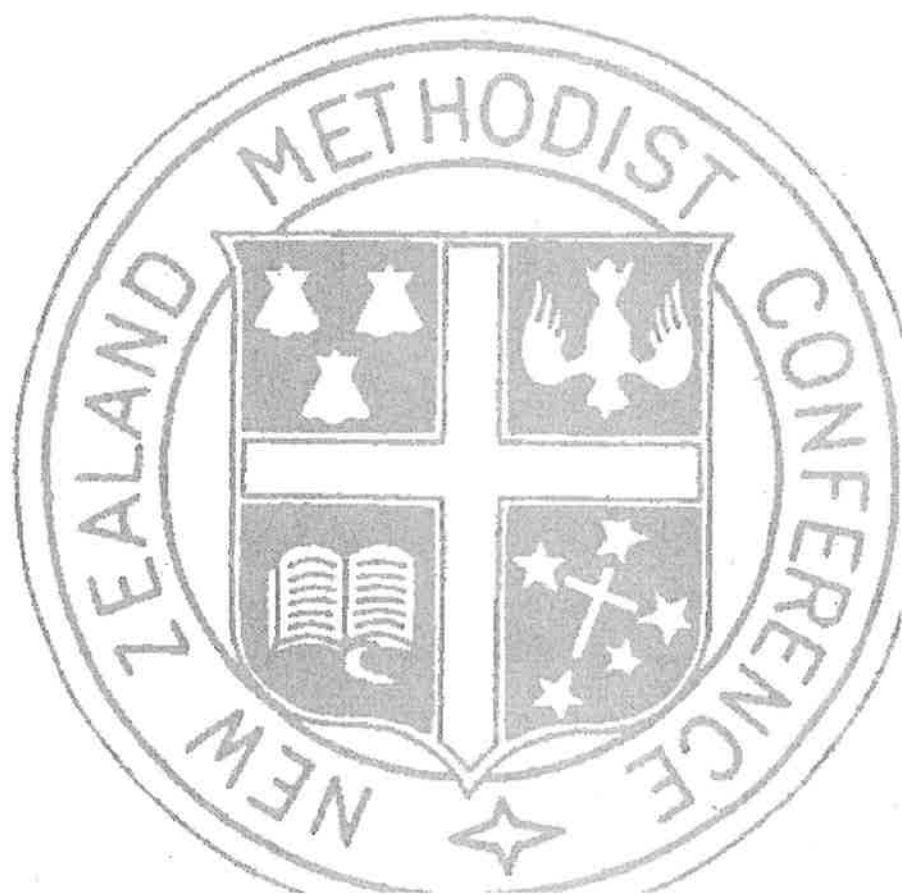
Our best wishes also goes to Manukau Synod for hosting the 2008, New Zealand Methodist Conference.

Vinaka Vakalevu.

Unaisi Tikoinaka, Assist. Secretary

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Law Revision



LAW REVISION

Committee Report

The Committee welcomed two new members in 2008, Gardenia Atimalala Taulealeausumai, a lawyer from Auckland and Manase Latu, Secretary of the Auckland-Manukau Tongan Parish. The skills these two have brought have enhanced the work of the group.

With deep regret the Convenor accepted the resignation of Robyn Brown in June this year. Robyn has served on the Law Revision Committee for 8 years. Her knowledge of the Church, ability to think clearly about issues and commitment to the task have been invaluable and her presence will be greatly missed.

In 2007 Conference asked Law Revision to look at the following:

1. Draft the changes to the law as approved by Conference 2007.
2. Consult with the Methodist Church Property Committee re changes to the law resulting from resolutions adopted by the Conference 2007. A meeting of representatives of both committees was held at 409 Great South Rd Penrose on 1 May, 2007 and prepared changes to the Law which are set out in the Agenda page D23.
3. **Translation**
Formulate policy for translation of critical papers into the Tongan, Samoan and Fijian languages. The Committee agreed that the purpose of translation was to enable clearer understanding of the principles behind proposed policy changes. The English language version of the law is the legal version and any translated document would have no legal status and could not be used in a Court of Law. A resolution was drafted to be inserted in the Law Book Section 7:1.1.2 and the inside front cover, noting that the official language for the purposes of Law is English as well as a statement that will be placed at the front of all translated documents making the legal status of the document clear. This enabled existing translations to be put into use immediately as the resolution removed the need for independent professional translators to check that the meaning of any translation did say exactly what the English version set out.
4. **Process for Dismissal**
The Committee continued to work with the Pastoral Committee on questions regarding a process for dismissal of Presbyters for serious misconduct. The Committee believed that the Disciplinary Code had the capability to deal with all disciplinary issues and felt that most difficulties could be effectively dealt with by better review processes. The following points were noted:
 - Presbyters should have an ongoing file which moves with them.
 - There should be robust performance reviews.
 - A revision of the Ethical Guidelines is necessary to broaden the criteria for complaint and provide a clearer code of conduct.
5. **The Complaints Review Chairperson has asked that the following clauses be added to the disciplinary Code, Section 8:18.(b)**
 - The current (b) become (b)(i).
 - New 9(b) (ii) The General Secretary shall promptly provide the Principal with a copy of any complaint against a student.
 - New (b) (iii) The General Secretary shall promptly provide the Principal and designated Synod Superintendent of any complaint against a probationer.

Presidential Rulings

The President was asked to approve the following statement for inclusion in the Laws and regulations to meet requirements for registration under the Charities Act winding up clauses needed to be added to section 9.

To be inserted into Section 9 and replace the existing 9.1.1 and 9.1.2.

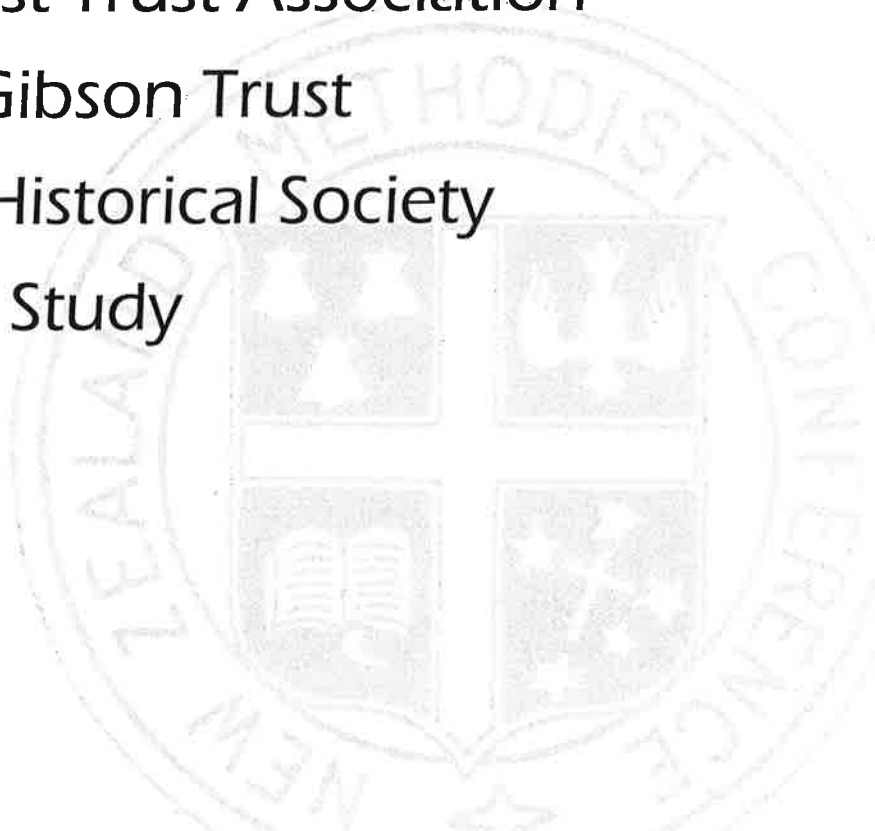
- 1.1 All property of the Church is held for the ultimate benefit of the Church and is under the final authority of the Conference.
- 1.2 Any income, benefit or advantage gained by the Church must be used to advance the charitable purposes of the Church.
- 1.3 No member of the Church, no adherent of the Church and no person associated with a member or adherent is permitted to take part in, or influence any decision of the Church in respect of payments to, or on behalf of the member, adherent or associated person of any income, benefit or advantage.
- 1.4 Any payments made to a member of the Church, adherent of the Church or any person associated with a member or adherent must be for goods or services which advance the charitable purpose of the Church and must be reasonable and relative to payments that would be made between unrelated parties.
- 1.5 The history of all Church property shall be researched and recorded.
- 1.6 In the event a parish, synod, or other internal entity of the Church should dissolve or be wound up, if any property remains after dissolution or winding up and the settlement of all debts and liabilities, that property shall be transferred to Conference for the charitable purposes of the Church.
- 1.7 In the event the Church and Conference should dissolve or be wound up, if any property remains after dissolution or winding up and the settlement of all debts and liabilities, that property shall be given or transferred to another organisation that is charitable under New Zealand law or for some other charitable purpose recognised under New Zealand law.

Suggested Decisions:

- 1 The report is received.
- 2 Conference approves the following changes to the Discipline Code:
 - The current Section 8: 18(b) become 18 (b)(i).
 - New 18(b) (ii) The General Secretary shall promptly provide the Principal with a copy of any complaint against a student.
 - New 18(b) (iii) The General Secretary shall promptly provide the Principal and designated Synod Superintendent of any complaint against a probationer.
- 3 Conference affirms the decisions taken by the President as outlined in the report.
4. Conference approves the following two statements being added to the Law Book:
Add to the PREAMBLE
....". In the event of translation into any other language, the English version shall be authoritative and paramount, and will therefore always prevail over any translation.
SECTION 7 add the following:
 - 1.6 The Laws and Regulations of the Methodist Church of New Zealand / Te Hāhi Weteriana o Aotearoa shall be those contained in these Laws and Regulations, as from time to time amended by the Conference. If there shall be any translation into another language, the English version shall always be paramount and definitive, and will therefore always prevail over any translation.
5. The Committee for 2009 be: David Smith (Convenor), Gardenia Atimalala Taulealeausumai, Manase Latu, Howard Lawry, Geoff Peak, Jan Tasker, Peter Williamson, the General Secretary, corresponding member, Donald Phillipps and one to be appointed by the President.



Administration

- Administration Division
 - Connexional Trusts
 - Investment Advisory Board
 - Methodist Trust Association
 - Robert Gibson Trust
 - Wesley Historical Society
 - Travel & Study
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BOARD OF ADMINISTRATION

INTRODUCTION

The Board of Administration has during the 2008 year achieved the following:

- Extended its accounting and payroll services which are now serving a large part of the Connexion as well as ecumenical partners and hospital chaplaincy payrolls.
- Provided legal, HR and leadership assistance for Parishes and pre-schools.
- Increased services available on the web.
- Installed and provided training for a fully web based GST payment system.
- Copied oral history records to CD.
- Developed software for the Youth Conference registration.
- Accessed a teleconferencing facility 60% cheaper than the provider the Church was using.
- Facilitated registration of all Methodist entities under the Charities Act.
- Negotiated a standard rate for Parish reviews with a Christchurch accountancy firm.
- Completed changes to the Supernumerary Trust Deed which ensures equality between married, civil union couples and single presbyters.

During the year the Board has continued to work with Conference 2007 resolutions regarding property and in consultation with the Legal Adviser has formulated suggested law changes in this area.

Issues regarding changes to stipend and allowances will be brought to the 2008 Conference by the Stipends Review Task Group.

One of the major topics for discussion during 2008 was the Supernumerary Fund. In the light of the Governments introduction of Kiwisaver, people coming into ministry at a later age and the very different needs of presbyters at retirement, the Board addressed the question of the appropriateness of keeping the Fund in place for new members from the beginning of 2010. The Law Book currently states "Each Presbyter shall be a member of the Supernumerary Fund of the Church" except under exceptional circumstances when exemption may be granted by the President. The Board is of a view that membership should not be compulsory to new members after 2010. This will be set out in more detail in the report.

STAFF

Rev. Jill van de Geer was appointed in February 1999 as General Secretary. Jill has continually demonstrated commitment and dedication with enthusiasm. During the last ten years Jill has challenged the Church and the Board often resulting in change and expansion of services through the Administration Division. Most Committees of the Church, Boards and Trusts have valued her wide knowledge of all things "Church" especially in relation to the Laws and Regulations. Jill has represented the Church ecumenically and at Methodist World Assembly and Council.

The Board of Administration records sincere appreciation of Jill's faithfulness and loyalty, not without some personal cost, and assures her of our support and prayers as she assumes the Presidency and continues in ministry.

The Board would also like to acknowledge Jill's family especially Maurice whose support of Jill in her role as General Secretary has been outstanding.

The Board has been especially grateful for the willingness of the Shirley Richmond Parish to enable Rev David Bush, as General Secretary Designate, to begin transitional work during 2008. This gift of time has enabled a smooth handover from the current General Secretary to her successor and the Board records its thanks and appreciation to the Parish.

The Staff team has continued to offer enthusiastic and committed service to the Connexion. Staffing levels have been increased by one part time accountant and one part time fund administrator.

Two staff milestones are celebrated this year. Greg Wright completed thirty years continuous service with the Division on 11 September this year and Noelene Allen retires in December after twenty two years continuous service. Noelene and Greg have given incredible service to the Church in a wide variety of ways. Noelene joins our staff alumnae (those who retired from the Division) a group we keep in touch with and who are invited to our major celebrations.

BOARD

It is with real regret that the Board has received the resignation of Frank Claridge from Board membership effective from 1 February, 2009. Frank has given distinguished service to the Board in two parts. The first from 1987 to 1994 and then 2003 to 2008. His wisdom, knowledge of the Church and willingness to ask the "hard questions" will be missed by both Board and Staff members. The Board and Staff wish him well in the other areas of work he is undertaking.

SUGGESTED DECISIONS:

1. The report is received.
2. Conference records its deep appreciation and congratulations to Jill van de Geer on completion of a successful term as General Secretary.
3. The Board of Administration notes that Conference has appointed David Bush as General Secretary and welcomes him to this task.
4. Conference records its appreciation to Frank Claridge for his offering of skill and commitment over many years to the work of the church.
5. Conference acknowledges the retirement of Noelene Allen on the completion of 23 years of loyal and dedicated service to the church.

REPORT OF THE STIPENDS REVIEW TASK GROUP

Conference 2006 appointed an independent Stipends Review group in order to prepare a document that would challenge thinking in order to formulate a policy for the future. Conference 2007 referred the report and suggested decisions back to parishes, rohe, synods, Tauwhiri Strategy and Hui Poari for further consideration and report to Conference 2008.

In particular Conference asked the Stipend Review Task Group to note the concerns expressed at Conference, and to facilitate the continued consideration and reporting. The membership of the Stipend Review Task Group was Marion Hines, Setaita Kinahoi Veikune, David McGeorge, Alex Webster, Rex Nathan, John Murray, Ron Gibson, the Director Pasifika Ministries, the General Secretary, the General Secretary designate, and one other to be appointed by Te Taha Maori.

This report is made up of the original report to Conference 2007, additional theological work commissioned by the Task Group and resolutions, which have been revised after the feedback from discussion throughout the church in 2008.

REVIEW STATUS

The draft report circulated to Synods in 2007 built on information gathered by the work-group from previous research and the Minutes of Conference and especially from the responses from Synods, Parishes, Presbyters and Deacons (to whom the group extends thanks).

The committee was not charged with the responsibility of finding all the answers regarding the Church's future direction. In some cases suggestions are made but no definitive solution offered. It is hoped that other boards and committees might take these up. What the committee has tried to do is present to the Conference a case for seeing the inter-connectedness of various components and not separate them out from the whole picture. However, where the Conference gave clear instructions regarding stipend, then the committee has set out clear recommendations.

The committee endeavoured to set its suggestions against the Mission Statement, the challenge to explore "new ways of being Church", and the need to be a bold, innovative Church valuing its resources and being good stewards.

The recommendations of the report are a distillation of the deliberations of the committee, and responses from Synods, parishes and individuals to the draft report.

BACKGROUND

Context

The Methodist Church of New Zealand, prior to Conference 2006, had already set in motion a Presbyterian Remuneration Survey but at that stage had no feedback of data from the survey.

The Presbyterian Church of New Zealand, following matters arising from the General Assembly of 2006, adopted significant changes in relation to ministerial remuneration. The effect of these changes was to alter the parity of remuneration and related conditions of service which had previously existed between the Methodist and Presbyterian Churches.

The latter changes had important implications for Cooperative Ventures, should the Methodist Church choose not to automatically realign its remuneration practices with those of the Presbyterian Church.

For the Methodist Church, the changes also called into question issues surrounding current remuneration levels and policies, recruitment, retention, itinerancy, housing, retirement housing and retirement income levels for Presbyters.

Interdependency

The Committee recognized that the level or package of remuneration / stipend cannot be considered in isolation from a range of elements which all interact. This creates a synergy which means that change in any one element impacts upon the others.

The committee therefore worked through broad considerations of:

- Relationships
- Recruitment
- Review
- Retention
- Retirement
- Residence
- Remuneration

The Future

All the above takes place within, and impacts upon, the nature and future of Ministry and the Church. The question therefore arises as to what the nature of Ministry will need to be if the

Methodist Church is to have a future. How do the above elements need to be shaped in creating the future?

Ministry

The committee recognized that traditional forms of presbyteral Ministry are unlikely to serve the future needs of the Church. But neither are the current structures of parishes likely to remain the same. Paradigm shifts for both are needed. Models for both parish structure and presbyteral Ministry will need to be developed locally, regionally and connexionally.

The context and structures within which Ministry takes place are in a continuous state of change, and the challenge is to embrace change and be adaptable to yet more change.

Whatever changes emerge over the next decades it was felt that the primary tasks of ordained [presbyteral] Ministry will centre on a unique role of leadership for word, sacrament and spiritual care. Being equipped for a full time focus on Ministry in the community brings with it accountability through a covenanted link with Conference. In terms of forward thinking policy, the idea of accountability through reception into full Connexion should include lay leadership in significant leadership positions for the period of the appointment only e.g. Supply Ministry, District Superintendency.

The future will demand outstanding skills and competencies from those who are expected to formulate the linkages and hold together the complex elements of what is called "Church". There is an expectation within the Church that leadership both lay and presbyteral and therefore training, will be of the highest quality.

COMMENT AND DIRECTIONS

Relationships

The principle of mutual, responsible relationships underlies the interface between the connexional Church, parishes, congregations, Synods and individuals [lay and ordained]. However, these interrelationships are called into question as the Methodist Church contracts in numbers, parishes become unviable, regional responsibilities are developed, Synod Superintendency becomes more difficult and in general we have a more fragmented Church. Yet we still seek to continue the range of functions and kinds of Ministry which were better suited to a society of the last century. National and regional structures need to better reflect the population and changing demography of the Methodist Church.

The review group, therefore recommends that a task group review the regional and national structure of Conferences and Synods to reflect the diminishing resources of the Church.

Recruitment

Qualities of leadership become the pre-requisites for recruitment into Ministry alongside tertiary education in theology. Ministry formation is part of "the call to Ministry" and is a life-long, continuous process. Readiness for Ministry should be determined from key competencies and knowledge as a continual process of professional development from which readiness can be determined.

It is suggested, that the candidating process as it is currently structured should be totally reviewed. The present system is unable to be responsive to the changing shape of Ministry, both ordained and lay. It is also a 'clumsy' and expensive process to engage in particularly given the size of the Church. There is little recognition that the Church has, within its life, changed the way in which lay and ordained ministries are differentiated within contemporary society.

Following the acquisition of an approved course of tertiary study, selection for Ministry should follow Ministry formation, from which a person having satisfactorily completed a Ministry training program would be considered by the Church for ordination. Ordination then becomes the first benchmark of professional development. This would require the Church to identify and set clear benchmarks.

Trinity College's role should be to concentrate on formation for Methodist Ministry.

It is observed that under an open style of recruitment there could be a variety of entry points and that it may be best to move away from an institutional model. Different levels of training should be available dependent upon the individual's skills, education levels and the type of Ministry they wish to provide. It is also felt that the Church could become more creative and flexible in order to recruit people into Ministry which may or may not include ordination.

Reference Recommendations Nos. 11, 18, 19

Review

In considering the principles for review, it is noted that review has the potential for the positive development of relationships. It is important that reviews identify outcomes, and agreed expectations. It is a process of mutual accountability and responsibility.

It is the Church's responsibility to ensure that both parish and presbyter are delivering, that there are clear goals and objectives which are compatible with the original profile outlines. Reviews provide for mutually agreed expectations, and continuous and ongoing opportunities for intentional reflection.

Parishes have traditionally expected Presbyters to perform to high levels of competency and therefore stipend has reflected this fact. The review also indicates where further professional development would be appropriate.

The committee believes that there is little logic in talking about recruitment, retention, and remuneration without make the point that a robust review process must be in place for all individuals in Ministry positions in addition to the more, broad based parish reviews.

Reference Recommendation No. 12

Retention

Retention addresses the question as to why individuals remain in Ministry or leave.

It is important for the Church to ensure that there is a sense of professional reward and recognition. Equally important for the Church are the principles that in its relationships individuals are valued; dreams for the future are acknowledged; career development is recognised and confirmed; and that on-going personal, career, spiritual and leadership needs are developed. Synods have a particular role to play in this.

Increasingly positions of responsibility are no longer the domain of presbyters only, and with an increasing number of positions now being open to lay and ordained accessibility and fairness within the appointing and retaining of appointees needs to be considered. With an increased need for sound and skilled regional leadership the Church has to accept an added level of stress is created, and should be acknowledged.

Occasionally the Church will need to confront the issue whether or not, in individual cases, the stress of continuing in Ministry is too much for some. As already stated, retention addresses 'the question as to why individuals remain in Ministry'. To retain people in Ministry requires several things to work together – enjoying ones work, being rewarded for ones work, being recognized for skill in ones work, and being stimulated by ones work. None of this denies that work can at times be stressful, frustrating and despairing. The committee believes that the Church needs to take seriously the 'health' of Ministry and ensure that the environment is the best it can be. Therefore retention recognizes that professional development and the support for it is integral to job satisfaction. At the same time the Church needs to affirm that there are 'career path' possibilities in its life, and affirm these [parish, Synod, connexional] aspects of leadership.

The committee believes that one of the ways of best addressing these issues is by changing the shape of financial support. For example:

- For those seeking further education from access to a Travel and Study Grant to an expectation that all parishes are required to provide up to \$1,800.00 every year for professional development of the parish's Conference appointed staff.
- Boards with connexional appointees, and Synods on behalf of the Synod Superintendent, be required to take out Medical/Health insurance. A parish wishing to offer this benefit as it enters the stationing process could do so without having to seek the permission of the Church.
- Allowances should also change, and the 'Book Allowance' be expanded as a reimbursement allowance to cover a wide range of 'tools of the trade' and be renamed "Book and Communication Allowance".

Reference Recommendations Nos. 13, 20, 1, 2.

Retirement

The Methodist Church of New Zealand is experiencing a critical exodus of retiring presbyters. The predictable replacement levels will leave a significant deficit of presbyters to replace those exiting.

It is apparent that the current stipend level of one standard fitting all is disadvantageous to differing categories of retirees. For example, a single presbyter at retirement will have a very restricted ability to purchase a retirement property, as will a presbyter whose family has had the single income of a stipend.

The current Church superannuation scheme may well be "better than nothing" but it provides a relatively meager resource for a retiree.

The Board of Administration should continue to explore options and the future of the Superannuation Scheme. Every effort should be made to address the inequities of the current scheme bearing in mind the changing shape of parish life and the changing role of lay and ordained in Ministry.

Reference Recommendations Nos. 3, 4

Residence

Housing is an important factor in its effect upon levels of remuneration. At present there is a confusing mixture of practices - some presbyters live in existing parsonages / manses; some live in rented properties paid for by the parish; some live in their own homes; some rent out their own homes and live in a parish manse; some have equity in housing, others have no equity. This all needs to be seen against a background of a nationwide massive increase in the cost of housing.

Presbyters should be encouraged to consider their housing needs as early in their Ministry as possible. The Church should consider various options to assist presbyters in the purchase of their first house [Joint Equity Schemes as an example].

Parishes should declare in the parish profile their policy on housing:

- Provided and already in existence with no right to negotiate any options, or
- Provided but the parish is willing to negotiate other options, or
- Not provided, but provision made for rental up to the amount established following the Church's agreed formulae [that is an average of the market rental for housing within a 5km radius of the Church].

Conversely presbyters [or any layperson or deacons deployed to a parish by Conference] should declare:

- That housing to the standard set by Conference must be provided, or
- They are willing to live in long term rental accommodation of a mutually agreed standard, or
- They will only live in their own housing [address to be declared in the profile].

The board of Administration should ensure that a clear process is established, but it must identify that the parish, presbyter and Synod superintendent are responsible for the negotiations.

Reference recommendations Nos. 5, 6, 7, 14, 15 and Presbyter Housing Paper (page D-15)

Remuneration

The concept of "Stipend" is based on the notion of a "living allowance" It is not based on remuneration for the level of training required, nor the complexity or levels of performance required.

The servant concept of full-time Ministry has ensured that the income of presbyters remains at the most basic level regardless of the responsibilities or job dimensions.

Recent decisions by the Presbyterian Church have not in fact altered relativities, the additional factor of a "seniority allowance" however, has not been reflected in any Methodist Church wish to follow suit. Nevertheless it is important to acknowledge that where Methodist presbyters come into positions that may be filled by people from other denominations, then relativity becomes important. It is apparent that there is a desire for a shift in how Ministry is remunerated, and how the annual adjustments to the stipend are made.

The committee believes that the Stipends Committee needs to be empowered to establish the annual incremental changes around a series of guides and not absolutes, so therefore the Consumer Price Index and parity with our partner Churches should not be seen as the only rules to follow. For example they should also consider the average New Zealand income, average wage, a broad range of stipends etc.

Clearly there is a need for a figure which identifies 'basic stipend'; however parishes and boards should be able to propose amounts *above* or *below* that. A parish in preparing a profile for stationing should be able to indicate, with the approval of the Synod, Board of Ministry, and Taiuiwi Strategy or Hui Poari, a stipend figure above or below that set by the Stipends Committee.

A parish, wishing to offer above the basic stipend, should establish to the satisfaction of the Synod and the Board of Ministry that the nature of the appointment justifies paying above the basic stipend. Conversely, while all Ministry is full time, a parish seeking part time ordained Ministry

should prepare the total Ministry job description and identify what percentage of that 100% is to be carried out by the ordained person who will be paid on a pro rata basis. This would be approved by the Synod Superintendent and the Board of Ministry.

One of the implications of this is that covenants will no longer be required. The profile now establishes the job description against which remuneration and reviews are set and each member of a total Ministry team will have their own job description.

There are cases where the stipend needs to be benchmarked against other criteria; namely those positions which carry with them significantly wider responsibilities which could be undertaken by lay or ordained persons with the appropriate skills. When this is the case, the remuneration needs to be just and fair to both lay and ordained and adjusted accordingly. The positions affected by this include: the General Secretary, the Director(s) Mission Resourcing, Tumuaki, the Principal of Trinity Methodist Theological College, and the Mission Superintendents. In these cases the boards must be empowered to set the levels of remuneration on a sound commercial and theological basis.

Synod Superintendents carry out a significant task for the Church within the regions and are seen as important by both parishes and parish presbyters and deacons. In most cases the level of experience and expertise required is given freely and willingly by the individuals concerned, but that should not be exploited. Synods are therefore asked as part of their budgeting to ensure that all parishes contribute to a 'responsibility margin' in recognition of this leadership. The Stipends Committee should at the time of setting stipend also determine the amount of the 'responsibility margin' for Synod Superintendents.

Synods covering a large geographical area should also consider providing the superintendent with a car.

Reference Recommendations Nos. 8, 9, 10, 16, 17, 21, 22, 23

RECOMMENDATIONS TO CONFERENCE 2008

These have been grouped together under the Boards and groups with primary responsibility for implementation.

Board of Administration

1. Conference recommends that the Board of Administration clarify the purposes for which the Book Allowance may be used.
2. Parishes and boards be required to provide for the costs of a home internet connection for presbyters and other nominated personnel. To be added to the remuneration booklet.
3. Urgency must be given to exploring and monitoring the capacity of the Church's supernumerary fund. The Board of Administration should bring a report to Conference in 2008.
4. Conference asks that the Board of Administration ensure that the supernumerary fund reflects the current position of the church regarding those who are ordained and their partners.
5. Conference asks the Board of Administration to explore loan and shared equity possibilities for the purchase of housing by presbyters and deacons, and bring a report to the Conference in 2008.
6. Presbyters be encouraged to consider their long term housing needs as early in their ministry as possible. The Board of Administration to implement.
7. The Board of Administration is asked to establish a clear process for rental of a presbyters own home, but it must identify that the parish, presbyter and synod superintendent are responsible for the negotiations.

8. That the process of setting stipends be changed as follows:
 - a. The Stipends Committee be no longer required to measure stipend changes against the CPI and parity to partner churches only but be required to seek appropriate professional guidance in determining stipend.
 - b. A parish in preparing a profile for stationing may indicate, with the approval of the Synod, Board of Ministry, and Tauwi Strategy or Hui Poari a stipend figure above or below that set by the Stipends Committee.
9. The Board of Administration is asked to investigate fleet purchase of vehicles and the associated cost benefits.
10. Conference notes that the superannuation contributions would be based on the standard stipend figure set by the Stipends Committee and not on any amount negotiated by parishes, synod or boards above or below that figure.

Mission Resourcing

11. That Mission Resourcing develops 'multi entry points' for ministry candidates.
12. Conference recognizes the importance of ministry reviews as part of building a robust and appreciated ministry and asks Mission Resourcing to work with Synods to monitor and conduct reviews of ministry on a regular basis.
13. Conference in acknowledging that professional development is important to ministry requests the Director, Ministry Development to prepare guidelines to assist Synods and the Theological College to better facilitate the ongoing education of those in ministry by; replacing the present study grants available with parish funded professional development grants of, in the first year, \$1,800 The latter should be reviewed annually, becoming the major resource of funds for significant study and travel.
14. Mission Resourcing ensure that Parishes declare in their parish profile the housing they have available i.e.
 - Provided and already in existence with no right to negotiate any options.
 - Provided but the parish is willing to negotiate other options.
 - Not provided, but provision made for rental up to the amount established following a church's agreed formulae.
15. Mission Resourcing ensure that Presbyters [or any layperson or deacons deployed to a parish by Conference] declare:
 - That housing to the standard set by Conference will be provided.
 - They are willing to live in long term rental accommodation of a mutually agreed standard.
 - They will live in their own housing [address to be declared in the profile].
16. Conference notes that the changes recommended in this report will improve the degree of flexibility for Cooperating Ventures and Joint Ventures when negotiating with incoming Presbyters.
17. Where a Parish is seeking part time ordained ministry, the parish must prepare a total ministry job description and identify what percentage is to be carried out by the ordained person. *(Tauwi Strategy Committee notes that this is already the policy of Mission resourcing.)*

Ministry of Education

18. That Ministry Education be directed by Conference to develop a more decentralized model of training for Ministry with greater emphasis on distance learning options and less focus on residential training.
19. In recognition of the diverse range of requirements within parishes, communities of faith, chaplaincies and boards, Ministry Education be directed to focus on preparing people from a wide range of ethnic, theological and academic backgrounds in Ministry Formation programs (both residential and by distance learning) for Methodist Ministry, and reduce the involvement of Trinity College in academic studies. Academic studies should become a pre-requisite to entering Ministry Formation training.

Tauiwi Strategy

Note: The responses of Tauiwi Strategy are now offered as the suggested resolutions.

Tauiwi Strategy makes the following response to the Stipends Review Committee Report:

- 20 That a reimbursing subsidy for Medical/Health Insurance be made available to all Presbyters at a level to be set annually by the Board of Administration.
- 21, 22 and 23 – Tauiwi Strategy supports in principle the payment of a responsibility margin for Connexional Appointees and Synod Superintendents. In doing so Tauiwi Strategy asks:
- (a) The Board of Administration to consider whether a responsibility margin should be; part of stipend or allowances.
 - (b) The Board of Administration to seek independent objective advice on scoping of responsibility margins.
 - (c) The Board of Administration to circulate a report on findings to Hui Poari and Tauiwi Strategy and March Synods 2009.
 - (d) Synods to report to Tauiwi Strategy on their capacity to fund these payments by August 2009.
- 24 Tauiwi Strategy accepts and notes that changes recommended in the Stipends Review report will improve the degree of flexibility for cooperating ventures and joint ventures when negotiating with incoming presbyters.

For reference the resolutions to Conference 2007 were:

20. *Boards with connexional appointees, and Synods on behalf of the Synod Superintendent, be required to take out Medical/Health insurance (the level to be set by the Board of Administration). Any parish that wishes to offer this benefit as they enter the stationing process should be able to do so without having to seek the permission of the Church. The Board of Administration be responsible for implementation.*
21. *The Board of Administration, the Board of Ministry, Hui Poari and the Boards of the Missions in consultation with the Stipends Committee review and set rates of remuneration for their respective connexional appointees, where the position is open to lay or ordained, that are commensurate with the public sector.*
22. *Tauiwi Strategy is asked to review the impact on Synods of Superintendents being offered a significant stipend 'responsibility margin' and/or the provision of a car in recognition of the additional responsibilities they carry, and bring recommendations to Conference 2008.*
23. *The Stipends Committee, subject to the decisions of Tauiwi Strategy, should at the time of setting stipend also determine the percentage level of the "responsibility margin" for Synod Superintendents.*

Appendix 1

FUTURE MINISTRY

A précis of submissions from Bonnie Heberton, John Salmon, Jim Stuart, and I S Tuwere, Uesifili Unasa.

LESSONS FROM THE HISTORICAL PAST

The original concept of ministry was focused on **mission and service carried out by all**

Different forms of **leadership and status** emerged to deal with different perceived tasks: apostles travelled and preached, elders offered pastoral care, deacons served and bishops exercised oversight (Stuart). Need, not tradition governed the structure and functionality of ministry.

Forms of ministry have continually been **created and reconstructed** throughout Christian history in response to the fossilisation of earlier models or the appearance of new social needs, from the collapse of the Roman empire to the emergence of new underclasses.

THE VIABILITY OF CURRENT MODELS OF MINISTRY IS CHALLENGED BY MANY FACTORS IN THE PRESENT RELIGIOUS AND SOCIAL CONTEXT (which it is presumed will continue to operate in the foreseeable future):

- Changing religious and social demographics caused by migration (especially from the Pacific and Asia).
- The appearance of a new social divide between the well-to-do, highly-educated, technologically literate and the 'others'.
- National social fragmentation into mini and multi-cultures: communities of different discourse and ethnicity (Stuart).
- Increasingly arrogant secularity and the sidelining of the Church and its concerns.
- Increasingly diverse conceptions of 'spirituality': the factionalising of 'the faith' into mutually hostile conservative/liberal/traditional/progressive streams.
- The Church's instinctive protectiveness of its present structures.
- Weak Church leadership and failing membership—declining numbers, failing finances, loss of credibility, lack of vision, pressure of bureaucratic demands, theological amnesia (Stuart and Salmon).
- The globalisation of modern culture and the consequent identity crises faced by individuals and communities.
- The existence of competitive faith communities within the national community.
- Rapid change at political, economic, scientific, technological, social, cultural and ecological levels.

We are on the cusp of a radically different human **world** (in the largest sense) struggling to be born.

THE SHAPES OF FUTURE MINISTRY

Need for flexibility, diversity, adaptability and willingness to create new models of ministry.

Whole-Church thinking about the definition, function(s) and education of leaders.

Insistence on corporate ministry ('priesthood of all believers') and the development and use of local shared-ministry teams.

Increasing reliance on lay + 'retired' professional ministers, and short-term ministries.

Honouring, validating and resourcing the many forms of non-professional ministry engaged in by congregational members ('lay' people).

Enduring need for:

- Co-operative ministry of full-time stipended ordained ministers, deacons and lay people offering a third of their time or more (Hebenton).
- Provision of counselling and pastoral care at all levels in church and community.
- Prophetic witness and vision to the community (quality thinking).
- Capable administration of the Church community.

- Education and enablement of others in ministry.
- Community accountability.
- Spiritual integrity.
- Apostolic effectiveness and quality.

PARTICULAR REQUIREMENTS

Both short course and full-time quality education and training for local, specific and professional ministers, not to mention congregations.

Discourse that addresses the relationship between Gospel and Culture (Tuwere).

Contracts and job descriptions for all with leadership roles.

Stepped career paths and differential pay scales for all full-time regional and connexional staff.

Equivalent rates paid to lay people filling presbyterial roles.

Mechanisms for quality control and supervision for all in leadership roles (Gibson).

Competence in the technologically and publicity-driven world of the immediate future (Gibson).

Insistence on the selection of quality people for leadership roles, with talents fitted to their job requirements and the people they will serve (Gibson).

A skill set which values:

- Discernment, not control
- Mentoring, not directing
- Accompaniment, not detachment
- Risk, not comfort
- Authenticity, not authority
- Fluidity, not rigidity
- Organising, not piety (Stuart)

Colin Gibson
March 2007

Appendix 2

MUTUAL SERVANTHOOD (LOVE) AS A FOUNDATION FOR PRESBYTER REMUNERATION (Reflections for the Stipend Review Committee)

Executive Summary

A theology of mutual servanthood (or love) forms the basis of church life including the way staff are remunerated. To limit the role of 'servant' to the work of the Presbyter alone undermines the ministry of the church and confuses discussions on stipends and remuneration. A 'servant stipend' puts pressure on the presbyter's family, undermines the future health of the church and future security of the presbyter's family, and results in paying those who work the hardest the least amount of money. However, describing the role of all members as servants and building a theology of love encourages healthy church life and healthy family life for the presbyter.

"Well done, you good and faithful servant! ...Come on in and share my happiness!"
(Matthew 25:21, GNB)

A call to servanthood

Love is central to our theology and practice in the Methodist Church. The call to love is accepted across all our various theological preferences and cultural groupings. It is central to the message of Jesus and the teaching of the New Testament. Servanthood is one way in which we express love as we make sacrifices for the good of others. We enter their world, on their terms, for their benefit. Further, servanthood is one sign of Christian maturity in that it shows that people care about God's mission to the world, especially those in need. We are all called to love one another and those around us, and servanthood is a natural expression of love.

Presbyters are called to be servants of the church. However, it is also true that all Christians are called to be servants too. Methodism has always upheld the value of "every member ministry" and has consistently given space for all people to exercise their gifts for the good of the mission of the church. To limit the title of "servant" to those employed by the church undermines this fundamental area of church life. It discourages members from fulfilling their ministry as it implies that the presbyter is the servant and the members are there to be served. A theology of mutual servanthood encourages every person to be part of God's mission. Clearly this is important for the church to stay healthy.

Further, this mutual expression of love and commitment to serve one another builds unity in the church and generates respect for every person. The qualities of unity and respect are fundamental to the health of the church and our future integrity. When we encourage and express the value of love we enable the church, and every member of the church, to reach their full potential as servants of God. It promotes ownership of the church as "my church" because each person has invested in its life in one way or another. People begin to acknowledge that "we are all in this together" and that what affects one affects all.

A call to love the presbyter and their family

Full time ministry is not easy. People expect a lot of presbyters – from replacing light bulbs to fixing broken marriages. We are often out at night, and always on call. We only have a one day weekend and are "public property" during the week. Administration is getting more complicated with changes to legislation and expectations for worship services are increasingly difficult to meet. Membership easily slips into decline and money is always tight. Those who have families are always trying to juggle the needs of a partner and children with the needs of the parish and Connexion. Personal time is often hard to find. And this is probably true for many lay people too – *we're all in this together!*

I need to speak personally for the following section to make any sense...

My biggest struggle as a presbyter is that my calling to ministry has impacted so heavily on my family. I am out a lot, and am often distracted by church issues even when I am at home. My wife has to work if we are to secure a reasonable retirement and provide opportunities for our children to fulfil their potential and explore their interests. This means that, at least three days a week, she gets home from work, we eat a hurried meal, and I leave for meetings. Saturdays is our only day together, when she isn't rostered to work and if there is nothing on at church. Then, my commitment to the church is met with the expectation that I will be satisfied with the lowest possible stipend (a "servant stipend") as acknowledgement. Enough of that – you get the picture...

Our present stipend system puts families under pressure

When we pay "servant stipends" we put pressure on the presbyter's family life. Just because the presbyter is willing to make sacrifices to fulfil her/his ministry, doesn't mean their family should be forced to sacrifice some of their goals and dreams. It soon becomes a one way street where the presbyter is expected to make sacrifices in caring for the people, without expecting anything in return – for themselves or their families. The question of "How can we better care for our presbyter/s?" is very seldom asked, but the call for presbyters to respond to the needs of parishioners is often demanded – even at the expense of special family events. This inevitably builds frustration for those involved.

So, for me, the attempt to improve the rates of remuneration for presbyters was an expression of love. It acknowledged that I was more than just a cog in the machine of church and that my family's future was important. More than that, it was an expression of value – "We see what you do. We appreciate your efforts, we understand your sacrifices." It wouldn't change the demands

on my time, but it would help us as a family to set aside money for the future, university fees etc, or just do something special together – little things that make a big difference to family life. Possible increases in remuneration give the parish an opportunity to express gratitude and better care for their presbyter and his / her family. It is an expression of mutual servanthood – “as you serve us as best you can, so we will serve you as best we can.”

Simply put, a better financial package would help protect the health and future of presbyters and their families. It is an acknowledgment of gratitude and a practical expression of love – of wanting the best for every person affected by the presbyter’s call to service.

Our present stipend system undermines generosity

When we support low stipends for ministers we subtly undermine the value of generosity. When it becomes acceptable to give “just enough” to the person who serves us, we soon find that the same attitude is worked out in other areas of the church’s life: We give just enough money to pay the bills, just enough time to care for the poor, just enough interest to keep our position in leadership... Giving “just enough” undermines the value of mission and threatens the future health of the church.

Generosity, as one of the characteristics of God’s servants, can be expressed in the way that parishes remunerate presbyters. At present, we essentially encourage parish members to be generous to all people - except those who serve you, those only need the minimum.

Love is generous. It gives more than enough: 600 litres of wine at a wedding, a catch of fish that breaks the nets, food for 5000 with baskets to spare. If we love one another we are called to more than “just enough”. And when we live out that calling – in the way we pay staff, in the way we give time, in the attention we pay to the poor – then the church will grow and God’s mission will be furthered! There will be more than enough!

Why would we exclude our presbyters from this kind of expression of love?

Our present stipend system undermines future housing needs

While the reduced rental that comes as part of our stipend is very much appreciated, it makes it impossible for presbyters to buy their own property. This undermines future security for the presbyter and their family. The suggestion that presbyters plan for their future as early as possible is important, but it begs the question, “Where will they get the money to set enough aside for future housing, or cover present housing needs?” There is not enough in the present stipend to set aside money for present housing costs let alone future housing.

The present system offers a small increase to presbyters living in their own homes – just enough to cover the rates and one or two repairs – while the parish reaps the significant rewards of renting the parsonage on the open market. (For me to buy a house in Papatoetoe would result in 85% of my stipend going into the mortgage, rates and related expenses, while the parish would gain about \$1200/month from renting the parsonage *after* paying the extra towards my housing.) A theology of mutual servanthood, or love, would promote sharing the benefits gained by renting the parsonage.

Our present stipend system pays committed servants less

Finally, it should be noted that the irony of the present stipend system is that those who take servanthood seriously are worse paid than those who don’t. A presbyter that is passionate about serving the church inevitably works longer hours and makes sacrifices for their parish or position. In contrast another presbyter lazes around the house, surfs the internet and does the bare minimum, while another takes time away from the parish to write books or do celebrant work etc. All three are paid the same stipend, which means that the *hourly rate* of the “servant” is dramatically less than the other two. The servant is not only worse paid, but their family is probably more stressed.

Applying a theology of mutual servanthood may help the parish acknowledge the added sacrifice and effort of those who work faithfully. It promotes the attitude of “we’re in this together,” and encourages a sense of mutual acknowledgement and praise: “Well done, you good and faithful servant! Come on in and *share* my happiness!”

Conclusion

A theology of love will not only enable the church to better care for their presbyters, but will ensure the health of the church into the future. We cannot say that we value those who serve the church when we give them "just enough" to survive. We do not express the way of the gospel when we ask to be served without being willing to serve. We do not express love when we expect the presbyter's family to buy into the stress of very little time together and not much to show for it at the end of the day. However, by serving one another to the best of our ability, presbyter included, we express the way of Jesus, promote the unity of the church and create the values that further the mission of the church.

Andre le Roux
30 January 2008

Board of Administration Stipends Review Committee

STIPENDS

Stipends and Allowances from 1 July 2008

The Stipends Committee accepted that it was appropriate to increase the standard stipend by 3.4% and the standard allowances and book allowance reimbursement by the annual movement in the Consumer Price Index to 31 March 2008 of 3.4%. The amounts payable from 1 July 2008 were:

Standard stipend	\$40,528
Standard allowances	\$ 2,839
Maximum book allowance reimbursement	\$ 942

The President also approved a new statement regarding telephones, internet connections and mobile telephones. This is a clearer statement and replaces the previous statement which did not make the policy clear for Treasurers and Presbyters.

Reimbursement for Connexional travel is 44 cents per kilometre.

From 1 October the structure of the reimbursement of travel has changed to the following rates. To better inform Conference, we have included the former and new wording within the Presbyters Remuneration Leaflet Number 25.

New Wording, from 1 October 2008:

Where the estimated annual running of the motor car for all purposes is:	Reimburse the church-related travel at:
Less than 14,000 kms	65 cents per kilometre
Between 14,001 and 20,000 kms	53 cents per kilometre
Between 20,001 and 26,000 kms	46 cents per kilometre

Alternatively, the flat rate of 36 cents (32 cents) per km can be paid for unlimited running (i.e. without the need to record annual mileage and be concerned about exceeding a chosen band).

Wording prior to 1 October 2008:

Where the estimated annual running of the motor car for all purposes is:	Reimburse the church-related travel at:
Less than 12,000 kms	64 cents per kilometre
Between 12,001 and 18,000 kms	52 cents per kilometre
Between 18,001 and 24,000 kms	44 cents per kilometre
for mileage beyond any chosen band range: (refer examples 4 & 5 on page 9)	21 cents per kilometre

Presbyter Housing Report

The Stipends Committee thanks those Synods and individuals whose responses have helped to shape this report to Conference. These have been noted as appropriate in the body of the report.

Executive Summary:

This report

1. Discusses policy designed to enable parishes and Boards who do not own a parsonage to calculate an appropriate rental payment for housing owned by the Presbyter.
2. Suggests that parishes and Boards may choose to rent the presbyters own home.
3. Signals that further work is required on the issue of initial equity for presbyters to purchase a house.

Presbyter Housing Allowances

Conference in 1982 passed a resolution which made it possible for a Parish or Board to pay an amount greater than the standard housing allowance when the presbyter was required to live in their own home. That is, when a parsonage was not available, or was manifestly unsuitable, then the Parish or Board could choose to rent, including renting the presbyters own home. Such payments required the approval of the Synod, the Development Division and the President.

More recently the President has ruled that the Administration Division, which now has responsibility for housing and stipends should act in place of the Development Division. The Stipends Committee is aware that an increasing number of parishes and Boards no longer own parsonages and believes a transparent process of both entering into a rental agreements and the setting of rentals needs to be established.

The Committee also wishes to respond to issues raised by the Stipends Review group, which in turn was responding to concerns raised in the survey of Presbyters and Parishes in late 2006.

The Principles

In asking Conference to examine the issue of housing and allowances it seems appropriate to establish the principles which we as a Connexional church work from as we seek to develop this policy.

1. The provision of housing is a requirement for all full time stationed presbyters.
2. In making alternative housing arrangements there should be fairness and transparency.
3. The Methodist Church has over a long period tried to ensure its presbyters have access to appropriate housing when they retire.

Where a part-time Presbyter is required to move from where they live then housing is provided. Payments would be on a pro-rata basis.

Provision of Housing

The provisions state that the dwelling should be of sufficient size to accommodate the presbyter and any family they may have, as well as study space and the ability to offer hospitality. Normally this has been a four bedroom house with a study, although in recent times three bedroom homes plus study have proved suitable for smaller families. Information Leaflet No 50 sets out the churches expectations with regard to housing. see www.methodist.org.nz.

This may be provided by:

- The parish owning a suitable house
- The renting of a suitable house
- Paying a housing allowance to a Presbyter who lives in their own home.

Fairness and Transparency

When Presbyters are given permission to live in their own home, a taxable housing allowance is paid in recognition of the parishes responsibility to provide housing and the housing costs which the Presbyter, rather than the Parish is now carrying. This allowance is currently set at 1/6 of the Stipend as determined by agreement with the Inland Revenue Department.

In this arrangement Parishes who pay a housing allowance are financially advantaged over Parishes which house their presbyter in a parsonage. The former are able to rent the parsonage at

market rates, or gain the full benefit of interest earned, whereas the later group of parishes carry the full cost of the provision of housing. It could be argued that it is the presbyter in their own home, who is actually providing the capacity for the first category of parishes to earn additional income. The difference between rents or interest received and the housing allowance.

When we look at the housing allowance for living in a presbyters own home paid by partner churches we find that the Methodist Church has a rate which is much lower. The Presbyterian Church of Aotearoa New Zealand bases its minimum allowance on the lower quartile of the actual rents in an area within reasonable radius of the worship centre, or within a location determined by the congregation and the Presbytery/UDC. The Inter-Church Hospital Chaplains Committee determines the allowance by taking 4.25% of the median house price, as determined by sale prices collated by the real estate institute.[Capped at \$13,560] These higher rates of housing allowance mean there is a financial equivalence between all parishes, that is those who provide a house, and those who pay a housing allowance.

For the Methodist Church, up till now, it is only when a Parish / Board does not own a suitable parsonage that the Parish / Board may choose to rent the Presbyters home at a rate determined by an independent process using a real estate agent or property manager.

Consideration of the need for Retirement Housing

This issue has exercised Conference on a number of occasions. Most significantly in the 1970's a national appeal was held to establish a fund to urgently supplement the funds presbyters required for retirement housing. That it became necessary, was the result of a long period of low stipend and the rapid onset of inflation.

Improvements to both Superannuation and Stipend meant this scheme lapsed. But more recently when again, property values rapidly escalated, provision of retirement housing has become a major concern for many presbyters. [In the Survey of Presbyters and Parishes in 2006 provision of retirement housing was the major concern of 69% of Presbyters] The rapid increase in house prices now means the amount able to be capitalized from Superannuation is insufficient to purchase a house and signals that Government Superannuation may not be able to be maintained at existing levels make presbyters unwilling to forgo pension which may be required for day to day living.

The Stipends Review Group in its report to Conference [2007] identified the urgent need to find ways to assist presbyters to get into the housing market. This is primarily a pastoral response to both itinerancy and to the impossible situation of needing to provide housing for the first time at retirement.

One solution would be for Parishes to choose to pay a housing allowance similar to a PCANZ or ICHC formulae. This would not financially disadvantage parishes where the presbyter is currently living in the parsonage. The rental, or invested capital from the parsonage would cover the increased allowance.

For those parishes currently benefitting from paying the standard housing allowance, their cost structure would once again be similar to those parishes who are meeting the conference requirements to provide presbyter housing.

The real benefit to the church is that this change of policy could allow presbyters to get a start in the property market, and make better provision for retirement. A significant group of Presbyters in the survey [27%] wondered if they might need to leave ministry for a higher paying job to be able to afford retirement housing. In a time of too few presbyters, retention of existing experienced presbyters is vitally important.

Example:

Christchurch - Suburban

Four bedroom house:	Lower Quartile	Median	Upper Quartile
Suburb 'A'	\$350 week	400	470
Suburb 'B'	327	370	400
Parish rents parsonage at or above median rental	\$400 - 440 week		

Parish invests parsonage capital [350,000 @ 6%]

\$403 week [no additional outgoings].

Figures from www.dbh.govt.nz/market-rent, for June 2008.

Housing Equity:

The Stipends Committee realises these provisions do not assist any Presbyterian who has insufficient capital to be able to finance their own home in the first instance. The Committee has begun conversation on the implication of a shared equity scheme and will report to the church in 2009. We thank the church for the many suggestions for possible ways forward.

There were a number of comments in this area. Shared equity, where a parish and presbyter might jointly own a property, through to calculations which showed that without assistance many would struggle to meet mortgage costs.

Continued provision of parsonages:

A number of responses noted the need for parishes / Synods to still have access to housing. Not all presbyters will want, or be able to live in their own home. Some communities maybe seen as less desirable as places where a Presbyterian might own a house and short-term ministries would not warrant the purchase of housing.

This policy change does not promote the sale of all parsonages, but to make provision for the optional renting of the presbyters own home on a fair and equitable basis.

Recommendations:

The Stipends Committee is recommending to Conference that Methodist Housing Allowances be restated in accordance with the following guidelines.

The guidelines would be:

The rental payable to the presbyter would normally be at the median market rental of appropriate accommodation that is available within a reasonable radius of the worship centre or within a location determined by the congregation and the Synod /UDC.

In setting the housing rental the following needs to be determined.

1. The number of bedrooms required by the Presbyterian for both day to day living and hospitality
2. The provision of study / office facilities either in the dwelling or in the church complex.

Having determined the total number of bedrooms/study rooms the following criteria should apply to determine the minimum rental.

The minimum rental should be based on the median of the market rental for an appropriate house as determined by the Dept of Building and Housing [see www.dbh.govt.nz/market-rent].

As a matter of process:

1. It is important to note that the Synod Superintendent is responsible for ensuring there is an agreement and that the process is followed. The Superintendent will seek the assistance of the Administration Division as required.
2. That parishes and presbyters need to make declarations regarding housing BEFORE stationing.

Note: As a rental, rather than an allowance the payment of tax on money received would be the Presbyters responsibility. It would also mean outgoings could be deducted prior to the tax calculation. The Committee strongly suggests that any rental payments be made at a different time of the month to stipend to ensure there is no confusion between stipend and rent.

Suggested Resolutions:

1. That the report be received.
2. That Conference adopts the provisions as set out in the report to allow Parishes and Boards to choose to rent the presbyters own home to meet their requirement to provide suitable accommodation for a full time Presbyterian.
3. That Conference asks the Administration Division to prepare an information leaflet setting out the procedures and their implementation.

GST RETURNS – NEW WEB BASED SYSTEM

From August 2008 the Connexional Office introduced a new way for entities within the Church to file their GST returns with the Connexional Office.

As part of the process of change over, the Connexional Office staff offered a number of online web based training sessions for a week. Training sessions were offered during both the day and evenings. A small number of people undertook the training with another small number indicating that no training was required due to the clarity of the software instructions.

It is important to note that all entities within the Church must return their GST on a monthly basis to the Connexional Office.

Any GST questions or concerns should be raised with Peter van Hout (peter.van.hout@methodist.org.nz).

BOARD OF ADMINISTRATION - SPECIAL ACCOUNT

The Board of Administration "Special Account", or as it is more commonly referred to "the Connexional Banking Arrangement", is one of the main avenues of mutual contribution to the Connexional Budget.

The Connexional Banking Arrangement calls for all Methodist Church bank accounts to be held with the Bank of New Zealand and the Church is then entitled to draw down part of those credit balances which can be used either for investment or for loans to parishes.

The only constraint on the operation is that all accounts must be maintained with a credit balance.

For the year to June 2008 the Special Account contributed \$78,971 (2007 - \$69,801) to the Connexional Budget or just under 9% (2007 - 9%) of the total.

As District contributions come under increasing strain the contribution of Connexional activities such as the banking arrangement will have increasing importance. It is therefore essential that all Churches consider having their bank accounts with the BNZ so that they can become part of the Connexional Banking Arrangement. Please contact Greg Wright if you require further information (greg.wright@methodist.org.nz).

FINANCIAL REVIEW

This committee met in late September and reviewed all of the financial statements that had been filed by parishes and connexional bodies at that date. The committee expressed it's appreciation to all of those Treasurers and other members of parishes who met the deadline and encourages the others to meet this important obligation in future. There will be a separate report to Conference on the groups and parishes that did not meet the deadline.

The committee noted a general improvement in the financial position and performance reported by many of the groups. Parishes in general showed improvements in income that exceeded the annual rate of inflation, although there were some notable exceptions. The Church as a whole is in better financial shape than it was in 2007.

Members of the committee were aware of the changes that are occurring in financial reporting standards, the future need to make returns to the Charities Commission, and of the confusion that exists during the transitional stages, as well as the lack of uniformity in treatment for similar transactions. The Connexional Office staff will be working with Treasurers over the coming months to clarify and standardise the appropriate treatment and reporting of several issues, including:

- the reporting of interests in trusts and endowments;
- the appropriate disclosures of securities and mortgages;
- the treatment and reporting of "stipulated" funds (sometimes called "designated" or "specific" funds);
- who are, and who are not, related parties;
- the treatment and reporting of income and expenditure through reserves or designated funds;

- disclosing whether financial statements have been subject to audit or review;
- when cross-references to notes should be used;
- what needs to be disclosed in notes to the financial statements;
- the information required to complete the first annual returns to the Charities Commission.

Individual issues will be taken up with some parishes and other bodies. It is the conclusion of the committee that the financial statements that have been reviewed should be formally received by Conference.

CHARITIES ACT

Over the last 12 months the Methodist Church has made over 120 applications to the Charities Commission. The Church has needed to make changes to the Laws and Regulations in relation to "winding up" clauses so that Parishes, Synods and other entities which rely on the Laws and Regulations to register complied with the Charities Act. The President approved these clauses to ensure all entities could gain registration.

The Administration Division is storing all registration data for every entity both on computer and the original certificates.

What do we need to complete from here?

Moving forward, any change of "Officer" of a registered Charity (Parish or Synod for example) will need to complete Form 3 and return it to the Commission. This form is able to be completed online.

On an annual basis each registered entity will be required to complete Form 4 and have this form returned to the Charities Commission. Closer to the due date of the return, the Commission will send a reminder. A charitable entity must send its completed Annual Return back to the Commission **no later than six months** after your balance date (the end of your financial year). However, the charitable entity can also use the *Annual Return Form* to notify the Commission of changes to your organisation's details. In this case, you must send the Return back **within three months** of the effective date of the changes or of you becoming aware of them. This form can also be completed online.

The Connexional Office is hoping to run a number of training sessions on completing Form 3 and Form 4 either late in 2008 or early in 2009. The Statistical Return Forms have been changed to reflect the requirements of the Charities Commission Form 4.

Can we do any preparation?

Look at the Statistical return Forms supplied by the Connexional Office, obtain a copy of Form 3 and 4 from the Charities website (www.charities.govt.nz) and be prepared to become involved in the training.

REMOVAL FUND

The Board of Administration was able to hold the removal levy at \$14 per member for the 2008 financial year. The levy is based on the membership numbers provided in the annual statistical returns. During the year ended 30 June 2008, the fund was responsible for 20 moves at a total cost of \$51,677. This was the same number of moves, but a decrease of \$43,589 in the total cost of the moves when compared to the previous financial year. The main reason for the decrease costs was that most of the moves were same city relocations.

METHODIST CONNEXIONAL PROPERTY COMMITTEE

The Methodist Connexional Property Committee acts under delegated authority from the Board of Administration for the management of the Church's Insurance Fund and the operation of the Church Building and Loan Fund including the consideration and approval of Church property transactions.

(a) Insurance Fund

The Insurance Fund provides one of the principal areas of contact between the Methodist Connexional Office and individual parishes and congregations.

Mostly this is receiving advice and information in the Connexional Office of changing insurance requirements and the issuing and receipting of insurance premium notices and payments. Occasionally however the contact relates to the need for a parish to make a claim against its insurance covers and the Methodist Connexional Property Committee believes that this is where the Church's insurance arrangements are seen at their most beneficial.

As the Fund is generally responsible for the first \$50,000 of each claim, all but the largest claims are settled "in house" and normally there is only one claim referred on to the insurers in each one or two years.

While the Insurance Fund needs to insure that claims are settled equitably and fairly, the ability to settle the claims without reference to "outside" insurers means that almost all claims can be dealt with on receipt of the claims information from the parish.

Occasionally because a claim is more complicated or the affected parish requires assistance in having the damage repaired the Insurance Fund will appoint a local claims assessor to work with the parish to see the matter resolved.

Some matters referred to the Insurance Fund cannot be regarded as insurance claims and most often these relate to a want of maintenance over a long period of time and the gradual rotting or collapse of the property. Under general insurance rules this gradual deterioration is not considered to be an insurance matter.

Replacement Valuations

The Fund is keen to ensure that Church properties are regularly revalued and insured for their proper replacement value. To assist in achieving this the Insurance Fund in 2007 offered to meet 75% of the replacement valuation fee for building and contents valuations when the sums insured were updated to the new valuation figure. This has proved to be an extremely popular and effective way of helping parishes and congregations ensure that their properties are properly insured. The average increase in the sums insured has been approximately 33% and the sum increases ranging from a modest 10% to a maximum movement of just under 600%!

The second reason for keeping valuations up to date is the extension in cover advised to Conference 2007 whereby the Insurance Fund is able to meet the cost of bringing the undamaged portion of a property up to current code compliance if, as a condition of the building consent, such work is required by the local authority.

Previously any work required to an undamaged part of the property was not covered as an insurance claim.

As a condition of extending this additional (and quite unusual) cover the Church's insurers have required that any property subject a claim under this provision needs a current insurance revaluation (no more than 2 to 3 years old as a maximum) and that the Church had not received formal notification from the local authority that the property required work to bring the building up to code compliance.

Alarms

The Insurance Fund continues to support and subsidise the cost of alarm installations for Church property. Being mindful of the fact that a number of the original installations are now over 15 years of age, the Fund is happy to look at a second round of subsidies to see those systems replaced and updated.

Photographic Record

The Insurance Fund continue to seek electronic images of all church property. The Fund has the capacity to store several images of each insured property and we would be grateful for all current photographs. It would be useful if they could be forwarded to the Insurance Fund (ins@methodist.org.nz) as a .jpeg, remembering to include the Insurance Risk ID reference

number so that we can file the image with the correct property.

Liability Covers

The Insurance Fund wishes to acknowledge the very real effort of Church leadership at all levels that have maintained the excellent early notifications of matters that could lead to liability claims. Careful attention to notifications has enabled the Church to resolve a number of issues at the very earliest opportunity which has resulted in almost all cases in a reasonable and dignified resolution of issues involved.

Parish and Church officials are reminded that there is no penalty for notification, in fact the discipline of preparing the notification often helps in sowing the seeds of a resolution.

Matters not notified however, risk being excluded from the Church's cover should matters escalate.

Website

Current copies of the Insurance Handbook are available from the Website <http://il.methodist.org.nz>. Copies of the handbook will not be distributed in printed form as this has resulted in superseded editions being referred to for information. The current edition will always be available on the website.

All Churches Bureau

The Methodist Church of New Zealand has continued to support the activities of the interdenominational All Churches Bureau as it continues to assist the partner churches on matters of insurance, risk management and legal compliance.

The Bureau is working on a pan denominational response to the Building Act requirements for Earthquake Prone Buildings together with an information pack for parishes and congregations where their properties are earmarked for listing as Historic Places.

All of the partner churches insure at least their buildings and contents through Ansvar NZ Limited a subsidiary of Ecclesiastical Insurance Group Limited in the UK. The All Churches Bureau has for the last two years been asked to advise Ansvar and EIG for a faith based community project that could be supported by a grant of £20,000 from EIG's own ecclesiastical trust. In 2007 the grant was directed towards Hospital Chaplains and for 2008 the grant has been presented to the Churches Education Commission which assists the excellent work of religious instruction in schools.

All Churches Bureau is currently working on its suggestion to EIG Ltd for the 2009 grant.

It is hoped that the Bureau will be able to maintain its relationship with Ecclesiastical as a conduit for grants in future years.

(b) Church Building and Loan Fund

The Church Building and Loan Fund is charged with delegated authority from the Board of Administration to give consent to Church property transactions as well as receiving and managing the proceeds of sale of Church property if funds are required for other capital projects. The Fund also provides loans to assist parishes with property purchases and development.

The Committee has continued with its 2006 initiative of inviting representatives of two Property Advisory Committees to alternate monthly meetings and this has proven an excellent forum for discussion and information sharing.

Internal "Transfers" of Property

During the year the Committee had further occasion to carefully consider the situation where control and stewardship of Church property moves between congregations within the Methodist Church of New Zealand and where some form of settlement amount is paid.

The Committee came to the view that this settlement should be viewed as a form of Koha and the Committee developed an information leaflet which is available on the Church's website (www.methodist.org.nz). A copy of the paper has been distributed to all Synod Property Advisory Committees for their information.

Review of Church Law

Property Stewardship and the Economy of Grace

The paper to August Synods produced 3 Synodal responses together with some individual responses. The responses dealt with different details in the proposals. There was no significant objections to the basic premise of the review which was to free up the Church's "locked up" resources for the advancement of the mission of the Church as detailed in each Synods property strategy.

The Church is always in need of renewal and re-affirmation of its mission – sometimes that process can be inhibited by an inability to review and re-assess the appropriateness of retaining long held land and buildings or historic parish boundaries.

Synods did not question the transfer of part of the proceeds, the sale of redundant property to the Mission Resourcing Fund, or the need to systematically review whether property and funds continued to meet the mission of the Church – it was suggested however that a three year review was too frequent and five years suggested as a more workable period. The suggested Law has been changed accordingly.

Several responses confirmed the need to be pastoral at the five year assessment to determine if Church property or funds were still being used for their intended purpose. The over-arching question of the assets use in the mission of the Church was stressed and this has been included in the reworked provisions.

The intention of the changes was to bring Synodal planning and decision-making sharply into focus as the principal "mission manager". Synods are expected to have the vision and distilled wisdom of their parishes in determining firstly a Synod strategy for the Church and secondly a property strategy to assist in the implementation of the mission strategy.

Income from property sales is freed up to enable those strategies to be implemented although capital, whether held in the name of the Parish or a Synod should be largely retained for capital projects.

Union Parishes

The 2007 paper noted that the proposed law changes would not affect Union or Co-operating Ventures where the proceeds of sale would be held on deposit by the denomination who held title awaiting a future approved project.

This is because assets contributed to Union and Co-operating Ventures are held in trust for the partners in agreed percentages. It may be appropriate, in the future, to look at partial capital distributions to participating denominations in the agreed ratios – thus releasing available capital without upsetting long established ratios. This is a matter which would need to be carefully considered by the partner denominations.

Loans

Methodist Connexional Property Committee has moved to institute the more flexible loans policy approved at the last Conference.

Be Bold

In their report to August synods the Methodist Connexional Property Committee and Law Revision Committees commended Synods to be bold, the same exhortation is made to Conference.

The wording of the proposed changes to the Law Book are set out in suggested decisions. The proposed changes are brought to Conference jointly by MCPC and the Law Revision Committee.

Suggested Decisions:

1. That the report be received.
2. The Church Law be amended by deleting the present wording of Section 9 clause 3.1, 3.2.1, 3.3.1, 3.3.2, 3.4.1, 3.4.2, and 3.4.3 as follows in italics.

3. 1 *The consent of the Conference through the Board of Administration shall be obtained by all Parish Meetings, Incorporated Boards and Trustees under the Methodist Model Deed of 1887 for all:*
- (a) *briefs to Architects, plans and specifications of all proposed erections of, or enlargements and alterations both exterior and interior to Church buildings;*
 - (b) *briefs to members of the Master Builders' Association when, with the prior approval of the Synod or Regional Court and of the Methodist Connexional Property Committee, such person(s) are invited to prepare plans for the erection of houses for Ministers;*
 - (c) *purchases or sales of Church property;*
 - (d) *leases of Church property for terms of seven years or more;*
 - (e) *mortgages of Church property;*
 - (f) *any borrowing or proposal to borrow funds sourced from outside New Zealand.*
3. 2.1 *Prior to the consent of the Conference being given to a Parish for any property proposal, the respective Synod or Regional Court shall:*
- (a) *be satisfied the proposal is financially viable and that the Parish or Board is able to repay any funds borrowed and any interest thereon;*
 - (b) *appoint, near the inception of the project, a Registered Architect to assist with the strategy and planning, and to undertake the design, documentation, and contract administration of the project;*
 - (c) *ensure that the design conforms, as far as possible, to New Zealand Building Code D.1 in respect to access to and movement within buildings by the disabled;*
 - (d) *ensure that the history of the property has been researched and recorded;*
 - (e) *ensure that any Te Tiriti obligations outstanding have been resolved;*
 - (f) *refuse consent for the purchase of any land until a research of the land history has been undertaken.*
3. 2.2 *Exemption from any or all of the requirements in 9.3.1. and 2 above shall be given by the Methodist Connexional Property Committee only in exceptional circumstances.*
3. 3.1 *The proceeds from the sale of property shall be lodged with the Church Building and Loan Fund in the name of the Parish;*
3. 3.2 *Notwithstanding provisions of 9.3.3.1, on the recommendation of the Synod or Regional Court concerned, the Methodist Connexional Property Committee may authorise an amount, (up to such an amount Conference shall from time to time determine) to be used upon some other project within that District in which the property sold was situated:*
3. 4.1 *When property is no longer required for its current purpose nor is to be replaced and is sold, a portion of the proceeds of the sale of such "redundant property" may be contributed to the Development Fund Ministries.*
3. 4.2 *The Parish Meeting or Incorporated Board holding the property concerned shall consult with the District Property Advisory Committee and the Methodist Connexional Property Committee with regard to the amount of the contribution.*
3. 4.3 *The use of the balance of the sale proceeds after such a contribution shall be limited to the District of origin of the property, on such terms as the District and the Methodist Connexional Property Committee shall negotiate.*

and replacing these clauses with –

PROPOSED LAW

- 3.1 *The consent of the Conference through the Board of Administration shall be obtained by all Parish Meetings, Incorporated Boards and trustees under the Methodist Model Trust Deed of 1887 for:*
- (a) *all proposed erections of, or enlargements and alterations, both exterior and interior, to Church buildings, including parsonages, which require building or resource consent;*
 - (b) *purchases or sales of Church property;*
 - (c) *leases of Church property for terms of seven years or more;*
 - (d) *mortgages of Church property;*
 - (e) *any borrowing or proposal to borrow funds sourced from outside New Zealand.*

- 3.2.1 Prior to the consent of the Conference being given to an applicant for any property proposal, the respective Synod or Regional Court shall be satisfied:
- (a) the proposal is in accord with established regional property strategy, is financially viable and that the applicant is able to repay any funds borrowed and any interest thereon;
 - (b) near the inception of the project of the appointment of an appropriately approved and qualified design professional in accordance with Methodist Connexional Property Committee guidelines as issued from time to time to assist with the strategy and planning, and to undertake the design, documentation, and contract administration of the project;
 - (c) that any Te Tiriti obligations of the Church have been resolved;
 - (d) that the land history has been researched for any sale or purchase of land.
- 3.3.1 The proceeds from the sale of property shall be lodged with the Church Building and Loan fund in the name of the Parish and shall receive interest at the Church Building and Loan Fund's distribution rate as set from time to time.
- 3.4.1 The Board of Administration shall consult with each Parish at least once every 5 years to review ongoing ownership of property to ensure it is being appropriately used for mission of the Church and to confirm that the funds from the sale of any property are being used in accordance with the regional property strategy.
- 3.4.2 When property is sold that is no longer required for its current purpose, and it is not to be replaced;
- (a) a portion of the proceeds of sale shall be contributed to the Development Fund Ministries. That portion shall be 15% unless otherwise agreed between MCPC, the Synod and the Parish.
 - (b) after 5 years from the date of sale if the Parish has not ensured the use of the remainder of the funds in furtherance of the mission of the Church as set out in the regional property strategy the funds are to be released to the Synod for its use in the regional property strategy.

Clause 3.4.4 be renumbered 3.4.3.

ARCHIVES

Christchurch This year has marked a significant increase of over 50% in the number of written or email enquiries received by the Christchurch Methodist Archives. There has also been an increase in telephone enquiries and researchers using the collection.

It seems that no one factor is responsible for this increase. Likely reasons are the provision of more information about the Archives on the Methodist Church website, writing fact sheets to help researchers use the Archives Collection better, and an emphasis on good customer service, which has lead to repeat users.

The efforts of volunteers is being directed towards documenting the Parish Archives Collection, and this work will continue 2008-2009.

In December Shelley Richardson finished her part-time contract to catalogue the Personal Papers Collection completing 542 catalogue entries.

13-14 February 2008, we hosted a workshop "Introduction to basic archives principles and practises" tutored by Rosemary Collier. Two volunteers, Enid Ellis and Joyce Challies, attended.

200 fact sheets about the Methodist Archives were provided for the New Zealand Society of Genealogist's national conference, Queen's Birthday weekend.

Methodist Archives fact sheets were made available on the Methodist Church website: *General information, Researching family history, Researching Methodist Ministers, Researching Church buildings and land, Researching Home Missionaries, Researching Lay Preachers, Using personal cameras, Archives research fees and copying charges.*

46 oral history cassette tapes were copied to cd as part of the audio visual preservation programme, courtesy of PAC Media and Communications grant of \$2,500.

Auckland Auckland Archives have also seen a similar increase in the number of written or email enquiries.

One new volunteer has been recruited during 2008.

User statistics July 2007-June 2008	Christchurch	Auckland
Written or email enquiries	313	211
Telephone enquiries	139	68
Researchers using the Archives in person	58	10

Archives Volunteer Programme

The gift of the volunteers' time, knowledge and skills is acknowledged with gratitude.

Volunteer projects

Christchurch

Project	Volunteer	Progress
Sort and list all publications	Enid Ellis	Book collection listed on computer, books of association collection listed, work begun documenting other publications held
Sort, box and list parish archives	Esther Trim	Hand written list of parish archives compiled, records boxed and labelled – over 1620 boxes used
Catalogue and number membership rolls and circuit schedule books	Frank Paine	Hand written list of membership rolls compiled, rolls numbered
Catalogue audio-visual collection	Garry Jeffery	Worksheets completed, information being recorded on computer
Repair and rebind newspapers	Marlene Borgfeldt	Newspapers re-bound, protective boxes made for those too fragile to bind
Compile list of South Island Children's Home files	Olive Thompson	Handwritten list compiled
Organise and catalogue architectural drawings	Nadia Gush	All North Island drawings sorted, stored in drawers and listed on computer
Catalogue and re-box baptism registers	Joyce Challies	Handwritten list completed

Auckland

Reorganise and label Home Missionary files	Rev Doug Burt	Work continuing
Catalogue photograph albums	Helene Crown	Work continuing
Sort, box and list new parish archives	John Boniface	Work continuing

DISCIPLINARY PROCEDURES

Seven new complaints have been received this year, and there is still one complaint unresolved from 2004. One further complaint is on hold awaiting the results of a court case. Of the seven new complaints five have been resolved at the time of going to print. Two are still in process. The Church continues to be well served by the Rev Bruce Hanson as Complaints Officer.

COMPLAINTS REVIEW COMMITTEE CHAIRPERSON REPORT

The Chairperson of the Complaints Review Committee is required to report to Conference each year as to the work of the Complaints Review Committee, and to make any suggestions as to amendments to the Disciplinary Code.

This year, there have been two complaints referred to the Chair for the Complaints Review Committee. One complaint required no further action, and the other is in the process of being further considered by a Complaints Review Committee.

Peter Williamson
Chairperson

CONNEXIONAL TRUSTS

GENERAL PURPOSES TRUST BOARD

The Bill is now in its final version and the public consultation period is about to begin. It is anticipated that the Bill will be introduced to Parliament following consultation early in the new parliamentary session after the election, either later this year or early 2009. Our solicitors anticipate the Bill should make swift progress through the Parliamentary process. Copies of the proposed Bill can be viewed on the Church website

SUPERNUMERARY FUND

Fund Performance

Following the solid performance of the fund in 2007, the year ended 31 January 2008 was a difficult one for the Fund's investments, largely as a result of the market correction that took place in response to the sub-prime mortgage crisis in the United States. As a result, the value of the Fund decreased by \$854,132. The Fund's net investment revenue for the year was -\$78,350 compared to \$1,548,668 the previous year. During the year contributions received by the Fund amounted to \$568,100 (2007: \$513,035). Non investment expenses totalled \$91,591 for the year (2007: \$72,903), and the Fund paid \$1,252,291 in benefits (2007: \$1,589,547).

The Summary Financial statements for the Year ended 31 January 2008 are provided and copies of the Financial Statements can be requested from Peter van Hout in the Connexional Office.

As a result of the investment performance to the year ended 31 January 2008 and the guarantee having been put in place, the Trustee did not grant any increases in the discretionary benefit and pension effective from 1 February 2008. The annual rate of pension remains at \$411.54, per each complete year of contribution. The Trustee will monitor the financial position of the Fund closely and continue to grant increases if and when the Fund is in a sufficiently sound financial position.

Trust Deed Amendments

The Trustee was asked in late 2006, to address a question raised by members of the Fund who joined prior to 1996. A change in the Deed in 1996 gave all new members the right to name a nominated beneficiary other than a spouse. Conference agreed to the suggested changes in 2007 and the Deed of Amendment came into effect on 6 December 2007. Copies of the amendment were sent to all members.

Paper for Discussion

The Board of Administration has two roles on behalf of the Conference in relation to superannuation:

1. To make suitable superannuation arrangements for those in Full Connexion with the Conference.
2. It is the Trustee of the Supernumerary Fund under the Trust Deed.

Conference 2007 asked the Board of Administration to report to Conference 2008 regarding issues facing the fund as listed below:

1. The report is received.
2. Conference approves the changes to the Trust Deed of the Supernumerary Fund of the Methodist Church of New Zealand as printed in the 2007 Conference Agenda pages D29-35.
3. Conference notes that the Superannuation Fund Trustee will continue to explore issues relating to superannuation for Presbyters and will report to Hui Poari and Synods during 2008 and report to Conference 2008.

In considering its response to the resolutions, the Board has been conscious of the following: Since 1913(a different age) when the fund was first established it has been constantly evolving in response to considerable changing needs and the changes in the Church and community.

Among the current issues are:

- The changing legislative provisions for retirement
- Candidates for ministry are now often coming from an older age bracket and have diverse needs for their retirement
- Many of these older candidates have superannuation arrangements in place when they come into ministry.
- The introduction of KiwiSaver.
- Different expectations and needs due to cultural diversity
- The need for ministers to repay student loans
- The need to accumulate increasingly large amounts of capital for housing needs on retirement.
- Reluctance by older candidates to join the fund

Among the Board of Administration's prime objectives is the need to provide adequate superannuation and the concern that those who are currently dependent on the fund are not disadvantaged.

The Board and the Trustee have spent considerable time grappling with these issues and have reached the following conclusions:

1. There are difficulties in converting the present scheme to a KiwiSaver compliant scheme.
2. That the fund be closed to new members from 1 February, 2010.
3. The necessary legal steps are taken to effect this change.
4. Adequate alternative arrangements need to be made to provide for the retirement needs of those in Full Connexion who are not members of the existing fund.

Suggested Decisions:

- 1 The report is received.
- 2 The Fund be closed to members from 1 February 2010 (NB section 7.1.5 may apply to this resolution).

7.1.5 Subject to the provision of Clause 7.1.2 hereof, and in accordance with the provisions of Clause 7.1.1 hereof, the Conference shall have power to do whatever it from time to time considers appropriate for the mission work and order of the Methodist Church of New Zealand/Te Haahi Weteriana o Aotearoa provided that no change shall be made affecting what the President, acting on the advice of the President's Legal Adviser, deems to affect constitutional matters or the rights and privileges of the Ministry or Laity, unless such changes shall have been previously submitted by the Conference to the Districts and Regions, and confirmed at the next succeeding Conference by a resolution passed by a consensus decision of not less than fifty-five per cent of the votes of the members present and voting.

4. The necessary legal steps are put in place to effect this change
5. Conference affirms the Board of Administration's intention to seek out alternative arrangements to the existing scheme.

PAC DISTRIBUTION GROUP

Report from 2008 Group Meeting July 2008

While the Group had carefully prepared the Theme for the 2008 round of Distribution Requests and Grants, very few of the applicants had specifically addressed the requirements set out in the invitation in making an application, and the Group had difficulty in assessing the application against the announced Theme. In addition, many of the applicants failed to provide sufficient financial detail to support their application, and indeed, many failed even to specify how much they were seeking!

In future, it will be important/necessary for applicants to provide sufficient financial information on which the Group may make a considered decision, especially as the Group is unable to support applications seeking funds for the payment of salaries, and some other ongoing operational costs.

Main Fund	\$
Evangelical Network – Funding for Seminar 2009	8,000
Cutting-chopping-Chiefs Group - Cutting & Chopping of Fallen Trees	9,000
UCANZ – Executive Officer Project	5,000
Vahefonua Tonga o Aotearoa – Establishment of Mission & the Safe Family Expo	28,000
Restorative Justice Services, Auckland – Criminal & Graffiti Justice Referral Programmes	5,000
The Longhurst Charitable Trust – Safe Boarding for Women in Need	5,000
New Plymouth Methodist Centre – Gardening Programme	9,000
Wasewase ko Viti kei Rotuma e Niusiladi – Youth Camp Application	6,000
Public Questions Network – Funding for Social Issues Programme	4,000
Sinoti Samoa – Organising Committee – Assistance with Camp Fees	5,000
Communications Committee – Funding for New Technology	3,000
Walk for the Planet – Funding for Walk from Bluff to Wellington	5,000
Waikato/Waiariki Synod – A Methodist Camp in the Waikato	4,500
Methodist Mission & Ecumenical – Education Resource Kit on HIV & Aids	3,000
Aotearoa-NZ Peace & Conflict Studies Centre Trust – to Establish Further Academic Positions & Resources	7,600
St Andrew's Union Church – Gym for Toddlers	7,000
Omokoroa Resource Centre – Rent & Re-locatable Building	4,000
Pukekohe Parish – Church by the Seashore – Youth Holiday Programme	2,000
Manchester House Social Services Society – Social Work Support	5,000
Meadlowlands Methodist Community Church – Mothers Group	4,000
Midway in Northland Day Services (MINDS) – Ride on Lawn Mower	5,000
Methodist Church of NZ – Connexional Budget 2008 – 2009	75,000
ChatBus Life Talking – Counselling Service	15,000
Tongan Methodist Church of Mangere (Lotofale'ia) – Youth Choir & Musical Talents	3,000
Methodist Social Services – Programme for families with Asperger's Syndrome Children	5,000
Earthlink Incorporate – Funding for Mental Health Rehabilitation	32,600
Wesley Samoan Junior Youth, Wellington – Youth Trip to Samoa	3,000
TOTAL ALLOCATED	\$ 267,700

Major Endowment	\$
Trinity Methodist Theological College – Improving Ministry Training	525,000
Travel & Study Committee - Ministry	100,000
	\$625,000

Education Endowment	\$
Trinity Methodist Theological College – Development of Educational Opportunities	8,340
TOTAL ALLOCATED	\$8,340

Archives Research Endowment	\$
Methodist Archives	19,856
TOTAL ALLOCATED	\$19,856

Suggested Decision:

- 1 The report is received.

PACT 2086 TRUST

PACT 2086 Trust manages the lessor's residual interest in the 100 year terminating lease of the property previously owned by the Prince Albert College Trust Board bordered by Queen, Liverpool and Turner Streets and City Road, just below the Karangahape Road ridge in Auckland.

Having received the full 100 year's rental in one lump sum in 1986 the Trust transferred approximately \$16,000,000 to the PAC Endowment Trusts retaining just over \$3,000,000 in a fund looking towards the redevelopment of the property on its return to the Church in 2086.

The Trust has invested the original capital in a number of growth assets including a long term investment in a farm property in the Kaweka Ranges, Hawkes Bay which was purchased and planted as a 300 hectare plantation forest. Harvesting is not expected until after 2020.

The principal of the investment trust has grown steadily and as at 30 June 2008 stood at \$18,958,584.

The Fund's equity investments suffered the turbulence and volatility of the World's markets during the latter part of 2007 and 2008 but managed to complete the year with a small investment profit and a further transfer to accumulated funds of \$475,641.

During the year the Trust gained registration with the NZ Charities Commission.

The Trust has entered into preliminary discussions with the Wesley College Trust Board to form a joint venture partnership to manage the long term development of the Wesley College Trust Board farm lands surrounding the College and known as Grafton Downs.

The Trustees continue to take a long term view of investments given the Trust's sole requirement to provide a capital sum in December 2086 when the Queen Street property is returned to the Church.

The Board of PACT 2085 Trust is made up of those people appointed each year to the Board of the New Zealand Methodist Trust Association.

Suggested Decision:

The report is received.

INVESTMENT ADVISORY BOARD

The Investment Advisory Board seeks to maintain a sound overview and understanding of the wider investment market and to be able to assist and advise Church groups and organisations who may have sums available for investment.

Whilst the members of the Investment Advisory Board are the same persons who make up the Board of the New Zealand Methodist Trust Association and PACT 2086 Trust, this is an administrative convenience for the Church and the Board does endeavour to maintain a view independent of a simple direction to all Groups to invest through the Methodist Trust Association any funds that they may have available. The Investment Advisory Board seeks to identify the investing group's needs and requirements and to advise accordingly.

Socially Responsible Investment

At each meeting the Board deliberatively considers whether the Church's known investment policies and practices reasonably provide for Socially Responsible Investment and whether there are any matters known to the members of the Board that require investigation or consideration.

One of the matters that the Board has carefully considered during the year is the Methodist Church's representation in an appropriate group which can advise and assist the Church in coming to a comprehensive understanding of the theory and practice of Socially Responsible Investment.

The Investment Advisory Board is conscious that the Church's guidelines for socially responsible investment have not been reviewed since 1995 when the current guidelines were last received and endorsed by Conference.

Through the New Zealand Methodist Trust Association's relationship with the various state Synods investment groups of the Uniting Church of Australia, the Investment Advisory Board became aware of the Responsible Investment Association of Australasia (RIAA), a group which incorporates a large number of religious, charitable and philanthropic investment groups, trusts and interested bodies in Australia including the beginnings of a representation with New Zealand investment organisations. The Guardians of the New Zealand Superannuation Fund are members of RIAA.

Board members had the opportunity of viewing RIAA's educational presentation "Enlightened Self Interest" and Board members were impressed with the approach and educational style.

The Investment Board was conscious that a significant portion of the Church's equity investments held through the Methodist Trust Association and PACT 2086 Trust are in fact invested outside of New Zealand and accordingly the wider scope and involvement of an Australasian body was considered beneficial to the Methodist Church of New Zealand as it looked at the question of socially responsible investment.

Following its meeting in June 2008 the Investment Advisory Board sought and has been granted membership, of the Responsible Investment Association of Australasia and is the first New Zealand religious organisation or group to be admitted to membership.

In association with the Methodist Trust Association the Investment Advisory Board has arranged for RIAA's presentation "Enlightened Self Interest" to be one of the Focus Group presentations at Conference on Sunday afternoon.

Property Approvals

The Investment Advisory Board was involved in a number of property approvals including consideration and support for the sale by Methodist Mission Northern of the freehold interest in its commercial properties at Queen, Wakefield and Airedale Streets, Auckland.

The Investment Advisory Board looks forward to discussions with Methodist Mission Northern as it considers the appropriate redeployment of the funds released by the sale of the property.

Board Membership

As signalled in the 2007 annual report Rev Stan West retired from the Board in January 2008 after 20 years service. The Board acknowledges Stan's careful and considered reflections on the work of the Association and wish him and Lyn a long and enjoyable retirement.

The Board was pleased to welcome back Rev Michael Greer for 2008 and also to welcome Rev David Bush, General Secretary designate, from January 2008. David will also take over as Secretary of the Board on his induction as General Secretary.

Rev Jill van de Geer has indicated her availability to remain on the Board. The Board acknowledges Jill's appointment as President for 2008/09 and wishes her a successful and fulfilling year. The Board also acknowledges with grateful thanks Jill's 10 years' service as General Secretary and Secretary of the Trust.

The Board acknowledges the 23 years of service by Mrs Noelene Allen as PA to the Executive Officer of the Board. Noelene is retiring in December 2008 and has contributed her skills over all areas of the work of the Board, not least in the preparation of Board Agendas, reports and minutes. Noelene's dedication and enthusiasm has significantly enabled and promoted the work of the Board. The Board wishes Noelene a long, healthy and enjoyable retirement.

Suggested Decisions:

1. The report is received.
2. The Board for 2009 be: David Bush (Secretary), John Chittenden, David Cleal, Hugh Garlick (Chairman), Michael Greer, Chris Gregory, David Hunt, Jack Jenner, Norman Johnston, Kay Kendall, Manase Latu, Meleane Nacagilevu, Lorraine Parker, Geoff Peak, Jill van de Geer, Greg Wright (Executive Officer).

NEW ZEALAND METHODIST TRUST ASSOCIATION BOARD

The New Zealand Methodist Trust Association has pleasure in presenting this report to the Methodist Church of New Zealand for the year ending 30 June 2008.

A full report has been sent to all parishes and church groups. A copy is available on request from the Connexional Office.

International investment markets has been extremely turbulent with the subprime debt issues which were becoming evident at the time of the 2007 annual report occasioning huge financial losses and signalling the end of the "golden weather" that world economies had enjoyed over the last several years.

The Association has not escaped the effects of these extreme changes in the markets but generally the impact on the Association and on its depositors has been minimal. Importantly the Association has been able to maintain positive returns for all Funds but the Equity Fund for the year in review.

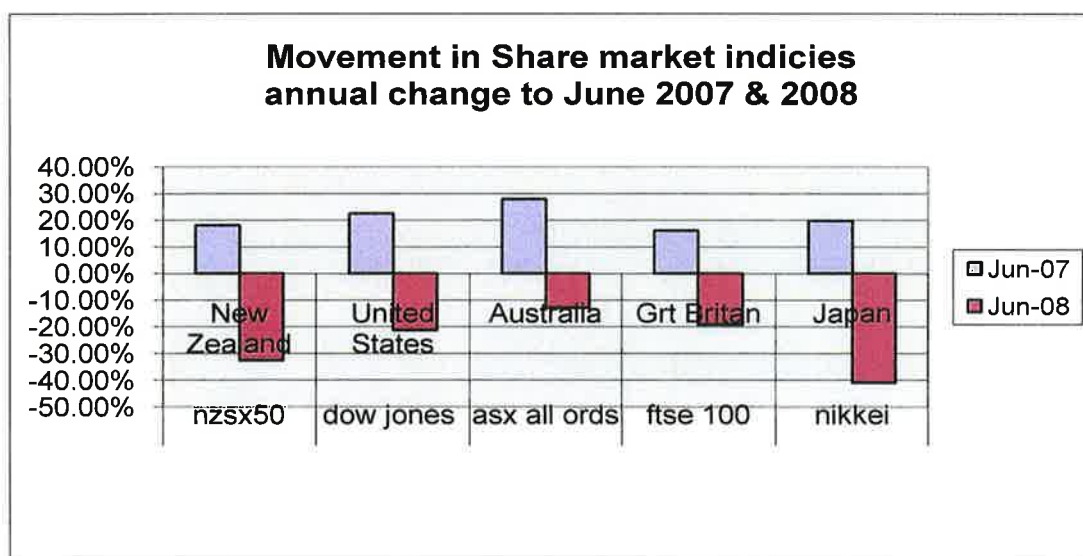
During the year the Trust Association sought and achieved registration with the NZ Charities Commission.

Funds entrusted to the Association continue to grow strongly with total depositors funds at the end of June 2008 of \$155,216,000 an increase of over \$15.5m or 11% on the 30 June 2007 figure.

The responsibility entrusted to the Association by the Church is substantial and the Board and management of the Association are mindful of the importance of the decisions they make on behalf of the Church and its component parts.

Markets

The world's debt and equity markets experienced great volatility and significant reductions in value in the year to 30 June 2008.



Energy

Lubricating the economic downturn, oil was a headline performer for the 12 months with the price for crude oil reaching record highs of nearly US \$150 a barrel before settling down after the end of financial year to below US\$120 a barrel.

The causes for the escalation in cost of oil is the subject of considerable debate with both "peak oil" and "speculators" being cited as "the cause". It would appear however that the underlying cost

of oil is going to steadily increase as an increasing proportion of the world's population come to expect the same kind of mobility and energy availability that has been taken for granted in western economies for the last one hundred years.

The continued growth of consumers in the developing world has maintained the commodity boom in hard resources although it was evident there was some easing in forward pricing for the second half of the 2008 calendar year.

Inflation

After many years of almost perfect economic growth (from a financial sense) in world economies, where central banks were credited with being able to manage competing economic forces to provide growth without inflation, several years of low interest rates and cheap money as well as being a major cause of the subprime mortgage issue, have now delivered economies where cost push inflation has become a serious issue. Theoretically central banks respond to inflation by increasing official cash rates and using the heightened interest charges to reduce demand. Such a move is not available to most central banks at this time as inflation is being cost driven (especially as consumer demand weakens) with economies in recession and any increase in interest charges is likely to lead to weaker economies with the vicious cycle of reduced employment leading to reduced demand, leading to weaker economies.

New Zealand Methodist Trust Association Investment Funds

Against a very turbulent backdrop, the main Methodist Trust Association Funds have performed well during the year.

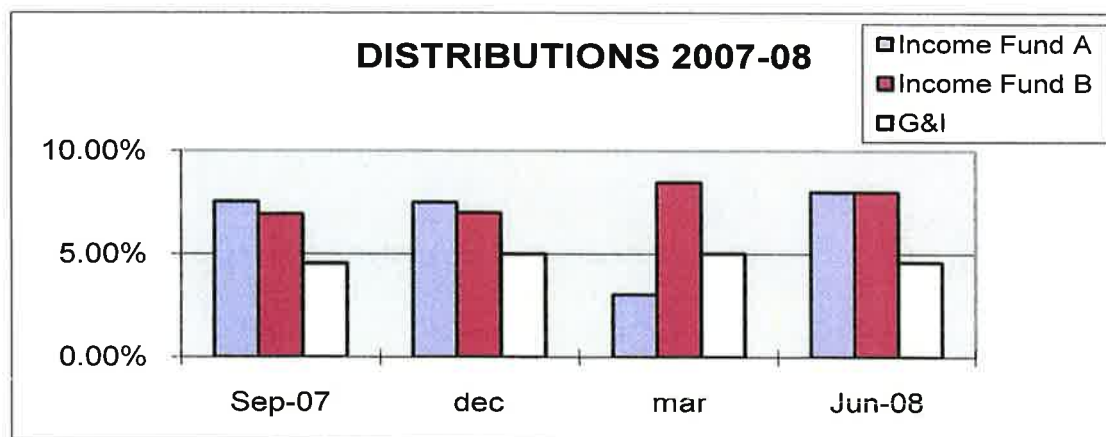
It was noted earlier in the report that all investment carries risk and the Board and Management of the Association have been careful in endeavouring to manage the risk exposure of the Association through judicious asset allocation, careful investment selection and the maintenance of a wide diversity of individual investments.

Generally the Association believes that it has been successful in maintaining security of capital with a continued reasonable income return and for the Growth and Income Fund by way of a small capital accretion for the year to June 2008 at a time when many equity exposed funds were reporting capital losses.

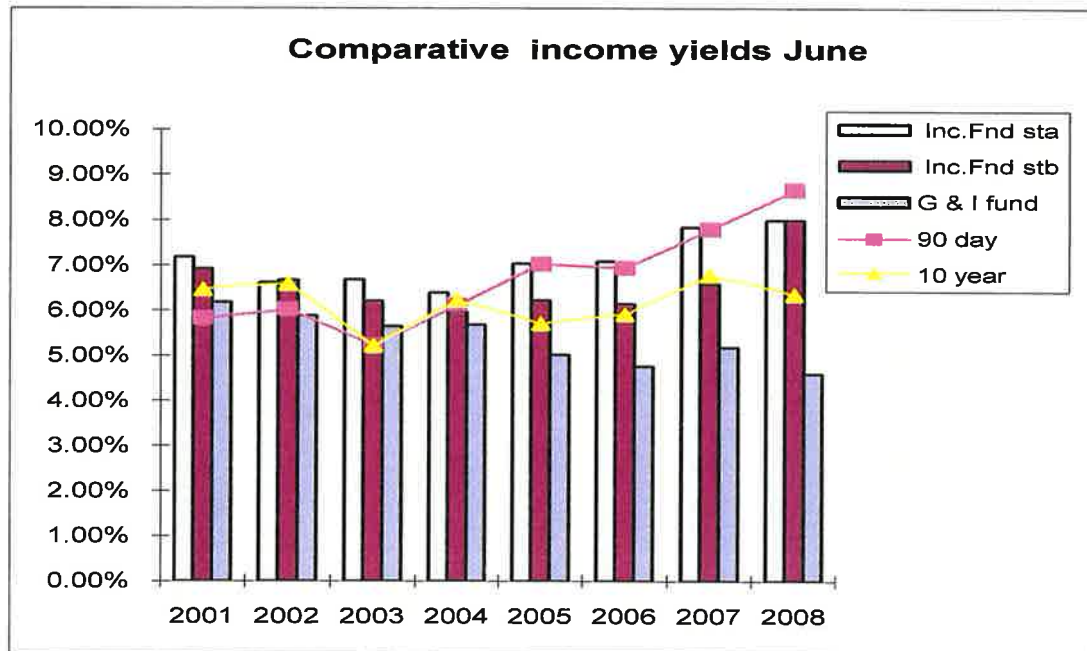
The Association exists in the market place and cannot always be protected against the gyrations and value swings in the market.

Income Returns

Against such a disappointing international backdrop the Association has continued to make satisfactory income distribution to depositors on a quarter by quarter basis.



As has been stated in previous annual reports the Association does not endeavour to match the returns available through the finance companies and other investments involved in the less secure end of the investment market. The Association believes that this policy has been borne out by the decimation of the finance debenture market over the last two years.

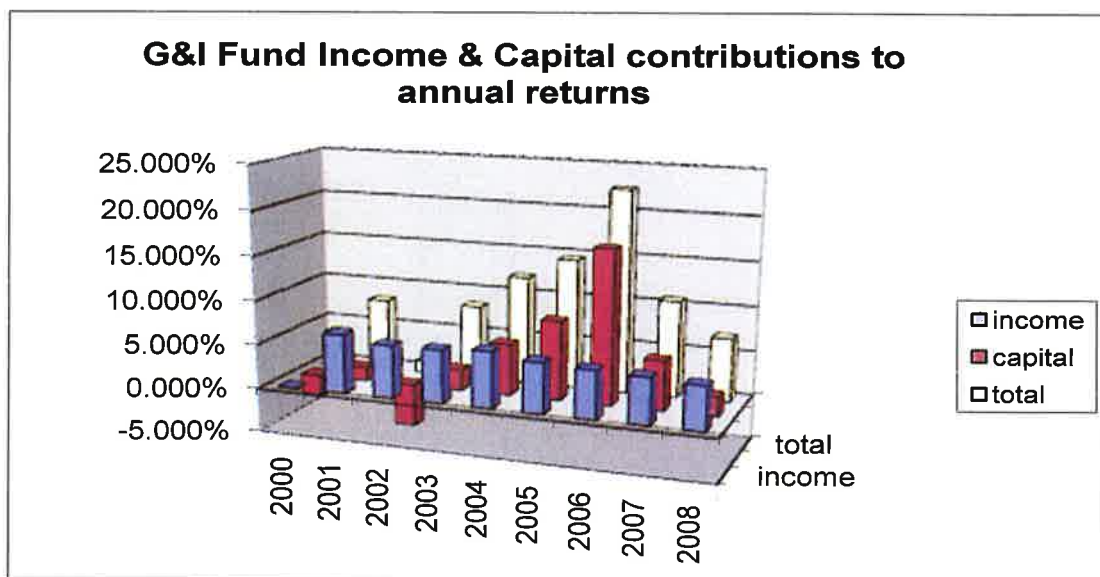


Growth and Income Fund

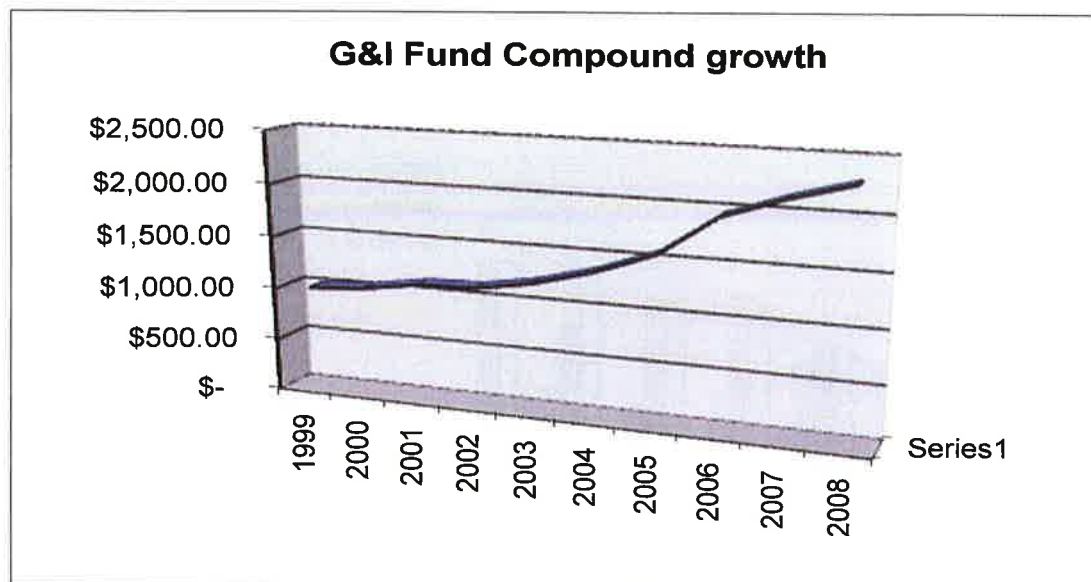
The Growth and Income Fund has continued to provide solid, long term, income distribution to depositors and has been able, in the face of significantly depressed world equity markets, to provide a positive capital accretion to depositors for the year to June 2008.

The capital accretion for the year was made up of both realised capital gain on the sale of the Lychgate Wellington property and a positive revaluation of the total share portfolio.

The Fund has returned just under 5% income for the year and just over 2% capital accretion to provide a total return for the year of 7.07%. This continues a number of years of very sound and satisfactory returns for Growth and Income fund depositors which has seen the Growth and Income Fund return 15.1% per annum over the last three years, 17.3% per annum over the last five years and 16.15% per annum over the last nine years.



One thousand dollars invested in the Growth and Income Fund in 1999 with all the income distributions reinvested would currently stand at just under \$2,300 a return over the 9 years of 129%.



The returns provided by the Growth and Income Fund continue to compare favourably with the returns available on a range of "balanced" wholesale investment funds where there is a mix of fixed interest and equity investment as measured by the Melville Jessup Weaver Investments Survey undertaken each year.

The returns for the Growth and Income Fund shown in the following graph are net of fees while the returns for the Investment Funds are gross of fees. Returns for all Funds are before taxation.

The Association has achieved its results through a very deliberate policy of diversification so that the Growth and Income Fund has a wide spread of investments over all major asset classes and through a great number of individual investments within each asset class.

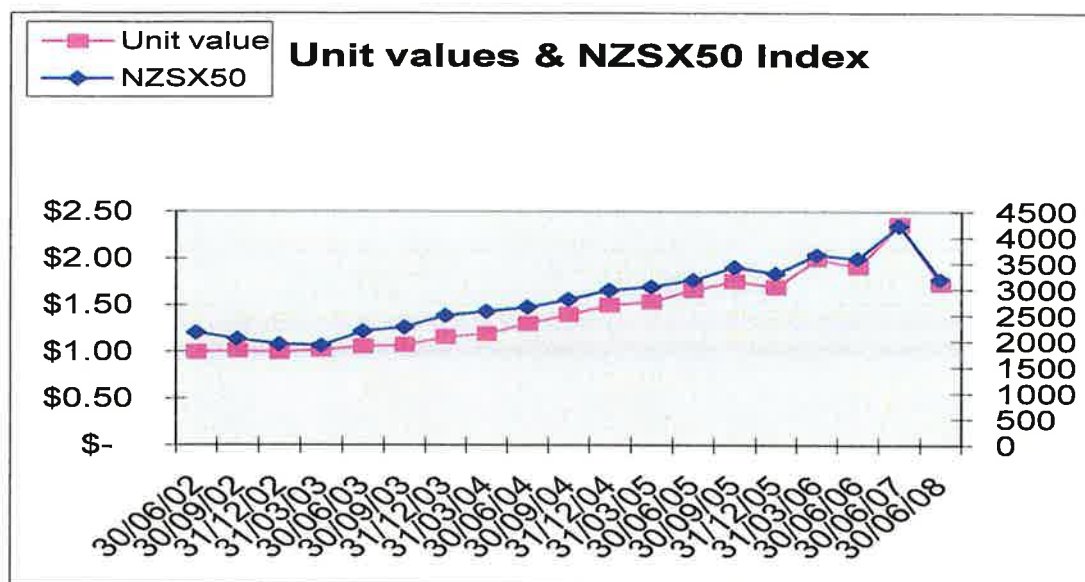
The Association has been deliberate in maintaining a heavy weighting in international equities both to benefit from the greater breadth of investment opportunities available internationally but also in anticipation of a reduction in the value of the NZ\$ which the Association believes reached unsustainable levels in June 2007.

While there had been a modest reduction in value of the NZ\$ as at June 2008 the exchange rate for the NZ\$ has fallen quite sharply in July and August 2008 and is expected to continue to weaken matching the decrease in the official cash rate announced by the Reserve Bank through until at least the middle of 2009.

This weakness in the dollar will be to the benefit of the valuations of the Growth and Income Fund's investments held offshore.

Equity Fund

Whilst the returns of the Income and Growth and Income Funds have been positive and in the main satisfactory, the same unfortunately cannot be said for the small Equity Fund managed by the Association.



Up to the end of June 2007 the Equity Fund had risen over several years mirroring the growth in the New Zealand SX50 index.

With the fall in the New Zealand share market the unit value in the Equity Fund has also diminished. In fact the Equity Fund has done slightly worse than the NZSX50 index as two of the principal star performers for the Fund in prior years, Auckland International Airport and Fletcher Building Limited, have been significantly "marked down" by the market in the year to June 2008.

Socially Responsible Investment

The Association has reported in previous annual reports and quarterly distribution letters its ongoing review of all investments compared to the Churches Guidelines for Socially Responsible Investment last reviewed and published in January 1995. The Association has sought an appropriate group in which to review and discuss evolving socially responsible investment practices that would reflect its significant investment outside of New Zealand.

The Association has reported previously its ongoing and developing relationship with the Uniting Church in Australia and through the Uniting Church, the Association was introduced to the Responsible Investment Association of Australasia which is a group incorporating most major charitable, philanthropic and religious investment organisations in Australia and also includes a growing number of investment operations in New Zealand including the Guardians of the New Zealand Superannuation Fund.

The Investment Advisory Board, representing the Methodist Trust Association, PACT 2086 Trust and other Church groups sought and was granted membership of the Responsible Investment Association of Australasia and is the first religious body in New Zealand to be admitted to membership of the Association.

The Trust Association will host at Conference 2008 a presentation released by the Responsible Investment Association of Australasia entitled "Enlightened Self Interest" looking at the question of socially responsible investment and, as the Responsible Investment Association terms it, the benefits of doing good. This presentation will be a Focus Group on the Sunday afternoon of Conference and all parishes and groups with an investment in the Association are warmly invited to attend.

The Association hopes that membership of this group will develop and broaden the Association's understandings of the principles of socially responsible investment and enable it to provide information and resources to the Church as this matter is discussed and debated within Church courts and groups.

Suggested Decisions:

1. The report be received.
2. The Board for 2009 be: David Bush (Secretary), John Chittenden, David Cleal, Hugh Garlick (Chairman), Michael Greer, Chris Gregory, David Hunt, Jack Jenner, Norman Johnston, Kay Kendall, Manase Latu, Meleane Nacagilevu, Lorraine Parker, Geoff Peak, Jill van de Geer, Greg Wright (Executive Officer).

ROBERT GIBSON METHODIST TRUST**Section A**

Twelve months ago Fonterra set the payout at \$5.53 per kg of milk solids, by the end of the season the figure had risen to \$7.60 per kg of milk solids. This was great news for farmers as well as the RGMT. However, rapidly rising costs and a drought meant that farmers in most areas of the country had to rethink their farming strategies to manage. The overall production was down on the RGMT farms by 14,000 kgs of milk solids which equated to \$105,000 at a rate of \$7.60 per kg of milk solid. The good news was that the overdraft of \$80,000 was cleared and the mortgage lowered by \$100,000.

Section B

Due to a significant drop in Bursary applications only fifty of the sixty one applications received were approved. In 2008 fourteen Wesley College students received an average of \$3000 each enabling them to continue boarding at the college.

The Methodist Youth Ministry received a grant of \$25,000, then an extra \$5000 to assist with running the Youth Ministry Conference held earlier this year.

Total grants approved were:

Wesley College	\$45,000
Youth Ministry	\$30,000
Bursaries	\$53,250
R. Gibson Memorial hall	<u>\$ 6,000</u>
	\$134,250

Again the Trust received a donation of \$2000 from a family who had received a grant in a previous year. This will be added to the bursary grants budget. We are indebted to that family for their generosity.

Section C

The Public Trust has administered the RGMT since its formation but with the closure of the Public Trust Office in Hawera it became increasingly challenging to deal with the Public Trust Administration in three different cities. As a result quotes were sought from three accounting firms. It has been decided that the RGMT administration will be carried out by the Methodist Church Connexional Office in Christchurch. We expect this to be a much more efficient process.

I believe that the RGMT has very capable and committed trustees who willingly give of their specialised skills, knowledge and experience. We have maintained a strict adherence to the deed of the Trust formed in 1965. With this in mind it is recommended that the RGMT board members for 2008-2009 be Rex Ashley, Preston Bulfin, John Chittenden, Reba Hunt, Geoff Marx, Christian Padrutt, Susan Perry, Andrew Richardson, Rev Margaret Springett, Rev Tony Bell, the General Secretary and Bill Yateman.

WA Yateman

Chairman Robert Gibson Methodist Trust

WESLEY HISTORICAL SOCIETY

Te Roopu Hitori o Te Haahi Weteriana o Aotearoa

SECTION A – Information and Reporting Back.

Reflecting a concern to stimulate interest, awareness, and reflection upon our historical journey, the Wesley Historical Society (NZ) through 2007-08, has continued to address the task of recording, interpreting, and sharing the history of Methodism in Aotearoa/New Zealand and the South Pacific.

With sadness we recorded the death of Auckland member Ken Seal during the year.

In November, during Methodist Conference 2007, the Society held its Annual General Meeting at Wesley Church, Wellington. Following the AGM Rev Dr Jim Stuart presented a thought-provoking challenge in his address 'Have We Fallen Asleep?' He suggested that the crisis Wesley faced in his day was similar to the crisis we face today – the only difference being that Wesley was addressing a profound dislocation of people, i.e. the poor, while today we are facing a profound dislocation not only of people but also of the eco-system. After dinner had been served, we were privileged to have Green Party MP Jeanette Fitzsimons speak to WHS and members of Conference on the theme of 'Living within the Limits of Creation'.

The AGM agreed to increase annual subscriptions to NZ\$30.00 and Overseas \$40.00 to meet increased postal charges.

During the year the Society has:

- Awarded the inaugural Gilmore Smith Scholarship to Lynne McDonald who is currently engaged in PhD studies at the University of Auckland. She is researching the role of Methodist, Seventh Day Adventist and Roman Catholic missionaries in Choiseul, Western Solomon Islands.
- Published the 2007 WHS Journal under the editorship of Rev. Dr Terry Wall. As well as other interesting material, this publication contained a timely article, researched over several years by Rev. Doug Burt. It commemorated the August 1908 centenary of the completion of the Main Trunk line from Auckland to Wellington, through what was at times very difficult terrain. Doug told the stories of home missionaries and others who provided ministry to the men who worked on the construction of the railway and their families.
- Contributed advice and support to researchers engaged in study of Methodist related topics.

Appreciation is expressed to the members of the Executive, Secretary Barry Neal, the Publications Committee under Convenor Susan Thompson, Editor Terry Wall, Treasurer Ruth Blundell, Membership Secretary Graeme White, Minute Secretary Shona Michie, Honoured Members, and to all those who have supported the Society's work during this year. We also thank regional contact members, Ron Malpass, Gary Clover and Alec Utting for their efforts to publicise the WHS and we pay special tribute to Alec for his recent transformation of the Society's web-page.

SECTION B – Strategic Planning

- The Gilmore Smith Memorial Scholarship will be offered annually for postgraduate work undertaken in historical research related to Methodist history in New Zealand and the South Pacific, which may result in publication by the Society.
- Rev. Dr Susan Thompson's award-winning thesis on the history of Methodist ministry training in New Zealand, *Knowledge and Vital Piety* is to be published. It is hoped that this will be available in 2009, the 80th anniversary of the opening of Trinity College, Grafton.
- The Society engages in continuing dialogue with Methodist Archives.
- The Society's web-page is regularly updated.

Helen Laurenson
President

Suggested Decisions:

1. That the Report be received.

TRAVEL & STUDY COMMITTEE

The Travel and Study Committee continues to provide continuing education funding for the whole of The Methodist Church of New Zealand. Te Hahi Weteriana O Aotearoa. It helps in providing this resource to presbyters and lay people in leadership in the church wanting to further their education in areas which will be of benefit to the whole Church.

It is an exciting committee of which to be a part, and to see people developing their knowledge through further study. Each year a list of people and topics is published and people and groups within the Church are encouraged to make contact with recipients of grants for further information on their studies.

Some people have had bother accessing the Committee and all members of the Church are reminded that forms are available from the Connexional website and from the Connexional Office in hard copy. Closing dates for applications have been fixed and will remain so. February 15th, May 15th, August 15th, November 15th every year. The Committee then processes applications, makes further inquiries as required and meets within three weeks of the closing date. Incomplete applications and last minute rush applications cause a considerable amount of extra time being consumed and usually declined. We do not look at past-the-event applications. The message is to plan well ahead, some people have even been able to provide advance information two or three years away so the Committee can plan to use its limited resources beneficially and fairly for all.

The Committee this year farewells Mary West as Secretary and is on the lookout for someone to fill this vital position. Our thanks to her for her work and encouragement.

Among items for discussion in 2009 will be Travel and Study's carbon footprint and the environment, looking at articles recently published in the New Internationalist, and looking at long distance travel and closer opportunities.

We look forward to 2009 applications with excitement!

Suggested Decisions:

Question 28(i): What are the decisions of Conference on matters relating to the Administration Division?

Suggested Decisions:

1. That the report be received.
2. The Committee for 2009 be Don Biggs (Chair), Tovia Aumua, Liz Hopner, Prince Devanandan, and representation from Te Taha Maori.

And ex-officio (Corresponding or attending) , The Principal of the Theological College, Directors of Mission Resourcing, Co-ordinator Mission and Ecumenical, and the General Secretary.

And up to two others as brought to conference or as approved thereafter by the President.

Appendix A – Travel & Study Grants allocated for the Financial Year 2007 - 8

Rev. Sylvia Tongotongo	\$5,399.19 Masters study and travel costs to Melbourne
Rev. Dr. Lynne Frith	\$ 2,900.00 Conference in England
Rev. Gloria Zanders	\$ 500.00 CPE course 2008
Rev. Greg Hughson	\$ 2,500.00 Conference in Finland
Rev. Bruce Anderson	\$ 500.00 Management Course Christchurch
Mrs. Vaotane Samoa Saleupolu	\$1,348.36 South Pacific Seminar of WFM&UCW
Rev. Alf Taylor	\$250.00 Conference for 'older' presbyters Wellington

Total Grants given \$13,397.55 in this financial year.

To Note:

Grant of \$960 was agreed for 2nd semester M Theol. papers for Rev. Peter Williamson, this has been paid but in the current financial year.

Other applications were received that did not meet the criteria for consideration of a grant from Travel and Study Grants Committee.

Mary West
Secretary
Travel and Study Grants committee

BOARD OF ADMINISTRATION
SUMMARY FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2008

***SUMMARY STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL PERFORMANCE &
SUMMARY STATEMENT OF MOVEMENTS IN EQUITY FOR THE
YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2008***

	<i>2008</i>	<i>2007</i>
	<i>\$</i>	<i>\$</i>
Divisional Net Surplus	208,174	192,011
Connexional Net Deficit	(103,778)	(114,364)
Governance Net Deficit	(31,605)	(22,148)
NET SURPLUS	72,791	55,499
 OPENING EQUITY	 2,168,823	 2,144,586
Net Surplus	72,791	55,499
Net Movements in Reserves	25,740	(31,264)
PAC Grant		
CLOSING EQUITY	<u>2,267,354</u>	<u>2,168,823</u>

	<i>2008</i>	<i>2007</i>
	<i>\$</i>	<i>\$</i>
<i>SUMMARY STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION AS AT 30 JUNE 2008</i>		
Accumulated Funds	1,575,238	1,551,405
Reserves	<u>692,116</u>	<u>617,418</u>
TOTAL EQUITY	2,267,354	2,168,823
 Current Assets	 239,003	 593,233
Current Liabilities	(121,947)	(111,193)
WORKING CAPITAL	117,056	482,040
 Non Current Assets	 <u>2,150,298</u>	 <u>1,686,783</u>
NET ASSETS	<u>2,267,354</u>	<u>2,168,823</u>

SUMMARY FINANCIAL REPORT

The summary financial statements have been prepared from the full financial statements of the Board of Administration for the year ended 30 June 2008 which were approved by the Board on 12 September 2008.

The summary financial statements cannot be expected to provide as complete an understanding as provided by the full financial statements of the financial performance and financial position.

The full financial statements of the Board of Administration have been audited and received an unqualified audit opinion. They are available for review from the Connexional Office, Christchurch.





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The Members of the Board Of Administration

We have audited the summary financial statements of the Board of Administration for the year ended 30 June 2008.

Board responsibilities

The Board is responsible for the preparation of summary financial statements, in accordance with New Zealand law and generally accepted accounting practice.

Auditors' responsibilities

It is our responsibility to express to you an independent opinion on the summary financial statements.

Basis of opinion

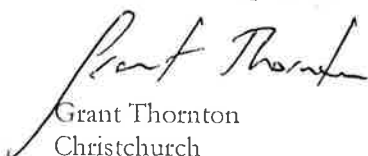
We conducted our audit in accordance with New Zealand Auditing Standards. We planned and performed procedures to ensure the summary financial statements are consistent with the full financial statements on which the summary report is based. We also evaluated the overall adequacy of the presentation of information in the summary financial statements against the requirements of FRS-39: *Summary Financial Reports*.

Other than in our capacity as auditor we have no relationship with or interests in the Board of Administration.

Unqualified opinion

In our opinion, the information reported in the summary financial statements complies with FRS-39: *Summary Financial Reports* and is consistent with the full financial statements from which it is derived and upon which we expressed an unqualified audit opinion in our report to the members dated 15 September 2008.

Our examination of the Summary Financial Statements was completed on 15 September 2008 and our unqualified opinion is expressed as at that date.



Grant Thornton
Christchurch

**BOARD OF ADMINISTRATION INSURANCE ACCOUNT
SUMMARY FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 APRIL 2008**

***SUMMARY STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL PERFORMANCE & SUMMARY
STATEMENT OF MOVEMENTS IN EQUITY FOR THE YEAR ENDED
30 APRIL 2008***

	<i>2008</i>	<i>2007</i>
	<i>\$</i>	<i>\$</i>
Revenue	1,348,150	1,226,118
Expenditure	(1,112,181)	(1,035,134)
NET SURPLUS/ (DEFICIT)	<u>235,968</u>	<u>190,984</u>
OPENING ACCUMULATED FUNDS	1,278,229	1,087,244
Net Surplus (Deficit)	<u>235,968</u>	<u>190,984</u>
CLOSING ACCUMULATED FUNDS	<u>1,514,197</u>	<u>1,278,229</u>

SUMMARY STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION AS AT 30 APRIL 2008

	<i>2008</i>	<i>2007</i>
	<i>\$</i>	<i>\$</i>
ACCUMULATED FUNDS	<u>1,514,197</u>	<u>1,278,229</u>
Current Assets	1,615,687	1,388,914
Current Liabilities	(101,490)	(110,685)
WORKING CAPITAL	<u>1,514,197</u>	<u>1,278,229</u>
NET ASSETS	<u>1,514,197</u>	<u>1,278,229</u>

SUMMARY FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

The summary financial statements have been prepared from the full financial statements of Board of Administration Insurance Account for the year ended 30 April 2008 which were approved by the Board on 11 September 2008.

The summary financial statements cannot be expected to provide as complete an understanding as provided by the full financial statements of the financial performance and financial position.

The full financial statements of Board of Administration Insurance Account have been subject to a review by an independent Chartered Accountant. They are available for review from the Connexional Office, Christchurch.





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The Members of the Board of Administration Insurance Account

We have reviewed the summary financial statements of the Board of Administration Insurance Account for the year ended 30 April 2008.

Board responsibilities

The Board is responsible for the preparation of summary financial statements, in accordance with New Zealand law and generally accepted accounting practice.

Reviewers' responsibilities

It is our responsibility to express to you an independent opinion on the summary financial statements.

Basis of statement

We have reviewed the summary financial statements of the Board of Administration Insurance Account for the year ended 30 April 2008 in accordance with the Review Engagement Standards issued by the New Zealand Institute of Chartered Accountants to ensure the summary financial statements are consistent with the full financial statements on which the summary financial statements are based. We also evaluated the overall adequacy of the presentation of information in the summary financial statements against the requirements of Financial Reporting Standard 39: *Summary Financial Reports*.

Other than in our capacity as auditor we have no relationship with or interests in the Board of Administration Insurance Account.

Statement of review findings

In our opinion, the information reported in the summary financial statements complies with FRS-39: *Summary Financial Reports* and is consistent with the full financial statements from which it is derived and upon which we expressed an unqualified audit opinion in our report to the members dated 15 September 2008.

Our examination of the Summary Financial Statements was completed on 15 September 2008 and our review opinion is expressed as at that date.

Grant Thornton
Christchurch

CONNEXIONAL FIRE INSURANCE FUND
SUMMARY FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 APRIL 2008

**SUMMARY STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL PERFORMANCE & SUMMARY
STATEMENT OF MOVEMENTS IN EQUITY FOR THE YEAR ENDED
30 APRIL 2008**

	2008 \$	2007 \$
Income	247,886	432,207
Expenditure	<u>(33,041)</u>	<u>(11,022)</u>
Net Operating Surplus	214,845	421,185
Grants Paid	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>
NET SURPLUS / (DEFICIT)	<u>214,845</u>	<u>421,185</u>
OPENING EQUITY	2,530,848	2,109,663
Net Surplus / (Deficit)	<u>214,845</u>	<u>421,185</u>
CLOSING EQUITY	<u>2,745,693</u>	<u>2,530,848</u>

SUMMARY STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION AS AT 30 APRIL 2008

	2008 \$	2007 \$
Accumulated Funds	<u>2,745,694</u>	<u>2,530,848</u>
TOTAL EQUITY	<u>2,745,694</u>	<u>2,530,848</u>
Current Assets	11,753	29,180
Current Liabilities	<u>(1,065)</u>	<u>(6,303)</u>
WORKING CAPITAL	10,688	22,877
Non Current Assets	<u>2735,006</u>	<u>2,507,971</u>
NET ASSETS	<u>2,745,694</u>	<u>2,530,848</u>

SUMMARY FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

The summary financial statements have been prepared from the full financial statements of the Connexional Fire Insurance Fund for the year ended 30 April 2008 which were approved by the Board on 18 June 2008.

The summary financial statements cannot be expected to provide as complete an understanding as provided by the full financial statements of the financial performance and financial position.

The full financial statements of Connexional Fire Insurance Fund have been subject to a review by an independent Chartered Accountant. They are available for review from the Connexional Office, Christchurch.



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The Members of the Connexional Fire Insurance Fund

We have reviewed the summary financial statements of the Connexional Fire Insurance Fund for the year ended 30 April 2008.

Board responsibilities

The Board is responsible for the preparation of summary financial statements, in accordance with New Zealand law and generally accepted accounting practice.

Reviewers' responsibilities

It is our responsibility to express to you an independent opinion on the summary financial statements.

Basis of statement

We have reviewed the summary financial statements of the Connexional Fire Insurance Fund for the year ended 30 April 2008 in accordance with the Review Engagement Standards issued by the New Zealand Institute of Chartered Accountants to ensure the summary financial statements are consistent with the full financial statements on which the summary financial statements are based. We also evaluated the overall adequacy of the presentation of information in the summary financial statements against the requirements of Financial Reporting Standard 39: *Summary Financial Reports*.

Other than in our capacity as auditor we have no relationship with or interests in the Connexional Fire Insurance Fund.

Statement of review findings

The Fund accounts for capital accretion from its investments with the New Zealand Methodist Trust Association (Inc) ("MTA") by recognising as accretion income, only the amount of accretion declared by MTA during the Fund's financial year. The MTA carries out a calculation of capital accretion annually at 30 June each year. This does not allow the correct matching of income earned, on an accrual basis, to the correct period. The Fund has not calculated the financial effect of this departure from generally accepted accounting practice, but we estimate that current year accretion income would decrease by approximately \$70,000.

In our opinion, except for the effect of the departure from generally accepted accounting practice noted above, the information reported in the summary financial statements complies with FRS-39: *Summary Financial Reports* and is consistent with the full financial statements from which it is derived and upon which we expressed a qualified review opinion in our report to the members dated 15 September 2008.

Our examination of the Summary Financial Statements was completed on 15 September 2008 and our qualified review opinion is expressed as at that date.



Grant Thornton
Christchurch

METHODIST GENERAL PURPOSES TRUST BOARD (INC)
SUMMARY FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2008

**SUMMARY STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL PERFORMANCE & SUMMARY
STATEMENT OF MOVEMENTS IN EQUITY FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30
JUNE 2008**

	2008	2007
	\$	\$
Income	1,905,846	1,958,266
Expenses	<u>(98,187)</u>	<u>(104,704)</u>
Net Operating Surplus	1,807,659	1,853,562
Distribution Credited to Trusts	<u>(1,813,663)</u>	<u>(1,864,352)</u>
NET (DEFICIT)/SURPLUS	(6,004)	(10,790)
Opening Accumulated Fund	40,866,986	38,277,207
Net (Deficit)/ Surplus	(6,004)	(10,790)
Property Revaluation	340,000	60,000
Net Increase in Trust Funds	<u>2,242,697</u>	<u>2,540,569</u>
Closing Accumulated Fund	<u>43,443,679</u>	<u>40,866,986</u>

	2008	2007
	\$	\$
SUMMARY STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION AS AT 30 JUNE 2008		
Accumulated Funds	525,822	596,755
Property Revaluation Reserve	655,117	315,117
Trust Funds	<u>42,262,740</u>	<u>39,955,114</u>
TOTAL EQUITY	43,443,679	40,866,986
Current Assets	35,278	30,490
Current Liabilities	<u>(11,717)</u>	<u>(4,044)</u>
WORKING CAPITAL	23,561	26,446
Non Current Assets	<u>43,420,118</u>	<u>40,866,986</u>
NET ASSETS	<u>43,443,679</u>	<u>40,866,986</u>

SUMMARY FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

The summary financial statements have been prepared from the full financial statements of Methodist General Purposes Trust Board (Inc) for the year ended 30 June 2008 which were approved by the Board on 12 September 2008.

The summary financial statements cannot be expected to provide as complete an understanding as provided by the full financial statements of the financial performance and financial position.

The full financial statements of Methodist General Purposes Trust Board (Inc) have been audited and received a qualified audit opinion. They are available for review from the Connexional Office, Christchurch.



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The Members of the General Purposes Trust Board

We have audited the financial report on pages 1 to 6. The financial report provides information about the past financial performance of the General Purposes Trust Board and its financial position as at 30 June 2008. This information is stated in accordance with the accounting policies set out on page 4.

Board responsibilities

The Board is responsible for the preparation of a financial report which fairly reflects the financial position of General Purposes Trust Board as at 30 June 2008 and the results of operations for the year ended on that date.

Auditor's responsibilities

It is our responsibility to express to you an independent opinion on the financial report presented by the Board.

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
- whether the accounting policies are appropriate to General Purposes Trust Board's circumstances, consistently applied and adequately disclosed.

We conducted our audit in accordance with New Zealand Auditing Standards. 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 obtain 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, General Purposes Trust Board.

Qualified opinion

We have obtained all the information and explanations we have required other than valuation information relating to land and buildings that is compliant with Financial Reporting Standard No. 3 (FRS-3).

Use of rating valuations

As stated in note 8 on page 5, the Board has utilized Rating Valuations for the purpose of revaluing the land and buildings which are not investment properties included in these financial statements. This is a departure from applicable Financial Reporting Standard No. 3 (FRS-3), which requires an independent valuation at fair value on a basis appropriate for financial reporting. A rating valuation may not have been undertaken on a basis appropriate for financial reporting. The Board has not had the rating valuation reviewed to ascertain the appropriateness of the basis utilized and therefore the Board has not calculated the financial effect of this departure from the applicable financial reporting standard.

Non depreciation of buildings

As stated in note 8 on page 5, the Board has not provided for depreciation on buildings which are not investment properties. This is a departure from applicable Financial Reporting Standard No. 3 (FRS-3), which requires that depreciation be charged as an expense in the statement of financial performance so as to allocate the cost of buildings over their economic lives. The Board has not calculated the financial effect of this departure from the applicable financial reporting standard.

We have not been able to assess the appropriateness of the carrying amounts of the buildings and therefore we have not been able to reliably estimate the effect of these departures.

In our opinion, except for the effect of the departures from applicable Financial Reporting Standard No. 3 noted above, the financial report on pages 1 to 5 fairly reflects the financial position of the General Purposes Trust Board as at 30 June 2008 and the results of its operations for the year ended on that date.

Our audit was completed on 15 September 2008 and our qualified opinion is expressed as at that date.



Grant Thornton
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METHODIST CHURCH BUILDING AND LOAN FUND
SUMMARY FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2008

***SUMMARY STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL PERFORMANCE & SUMMARY
STATEMENT OF MOVEMENTS IN EQUITY FOR THE YEAR ENDED
30 JUNE 2008***

	2008 \$	2007 \$
Income	1,282,931	1,310,800
Expenditure	<u>(1,236,980)</u>	<u>(1,069,778)</u>
Net Operating Surplus	45,951	241,022
Grants Received	19,449	19,757
Development Fund Distribution	<u>0</u>	<u>(18,102)</u>
NET DEFICIT	<u>65,400</u>	<u>242,677</u>
OPENING EQUITY	3,676,279	3,249,795
Net Surplus	65,400	242,677
Transfer Mangungu Mission Station Trust Property	0	138,000
Revaluation of Mangungu Mission Station Trust Property	42,000	0
Net (Decrease) / Increase in Development Fund	<u>36,074</u>	<u>45,807</u>
CLOSING EQUITY	<u>3,819,753</u>	<u>3,676,279</u>

SUMMARY STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION AS AT 30 JUNE 2008

	2008 \$	2007 \$
Accumulated Funds	3,074,892	3,009,492
Mangungu Mission Station Trust Property	180,000	138,000
Development Fund	<u>564,861</u>	<u>528,787</u>
TOTAL EQUITY	<u>3,819,753</u>	<u>3,676,279</u>
Current Assets	10,570,402	10,282,097
Current Liabilities	<u>(2,430)</u>	<u>(20,323)</u>
WORKING CAPITAL	10,567,972	10,261,774
Non Current Assets & Investments	10,251,474	9,056,448
Non Current Liabilities	<u>(16,999,693)</u>	<u>(15,641,943)</u>
NET ASSETS	<u>3,819,753</u>	<u>3,676,279</u>

SUMMARY FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

The summary financial statements have been prepared from the full financial statements of the Methodist Church Building & Loan Fund for the year ended 30 June 2008 which were approved by the Board on 12 September 2008.

The summary financial statements cannot be expected to provide as complete an understanding as provided by the full financial statements of the financial performance and financial position.

The full financial statements of Methodist Church Building & Loan Fund have been subject to a review by an independent Chartered Accountant. They are available for review from the Connexional Office, Christchurch.



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The Board Members of Methodist Church, Building and Loan Fund (The "Fund")

We have reviewed the summary financial statements of the Fund for the year ended 30 June 2008.

Board of Administrations' responsibilities

The Board of Administration is responsible for the preparation of summary financial statements in accordance with New Zealand law and generally accepted accounting practice in New Zealand.

Reviewer's responsibilities

It is our responsibility to express to you an independent opinion on the summary financial statements presented by the Board of Administration.

Basis of statement

We have reviewed the summary financial statements of the Fund for the year ended 30 June 2008 in accordance with the Review Engagement Standards issued by the New Zealand Institute of Chartered Accountants to ensure the summary financial statements are consistent with the full financial statements on which the summary financial statements are based. We also evaluated the overall adequacy of the presentation of information in the summary financial statements against the requirements of Financial Reporting Standard 39: *Summary Financial Reports*.

Other than our capacity as independent Chartered Accountants, Grant Thornton has no other relationship with or interest in the Fund.

Statement of qualified review findings

In our opinion, the information reported in the summary financial statements complies with FRS-39: *Summary Financial Reports* and are consistent with the full financial statements from which they are derived and upon which we expressed a qualified review opinion to the Board Members of the Board of Administration on 15 September 2008. In our qualified review opinion, we stated:

We have obtained all the information and explanations we have required other than valuation information relating to land and buildings that is compliant with Financial Reporting Standard No. 3 (FRS-3).

Use of rating valuations

The Fund has utilized Rating Valuations for the purpose of valuing the land and buildings which are not investment properties included in these financial statements. This is a departure from applicable Financial Reporting Standard No. 3 (FRS-3), which requires an independent valuation at fair value on a basis appropriate for financial reporting. A rating valuation may not have been undertaken on a basis appropriate for financial reporting. The Fund has not had the rating valuation reviewed to ascertain the appropriateness of the basis utilized and therefore the Fund has not calculated the financial effect of this departure from the applicable financial reporting standard.

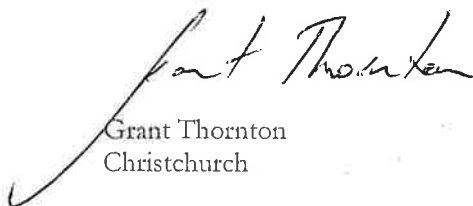
Non depreciation of buildings

The Fund has not provided for depreciation on buildings which are not investment properties. This is a departure from applicable Financial Reporting Standard No. 3 (FRS-3), which requires that depreciation be charged as an expense in the statement of financial performance so as to allocate the cost of buildings over their economic lives. The Fund has not calculated the financial effect of this departure from the applicable financial reporting standard.

We have not been able to assess the appropriateness of the carrying amounts of the buildings and therefore we have not been able to reliably estimate the effect of these departures.

In our opinion, except for the effect of the departures from applicable Financial Reporting Standard No. 3 noted above, the financial report on pages 1 to 6 fairly presents the financial position of the Methodist Church Building and Loan Fund as at 30 June 2008 and its financial performance for the year ended on that date in accordance with generally accepted accounting practice in New Zealand.

Our examination of the summary financial statements was completed on 15 September 2008 and our review opinion is expressed as at that date.



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BOARD OF ADMINISTRATION – SPECIAL ACCOUNT
SUMMARY FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2008

SUMMARY STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL PERFORMANCE & SUMMARY

STATEMENT OF MOVEMENTS IN EQUITY FOR THE YEAR ENDED

30 JUNE 2008	2008	2007
	\$	\$
Income	203,773	187,879
Expenditure	<u>(123,822)</u>	<u>(105,852)</u>
Net Operating Surplus	79,950	82,027
Distribution to Connexional Budget Fund	<u>(79,705)</u>	<u>(78,971)</u>
NET SURPLUS	<u>245</u>	<u>3,057</u>
OPENING EQUITY	26,323	23,267
Net Surplus	<u>245</u>	<u>3,057</u>
CLOSING EQUITY	<u>26,569</u>	<u>26,323</u>

	2008	2007
	\$	\$

SUMMARY STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION AS AT 30 JUNE 2008

TOTAL FUND EQUITY	<u>26,569</u>	<u>26,323</u>
Current Assets	1,969,256	1,101,478
Current Liabilities	<u>(3,084,507)</u>	<u>(2,692,664)</u>
WORKING CAPITAL	(1,115,251)	(1,591,186)
Non Current Assets	<u>1,141,820</u>	<u>1,617,509</u>
NET ASSETS	<u>26,569</u>	<u>26,323</u>

SUMMARY FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

The summary financial statements have been prepared from the full financial statements of the Board of Administration – Special Account for the year ended 30 June 2008 which were approved by the Board on 11 September 2008.

The summary financial statements cannot be expected to provide as complete an understanding as provided by the full financial statements of the financial performance and financial position.

The full financial statements of Board of Administration – Special Account have been subject to a review by an independent Chartered Accountant. They are available for review from the Connexional Office, Christchurch.





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The Members of the Board of Administration Special Account (The "Special Account")

We have reviewed the summary financial statements of the Special Account for the year ended 30 June 2008.

Board of Administrations' responsibilities

The Board of Administration is responsible for the preparation of summary financial statements in accordance with New Zealand law and generally accepted accounting practice in New Zealand.

Reviewer's responsibilities

It is our responsibility to express to you an independent opinion on the summary financial statements presented by the Board of Administration.

Basis of statement

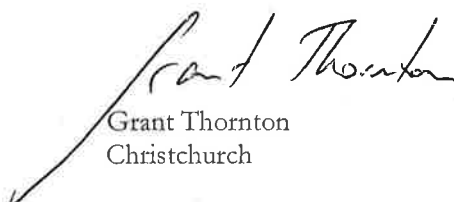
We have reviewed the summary financial statements of the Special Account for the year ended 30 June 2008 in accordance with the Review Engagement Standards issued by the New Zealand Institute of Chartered Accountants to ensure the summary financial statements are consistent with the full financial statements on which the summary financial statements are based. We also evaluated the overall adequacy of the presentation of information in the summary financial statements against the requirements of Financial Reporting Standard 39: *Summary Financial Reports*.

Other than our capacity as independent Chartered Accountants, Grant Thornton has no other relationship with or interest in the Special Account.

Statement of review findings

In our opinion, the information reported in the summary financial statements complies with FRS-39: *Summary Financial Reports* and are consistent with the full financial statements from which they are derived and upon which we expressed a review opinion to the Members of the Board of Administration on 15 September 2008.

Our examination of the summary financial statements was completed on 15 September 2008 and our review opinion is expressed as at that date.



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AUCKLAND CHURCH OFFICE BUILDING PARTNERSHIP
SUMMARY FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2008

**SUMMARY STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL PERFORMANCE & SUMMARY
STATEMENT OF MOVEMENTS IN EQUITY FOR THE YEAR ENDED
30 JUNE 2008**

	2008 \$	2007 \$
Income	126,077	149,999
Expenses	<u>147,349</u>	<u>139,804</u>
NET SURPLUS / (DEFICIT)	<u>(21,272)</u>	<u>10,195</u>
OPENING EQUITY	1,727,042	1,716,715
Net Surplus/(Deficit)	(21,272)	10,195
Net Increase in Reserves	<u>250,128</u>	<u>132</u>
CLOSING EQUITY	<u>1,955,898</u>	<u>1,727,042</u>

SUMMARY STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION AS AT 30 JUNE 2008

	2008 \$	2007 \$
Partners Capital	693,000	693,000
Accumulated Funds	(11,956)	24,203
Reserves	<u>1,274,854</u>	<u>1,009,839</u>
TOTAL EQUITY	<u>1,955,898</u>	<u>1,727,042</u>
Current Assets	145,866	117,559
Current Liabilities	<u>(10,607)</u>	<u>(5,669)</u>
WORKING CAPITAL	<u>135,259</u>	<u>111,891</u>
Non Current Assets	<u>1,820,638</u>	<u>1,615,151</u>
NET ASSETS	<u>1,955,898</u>	<u>1,727,042</u>

SUMMARY FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

The summary financial statements have been prepared from the full financial statements of Auckland Church Office Building Partnership for the year ended 30 June 2008 which were approved by the Board on 12 September 2008.

The summary financial statements cannot be expected to provide as complete an understanding as provided by the full financial statements of the financial performance and financial position.

The full financial statements of Auckland Church Office Building Partnership have been subject to a review by an independent Chartered Accountant. They are available for review from the Connexional Office, Christchurch.





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Review Report

The Partners of Auckland Church Office Building Partnership (the "Partnership")

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We have reviewed the summary financial statements of the Partnership for the year ended 30 June 2008.

Partners' responsibilities

The Partners' are responsible for the preparation of summary financial statements in accordance with New Zealand law and generally accepted accounting practice in New Zealand.

Reviewer's responsibilities

It is our responsibility to express to you an independent opinion on the summary financial statements presented by the Partners.

Basis of statement

We have reviewed the summary financial statements of the Partnership for the year ended 30 June 2008 in accordance with the Review Engagement Standards issued by the New Zealand Institute of Chartered Accountants to ensure the summary financial statements are consistent with the full financial statements on which the summary financial statements are based. We also evaluated the overall adequacy of the presentation of information in the summary financial statements against the requirements of Financial Reporting Standard 39: *Summary Financial Reports*.

Other than our capacity as independent Chartered Accountants, Grant Thornton has no other relationship with or interest in the Partnership.

Statement of review findings

In our opinion, the information reported in the summary financial statements complies with FRS-39: *Summary Financial Reports* and are consistent with the full financial statements from which they are derived and upon which we expressed a review opinion to the Partners of the Partnership Account on 15 September 2008.

Our examination of the summary financial statements was completed on 15 September 2008 and our review opinion is expressed as at that date.



Grant Thornton
Christchurch

PRESBYTERS LOAN FUND
SUMMARY FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE TWELVE MONTHS ENDED 30 JUNE 2008

**SUMMARY STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL PERFORMANCE & SUMMARY
STATEMENT OF MOVEMENTS IN EQUITY FOR THE TWELVE MONTHS
ENDED 30 JUNE 2008**

	2008	2007
	\$	\$
Income	59,046	68,055
Expenditure	(11,660)	(11,507)
NET SURPLUS	<u>47,386</u>	<u>56,548</u>
OPENING ACCUMULATED DEPOSITS	875,863	819,315
Net Surplus	47,386	56,548
CLOSING ACCUMULATED DEPOSITS	<u>923,249</u>	<u>875,863</u>

SUMMARY STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION AS AT 30 JUNE 2008

	2008	2007
	\$	\$
ACCUMULATED DEPOSITS	<u>923,249</u>	<u>875,863</u>
Current Assets	256,192	203,864
Current Liabilities	(1,600)	(1,505)
WORKING CAPITAL	254,532	202,359
Non Current Assets	668,717	673,504
NET ASSETS	<u>923,249</u>	<u>875,863</u>

SUMMARY FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

The summary financial statements have been prepared from the full financial statements of the Presbyters Loan Fund for the twelve months ended 30 June 2008 which were approved by the Board on 12 September 2008.

The summary financial statements cannot be expected to provide as complete an understanding as provided by the full financial statements of the financial performance and financial position.

The full financial statements of the Presbyters Loan Fund have been subject to a review by an independent Chartered Accountant. They are available for review from the Connexional Office, Christchurch.



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The Board of Presbyters Loan Fund (The "Fund")

We have reviewed the summary financial statements of the Presbyter Loan Fund for the year ended 30 June 2008.

Board of Administrations' responsibilities

The Board of Administration is responsible for the preparation of summary financial statements in accordance with New Zealand law and generally accepted accounting practice in New Zealand.

Reviewer's responsibilities

It is our responsibility to express to you an independent opinion on the summary financial statements presented by the Board of Administration.

Basis of statement

We have reviewed the summary financial statements of the Fund for the year ended 30 June 2008 in accordance with the Review Engagement Standards issued by the New Zealand Institute of Chartered Accountants to ensure the summary financial statements are consistent with the full financial statements on which the summary financial statements are based. We also evaluated the overall adequacy of the presentation of information in the summary financial statements against the requirements of Financial Reporting Standard 39: *Summary Financial Reports*.

Other than our capacity as independent Chartered Accountants, Grant Thornton has no other relationship with or interest in the Fund.

Statement of review findings

In our opinion, the information reported in the summary financial statements complies with FRS-39: *Summary Financial Reports* and are consistent with the full financial statements from which they are derived and upon which we expressed a review opinion to the Members of the Board of Administration on 15 September 2008.

Our examination of the summary financial statements was completed on 15 September 2008 and our review opinion is expressed as at that date.



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REMOVAL EXPENSES FUND
SUMMARY FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2008

**SUMMARY STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL PERFORMANCE & SUMMARY
STATEMENT OF MOVEMENTS IN EQUITY FOR THE YEAR ENDED
30 JUNE 2008**

	2008 \$	2007 \$
Revenue	115,924	109,549
Expenditure	<u>(59,147)</u>	<u>(102,651)</u>
Net Operating Surplus / (Deficit)	<u>56,777</u>	<u>6,898</u>
OPENING CONTRIBUTORS FUNDS	175,134	168,236
Net Surplus (Deficit)	<u>56,777</u>	<u>6,898</u>
CLOSING ACCUMULATED FUNDS	<u>231,910</u>	<u>175,134</u>

SUMMARY STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION AS AT 30 JUNE 2008

	2008 \$	2007 \$
Contributors Funds	181,910	125,134
Capital Contribution	<u>50,000</u>	<u>50,000</u>
ACCUMULATED FUNDS	<u>231,910</u>	<u>175,134</u>
Current Assets	186,975	126,014
Current Liabilities	<u>(5,065)</u>	<u>(880)</u>
WORKING CAPITAL	181,910	125,134
Non Current Assets	<u>50,000</u>	<u>50,000</u>
NET ASSETS	<u>231,910</u>	<u>175,134</u>

SUMMARY FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

The summary financial statements have been prepared from the full financial statements of the Removal Expenses Fund for the year ended 30 June 2008 which were approved by the Board on 12 September 2008.

The summary financial statements cannot be expected to provide as complete an understanding as provided by the full financial statements of the financial performance and financial position.

The full financial statements of the Removal Expenses Fund have been subject to a review by an independent Chartered Accountant. They are available for review from the Connexional Office, Christchurch.





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The Members of the Removal Expenses Fund (The "Fund")

We have reviewed the summary financial statements of the Fund for the year ended 30 June 2008.

Board of Administrations' responsibilities

The Board of Administration is responsible for the preparation of summary financial statements in accordance with New Zealand law and generally accepted accounting practice in New Zealand.

Reviewer's responsibilities

It is our responsibility to express to you an independent opinion on the summary financial statements presented by the Board of Administration.

Basis of statement

We have reviewed the summary financial statements of the Fund for the year ended 30 June 2008 in accordance with the Review Engagement Standards issued by the New Zealand Institute of Chartered Accountants to ensure the summary financial statements are consistent with the full financial statements on which the summary financial statements are based. We also evaluated the overall adequacy of the presentation of information in the summary financial statements against the requirements of Financial Reporting Standard 39: *Summary Financial Reports*.

Other than our capacity as independent Chartered Accountants, Grant Thornton has no other relationship with or interest in the Fund.

Statement of review findings

In our opinion, the information reported in the summary financial statements complies with FRS-39: *Summary Financial Reports* and are consistent with the full financial statements from which they are derived and upon which we expressed a review opinion to the Board of Administration on 15 September 2008.

Our examination of the summary financial statements was completed on 15 September 2008 and our review opinion is expressed as at that date.



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NEW ZEALAND METHODIST TRUST ASSOCIATION (INC)
SUMMARY FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2008

<i>SUMMARY STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL PERFORMANCE & SUMMARY STATEMENT OF MOVEMENTS IN EQUITY FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2008</i>	<i>2008</i> \$	<i>2007</i> \$
Interest/Dividends Received	7,507,927	5,783,683
Realised & Unrealised Gains	1,506,819	3,621,633
Property Net Surplus	1,712,016	1,804,500
Expenditure	(735,244)	(644,955)
Net Operating Surplus	9,991,518	10,564,861
Less Capital Accretion Distributed	(1,471,761)	(3,621,633)
Less Income Distributed	(8,499,865)	(6,938,155)
TRANSFERRED TO GENERAL RESERVE	19,892	5,073
 OPENING DEPOSITORS FUNDS AND RESERVES	 140,059,279	 114,683,819
Net Increase in Depositors Funds- net	15,749,860	26,141,444
Net Decrease in Reserves	(14,854)	(765,984)
CLOSING DEPOSITORS FUNDS AND RESERVES	155,794,285	140,059,279
 <i>SUMMARY STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION AS AT 30 JUNE 2008</i>	 <i>2008</i> \$	 <i>2007</i> \$
Depositors Funds	155,237,950	139,488,090
Reserves	556,335	571,189
TOTAL DEPOSITORS FUNDS AND RESERVES	155,794,285	140,059,279
 Current Assets	2,794,601	1,344,407
Current Liabilities	(240,571)	(271,573)
WORKING CAPITAL	2,554,030	1,072,834
 Non Current Assets	153,240,255	138,986,445
NET ASSETS	155,794,285	140,059,279

SUMMARY FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

The summary financial statements have been prepared from the full financial statements of New Zealand Methodist Trust Association (Inc) for the year ended 30 June 2008 which were approved by the Board on 10 September 2008.

The summary financial statements cannot be expected to provide as complete an understanding as provided by the full financial statements of the financial performance, movement in equity and financial position.

The full financial statements of New Zealand Methodist Trust Association (Inc) have been audited and received an unqualified audit opinion. They are available for review from the Connexional Office, Christchurch.





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We have audited the summary financial statements of the New Zealand Methodist Trust Association (Inc) Board for the year ended 30 June 2008.

Board Responsibilities

The Board is responsible for the preparation of summary financial statements, in accordance with New Zealand law and generally accepted accounting practice.

Auditors' Responsibilities

It is our responsibility to express to you an independent opinion on the summary financial statements.

Basis of Opinion

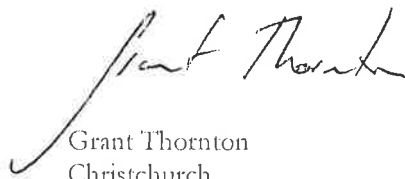
We conducted our audit in accordance with New Zealand Auditing Standards. We planned and performed procedures to ensure the summary financial statements are consistent with the full financial statements on which the summary report is based. We also evaluated the overall adequacy of the presentation of information in the summary financial statements against the requirements of FRS-39: *Summary Financial Reports*.

Other than in our capacity as auditor we have no relationship with or interests in the New Zealand Methodist Trust Association (Inc) Board.

Unqualified Opinion

In our opinion, the information reported in the summary financial statements complies with FRS-39: *Summary Financial Reports* and is consistent with the full financial statements from which it is derived and upon which we expressed an unqualified audit opinion in our report to the members dated 15 September 2008.

Our examination of the Summary Financial Statements was completed on 15 September 2008 and our unqualified opinion is expressed as at that date.



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PACT 2086 TRUST
SUMMARY FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2008

**SUMMARY STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL PERFORMANCE & SUMMARY
STATEMENT OF MOVEMENTS IN EQUITY FOR THE YEAR ENDED
30 JUNE 2008**

	2008 \$	2007 \$
Income	625,961	568,326
Expenditure	(135,903)	(125,497)
Net Operating Surplus	490,058	442,829
Unrealised Gain/(Loss) on Revaluation of Investments	475,641	(103,843)
NET SURPLUS	965,699	338,986
 OPENING ACCUMULATED FUNDS	 17,992,129	 17,652,360
Prior Period Adjustment	0	(517)
Net Surplus	965,699	338,986
Movement in PAC History & Research Reserve	756	1,300
CLOSING ACCUMULATED FUNDS	18,958,584	17,992,129

SUMMARY STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION AS AT 30 JUNE 2008

	2008 \$	2007 \$
ACCUMULATED FUNDS	18,958,584	17,992,129
 Current Assets	 1,120,924	 762,392
Current Liabilities	(16,903)	(21,533)
WORKING CAPITAL	1,104,021	740,859
 Non Current Assets	 17,854,563	 17,251,270
NET ASSETS	18,958,584	17,642,406

SUMMARY FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

The summary financial statements have been prepared from the full financial statements of the PACT 2086 Trust for the year ended 30 June 2008 which were approved by the Board on 12 September 2008.

The summary financial statements cannot be expected to provide as complete an understanding as provided by the full financial statements of the financial performance and financial position.

The full financial statements of the PACT 2086 Trust have been audited and received an unqualified audit opinion. They are available for review from the Connexional Office, Christchurch.





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The members of the Pact 2086 Trust (Inc)

We have audited the summary financial statements of the Pact 2086 Trust (Inc) for the year ended 30 June 2008.

Board responsibilities

The Board is responsible for the preparation of summary financial statements, in accordance with New Zealand law and generally accepted accounting practice.

Auditors' responsibilities

It is our responsibility to express to you an independent opinion on the summary financial statements.

Basis of opinion

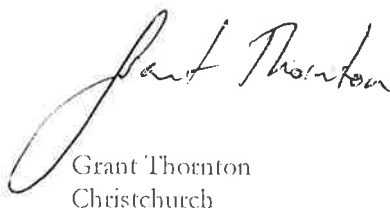
We conducted our audit in accordance with New Zealand Auditing Standards. We planned and performed procedures to ensure the summary financial statements are consistent with the full financial statements on which the summary report is based. We also evaluated the overall adequacy of the presentation of information in the summary financial statements against the requirements of FRS-39: *Summary Financial Reports*.

Other than in our capacity as auditor we have no relationship with or interests in the Pact 2086 Trust (Inc).

Unqualified opinion

In our opinion, the information reported in the summary financial statements complies with FRS-39: *Summary Financial Reports* and is consistent with the full financial statements from which it is derived and upon which we expressed an unqualified audit opinion in our report to the members dated 15 September 2008.

Our examination of the Summary Financial Statements was completed on 15 September 2008 and our unqualified opinion is expressed as at that date.

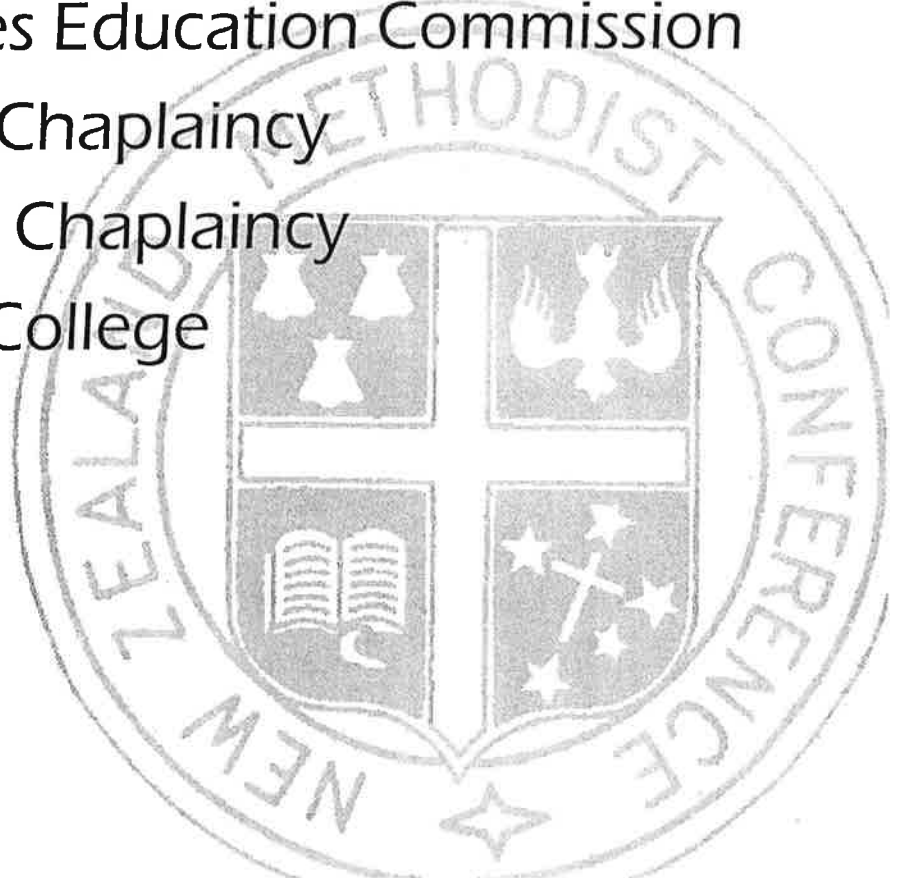


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BOARD OF MINISTRY

Organisational Restructuring

Dr John Hinchcliff - Commissioner

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1. SYNOPSIS

Establishing a structure of governance and management for the Divisions of Mission Resourcing and also Ministry Education and Formation could have been a simple task with a recommendation to establish separate governance boards.

However, I endeavour to accomplish two things:

- a. Provide an integrated church-wide administrative structure to maximise synergistic opportunities between mutually supportive Divisions; and
- b. Clarify administrative arrangements by distinguishing between governance and management.

I suggest a Council be established to support the Conference and President during the year by meeting about four or five times or as the need arises to focus on governance issues.

Also, I propose an Executive Management Committee which resolves Church-wide management issues and services the governance structure.

I have recommended there be Advisory rather than governance oriented Boards assisting the leadership of the Divisions of Mission Resourcing and Ministry Education and Formation.

There is no recommendation to downsize or retreat as is commonplace at this time. With closer relationships between Divisions, with more clarity about administrative responsibilities, and with more integrated decision-making, the Church should be capable of achieving more with its limited resource base.

I have attempted to liberate all administrators to be empowered to manage within clearly defined parameters of their responsibility.

A variety of recommendations are offered for discussion purposes.

2. RECOMMENDATIONS

- a. That this report be received.
- b. That Conference establishes a Council of Conference to represent its interests while not in session.
- c. That Conference establishes a Treaty of Waitangi Development Standing Committee of Conference.
- d. That governance be limited to Conference, the Council of Conference, President, and the Standing Committee on Treaty Development.
- e. That the title of General Secretary be renamed 'Connexional Director' and the role be changed as recommended.
- f. That a Management Executive Committee comprising the Connexional Director and Directors of the Divisions as outlined be established to coordinate, integrate and oversee the development of inter-divisional management activities.
- g. That the practice of establishing advisory committees and team meetings to promote collective responsibility be endorsed and strengthened wherever possible.
- h. That the Diploma of Ministry be the required credential for those proceeding to ordination.
- i. That Mission and Ecumenical be added to the Division of Mission.
- j. That, if at all possible, resources be found to provide the following new positions:
 - i. Two new teaching positions for Trinity College;
 - ii. Administrator for the Division of Mission; and
 - iii. Part-time Communications Officer for the Administration Division.
- k. That Directors of divisions provide the Council of Conference with a set of annual Key Performance Indicators with which to assess progress.
- l. That an Advisory Committee and a Board of Studies be established to assist Trinity College.
- m. That closer relations with Ecumenical Institute of Distance Theological Studies be explored.
- n. That the other suggestions of the Commissioner be considered within the appropriate divisions followed by reports and recommendations to the Executive Management Committee in the first instance, and then to the Council of Conference.

3. INTRODUCTION

I accepted the role of Commissioner because of my admiration for the focus and legacy of Methodism. This admiration has been enhanced by meeting dedicated and competent people doing so much with so few resources.

Also, my years of research concerning trends in our society leave me troubled about the legacy we are leaving for future generations. We need a strong Christian presence in so many ways to counter the challenges of materialism, violence, crime, poverty, injustice, arms race, the obsession with the

technical fix, the de-humanising trends such as robotology, the challenging socio-ethical issues being presented by bio-technology and nanotechnology, globalisation, pollution, shortages for so many of food and water, personal loneliness, boredom, confusion about values, depression, and so on. There is still work to be done with our quest to respect biculturalism and multi-ethnicity in our society.

The message of the Christian faith needs to be understood, respected and followed if our future is to be reasonably hopeful. In particular, the emphases of Methodism with the strong focus on both spirituality and the concern for social justice are particularly pertinent to the future well being of our community.

The Church's mission is "to reflect and proclaim the transforming love of God as revealed in Jesus Christ and declared in the Scriptures." Gospel inspired transformation in our lives does mean change. And change is never easy. There are always risks in our lives when we make such a commitment.

The challenges for the institutional Church are extraordinarily difficult. If the Church is to make a difference it must be effective in enabling those with the necessary talents and spiritual leadership to focus on the crucial challenges and be freed from institutional impediments. So, the organisational structure must be effective and efficient to enable the primary responsibilities of its people to be manifested.

My intention is to suggest changes that will enable the leaders in the administration to be imaginative and empowered, liberated from uncertainty in the lines of responsibility, and willing to work with the wider Church to ensure processes are widely understood and any necessary changes are introduced effectively.

Discussions and feedback have re-enforced my perception that change is necessary if the Church is to move forward in a cohesive and talent maximising way. However, the proposed changes connect with only a few dimensions of the Church and will probably not make any impact on the church activities of parishioners.

I seek to meet your expectations as Commissioner. I hope the recommendations constitute reasonable proposals for change. But, as always, your active assistance through further comments, advice and correction is welcomed. The final paper to go to Conference must be as appropriate as possible if we are to enhance the church going into the future.

4. SCOPE

Please note: I am not employed to comment on every corner of the institution. Those parts not dealt with are not less important. Nor are they being neglected. Simply, I have interpreted that:

- They do not pertain to my brief; or
- I have nothing of value to contribute at present; or
- I perceive them to be entirely appropriate as they are; or
- They will depend on decisions made about other matters; or
- They should be the decisions of competent managers.

Some of the issues are very complex given the ways the church has developed in the past. Unfortunately, time and space limitations require brevity. This can be both an asset and a hindrance.

My brief was focused on the activities of the old Board of Ministry. But, as I began working through the exercise, I found that some issues interconnected with the entire Church. De-contextualising the issues would have resulted in a less constructive document and would have perpetuated some of the difficulties that have arisen. So, although there is a significant focus on Trinity College and Mission Resourcing, I have approached the challenge as holistically as possible. I did this with the approval of the President and I hope readers will perceive the reasons for this.

Those who prefer to focus only upon the issues dictated by the original terms of reference should go to section 34 (Division of Mission), and then sections 40 and following, and omitting sections 36 – 39.

I have not been able to include significant theological or philosophical justifications or explanations for my suggestions. I regret this. However I would be most surprised and interested to learn if any of my proposals are inconsistent with Methodism.

Restructuring should focus on the long term needs of the church rather than personal positional preferences or personality conflicts of the present.

5. PROCESS

Organisational change is seldom an easy process. When we consider transforming the structure of any institution the changes suggested inevitably will be uncomfortable for someone. As a consequence, some organisations attempt to make the changes surreptitiously and without consultation. We have determined that opinions within the wider Church will be heard and respected.

Sometimes, organizations feel they must change for the sake of change, and the change has detrimental effects not anticipated. We will ensure we do not make this mistake. Self-evidently, any change we consider must be a change for the better and for the long term benefit of the Church and community.

Some consultants, in my experience, find out precisely what the people (often just a few leaders) want, and then serve it back to them. I determined that this would not be the case.

Sometimes, people in a situation of decline struggle to maintain the known status quo in order to protect what remains rather than taking the leap of faith that could possibly enhance the situation. Some are very comfortable within their own power structure. So, the process of suggesting change at this time is a challenge.

Rightly or wrongly, I circulated a very preliminary discussion starter with which to begin the debate. I invited comment asking for honest reaction, reiterating that it was absolutely critical that robust dialogue occur as a consequence of my suggested tentative propositions. I have appreciated the efforts made by many to contribute their views.

It has been a little disappointing that, with all the effort we made to invite dialogue and discussion, some corners of the Church either did not respond to the invitation to dialogue or left it until near the end of the process. By then constructive dialogue was very difficult.

I have attended to the responses and have found significant differences of opinion. Because of the diversity within the Church I had to expect such a wide variety of reactions. These have ranged from being acceptable, rejected as totally inappropriate, considered as too different, and even deemed insufficiently radical.

All responses received have been considered. This latest version takes as much advice from these submissions as possible. Obviously, it is not possible because of the wide variety of reactions to accept all the recommendations.

In this process, made difficult by the wide variety of experiences of people within the Church, the diffuse nature of the Church and the geographical distances between people, statements and recommendations can easily be misinterpreted and discussions go awry. Words can send wrong signals. I trust this draft more adequately presents suggestions for creative and engaging dialogue.

I will not seek to describe the deficits of the present organization. Rather, I will concentrate on making a positive attempt to improve the processes.

6. CONCERNS

In the responses received a number of concerns were expressed:

- Costs;
- Work place issues;
- The place of legally established boards and trusts.

A further concern was that this document introduced a business model that conflicts with Church culture. I find this difficult to understand. The model proposed is commonly used within parts of the not-for-profit sector such as tertiary education. The term 'business model' may suggest to some a hard line approach to making a profit or an infatuation with the 'bottom line'. Certainly, this motivation is entirely absent. The purpose of the organisational Church is to promote the wisdom and actions enjoined by the Gospel. But the commitment to being effective with limited resources is the essence of good stewardship. Some describe this as being 'business-like'. Whatever label is given, this acumen is surely crucial and socially responsible in an institution that depends on voluntary gifts to sustain its existence.

My proposed reform is to clarify lines of accountability and suggest clarity in the distinction between governance and management.

7. INDEPENDENCE

I must emphasise that what follows are my judgements. Certainly, I have tested out my observations with some people. But, I take full responsibility for them all. They are my judgements. I am not beholden to any individual or group of people. I was employed to be Commissioner on the basis of my many years in leadership roles within not-for-profit organisations. Hence, in this exercise, I share my impressions which I hope might be helpful in building an improved organisational structure.

8. CONTINUING REFORM

In a progressive organization, geared to meeting the changing challenges, there should not be a completion to this process of reform. In a sense, the final statement to be presented to Conference will still function like a draft. If some of my suggested changes are implemented other perceptions and insights will arise. There will be more changes as a consequence, with each change building on earlier developments as the institution develops and the leadership grows in understanding. So, this document should not be a blueprint to be slavishly followed. Perfection is not feasible in our human-all-too-human experience. But we do need a vital and creative organization to facilitate opportunities of service.

9. FINANCIAL CONSTRAINTS

It must be realised that, to survive, a Church must balance the financials and be good stewards of the available scarce resources. It seems that Methodism in New Zealand is well served by its central administration and responsible budget centres. I assure you that I fully recognise the urgent imperative to respect the financial limitations of the Church and not encourage fiscal irresponsibility.

In planning for the future I have always believed that we should first set our priorities. Secondly, we should explore the preferred organisational imperatives. And, thirdly, we explore how far we can get with our plans in terms of the available finances, which is a decision to be guided by the managers of the Budget. This is the format with this process of suggested reform.

It is difficult to provide an accurate set of preliminary costings because there are so many unknowns. It all depends on which ideas are embraced by the Conference. Trinity College is forced to face a similar problem every year because they cannot know how many students will be candidating until well into the previous year.

However, I will include some possible guidelines to assist the budgeting process for your consideration, if my suggestions are accepted. I hope these will provide some basis for estimating additional costs. These are as follows:

- a. There should not be the need for any more senior level administrators if the Church cannot afford them. Some of the designated responsibilities depicted by two positions can be carried by one person. For example, one of the Directors in the Mission Resourcing Division will represent colleagues as the Divisional Director performing the tasks of:
 - i. Communicating within the Church and, when necessary, chairing meetings with colleagues.
 - ii. Attending Management Executive Meetings and being accountable to the Connexional Director (formerly General Secretary) for the overall management of the Division.
 - iii. I have recommended that two more staff be added to Trinity College because, at present, it is extremely minimal and barely capable of enabling the College to meet Church expectations. The number proposed replicates the number employed by the Church for education as on the books at the beginning of 2008. However, if a decision is made to offer the first two years of the Dip.Min through EIDTS (Ecumenical Institute for Distance Theological education), then perhaps only one additional full time position might be required.
- b. I have suggested, in addition, the following additional new position, if funding is at all possible: a part-time communications person for the General Secretary/Connexional Director's office. Also, the position of Secretary should be upgraded to Administrator in the Mission Resourcing Division.
- c. Hopefully, the costs relating to expenses for meetings of new committees can be met by

savings from the committees they replace or deemed surplus to requirements.

It is to be lamented that such a crucial dimension of our community like the Church, which offers so much to so many people, is so strapped for money.

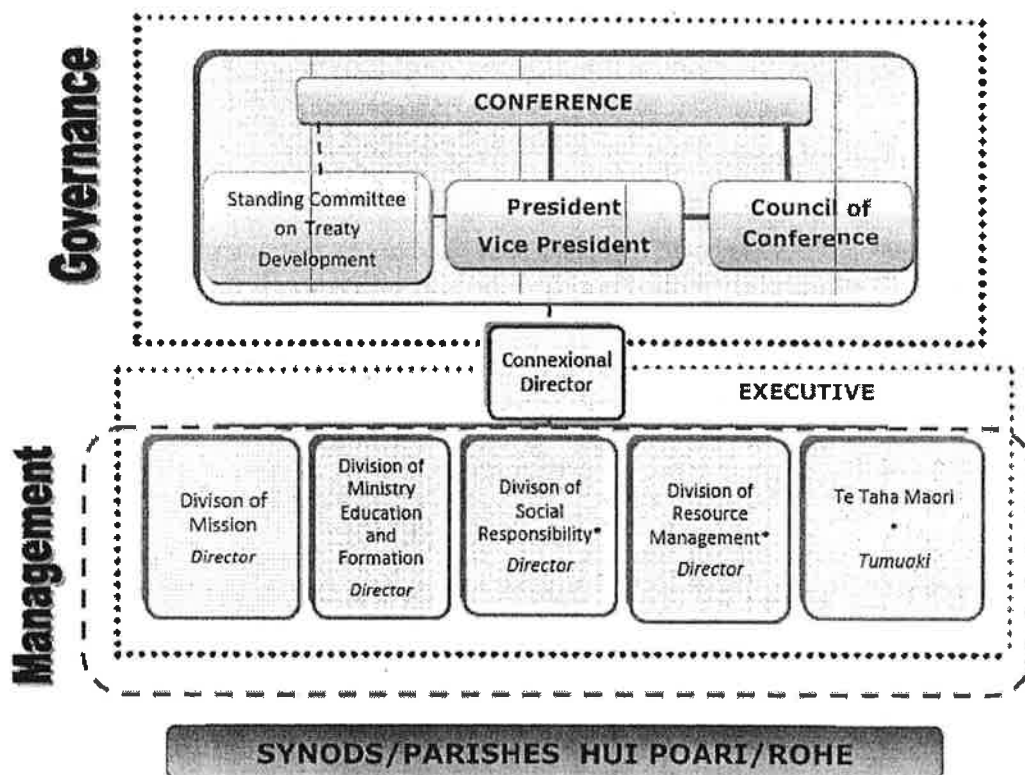
The Gospel based transformative imperative of the Church can only be enabled by a service oriented, people respecting, and ecologically minded administration. So, we should affirm a Quadruple Bottom Line in annual reporting including Spiritual, Economic, Social and Ecological Dimensions. It is crucial that these component parts of an institution interrelate meaningfully, regularly and easily. The values of synergy nurtured by an interconnecting, trusting, and understanding collegiality can be of enormous benefit.

10. DIAGRAM OF THE PROPOSED ORGANISATIONAL STRUCTURE

In preliminary discussions it has become apparent that some confusion might be eased if a clear diagrammatical representation of the suggested structure could be provided.

Diagrams are both helpful and a nuisance. They are helpful in a limited way of illustrating relationships in terms of one particular emphasis. They can be a nuisance in that they *ARE* one-dimensional and leave some people feeling neglected. And, inevitably, they will distort some crucial aspects. For example, the following diagram does not represent what is most important in the Church. This must include factors such as the local parish community, the service outreach, the theological student, and the Synods, etc. To feature this emphasis, I should turn the diagram upside down and flesh it out in a long map. Or, preferably, I would have produced an entirely different diagram, perhaps like an alternative diagram offered to me, by a Church leader that effectively represented the significance of all of the dimensions of the Church. However, this is not my task.

In this diagram I seek to focus solely on the attempt to clarify the lines of accountability between governance and management. This, I hope, will have the advantage of demonstrating clearly and simply the distinction between the two dimensions. Because the purpose of the diagram is to portray only the recommended structure as related to these lines of accountability for senior management, only a limited number of positions are indicated. There is absolutely no need to panic if a particular dimension or position is not in evidence.



** These dimensions have organisational systems not considered in this review.*

PLEASE NOTE:

- I emphasise that a diagram is only a partial representation and a one dimensional depiction of a dynamic institution that needs to be understood holistically.
- This diagram illustrates only lines of accountability as related specifically, and only to the functioning of the senior levels of governance and management. It does not indicate such matters as structures of management within the divisions or anything else.

11. METHODIST EMPHASES

The spirit of ecumenism no longer burns brightly like it did with such zeal and hope in the 1950s and 1960s. Methodism supported and invested heavily in this dream that was not to become a reality. So, now the Church must decide whether it genuinely wishes to, and how it could promote a strong Methodist presence in our society.

Of course, Methodism is not to be equated with the organisational structure. The commitment to the Gospel, with the particular emphases, establishes and confirms the future for Methodism.

So, of paramount importance is a program of continuing education for laity and presbyters about the theological, social, missional, and pastoral emphases of Methodism. And the preparation for ordination must include an educational programme and curriculum which give due emphasis to the spirit and traditional strengths of Methodism.

To facilitate this aspiration to promote Methodism through the mission resourcing and education of the Church, it is important to ensure resources are geared to this task of developing the strongest possible Methodist institutional structure.

12. GOVERNANCE AND MANAGEMENT

In this communication, I am mindful of a "Core Objective" of my contract which is "To restore organisational requirements and values to full self-governance and full self-management status."

Any organisational structure must carefully respect the differences between governance and management. But it is a relationship that is complicated. Difficulties in this area plague many institutions, especially those in the not-for-profit sector.

Essentially, it is the fundamental responsibility of Council to focus on policy level issues and leave the machinery matters to management – even if Council members feel more comfortable with the latter.

It is the responsibility of all Council members to check each other to ensure they do not step over the line and focus on management issues. They should reject items on the agenda that are management matters. And it is the responsibility of management to ensure issues with a governance dimension are given to Council. If in doubt, my advice is to err on the side of sharing.

Sometimes a difficult decision concerns the amount of information that management should give to Council. Some Councillors will want a brief analysis of the essential points together with particularly relevant information. Others may be tempted to judge the merits of a proposal by its length (Auckland City Council agendas have reached a thousand pages). I prefer the former practice with a clearly stated analysis. A set of references to other information could be attached to meet the needs of a member who might be particularly curious about some points.

However, there is no definitively right answer. It is too simplistic to state that there is always and forever a clear divide. Mostly, if an effort is made, leaders will determine that there is an obvious division of labour. But sometimes there can be a difficult interface that must be approached sensibly and responsibly. This will depend on how much respect for, and trust there is in the Management.

There are some major issues (such as the building of a new Church or the development of a new credential) that require a close association between the governance and management teams. Management would early in the process present to Council an analysis of the facts, features, needs, opportunities, problems and costs for their consideration. As the process develops, Council would expect to receive progress reports, perhaps with Performance Indicators that clarify the progress, or lack of it.

There are developments of secondary importance such as the proposal to increase the budget for the Diaconate and decrease it for some other area. This would require an assessment by Council of the

final management recommendation at Budget time.

Neither Conference nor Council would expect to be involved at all in the development of basic standard operating policies and procedures. These should be included in the agendas for interest only. Some institutions have the practice of what is called a "consent agenda", where only the items marked with a star are discussed. Those items not starred are included for information purposes only. Then there are those basic management decisions such as including a student representative on Trinity College's Board of Studies or appointing one or two extra people to an Advisory Committee. These would not need to go to Council at all, although they might be noted in a report for information purposes only.

Management will draft most, if not all of the items on Council agendas. Councillors should be invited to contribute wherever they can but they will not have the responsibility for devising, consulting and presenting major policy initiatives or developing details of strategic plans. Crucially, they will challenge the administrators by asking pertinent questions to ensure both that the proposals are as well developed as possible, and that they fully understand the proposals before voting. Also, items on agendas should be prioritised so that important strategic issues are given the best meeting time.

Personal attributes as usual are essential to effective governance and include the following:

- A clear vision about the meaning and future of Christianity in general and Methodism in particular;
- A recognition that their appointment is to serve Conference and the wider membership of the Church;
- An ethical approach to governance that includes values such as respect for people (including a personal loyalty to colleagues in both governance and management), respect for the whole (both the Church and community), respect for Nature, respect for the past and future as well as the present, and respect for stewardship of the scarce resources;
- A commitment to the Strategic plan and Mission Objectives of the Church;
- A willingness to empower the management to be as creative, constructive, and effective as possible and avoid bureaucratic slowdown;
- A willingness to refrain from engaging in management issues;
- A willingness to avoid being dysfunctionally polite or excessively deferential, and ask probing questions in a caring but direct way about the processes and purposes of management, and especially to ensure the precious financial resources are wisely and responsibly spent;
- An ability to weigh up, be aware of, and adjudicate between competing claims when there appears to be a management difficulty in allocating resources in the preparation of Budgets;
- A willingness to challenge organisational tunnel vision and stimulate expansive visionary thinking about the future; and
- An ability to foresee or imagine alternative possibilities.

Co-operation between governance and management is essential. On the one hand, Council must empower the management to operate responsibly. It must not impede or disempower the leaders of management. On the other hand, Council has the crucial governance role. One example. A key governance role is to monitor the overall financial health of the organization. The Church is not a business in the sense of seeking to make a profit. But because the financial resources are so scarce it is crucial that management prioritises and spends wisely. The best financial manager can miss seeing a crucial signal that a more objective Council member may notice. So, it is important that the person responsible for Finance in the management structure establish a close and effective relationship with any finance experts on Council. Together, they could both devise a set of early warning signals that might signal an impending problem. But the Finance Manager will organise the occasional and random spot check.

A new Council member from some corners (but not all) of the business world may experience a culture shock when encountering what might seem to be an alien approach to governance. The values and idealism of the Church take precedence over the bottom line. Time consuming participative management is preferred to efficiency. And, experiences such as worship or caring for the deprived are embraced with far more enthusiasm than the auditor's reverence for a correctly documented statement of accounts.

However, it is good stewardship to respect the quest for efficiency and financial acuity. A mismanaged or bankrupt Church will scarcely succeed in its mission. So, a key responsibility of governance is to respect both the idealism and altruism of the Church as well as the business dimensions of management.

I would emphasise the necessity for Council to delegate responsibility for the planning, preparation, organisation and oversight of activities including the maintenance of targeted bequests, gifts, etc., to

the Connexional Director who would then empower the most appropriate agency, such as a Divisional Director, to take responsibility. However, before any major new development takes place, an item should be recorded in the agenda of Council for their final imprimatur. It might be included in the agenda as a non-starred item, to be discussed only if there is a question.

A vexed issue to confront is the nature of the membership of Council. Some experts affirm that Council should be a small, elite, and expert group who can function as a "strategic think tank". I agree that such talent is a requirement. But I would add that there should be some representation of the dimensions of the Church. There is no perfect number although many organizations seem to follow the wisdom of Jesus Christ and choose about twelve. These would include, in my opinion, the President, Vice President, Tumuaki, Connexional Director, representatives both from the Education, Mission, and Administration Divisions, from WesleyCom and from the Pacific Island Community, together with three people chosen because of their wide experience within business or accountancy or politics or some significant not-for-profit institution. Having a variety of dimensions represented should provide a greater breadth of experience and a more comprehensive visioning in the strategic thinking at governance level. But, more important than anything else, is the quality of values individual members are able to bring to the table.

In sum, like most issues of leadership, the key factor is the quality of personal respect and trust that can be engendered between the two dimensions. This mutual respect is nurtured by a willingness to encourage people to perform their different responsibilities.

13. TITLES

Many discussions fail to progress very far because of linguistic confusion about titles. Unless we share an understanding of the meaning of key terms and agree on a preferred nomenclature, we will talk past each other and not communicate.

Getting the terminology "right" is very difficult with so many people in the Church having different background experiences. And the labels developed in one context can gradually develop a meaning that is foreign to people without experience in a particular context. But it is worthwhile to seek to get the best possible label even if there must be some compromise. I would recommend that we seek to suit the tastes and requirements of the wider community as much as, if not more than, the inner sanctum of the convinced.

I have no strong attachment to any of the names or titles of positions I am suggesting. But, clearly, it is imperative that I make some suggestions to stimulate the debate.

In my experience, changing titles can add new understanding and an innovative freshness. And, it is useful to have titles that resonate easily with common practice in society.

Sometimes changing terminology brings some initial confusion. Initially, this may seem to negate or challenge any benefit. However, from considerable personal experience, we soon acclimatise to changes.

Some titles are inappropriate. Although a term may be common parlance without the negative overtones among some people, others have such an ingrained dislike for it that they reject the statements containing the term. I discovered this by introducing the label 'CEO' in my first draft. Having been one for twenty years, somewhat expectedly, I do not share the antipathy to this term indicated by some respondents. But, as a consequence, it was appropriate that I looked for a more preferred title.

The term 'General Secretary' is alive and well within Methodism. But it could be regarded as being outdated in that most secretaries evade this label and are now called 'Administrative Assistants'. Perhaps there is the possibility of confusion with the General Secretary of the United Nations! Some prefer to affirm continuity with the past and revert to 'Connexional Secretary'. My preference is to endorse the preference for 'Connexional Director', which unites the old ('Connexional') and the new ('Director').

The use of 'Principal' for the Theological College is comfortably traditional. But in these days, some heads of Secondary and Primary Schools use this title. 'Director' would be a better understood title within the wider community.

I have indicated a preference for the title 'Director' for the heads of Divisions. However one persuasive correspondent with wide experience in a respected profession would prefer a term such as 'Manager'. In his experience a 'Director' represents governance. I have an entirely different experience. This title

is commonly used at the management level in the City Council and educational institutions where I worked for many years.

There is a difficult problem with the variety of different agencies within the Church called Trusts, Boards and Councils that have been established, and legally constituted to perform important tasks. The functions of these bodies should not be altered, as I will emphasise several times. But the labels, especially 'Board' and 'Council' do tend to signify a governance role. However, in practice, members of these agencies ordinarily do defer to, and respect the role of governance assumed by Conference. Since this is common practice, and since staff both have a role in the operations of these agencies and cannot serve two governance authorities, I would recommend that these agencies be clearly stated to have an advisory role to the Executive Management Division through the Director of the Division. Any significant strategic or policy changes pertaining to these bodies would be channelled through to Council.

It would be much easier if labels could be given which would avoid the implication of governance. However, I reluctantly accept that it would be such a legally expensive and lengthy process that changing these particular titles should be parked at this time.

The following is a list of existing positions and, in some instances, my suggested new titles:

Conference	>>>>	Conference
President	>>>>	President
Vice President	>>>>	Vice President
Council	>>>>	Standing Committee on Treaty Development
General Secretary	>>>>	Connexional Director
Principal	>>>>	Director

The following are new or newly defined positions:

- Council of Conference
- Management Executive Committee
- Advisory Committees
- Curriculum Committee

Another issue relating to titles that established Methodists would not view as a problem, but which would challenge, if not confuse outsiders, is the common use of 'mission' in three separate areas of the church. These are WesleyCom's Missions, the Division of Mission Resourcing, and the unit called Mission and Ecumenical Development. An outsider would wonder what the connection is between the three agencies. Perhaps there needs to be a clarification of this overloaded term.

14. DEMOCRACY

Democracy is essential in our community. Clearly, the Church is committed to democratic processes. However, democracy can survive only if people respect some effective and respected organisational constraints.

All-too-often, especially in volunteer intentional organisations like a church that depend on personal goodwill, there is a fear about giving away decision making to others. This fear arises because there is the possibility that a significant mistake will be made and people will be "hurt". But, democracy is about sharing power, and the more that power is shared the more powerful will be the organisation.

An organisation can become paralysed by democratic processes, with too many leaders spending too much time servicing the democratic processes and making work for the committee structure. It must be emphasised that both governance and management must serve the interests of the organizational imperatives rather than merely serving the maintenance of the organisation. A key instrument for such a focused leadership in a democracy that works is the Key Performance Indicators (KPIs) device where designed or chosen commitments are projected, measured and then seen to be achieved. Such accountability will give the democratic processes purpose and vitality.

For democracy to succeed in a not for profit organization, members must respect the will of constitutionally elected leadership e.g., Conference, President, and Council of Conference for governance and the Connexional Director and Executive Management Team for management issues.

15. POWER SHARING

As mentioned earlier, an institution becomes more powerful when as much administrative power as possible is given away to those entrusted by the institution to be managers. When empowered they are more likely to be committed to, and value both the opportunities to make things happen, and the

mechanisms of accountability. They will be more respectful of the operational terms of reference. They will be keener to implement the managerial implications of the policies determined by governing authority. They will respect, and in turn empower their colleagues. As a consequence, they will anticipate more readily personal and organisational performance reviews because they know they have been able to give their best service. This restores the "missional" approach to administration of former "power sharing" days, and is crucial in these times of limited human and financial resources.

We do not want to have our leaders buried, bedevilled or beguiled by the sometimes frustrating, and occasionally destructive processes that result from confusion over our responsibilities for management and governance. This, I perceive to be a problem at present. Of course, we will never do without the occasional personal annoyances that inevitably challenge our human efforts. But, getting the balance right between governance and management as discussed above, having a simple and clear structure with carefully stated lines of accountability, having a holistic understanding of the institution and its primary purposes, respecting each other personally, and empowering colleagues to make effective decisions within their sphere of influence, will more likely yield an engaging and vital organization that thrives.

But power sharing is only possible when there is a clearly recognised and respected structure of management. A leader cannot give away power that he or she does not know for sure that they really have. Chaos results when this is attempted. And, to be effective, leaders must retain their authority in terms of the stated lines of accountability – without being authoritarian. Hence, the clear and simple proposed structure should be a liberating device.

To empower the managers, position descriptions must be action oriented, encourage creativity, respect the well-being of the administrative structure, and inspire loyalty to the Church.

16. INTEGRATION

The Methodist Church cannot afford many administrators and cannot afford to waste opportunities to maximise shared wisdom and expertise. So, we should integrate the various dimensions wherever possible to ensure:

- a. All the key responsibilities are covered;
- b. Expertise is shared;
- c. There is a fair allocation of resources;
- d. There is a creative engagement among colleagues on the basis of a developed unity of purpose, and a clear understanding of, and respect for each other's roles, strengths, and challenges.

One very good example of a vexed multi-dimensional challenge that demands an integrated and collegial approach is the following. Various criticisms have been levelled at the process of "candidating" or selecting students for theological training. Clearly, this must be a careful if not rigorous exercise both to ensure a good leadership in the future, and because of the high costs of educating future presbyters. Church involvement, educational background including the willingness to continue learning throughout their career, demonstrated abilities, personal suitability, theological commitment, respect for Methodism, and evidence of a call to ministry would self-evidently comprise a basic list of attributes to be considered by the selection authority. But I hear vexed questions which need resolution such as the following: Where should the responsibilities for each stage lie? Who should do the selection? Who would be responsible for integrating the activities of a student's progress? What role should the local parish play? To what extent should the Divisions of Education and Mission Resourcing assume responsibility? Should there be a college of ministers involved in the selection and progress?

A senior management team involving all those with a role in this process should initially consider such questions. Then the Management Executive Committee should deliberate and decide upon an appropriate mechanism to determine a recommendation for consideration by the Council of Conference. It might be a recommendation from the senior management team or it might require a wider comment. As always, it is crucial that the best possible recommendation be forwarded to the Council of Conference.

Inter-Divisional co-operation with staffing appointments could be of benefit. Position descriptions usually state the expectations of the roles indicating the degree of authority, the line of accountability, and level of decision-making expected. However, they should be sufficiently flexible to allow staff to engage, from time to time, at an appropriate level in other parts of the organization. For example, the Divisional Directors of the Ministry Education and Mission Resourcing could negotiate arrangements whereby the position description of the new lecturer (who happens to be of Pacific Island heritage) being appointed to Trinity College to teach Biblical Theology could include provision for the person to

assist in the Division of Mission. This suggestion may not be acceptable to either or both of the Directors but it illustrates what might be accomplished.

Inevitably, boundary disputes will arise. But there will be a significant enhancement in the resolution of the conflict if there is a structure facilitating collegial discussion. Similarly, administrators who travel and experience different ideas and challenges should be as keen to share them with other Divisions as well as their own, for the enhancement of the wider Church. The more the mindset of leaders is focused towards service to the whole Church rather than to a narrow silo the easier it will become to sort out problems.

If the Church seeks a constructive unity of purpose – a possibility more likely with a Management Executive Committee representing all divisions of the Church, care will be taken to ensure that there are no parts left isolated or neglected on the margins.

17. THE "TOP DOWN - BOTTOM UP" PHENOMENON

Some have wrongly interpreted my circulated draft paper as seeking to impose a top down, authoritarian, and leadership dominated model.

The brief to which I was entrusted meant I should focus on the governance/management interface. Therefore, inevitably, most of my analysis is required to be related to the top level.

In a very small group, where everyone knows and respects each other, you might be able to exist without a hierarchical structure. It must be remembered that the Methodist Church is a large organization with many constituent parts. Many complex decisions must be made, for example, with a respect for justice in the allocation of resources. Being human, each part will want, and probably compete to maximise their budget allowance. There must be a process allowing and facilitating the adjudication of such disputes administered by those with appointer leadership responsibilities.

In the diagram in Section 10, I have stated lines of accountability, which, as we all know, must be clearly recognised and respected for a democracy to work. These lines of accountability, I repeat, are particularly crucial when there are crises. People are liberated when they know to whom, and for what they are accountable. When there are no problems there will be conversations across all the structures and the hierarchical structure less essential.

I would emphasise again, *if* I had been drafting a diagram to describe importance within the church, I would have had an entirely different model. In fact, I would have turned the diagram upside down or presented a model with interrelating circles.

As mentioned earlier, it should be recognised that the model with clear lines of accountability can more easily provide the possibility of empowerment. It is up to individual people to capture and utilise the spirit of empowerment.

I am convinced that the model I have projected will facilitate, but not guarantee, the empowerment of everyone in the organisation.

18. STRUCTURES AND CREATIVITY

Staff, as colleagues, will welcome clarity in their position descriptions but it does not have to mean being tied down into narrowly defined roles. Creativity so often occurs at the interface of activities when people connect with, and integrate their different perceptions, various experiences and unique talents. Such shared responsibility should enable an economy of activity and resources so essential at this time.

The encouragement to take risks and the willingness to forgive mistakes should be stated in word and deed throughout the governance and management structures, and be respected throughout all dimensions of the Church. Obviously, everyone must respect that the limited resource base could mean more mistakes or more things left undone. But an encouraging empowerment by the administration, that excites employees to be more involved and active, will enhance significantly the engagement of staff within the operations of the Church.

19. PERSONAL FACTORS

Again, a collegial and empowered organization cannot absolutely guarantee to provide the best possible results. But, without this approach, an organization can suffer confusion and time-wasting frustration. Nor can a good organisational structure prevent an incompetent or misguided leader

taking wrong directions. But, with the checks and balances of the model proposed, it is easier to notice the problems earlier and deal with them appropriately before too much damage is done.

The organisation is not a machine. It is an organism that depends upon people who, although fallible and limited by human partiality, are responsible for making some difficult decisions especially at a time of diminished resources. They need to be encouraged, empowered, respected and trusted as colleagues serving the same mission. The personal dimension makes a huge difference to the success of every human endeavour.

Sometimes aspirations, cultural backgrounds, and even values clash in organisational decisions. Sometimes difficult and painful decisions must be made which appear to compromise the imperative to respect people, especially when there is a debilitating shortage of essential resources. This seems inevitable in any organisation with a limited resource base.

Always hopefully, we expect more from a Church which affirms the principle of Love.

20. THE TREATY OF WAITANGI

The Treaty of Waitangi based partnership within the Methodist Church between Te Taha Maori and Tauwi has been extensively discussed within the Church over many years. It seems to operate reasonably satisfactorily. I am not in a position to add much that would be of use. So, it seems to me, the intent of the Church's commitment to biculturalism need not be compromised.

In the above diagrammatic depiction of the model I am promoting, I seek to include the partnership ideal as sought by the Church both at the governance and management levels. At the governance level I am suggesting a Standing Committee on Treaty Development, and at the management level a place for the Tumuaki on the Management Executive Committee.

21. WESLEYCOM

At the last moment, before circulating my first draft document, I determined that it would make sense to include the WesleyCom activities more directly within the organisational structure to achieve a unity and coherence for Methodist Church activities. Clearly, in succumbing to the desire to get discussions underway as soon as possible, I erred in doing this too quickly. I did not refer to the fact that there are different legal, structural, and operational imperatives that must be respected. So, I wrong-footed the quest to promote a greater engagement by implying some unintended and unacceptable implications.

However, I am strongly of the opinion that WesleyCom should integrate as much as is possible within the structures of the Methodist Church of New Zealand. This would serve the purpose of sharing wisdom, knowledge and information throughout the Church and WesleyCom. This can only help all dimensions to become more unified and stronger in the capacity to reach out to the community.

My suggestion is to invite WesleyCom to provide both a member for the Council of Conference and a representative from the management of their four Mission Centres to participate in the Management Executive Committee.

The representative serving on the Management Executive Committee could be one of the established Directors, perhaps rotated, or volunteered, or the one who resides in the city where meetings are held. This would enable both another crucially relevant voice to be heard and a sense of integration and unity nurtured.

There is absolutely no intention to suggest alterations to their existing management and governance structure, except in this crucial dimension of WesleyCom participating and being represented at the tables of both the Council of Conference and the Management Executive Committee.

22. STRUCTURES OF GOVERNANCE

This section describes a preferred approach to the governance of the Church. It elaborates upon the discussion in Section 12.

In addition to accepting that Conference provides the ultimate governance level leadership, I am proposing that there be:

- A Council of Conference;
- A Council Standing Committee on Treaty Development; and that
- The Connexional Director, Tauwi Executive Officer and Tumuaki participate in the Council.

Descriptions of these dimensions and the rationale for proposing these developments follow.

23. CONFERENCE

There must be only one ultimate agency of governance. This is Conference, responsible for the overall visioning of the Church. When in session Conference provides the governance level leadership. When not in session Conference is represented by the President. It is my view that there should also be a governing Council to support and work with the President between Conferences.

Conference is responsible for the policy and direction setting of the Church. The emphases are on exploring ways:

- to focus attention on the major strategic issues and the significant theological, organisational and socio-political challenges facing the Church;
- to creatively imagine future opportunities for enhancing the mission and direction of the Church;
- to offer insight, expertise, and wisdom to the Divisions;
- To challenge the Church agencies to live up to its declared values as well as its Mission Statement, with the achievement of Goals and Objectives, Key Performance Indicators, etc;
- to encourage members to be courageous in expressing their faith, hope and love;
- to be responsible for the process of appointing the Council of Conference, and the Connexional Director;
- to empower Management, through the Council and Connexional Director, to implement their vision and aspirations; and
- To hold to account, through the Council, the Connexional Director for the good management of the administration.

Conference will continue to function in the same way as at present except that the issues on the agendas will have been presented as governance rather than management items, prioritised in terms of strategic importance, and organised in terms of recommended resolutions, background reading, etc. Crucial reports will be circulated prior to the meeting for discussion purposes and time at conference will be reserved for final discussions of resolutions.

It is important that significant parts of agendas continue to pertain to discussions about the theoretical and practical dimensions of theological, pastoral, prophetic and mission issues. The Christian faith is the reason for the Church's existence and the crucial motivating and unifying factor. Always this must take precedence.

Conference bears the responsibility of appointing members to the Council. It needs to determine precisely what should be the most effective combination of people constituting the membership.

Initially, if this concept is approved, Conference should act to appoint a search committee of six to eight people including the President, Vice President, Connexional Director, and one outsider (perhaps a skilled Human Resource expert) to consider the membership. This group would select and recommend to Conference a team of about twelve Councillors as discussed above.

The selected members of the Council of Conference would be invited to serve the future of the Church (I would suggest in a voluntary capacity) initially for four year terms. I recommend that they could be re-appointed for a second term. Members of the first Council would be invited to serve a second term but this would be divided (drawn by lots) as follows: one third of the membership to be members for two years; one third for three years; and the other third for four years. This will provide the rotation required for experienced leadership.

24. COUNCIL OF CONFERENCE

Considerable thought and care must be exercised in determining the role and membership of this governing Council of Conference. People chosen for this role must be:

- Committed to the Gospel;
- Competent in leadership;
- Strategically minded;
- Wise in their understanding of the role and challenges of the Church;
- Fully aware of the difference between governance and management (see Section 12);
- Able to represent the Church to the wider society;
- Competent in bringing to the table of governance important talents and expertise;
- Respectful of the implications of the Treaty;
- Committed to supporting a multi-ethnic community; and
- Experienced in the nature, challenges and role of the Methodist Church.

Crucially, the Council is accountable to Conference, has Conference's explicit authority for governance, and is constituted as a permanent fixture.

I am aware that there exists, at present, a Council of Conference dedicated to ensuring the Treaty focussed obligations of a meaningful partnership are followed. The term 'Council' is most appropriate to refer to the agency which has overall executive powers for the Methodist Church. So, I suggest the existing Council, which focuses on biculturalism become the Standing Committee on Treaty Development and remain an arm of Conference (See Section 25).

Normally, the chair of the Council of Conference would be elected by Council membership. Members would be expected to seek a competent and experienced Chair who could serve for several years and thereby establish some continuity. However, the Church might prefer to offer it in the first instance to the President, especially if this becomes a three year appointment.

This governance agency cannot expect to bring expertise to cover all the dimensions of the Church. It should have the ability and willingness to use experts or set up ad hoc working parties to deal with extraordinarily complex issues or highly technical details. I affirm the recommendation of one of the submissions that Council members be given the opportunity to participate in a programme outlining the distinctions between governance and management in the not-for-profit sector. For example, the Institute of Directors offer a course on this subject.

I would like to see the Conference and Council develop and adopt a Charter or Code of Values that makes clear the difference between governance and management. Conference delegates, Councillors and senior managers would be expected to be fully conversant with this distinction before commencing their responsibilities. Expectations of progressive, dynamic, empowering and creative leadership at this senior level should be spelled out. And, in their turn, managers throughout the system would be expected to offer similar learning opportunities to the people they employ. It is especially important that managers do not confuse their management role with the governance role of Conference and it's Council.

Council will determine the agenda of the annual Conference ensuring that there are well developed strategic presentations on essential and priority governance issues.

It is impossible, in some instances, to specify precisely the boundary line between strategic issues of note to be determined by Council/Conference and those important management issues which the Connexional Director and Management Executive Committee should resolve. Self-evidently, it will be crucial for Council to consider and approve recommendations on major strategic issues, such as re-considering the composition and structure of the Stationing Committee, affirming the preferred process for selecting new candidates, changing the manual of disciplinary procedures, the introducing new educational programs, and establishing significant formal relationships with other Churches, etc.

Matters that need not be referred to Council include basic management issues such as salary levels for administrators, routine personnel disputes, book allowances for teaching staff, etc. Obviously, the salary and performance reviews of the Connexional Director would be organised and assessed by the Council of Conference.

When in doubt, the Council should be consulted. This will invariably occur with boundary type issues such as, for example, changing the date of the financial year to correspond with the calendar year (which makes sense for Trinity College budgeting), providing special financial assistance for a new initiative, etc.

A case study might clarify the process. The Administrator of the Ministry Education and Formation Division is justifiably worried about issues relating to the equitability of support for students in terms of how housing allocations are made. She concludes that the option of establishing a fund against which students could apply for housing support as distinct from actual physical housing could be explored. She presents this to the Divisional Director's team.

If there is support then the Director might discuss it with the Advisory Committee before taking a fleshed out proposal with recommended resolutions to the Executive Management Committee.

If endorsed after discussions, this would move on to the Council of Conference for resolution. If, and only if approved, this matter would be sent as an information item to Conference and the Standing Committee for interest. It does not seem to be such a high level strategic issue for debate on the floor of Conference, and it would not seem to have any Treaty implications. However, if the matter is not urgent in terms of time available, and a significant proportion of Council, say three or four members,

or a similarly significant number of a Standing Committee, determine that it is such a strategically significant issue, then it should be included in the agenda as an item for the next Conference meeting.

The Conference, through the Council, employs only one person, that is, the Connexional Director, who will be held responsible for administering the management of the organisation. Having other lines of accountability and reporting is a recipe for confusion and can lead to a breakdown in trust. The Connexional Director is at liberty to establish short or long term advisory or consultative committees but they should have no governance authority. And the Connexional Director has no governance authority other than as a member of the Council. It must be self-evidently clear that governance belongs to Conference, its Council and the President.

The only other position that spans both the governance and management spheres is the Tumuaki. This is because of the special relation the Church has devised for Treaty development.

It must be emphasised that people in leadership positions should be either in governance or management. Confusion and unnecessary complexities can arise when people attempt to have a foot in both camps - except when formally declared in management procedures.

The Council has the responsibility to require from the Connexional Director, annually and on time, clear, coherent, comprehensive and competent draft budgets and annual reports. Also, it is expected that Council will challenge the Connexional Director both to bring papers on strategic matters and to encourage colleagues in management to prepare innovative strategic presentations for the consideration of Council.

The nature and function of Synods need not change one iota as a consequence of this focus. The Council of Conference will have to make sure that Synods have been consulted appropriately if they hope to succeed in passing a proposal through Conference. This would be a crucial responsibility of the Connexional Director.

25. STANDING COMMITTEE ON TREATY DEVELOPMENT

There will be one Standing Committee of Conference. This should be The Standing Committee on Treaty Development which would ensure both that the strategic partnership with Te Taha Maori will continue to be carefully respected and that the wairua and protocols of Maori are heeded.

The Methodist Church has determined that it has the responsibility to respond to the challenge of educating the Church membership and our New Zealand society about the relevance of the Treaty.

There might be some concern that by replacing the present Council (Kaitiaki focused) with a governance focused Council the Church's strong bi-cultural focus will be diminished. This is not the case. The advisory and monitoring functions of the existing Council will continue unimpeded and become the responsibility of The Standing Committee of Council on Treaty Development. So, there should be no diminution of authority or responsibility. The quest of the Church to honour its professed bicultural commitment and achieve a genuine partnership is safeguarded, if not strengthened, because this Committee will:

- be the only standing committee of the Conference;
- have a carefully appointed membership established explicitly to focus on Treaty issues; and
- be empowered to advise on, and monitor the bicultural pulse and ethos of the Church.

There will be a clear line of communication, accountability and policy recommendation directly from the Tumuaki and Te Taha Maori Division through to the governance structure. So, this high level Standing Committee of Conference, led by the Tumuaki and supported by the President and Connexional Director, will be able to influence directly the governance of the Church as, and when required.

The issues that do not have Treaty implications coming before Council and Conference will not need to be considered by this Committee. It would be time consuming, administratively ponderous and unnecessary for every issue to be considered by this standing committee. However, with at least one Maori on both the Council of Conference and Management Executive Committee there will be someone responsible for double-checking which issues need to be considered from the partnership point of view.

This Committee should be convened at the discretion of the Tumuaki or President or at the behest of Council members.

I would suggest the membership of this standing committee be the Tumuaki, three Maori, three

Pakeha, and one Pasifika representative for reasons of communication and inclusiveness. It should include the President and Connexional Director. The place of the Tauwi Executive Officer on this committee should be considered.

26. THE PRESIDENT AND VICE PRESIDENT

The position of President, supported by the Vice President is pivotal, being the ultimate voice of authority when Conference and Council are not in session. My inclination is to recommend that the President should hold the power of veto in the Council of Conference, but this deserves a full debate.

The current annual turnover of these two crucial positions undoubtedly serves such needs as giving more people the opportunity to serve this role, ensuring no one becomes overly enamoured by the power and the glory, and protecting office holders' traction in their normal positions.

On the other hand, there are reasons for extending it to three years. The primary reason is that the challenges are becoming increasingly complex. A three-year term is barely sufficient to:

- Gain sufficient depth of understanding;
- Network with key stakeholders;
- Find time to sort through and resolve contentious issues of major significance; and
- Build up a trusting collegial spirit within the Council.

A one-year tenure facilitates any desire or inclination to avoid the trauma of making a difficult decision by deferring it to the next presidency, which is never far away.

If the position were primarily ceremonial, the one-year term would suffice. But, in fact, the President has significant and constant governance demands as well as the more crucial pastoral and prophetic responsibilities on behalf of the Church.

The Vice President could remain as a one-year term. This would enable those who could only afford one year of service to participate at this level. Also, it would enable more people to play a role in this top echelon. But there are bound to be good arguments for establishing a stronger team with a three-year term for the Vice President as well.

27. MANAGEMENT

This section describes a preferred approach to the management of the Church. Key features of this area include:

- A Connexional Director;
- A Management Executive Committee;
- Divisional Directors;
- Team Meetings and;
- Advisory Committees.

28. CONNEXIONAL DIRECTOR

It is proposed that the Council of Conference, acting for the Conference, would appoint the Connexional Director to serve on its Committee and be responsible for the management and administration of the Church.

Being both the appointment of Council on the Council of Conference and the convenor of the Management Executive Committee, this position has to liaise between, and integrate both dimensions. This is not an easy task but fundamentally crucial to the activities of a well functioning Church.

Some of the roles of the Connexional Director include the following:

- Liaising effectively with Conference, President and Vice President, Council, Directors, Synods and Parishes, etc., and with various agencies within the wider community when necessary;
- Requiring accountability for the accomplishment of all negotiated administrative responsibilities of Divisional Directors;
- Ensuring people are respected throughout the organization and there is effective communication;
- Organising reports and recommendations for Council and Conference;
- Being like a lightning rod receiving, then channelling in and through the organization all the troubles of the firmament and, finally, responding through appropriate colleagues;
- Ensuring the Directors of Divisions successfully implement and monitor required activities,

perhaps with the aid of carefully devised KPIs (Key Performance Indicators) that demonstrate that all management responsibilities are being covered;

- Fostering collegiality and creativity at the interface of different dimensions;
- Ensuring all divisions have fair and just access to financial and human resources;
- Actively affirming the theology, philosophy and socio-political practices of the Church;
- Nurturing an integrating coherence within the organization like the conductor of an orchestra.

Perhaps the analogy of the conductor of an orchestra might be usefully unpacked. In a perfect orchestra, with perfectly capable players, the conductor would not be necessary. In a team of mere humans we need someone in whom the orchestra has invested the authority of leadership to ensure the music is delivered in the best possible way. Having this authority is not the same as being authoritarian.

Some have expressed the concern that this new structure will invest too much power in the Connexional Director. This has been one of the more common concerns in the responses. By initially using the label 'CEO' I may well have inadvertently enflamed a wrong perception.

Four comments in response. First, because we are seeking to develop both a Council of Conference, of which the Connexional Director is but one member, and a Management Executive Committee of which the Connexional Director is the chair, there will be a system of checks and balances. It will be difficult to engage in solo performances.

Secondly, more people will have a close engagement with the crucial decisions of the Church. Minutes, with the exception of "in committee minutes", will be circulated widely to close the disillusioning communications gap.

Thirdly, with a clear structure, everyone, including the Connexional Director can have a clear idea about the limits and opportunities of power. This defined structure should be liberating for the Connexional Director as well as empowering more people to manage the Church. Trust and collegiality should follow, unless a wrong appointment is made.

Fourthly, and obviously, no one person can cope with all the demands listed above for the Connexional Director. In fact, the competence and talents required to fulfil some of the requirements may mean that the Connexional Director will find it difficult to cope with other responsibilities. So, as mentioned elsewhere, the person holding this office must be willing to engage with colleagues, delegating wherever possible in sharing the responsibilities of office.

So, in one sense, the position of Connexional Director will be less powerful than it is now with these checks and balances, with the obvious necessity to delegate to succeed, and with the clear lines of communication. However, because of the clearly delineated roles, the position will be so much more pleasant, and more easily satisfied.

Even the most ethical, most efficient and most effective administration will wrestle and fail in allocating the scarce resources in a strategically perfect way. With our limiting human subjectivity, invariably, this is a very difficult part of management. But, with good teamwork and respect for the wisdom of colleagues, a top management team can usually provide an acceptable compromise. And, because a team is involved, usually the recipients will be reasonably accepting of the final decision.

Good stewardship means a commitment to business-like processes that ensure time is not wasted on expensive bureaucratic hassles and administria. It means minutes demonstrating achievement and detailing items of significance are prepared for general circulation. And, being as economical as possible with the structural processes should enable the essential purposes of the Church to flourish.

I am recommending, in essence, a servant style of leadership that should facilitate and free the people within the church to develop their special ministries.

Procedures to deal with staff dissatisfaction will need to be carefully structured. Employees ordinarily would follow the hierarchical line of accountability in seeking satisfaction with difficulties. However, in a most rare and unusual situation, it might be considered necessary for the employee to have direct access and the right to negotiate with either the Connexional Director or the President. The employee should have this rare privilege as a right. Normally, if an approach is made to the President, this should be in conjunction with the Connexional Director and relevant Divisional Director.

Performance Reviews should be conducted biennially, perhaps based on the 360 degrees model. An outside facilitator should conduct the evaluations of the Council, the Standing Committee on Treaty Development and the General Secretary. It must be a process that is robust, caring and have

integrity. And, although not always appropriate, it should be results focussed, with caring advice given. The Connexional Director would organise the reviews of the Directors, and the Directors their teams.

29. MANAGEMENT EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

To integrate the administrative responsibilities of the Church, to organise the delegation of challenges, to share in dialogue about, and make decisions concerning the administrative challenges of the Church, to do the planning, to ensure communication takes place effectively, and to establish an appropriate system of checks and balances expected in a democratic organization, there should be a Management Executive Committee convened by the Connexional Director.

In my earlier draft diagram I indicated the members of this Committee would be Directors of Divisions. However, given the financial constraints and the lack of people power, it will be necessary that these positions be, in effect, Divisional Representatives. Normally, if there is one clear leader such as the Tumuaki or Director of Trinity College, that person would assume the position. But, if there are several leaders in a Division, one person could assume the responsibility by volunteering, or by rotation, or by election at the discretion of the Management Executive Committee, or, at a last resort, through an appointment by the Connexional Director. This person would have the responsibility of ensuring that resolutions of the Management Executive are shared with colleagues within their division.

30. ADMINISTRATIVE DIVISIONS

There should be six divisions represented in the Management Executive Committee to cohere with the six areas of the church.

These are:

- Division of Mission
- Division of Ministry Education and Formation
- Division of Social Responsibility
- Division of Resource Management
- Te Taha Maori
- Taiuiwi

Divisional Directors

References have been made to these key positions. As is apparent from the above these positions would be as follows:

- One of the Directors in the Division of Mission
- The Director of the Division of Education and Ministry Formation
- One of the four Directors in the area of Social Responsibility or delegate
- The senior person in the Resources Division who is not the Connexional Director
- The Tumuaki
- The Taiuiwi Director/Executive Officer

31. SOME COMMENTS ABOUT THE DIVISIONS

- a. As mentioned, the scope of my initial brief referred only to the Divisions of Mission Resourcing and Ministry Education and Formation. As a consequence of contemplating some changes to the structure, I came to believe it is entirely appropriate to connect and integrate with all other divisions. However, as will be seen, I am not implying that the organizational processes of the other divisions should be altered in any significant way. There should be no need for alarm. The suggestions are minor.
- b. Four of the Divisions, i.e., Resource Management, WesleyCom, Te Taha Maori, and Taiuiwi already have well established and effectively functioning administrative structures meeting their different internal needs. So, very little will be said about them. And, because the Divisions of Mission Resourcing and Ministry Education are different in kind, there will need to be a differentiation in the discussion of their management structures.
- c. There should not be anything that limits the operational effectiveness of any unit as a consequence of my recommendations to integrate. Rather, there might be a sharing of administrative overheads enabling staff to accomplish much more by being able to focus more on their fundamental responsibilities. Fantasies circulating such that this structure is but a precursor to staff retrenchments or that key administrators will be disempowered must be rejected. A prime purpose of this reform is to empower and encourage greater focus on

meeting the important challenges. My philosophy of administration, as stated earlier, connects with the advantages of synergy, integration, and holistic thinking.

- d. Because the challenges facing the church in society are complex and multi-dimensional, significant advantages result when expertise, wisdom, knowledge and information, are shared around a table in the search for solutions. Having isolated fiefdoms restricts mutual understanding, institutional vitality, as well as the possibilities of economies of scale.
- e. The Divisions will be represented at Management Executive Committee meetings where, under the leadership of the Connexional Director, issues relating to the management and well-being of the Church's operational structure will be debated and resolved. These Divisional leaders, including the Directors, Tumuaki, Tauwiwi Director and representatives from the Administrative Division and WesleyCom, will have the crucial responsibilities for bringing issues of Church-wide significance to the Management Executive Committee for resolution, and for the development of strategic policies. The Connexional Director, in association with the author of the recommendation for a policy development, would take the issue to the Council of Conference.
- f. I have observed a disaffection among some church employees because of the lack of communication about Church activities. I should note that I cannot recall being in any organization where the rank and file were very satisfied with the communication achievements of their administration. Often, of course the fault lies with both sides. One recent example relates to the headline in the Auckland newspaper on 1st July, 2008. This announcement declared the Methodist Church had sold the huge block of buildings in Queen Street. Those who are frustrated with a lack of resources and yet are responsible for key dimensions of the Church would wonder whether the substantial income from this sale could be shared with them. Such perceptions should be discussed collegially and openly around the table at a Management Executive Committee meeting where the Director from the Division of Resource Management would spell out clearly the causes, implications and outcomes of the sale.
- g. The Directors will be responsible for ensuring all the responsibilities of their Position Descriptions are accomplished effectively and efficiently. This includes liaison, planning, drafting the Budget, negotiating for resources, collegial relationships, establishing a staffing base (including volunteers), and all that needs to be done to ensure the Division is functioning to the best of its abilities.
- h. A review of the administrative workloads in each Division is a high priority. The Connexional Director should ensure no Division is woefully under-resourced in administrative support.

32. ADVISORY COMMITTEES

Directors have the responsibility for ensuring the operation and contributions of their teams are appropriate in terms of the wider Church. One effective way to meet this challenge is to appoint teams of people who would volunteer to serve as advisors. Meetings would be scheduled at the behest of the Director and the Chair of the Committee. Preferably a team of about eight to twelve people, from a cross section of those who have appropriate skills and wisdom, would be appointed to make this important voluntary contribution. In some places like Mission and Ecumenical there is already in place a well functioning Committee.

If these Committees are involved with legal obligations, such as Trusts operating in the name of the Church, there will have to be some carefully devised protocols to ensure that the responsibilities of Church governance are acknowledged and clearly delegated, that the authority of the people entrusted legally to bear responsibility is not compromised, and that stipulations regarding specific Trusts are safeguarded.

Some criteria guiding the selection of members might include the following:

- Theological wisdom;
- Connexional vision;
- Understanding of, and respect for socio-cultural, ethnic and theological diversity;
- Respect for the Treaty;
- Understanding the challenges facing the Church in our contemporary society;
- Ability to both respect the traditions of Methodism and apply these to the new challenges of the day;
- Recognise the needs and challenges of change management;
- Ability to think creatively;
- Willingness to supportively challenge the Director and team to reach further with their

- aspirations while being mindful of the financial constraints;
- Respect the difference between governance and management;
- Empower the Director and team;
- Someone with an ability to organise fundraising would be an asset to an Advisory Committee.

33. TEAM MEETINGS

In normal practice each leader/manager/director with a team of colleagues would have regular meetings with all members in their area, including administrators and secretaries, to ensure lines of communication are open and the area is operating effectively.

34. DIVISION OF MISSION

This Division is responsible for the development and guidance of the mission and ministry of the Church. This unit incorporates those areas listed below, thereby integrating global and local as well as ecumenical and denominational activities. In addition, this Division is responsible for other initiatives such as Asian, African and other ethnic ministries, the Diaconate, matters relating to the development of lay ministry, lay preaching, shared ministry, parish mission, candidating, recruiting, placements for ministers (including supply) and some aspects of chaplaincy work.

The key positions are proposed are:

- Divisional Director (see Comment a. below. This position will be designated as team leader representing the Division and co-ordinating team meetings)
- Director – Ministries (Pakeha)
- Director – Ministries (Pasifika)
- Director - Mission and Ecumenical
- Co-ordinator - Tauwi Youth and Children's Ministries
- Co-ordinator - Diaconate
- Administrator

Some Comments:

- Because of the shortage of resources, The Divisional Director, in all likelihood could not be a separate person, and so would also be one of the Directors. Given the span of responsibilities a key attribute of the Divisional Director would be the ability to delegate – assuming there is sufficient capacity to do this.
- The responsibility of managing all these developments is heavy. An internal management review is recommended to assess how these various commitments can be kept, how they might be serviced, or, indeed, whether the Church can fund the continued existence of every one of them. If resources can be found for additional funding, the appointment of an Administrator to assist the Divisional Director and fellow Directors would meet what seems to be a self-evident need. A senior level administrator to free up the team to concentrate on their tasks in mission – for which they were appointed, would be strategically advantageous.
- A key issue to be resolved is the structure of an Advisory Committee, noting both that issues relating to Church Governance are reserved for the Council, and that inter-divisional activities will be managed by the Executive Management Committee, of which this Divisional Director will be member. My recommendation is that the Divisional Director convene a Mission Advisory Committee bi-monthly, or more often if needed, comprising key staff, three Presbyters or Deacons and three appropriate lay people. This would bring insightful wisdom and strategic insight, as well as offering caring and creative support to the leader and colleagues in the Division. Resolutions of this Committee should be dealt with by the Divisional Director and team, and, as a courtesy, forwarded on to both the Management Executive Committee and Council of Conference. Directors in this Division may well desire to establish Advisory Committees of Presbyters and lay people to extend their abilities to connect more widely within the Church. One such example is the well functioning team associated with Mission and Ecumenical Development.
- As mentioned earlier, one of the administrative challenges of the Church is to sort out the appropriate sharing of responsibilities for candidating, probation periods, and the ordination of presbyters. The Divisional Director and the Director of the Ministry Education and Formation Division will need to dialogue seeking formal arrangements whereby this vexed process can be organised more effectively. The development of both lay education and lay ministry needs to be integrated, clearly stated and appropriately managed.

- e. One of the two Directors has had the responsibility of convening the Tauwiwi meetings. Questions about the timing, relevance, costing, membership, purpose and need of these meetings should be considered by the Divisional Director, perhaps with the assistance of colleagues within the Management Executive committee. I have encountered some minimal questioning of the need and functioning of this body as it now operates. Ultimately, a recommendation for any change would have to be made to Conference through the Council of Conference by the Management Executive Committee, and guided by the Pasifika and Pakeha Directors.
- f. If the Methodist Church is to grow in the future, considerable effort needs to be given to educating and communicating with the wider Church about the fundamental significance of this Division. The future of the Church depends on this division. Prima facie, it needs greater support.
- g. If Conference agrees, one of the key responsibilities of the Divisional Director of this Division will be to promote, through the structures of management and governance, the future of the Diaconate.
- h. Korean ministries are currently established in New Zealand through the Seoul South Annual Conference of the Korean Methodist Church. While good relations have been established with this group, it is becoming clear that the MCNZ will need to create its own space for Korean ministries to flourish. This would probably include the establishment of Korean congregations, and ministry with 'next generation' Korean young people - many of whom prefer to participate in an English language church environment. The MCNZ currently has one ordained Korean working in English language ministry, and one further student in Theological College. The Division of Mission should be encouraged to continue investigation of this as it is a crucial area of growth.
- i. With their planning well documented and underway, this Division, albeit struggling with limited personnel, seems to be in good shape.

35. MISSION AND ECUMENICAL

It is crucial that the Mission and Ecumenical portfolio be integrated into the Church management activities through the agency of the Division of Mission. There is no reason to operate in isolation and every reason for the leadership of this area to integrate, share and plan with competent colleagues responsible for the overall mission and development of ministry in the Church. The wisdom and knowledge accumulated by those leading in this area would benefit other areas of the Church with a collegial sharing of experiences and challenges. The benefits of integration would make a difference as the Church works together to meet the challenges of the future. When there is an integrated system, collegial respect and trust in the system can be developed and the system can offer so much more.

The Board serving this area would continue to operate in much the same way, except its status would be as an 'Advisory Committee'. But this should not mean changes except that significant new developments would be sent through the Management Executive Committee on the way, if a governance recommendation, to the Council of Conference. This might involve a delay, unless urgency is required. But this process has the important advantage of enabling key officers in the senior echelons of management to support and promote a proposed development in this area throughout the Church.

36. DIVISION OF SOCIAL RESPONSIBILITY

This Division operating under the mantle of WesleyCom incorporates the four regional social service missions, and the post-Casi Methodist Social justice and Advocacy Unit that is in the process of being developed.

There appears to be a division of opinion within this Division about being connected with the life and being of the Church. As indicated above, it seems that a satisfactory resolution could be negotiated. A person heading one of the four Centres could participate in Management Executive Committee meetings thereby sharing in the challenges and opportunities of the Church. And the Conference could invite a representative to serve on the crucial Council of Conference.

As indicated in several places, I believe that there would be no impact at all on this Division as a consequence of this review. However, for the advantages of communication, synergy, sharing of

wisdom and knowledge, etc., I recommend that Conference invites their participation in the limited ways suggested.

37. DIVISION OF RESOURCE MANAGEMENT

This Division is currently the Administrative Division incorporating the portfolios of Finance, Property, Law Revision, Prince Albert Trust, etc. It seems that this Division is operating well and, being beyond my brief, I have little to suggest.

My cursory knowledge suggests that adding a half-time position in the office of the Connexional Director to take responsibility for ensuring there is excellent internal and external communication both within the Church and between the Church and the Community is necessary. Improving relationships through communication can only be a positive advantage.

It seems absolutely imperative that a senior member of this unit should be a fully active participant in the Management Executive Meetings, in addition to the Connexional Director. It is crucial that this Division be thoroughly integrated so that resource decisions will be made with the mission of the Church fully in mind. It is also crucial in the interests of a good community that the other leaders in Management team understand the constraints and realities of the Church's resource base.

38. TE TAHA MAORI

This Division, led by the Tumuaki, is responsible both for the participation of Maori within the Methodist Church and for ensuring, together with all other divisions, that the Church appropriately and responsibly keeps faith with its declared statements on the Treaty, biculturalism and partnership. A key role will be to participate in the Standing Committee on Treaty Development. Also, the Tumuaki serves on the crucial Executive Management Committee.

The Tumuaki needs to be encouraged, empowered, and assisted in generating an interest among the Maori community to increase the number of Maori members of the Church and leaders for the ministry of the Church. Until this happens the Church will struggle to build up Maori congregants and the biculturalism will be far less than it could be. Of course, the same could be said about the Pakeha Division with Pakeha numbers presently far less robust than desired.

The Tumuaki will convene the Hui Poari as and when the need arises and the budget allows.

39. TAUWI STRATEGY

The Methodist Church has taken an unusual step of emphasising New Zealand's biculturalism by separating out the development of Taha Maori Ministry and Tauwi Ministry. Tauwi comprises all the non-Maori peoples within the Church, with the two biggest groups being the Pakeha and Pasifika Ministries. So, currently, one of the two Directors of Mission Resourcing leads the Tauwi Strategy on a three yearly rotational basis. Strategies relating to the development and resourcing of ministries and meeting the needs of Synods, Parishes, and Ministries in the non-Maori dimensions of the Church are presented at Conference separate from that of Maori ministry.

From the position of an outsider, I wonder whether this approach really works. I can see that it empowers Maori Methodists to actualise their unique potentialities and styles of ministry. But this can mean three things. Firstly, Pakeha and Maori are not sharing their strengths and gaining synergistically. Secondly, some other groups may feel similarly entitled to a separately funded and administered identity. And thirdly, it can result in leaving the entire responsibility for the bicultural emphasis to a small group of Maori members on the sideline.

Biculturalism is practised extraordinarily well in the Methodist Church. It is clearly a pace-setter. But I wonder whether the status achieved by having both the Conference Standing Committee on Treaty Development and the Tumuaki on the Management Executive Committee is sufficient. Also, I wonder whether Ministry development would be better served with everyone involved sharing together. The issues discussed at the Tauwi Strategy meetings should include Maori perspectives, in my view.

40. DIVISION OF MINISTRY EDUCATION AND FORMATION

- a. This Division (of Education, in brief) is responsible for educational programmes to promote the growth in wisdom, theological understanding and knowledge of church practice for candidates for the ministry, established presbyters, deacons, and the laity of the Church. It includes Trinity College which is an Auckland based School of Theology and Ministry, and e-learning activities with regional, national and ecumenical adjuncts. Also, it utilises the advantages offered by other

institutions such as the University of Auckland, other tertiary providers, and EIDTS (Ecumenical Institute of Distance and Theological Studies). Advice is given to the Director and colleagues through both an Advisory Committee, currently designated as the Trinity College Council and the curriculum focused Board of Studies. The Director will resolve upon which other existing committees should be convened.

- b. The key leadership positions to be as follows:
 - Principal to be called Director of Trinity College
 - Associate Director of Distance Education with responsibility for developing and managing all types of distance learning
 - 3 lecturer positions (including one Pasifika person). This could be reduced by one if the Dip.Min subjects are all taken through external agencies such as EIDTS
 - College Manager
 - Administrator
- c. I respect and admire the commitment and dedication of all who are involved in offering theological education within the Methodist Church. So much is done by so few with such minimal resources. In planning for a new future the leadership of Trinity College seems to recognise that not only new and extra staffing in addition to some minimal restructuring is required but also clarity in the distinction between governance and management as well as practising the best possible processes of administration.
- d. Almost everything contained in the Ministry Education Handbook is impressive. My comments are directed to a few points only.
- e. Structural flexibility is an appealing feature of the present educational programme. While not wishing to lose this flexibility, I support a curriculum structure that is easy to understand, meets the various educational needs of our different constituents, is affordable, and attends to the content specific requirements of a contemporary ministry. This includes:
 - Ministry formation for Presbyters and Diaconate;
 - Continuing Education for Presbyters and Diaconate; and
 - Education for the laity.
- f. Since resources are so scarce it seems inevitable that the Director will have to incorporate some teaching, as is the case with the present Principal. Teaching into the University of Auckland's B.Theol brings significant financial, in addition to the undoubted academic advantages. In fact, without the capacity to connect with institutions like the University of Auckland, which means Government funding is directed to the education of Methodist theological students, the Trinity College programme would be in financial strife.
- g. The multi-ethnic character of Auckland City is exciting. In some ways it is an example to the world. A natural desire is to encourage people from the various ethnic groups to serve parishes as presbyters. But the temptation to cut corners in terms of the language requirements must be carefully considered. Unless students can function at the 6.5 IELTS (the nationally accepted standard) level, it is almost impossible for them to succeed with their studies for an English-speaking ministry. This is demoralising for them and for the staff. If there is any doubt a student should be encouraged to enrol in an EIDTS (explained later) subject as a preliminary step. For a non-English speaking ministry such a requirement is not necessary. Accepted practice states that a level 6 IELTS score would suffice.
- h. Two respondents have strongly affirmed the need for Presbyters to belong to a professional association that, among other things, could provide a collective experienced-based wisdom about their educational and professional needs. This concept deserves exploration.
- i. One respondent contended that we should cease offering an on-campus teaching programme. And the question also has arisen: "Why should the Church support a theological college at all?" It remains my emphatic belief that a functioning Trinity College, with a year dedicated to Ministry Formation held on campus, is absolutely essential for the future.
- j. There are no shortcuts to acquiring a thoroughgoing commitment to the rigors of scholarship, and a basic or foundational knowledge about the wide-ranging variety of dimensions of the Church wisdom. Knowing how to access and become familiar with a sufficient amount of the wide corpus of knowledge available is crucial. If a church leader is to communicate with people about the meaning of their faith, and engage in enlightened dialogue about how their faith can impact tangibly with the different issues on our complex society, they must be able to be articulate about what they hold to be so precious in their belief system. So, I recommend that

students be exposed to the content of a fairly comprehensive curriculum.

- k. The learning must also be connected to, and informed by the realities of practical experience. It is no use just learning about the Gospel and the related theological issues. It is also to live the Gospel and the theological beliefs. With so many, I echo the belief that the commitment of Trinity College staff should be to learning and enabling students to integrate knowledge and experience.
- l. "Candidates enter a process of directed discernment and decision making to establish the direction and formation of their ministry," said President Brian Turner. So, unlike a normal credential in higher learning institutions, which offers a wide range of choice, the components of the curricula supported by Trinity are quite specific and circumscribed. The Church does require that students will take what is considered to be an appropriate set of subjects to qualify for the credential, the purpose of which is to enhance a future career in the service of the Church. It should not be overlooked that the Church provides resources such as housing and scholarship aid, at significant cost, for students to take and complete a valuable learning experience - a gift that is not available to most other students.
- m. Members of the laity are welcome to enrol in any of the three programmes offered. A Certificate of Proficiency is available from Trinity College for students completing an approved subject.
- n. It should be noted that, except for the year of Ministry Formation designed for Presbyters, most students would do their course work at another base away from Trinity College. But, crucially, contact and oversight will be maintained by Trinity College. I must emphasise that this is made necessary by the shortage of sufficient funding available for offering more subjects at Trinity. The Church should be most grateful to the Government which picks up the tab for so many subjects available through Universities and Institutes of Technology, to EIDTS which offers a wide range of distance learning opportunities, and to the very few Trinity college staff who offer learning experiences both face to face and through distance learning.
- o. A new United Nations Treaty focussing on caring for those with disabilities needs to be fully recognised in the learning opportunities offered to whatever extent this is possible.
- p. I have been very impressed by the willingness of the Principal and Manager to be flexible in making the best possible arrangements for the students. I am sure this will continue into the future. One illustration comes to mind relating to the requirement proposed that stipulates students should participate in a one-year Ministry Formation Course on campus. To avoid the expense of providing housing for all the students and their families who come from outside Auckland, it may be possible to be creative with the structure of the timetable so that students will not have to bring their families to the city, and be able to return to their homes for some extended weekends.
- q. **The Advisory Committee**, convened by the Director, is established to assist Trinity College develop institutionally, and meet the complex community challenges encountered. It might include one or two students and insightful ministers and parishioners with wisdom and innovative approaches to learning. Thought might be given to the unusual idea of inviting representatives from other theological or educational organizations, for example, Auckland University's School of Theology Faculty, St. Johns College, or The Bible College. If resources continue to decline, co-operative learning engagements will become more necessary.

There is some debate suggesting the label "Trinity College Council" should be preferred. I suggest this alternative designation as a way of emphasising that the purpose of this body is to challenge and assist the Director and staff develop and manage the finest possible Theological program. It, like every other part of the Church, is subject to the governance structures as described earlier. It is wrong to project a competing governance agency. However, "what is in a name"? If this designation, "Trinity College Council" is subjectively so very important, it could be possible to describe its advisory functions in the Terms of Reference. But, words can steer people in the wrong direction and it does not take long before people become accustomed to a new title.

- r. **The Board of Studies** is the body that advises the Director, on behalf of the Church, how Trinity College should meet the learning needs of students selected to be Presbyters or Deacons. This Board has a specifically educational purpose. It monitors students' progress, and makes appropriate recommendations in relation to their training for ordination. In the immediate past, it acted as a sub-committee of the Board of Ministry, and prior to that as a sub-committee of the Trinity College Council. Because it deals with student records, critiques

service reports, and assesses students' academic progress, it should preserve a degree of confidentiality. The membership should be approved by the Advisory Committee on the recommendation of the Director.

- s. Considerable thought needs to be given to the provision of lay training especially outside Auckland, Wellington and Christchurch. The Director and team will need to assess the church's responsibilities and capabilities for meeting this challenge.
- t. If at all possible, it would be worthwhile in terms of future growth and internationalisation of Church membership, to work with the growing Korean Methodists to determine how to meet their educational needs.
- u. An interesting and caring comment came to me about whether only wealthy students will be able to access more elite undergraduate or pre-Ministry Formation Studies programs. I would hope this would not be the case and that there would be some scholarship assistance for particularly needy students who, because of financial hardship, are prevented from taking the program most advantageous to their future career.

41. THE CREDENTIALS

- a. The Bachelor of Theology (B.Theol) and other accredited, similarly appropriate, and relevant three year degrees will enable candidates to proceed to the full-time year of Ministry Formation Studies. This year is also required for students completing the Diploma of Ministry. It is the year that unites all students for the Ministry to focus expressly on knowledge required for entry into the Methodist Ministry.

The Trinity College leadership should investigate the possibility of credentialising students taking the year with a NZQA Certificate of Ministry Formation.

For the purposes of convenience most references in what follows pertain to the University of Auckland's B.Theol degree, but exclusivity is not expected as a consequence.

- b. The Diploma of Ministry (Dip.Min) is a two-year qualification focusing on a formal theological education. Those seeking to qualify for ordination in the Methodist Church will then need to participate in the one-year program of Ministry Formation Studies.
- c. The Certificate of Ministry (Cert. Min) would be a one-year program with subjects available from Universities, other theological colleges, and through distance learning. This program should be of particular interest to the laity and be able to be credited to a Diploma in Ministry for those who wish to proceed further with their studies.

The two latter credentials are to be NZQA approved Trinity College credentials.

Should resources permit, there could be subjects offered at Trinity College for the B.Theol and Dip.Min which could be open to students from other denominations.

42. THE BACHELOR OF THEOLOGY OR EQUIVALENT

- a. Normally, it will be expected that younger candidates with significant academic background will be required to enrol in the Bachelor of Theology (B.Theol) as the first stage towards ordination.
- b. As mentioned above graduates from the B.Theol. who seek ordination will be required to enrol for one year focusing on Ministry Formation.
- c. It should be possible for students, who either have difficulty in coming to Auckland, or have good reasons to take an alternative track, to apply to take a different course of study, which would be a B.Theol equivalent. This should be approved, as being an appropriate educational equivalent, by the Board of Studies convened by the Director of Education.
- d. Being a University of Auckland credential, the Methodist Church cannot prescribe which subjects students should take in their B.Theol degree. However, if students have been accepted as candidates for the Methodist Ministry and are given assistance towards that end, then it is appropriate that the Church state that there will be a core group of subjects deemed to be required. There would have to be an equivalent process of subject selection for students taking their basic studies at other institutions.

The following list from the University of Auckland is suggested to the Director as a possible indication of what might be in the curriculum of the B.Theol. It is not a prescription!

And the option is available in terms of a Memorandum of Understanding for Trinity College to provide and teach a paper as part of the University of Auckland's B.Theol degree.

- e. Crucial subject areas that might be available at the University include:
- Biblical Theology – Old Testament
 - Biblical Theology – New Testament Part One
 - Biblical Theology - New Testament Part Two
- f. Crucial topics that do not presently appear to be available at the University might include:
- Systematic Theology Methodist Style
 - Christian theology and Contemporary Mindsets and Values
 - Methodist Worship Including Preaching and the Sacraments
 - Methodism Past, Present and Future
- g. Crucial subjects that are presently available at the University might include:
- Christian Understandings of God 223
 - Jesus the Christ 225
 - Theological Ethics 215
 - Pastoral Care 211
 - Modern Church History (Post Reformation) 255
 - Missiology 305
 - Maori Theology 301
 - Christianity in the South Pacific 253
 - Social Justice in the Contemporary World 213
- h. Sixteen subjects mean four subjects per semester for two years.
- i. Trinity College should use the same points structure as the University of Auckland's B.Theol. with four fifteen point subjects per semester over three years. Integrating or cross crediting subjects from the EIDTS catalogue, as discussed below, will require a resolution of how many points generated by their year-long subjects, should be counted as equivalent to the University's semester length subjects.
- j. In designing the Core Curriculum we must be led by what we believe the graduates need for their calling as Ministers of the Methodist Church rather than what happens to be available at the University. For example, there is a subject at the University of Auckland entitled "Experiencing the Sacraments". At first glance this seems most appropriate. But the descriptor states that it has a "particular reference to Catholic understandings". I am sure this is an excellent and significant subject that might be taken as an option by a candidate with specific interest in this subject. But our candidates must be grounded in a solid understanding of Methodist theology and practice of the Sacraments in the first instance.
- k. As is evident from the listing of subjects described above, there are a few essential Methodist oriented subjects required for a B.Theol that are not available in the present curriculum of the University of Auckland. The EIDTS program, as discussed below, might offer a solution to this dilemma, made difficult by Trinity's significant financial constraints.
- l. As mentioned elsewhere, Trinity College has a well-developed programme of Ministry Formation. This should bring together all the theological students from both the B.Theol and Dip.Min in their crucial final year of training. This should integrate the theoretical content with the practical dimensions of Ministry, although Trinity staff do attempt to achieve this ideal of integrating theory and practice throughout the program of each student.

43. THE DIPLOMA OF MINISTRY

- a. There are differing abilities and ages (or life experiences) among those accepted as candidates for ministry. Not all of these people should be required to complete the full B.Theol at the University of Auckland or some such equivalent. Significant real life experience can compensate for the lack of attaining a formal degree.
- b. However, it is crucial that students learn as much as possible about their calling. They, too,

should be able to offer thoughtful wisdom to their parishioners and people in the community. This requires the abilities to learn the discipline of studying, to offer intelligent comment to future parishioners, and to provide a well grounded and wise leadership to people in the wider community who are looking for answers to the complex questions of life. Therefore, I recommend the two year Diploma of Ministry as the minimum prerequisite before proceeding to the year of Formation Studies and subsequent ordination.

- c. As with the B.Theol, students will be expected to follow a core curriculum covering two years. The subjects to be selected by the Director's Board of Studies should be as comprehensive as possible with a definite commitment to include the four specifically Methodist oriented subjects as listed above for the B.Theol. Those seeking to become Deacons would be required to take a subject focusing on Social Justice. And, since the Methodist Church historically has been at the forefront of reforming society, probably this subject should be added to the required list of subjects for all students.
- d. The third year, as has been mentioned, will focus on the practicalities of serving as a presbyter in the Methodist Church. I am impressed with this experientially orientated reflection described in the process of Ministry Formation. This must remain as the seminal and summary focal point of the educational process. This will be a crucial time when all students meet together in their final year. Many former students will attest to the importance of engaging in a learning experience with colleagues who struggle with similar questions and challenges, and who, in the next years, will be sharing in the experience of church leadership.
- e. I would recommend that the only grades offered in the Dip. Min be "Satisfactory" and "Unsatisfactory" with the category of "Outstanding" added for those rare occasions when some particularly brilliant work is done. Such an accolade might be helpful in gaining entry to some post graduate or PhD programme. This would then mean Trinity has the same grading mechanism as Harvard University!
- f. Although there will not be the advanced level of learning as at the University for the Dip. Min students, it will mean for many of them a difficult educational challenge. It will require a significant commitment to a fairly rigorous learning process especially difficult for those not experienced in advanced learning. This may mean some students will require training in learning and study skills. The IELTS level 6.5 would seem to be a necessary level of language competency for students able to cope with the discipline of studying for a Dip.Min. Perhaps there are Church members who would be willing to offer their services as mentors and guides for those struggling to acquire these essential literacy and learning skills.
- g. There should always be the potential for a student either involved in doing, or having completed the Dip.Min to continue on to fulfil the requirements for, and graduate with the B.Theol degree.

44. THE CERTIFICATE OF MINISTRY

- a. The Certificate of Ministry is a one-year program available for laity who wish to follow a program of theological study in order to understand in more depth some dimensions of their faith. Since its purpose is to enable the exploration of a particular theological interest, students are able to enjoy more choice in the subjects in which they choose to enrol.
- b. Perhaps some contemplating the possibility of entering the Ministry of the Church at a later stage might take the subjects of this course to explore their intentions and discover whether or not they have a call to the ministry. It could be possible to credit some, or even all those subjects towards the achievement of a Dip.Min or B.Theol.
- c. This certificate would also be suitable for those engaged in specific areas of Local Shared Ministry. Done in conjunction with EIDTS, this would provide good grounding for all those engaged in lay and local ministry.
- d. Students enrolling in this program may take subjects offered by a University or College or through e-learning. Students are required to choose at least eight subjects, or the equivalent amount of credits through e-learning, with one subject on a Methodist oriented topic as the only pre-requisite. The remaining subjects may comprise any combination that furthers their knowledge of the particular area of speciality they prefer to choose.
- e. To receive the Cert.Min from the Methodist Church, the Programmes of study are required to be approved by the Trinity College Board of Studies.

- f. Students will enjoy the same privileges and opportunities on campus, as students for the Ministry, for example, access to the Library and seminars. Although the Church is not able to guarantee funding, students taking this program as an exploratory first step towards possible ordination are encouraged to seek funding through the Church's Travel and Study Funding or Smethurst Funding or some Synod funding that might be available for educational purposes.

45. E-LEARNING

- a. With the difficulties of our dispersed geography and the difficulties with funding on-campus learning, e-learning becomes an essential tool.
- b. The debate about the merits of internet learning continues. I have been impressed with research which has determined that undergraduate students learn marginally better with e-learning, especially if they are technologically strong or perceive gender or racial issues to be a difficulty or distraction for them in the classroom. The research shows that students enjoy classroom learning marginally more. Clearly, the level of motivation and determination to learn will crucially determine the learning outcomes of every student regardless of which mode is chosen.
- c. The huge advantage of being able to offer e-learning options, whether home grown or imported, is apparent with disabled students, for example those with deafness. Also, it is advantageous to those with time constraints, or those located in distant outposts who cannot get to Auckland. So, I am convinced Trinity College is right in making such learning options available.
- d. For every professional these days, computer literacy is an essential skill. Being able to access the treasures available on the World Wide Web is essential to the learning experience in most fields. All of Wesley's journals and sermons are now available on-line. I understand the entire library of the Vatican is now available. No longer do we need the Encyclopaedia on our book shelves. We are all now enabled to connect with developments internationally that are relevant to our areas of interest. Every graduating student should know how to use this essential technology with confidence and skill.
- e. However, I am convinced that an interpersonal engagement is crucial to establishing that nurturing and encouraging camaraderie among the students as they prepare to lead the church community in the future. Knowing fellow students, and understanding personally their challenges, perceptions, beliefs, talents, experiences, etc., can broaden one's own self-understanding. Recognising their differing talents whether academic, pastoral, teaching, evangelical, prophetic or theological, etc, reinforces the importance of referring or deferring to others more capable in certain areas. Also, a good community does need to learn to both work and play together and experience the enriching vitality of meaningful collegiality. In some real way "We are, therefore I am." So, I cannot accept that there should be no on campus learning experience for Methodist theological students
- f. I would hope that every effort will be made to encourage all students preparing for ordination to do their final year on campus. But, inevitably, there will be the exception for which another option might be devised.
- g. Hopefully, resources will be available to organise short on campus courses such as three-day sessions assisting students in their progression through their program of learning. It is crucial that students learn how to learn, learn how to ask the right questions, learn how to prepare assignments, and be motivated to be self-directed students.
- h. The staff member responsible for this area will need to liaise with the Directors of Pakeha and Pasifika Ministries to ensure all the outlying areas are served, if at all possible. For example, since Opotiki cannot access Broadband, another tool needs to be made available. Perhaps cooperation with other churches might be possible to provide the educational opportunities sought by all those interested.

46. THE ECUMENICAL INSTITUTE OF DISTANCE THEOLOGICAL STUDIES (EIDTS)

- a. EIDTS was established in 1993 to provide theological education entirely by distance learning. It is organised by the Ecumenical Board of Theological Studies comprising Methodist, Presbyterian, Anglican, and Salvation Army leadership. As well as being ecumenical, it is a not-for profit, government accredited, and NZQA registered, private education provider.
- b. The list of EIDTS teachers is impressive, the subjects are carefully assessed every five years,

and there is an impressive system of quality control in place to ensure an appropriate academic rigour is maintained.

- c. Courses offered include a Licentiate of Theology (L.Th), the Scholar in Theology (S.Th), and "a variety of associated certificates and diplomas". However, Trinity College should maintain, as a prerequisite for ordination into the Methodist Church, its own credentials with the year-long, on-campus Formation program. But, clearly, it is a huge advantage to enable students to take the subjects listed within the EIDTS catalogue to meet requirements of the credentials.
- d. The impressive array of subjects offered by EIDTS provides the following opportunities for Methodist students:
 - BTheol students can take and cross credit into their degree some of their first year subjects through EIDTS. There is presently one subject offered that might be taken to partly meet the specifically Methodist requirements.
 - Dip.Min students could opt to take through this means as many of the subjects as desired to meet the requirements of the first two years of their program. They could also mix and match using subjects from other accredited tertiary institutions. Students preparing for the Diaconate will notice that there is one subject offered which is specifically focussed on their ministry.
 - Cert.Min students would likewise be able to choose most, if not all of their subjects through EIDTS, although I would expect the Trinity College leadership to arrange some special tutorials that connect the students with Methodism.
 - Continuing education could be available for Presbyters and Deacons through EIDTS.
- e. Presently, there is one explicitly Methodist paper. It would be advantageous if the full complement of Methodist oriented core requirements could be offered through EIDTS. This would be the responsibility of the Associate Director responsible for e-learning.
- f. The requirement that students enrolled in each program follow a program assessed and approved by the Board of Studies must be fully recognised.
- g. EIDTS will work in a three-way partnership involving each student and Trinity College (whenever Trinity pays the required \$345 fee per subject). A protocol will be established to ensure the requirements of Trinity College, which becomes a stakeholder, are met.
- h. There is a huge administrative advantage gained by participating in EIDTS. The problem known as "bums on seats" funding no longer afflicts Trinity College. To meet the demands of fiscal responsibility there need to be a certain number of students in a face to face teaching class. But if only one Methodist student wishes to enrol in one particular subject, EIDTS can still offer it because it does not have to provide the salary and expensive resource infrastructure. The teachers are paid on a per capita basis relative to the number of enrolments.
- i. And there are significant advantages for students. They can:
 - Take subjects at their own convenience;
 - Remain in the places of residence;
 - Continue with their work commitments;
 - Begin their studies mid-year; and
 - Find mentoring assistance from within their own community.
- j. One staffing implication pertains, as a consequence of becoming committed to the EIDTS offerings. Earlier, I have argued for the appointment of an Associate Director of Distance Learning to the staff of Trinity College. I remain inclined to this position because more subjects could be developed on-line. However, with the most impressive range of learning opportunities already offered by EIDTS, this role may not be necessary. There would need to be administrative assistance provided to ensure that the enrolments are organised, tutorial guidance is available for students taking particular subjects, the core requirements are met, and individual programs are assessed by the Board of Studies. A decision will have to be made whether there is the need for a full time staff member focusing on this area.
- k. Although each EIDTS subject has an allocated tutor, it would be important that teaching staff of Trinity College be available to assist Methodist students enrolled. Apparently, the drop out rate of students doing distant learning is high unless there is some supervision available. Some students will find the concentration on written work and the loneliness of distance learning to be problematic. Also, there is the need to ensure the Methodist, bi-cultural, and multi-ethnic contexts and emphases are respected.

47. SEMINARS

I am impressed with the variety of seminars that are offered on the St Johns/ Trinity campus. I would like to see these cover topics not offered in the Curriculum like, Asian Theologies, The Future of Society, Advantages and Dangers of the New Technologies, Prospects for Ecumenism, Administrative Processes for Managing a Parish, Opportunities for Lay Leadership, etc. These topics could be offered in conjunction with students from other denominations, deacons, presbyters, and the laity.

48. WORSHIP

Crucial activities such as worship are clearly well organised and serve the learning community well. The Wesley Hall and the Chapel at St John's College are significant assets and should be the centre of life on the campus. Weekly services of Holy Communion for both Anglicans and Methodists are held in the former, and the latter provides a suitable historic setting for such occasions as the annual Wesley Day Service. These alone are good reasons for Trinity College to continue on this site.

49. RESOURCES

- a. As indicated I am convinced the staffing of the College should, if at all possible, be bolstered by one or two full time teaching positions. There are too few people on the ground at present for anyone to claim with any pride that the Methodist Church has a vital theological college. This is not to demean existing staff members. They are spread far too thinly over too great a range of commitments. They perform extremely competently given their overly burdened responsibilities. The present stress and burden of coping is simply not fair to them.
- b. I shared the belief that one position should be for someone of Pacific Islander background given the growth in Pasifika numbers within the Church. I am pleased to see that the Principal has made a temporary appointment. I recommend that the Director-to-be proceed immediately with a full time permanent appointment.
- c. The question of financial resources to achieve what I am proposing could be an issue. However, it is often surprising how limited financial resources can be re-organised to achieve what is deemed to be essential. Just because things have been organised in a particular way until now, does not mean there could be a different way of doing things that is relevant for present time frame and into the future. For example, it might be possible for at least one of the proposed new positions to be regarded as a 'full-time equivalent' to enable a series of part-timers, possibly, local Presbyters (local to Trinity College in Auckland or other centres), to offer their specialised subjects. This could have benefits for students, Presbyters and the permanent staff.
- d. Also, we should re-examine more opportunities for sharing learning programmes with other denominations.
- e. Attention needs to be focussed on upgrading our e-learning to offer a greater variety and depth of subjects.
- f. And we should celebrate the learning opportunities provided by the B.Theol. offered by the University of Auckland and other tertiary providers. Without this government funded educational provision, Trinity College would be in serious financial trouble!
- g. One cost saving suggestion comes to mind. Educating students for the Ministry currently involves particularly expensive features such as the provision of housing, free tuition, etc. When a student drops out this is money wasted. Has the possibility been considered of calculating the costs and offering this to the students as an interest free loan with one year forgiven for each year working in a parish or in some agency of the Church? Those who withdraw without a good excuse should be expected to pay back what the Church has paid for their education.
- h. The Church is in a difficult financial situation. Is it not time for the Church to engage in a further fund raising exercise?

50. CONCLUSION

- a. There cannot be a perfect system. Certainly, from my experiences and from the responses received, I cannot recommend a structure that will please everyone. A temptation is to defer. This can be a recipe for frustration for those anxious for change.

- b. Equally, it is crucial not to make changes just for the sake of making changes. But, not making a decision is itself a decision. So, I trust this document provides sufficient information to empower Members of Conference to make the decisions that will best meet the needs of the Church going into the future.
- c. The recommendations should cohere and interrelate. So, apart from matters relating to nomenclature, there would be a distinct advantage in introducing them together. However, it is possible to select some of the recommendations and not others. This would diminish some of the benefits of the holistic approach I have attempted to introduce.
- d. I would strongly recommend that careful attention be given to the long term needs of the Church rather than any perceived temporary inconvenience of some people. Also, I would affirm that, contrary to the views of some respondents, the changes proposed do not need to alter the responsibilities of many people.
- e. The future of our society desperately needs the wisdom of the Christian message, especially as traditionally presented by the Methodist emphasis. The administrative infrastructure must support and not interfere with this priority.
- f. The recommendations contained in this document aim to enhance effective stewardship by:
 - Simplifying administrative structures;
 - Ensuring there are no competing or confusing lines of governance;
 - Empowering managers to make decisions;
 - Providing a system that enable Managers to benefit from competent advice as required; and
 - Integrating decision making so that governance and management serve the Church in a holistic manner.

I wish the Church well as it grapples with its important challenges.

John Hinchcliff
16th July, 2008

Report from Brian Turner (Ex President)

Education and Training for Lay and Ordained Leadership and related Governance and Management.

Proposal

1. It is proposed that Conference accepts the 2008 Commissioner's Report as a basis for further consultation and development led by a Conference established task group and that transition arrangements for governance and management of Mission Resourcing and Trinity Theological College are agreed; with the Board of Ministry being disestablished.

Background

2. At conference 2007 Dr John Hinchcliff was confirmed as Commissioner, Board of Ministry until 31 January 2009. He was charged with examining governance and management arrangements for Mission Resourcing and Trinity Theological College. In doing this, he identified issues of governance and management across the various levels of the Church as a whole and I invited him to explore those issues and provide a Church-wide governance and management paper for Synods and the 2008 conference.
3. This he has done with Synods, Boards and Committees (the latter through their regional Synods) able to enter the debate and provide comment. A second version of his paper is associated with this paper of mine. What I endeavour to do with this paper is to propose a way forward, focusing on Mission Resourcing and Trinity College while encouraging further discussion on the wider Church issues raised by the Hinchcliff paper. It is always an opportunity to consider how others see us and to see how we might exercise better stewardship by using our scarce resources more effectively.

Comment

4. **The Broader Picture:** There is much in the full Hinchcliff paper that needs more investigation but we must not lose the issues and put the paper to one side because it is too hard. I see the possibility of accepting the paper and establishing a task group to progress implementation of change along the lines proposed – in a staged manner and in a process of consultation.
5. I propose that the Commissioner's Report is accepted as a foundation for further consultation and development and is aligned with Recommendation 24 of the Stipends Review Committee Report, accepted by Conference 2007. That recommendation stated "It is recommended to Conference that a Task Force be appointed to review the regional and national structure of Conference and Synods to reflect the diminishing resources of the church".
6. The Task Force would be charged with reporting to Conference 2009 on Church-wide governance and management structures, together with costings and a timeline for a staged process of change, the first phase to be effected by 2010.
7. **Mission Resourcing.** This area of Ministry has stable staffing and it would be possible to establish an Interim Board to provide a governance body for the Directors, from 2009.
8. The Interim Board would consist of 3 people reflective of different facets of Ministry Resourcing responsibilities. It would be important that an agreement as to the respective roles of the Directors and the Interim Board be developed, to ensure clarity of roles between the two groups and the prime function.
9. These would be transition arrangements until such time as any wider governance and management decisions were made.
10. **Trinity Theological College.** This critical area of Ministry and lay education and training presents some particular challenges in determining what any transition arrangements might be.
11. A new principal is required from the end of this year (2008). The approval and accreditation process of the New Zealand Qualifications Authority (NZQA), for the Trinity College qualifications, requires ownership by a constituted authority. Different models of Ministry Education and Training for both lay and ordained leaders are being proposed not only by the Commissioner but also by different areas of the Church. There are many presenting challenges in what can be described as a somewhat dynamic environment.
12. Clear leadership is essential from the start of 2008 and to this end it is intended to proceed with the process of appointing a Principal [or Director] with the hope of recommending a person to Conference in November. The 4 plus 4 process has commenced and a Job Description developed. It is available to August synods for comment.
13. The Trinity College Council still exists and is the "named" owner of the Trinity College qualification insofar as NZQA is concerned. It currently is incorporated in the Board of Ministry. In a transition arrangement and given the suggestions above regarding Mission Resourcing, it seems appropriate to formally disestablish the Board of Ministry and to reinstate the Trinity College Council as the governing authority for the college. Such Council could consist of up to five people plus the chairperson. They would be reflective of the functions of Trinity College.
14. In the context of these arrangements, and the wider church deliberations on governance and management, I propose that the new Principal [or Director] be charged with developing an Agreement between the Trinity College Council and the College Management describing their respective roles. This Agreement could be the basis of a review on at least a quarterly basis.

15. The Principal [or Director] would also be charged with developing alternative models of lay and ordained Education and Training together with costings and financial projections; and with reporting to Conference 2009 on progress and with specific recommendations, where necessary, regarding the organisational and qualifications changes highlighted in the Hinchcliff Report. Also, it would be expected that the Principal [or Director] would consult with key stakeholders including relevant Conference Committees, staff and students.

Suggested Decisions:

16. It is recommended that Conference

(a) notes that:

- i. in examining governance structures for Mission Resourcing and Trinity Theological College, as supported by Conference 2007, the Commissioner Dr. John Hinchcliff, identified issues of governance and management across the various levels of the Church as a whole;
- ii. I, as President of Conference, invited the Commissioner to explore those issues and provide a Church-wide governance/management paper for Synods and 2008 Conference;
- iii. the Church-wide governance and management paper has been circulated to Synods and Boards with other committees accessing it through their regional Synods.

(b)

- i. agrees that the 2008 Commissioner's Report on governance and management be accepted as a foundation for further consultation and development;
- ii. notes that Recommendation 24 of the Stipends Review Group report, accepted by Conference 2007, recommended that a Task Force be appointed to review the regional and national structure of Conference and Synods to reflect the diminishing resources of the Church;
- iii. agrees that the proposed Task Force, be established by the end of 2008 and charged with further consideration of and consultation on the August 2008 Commissioner's Report and Recommendations, with a view to reporting to Conference 2009, on church-wide governance and management structures; together with costings and a timeline for a staged process of change, the first phase to be effected by 2010.

- (c) agree that in respect of Mission Resourcing, an Interim Board be established, such a committee to consist of 3 people reflective of Mission Resourcing responsibilities; with an Agreement developed to define the respective roles of the Board and the Management.

- (d) agrees that in respect of Lay and Ministry Training through Trinity Theological College

- (i) the appointment of Principal [or Director] proceed for effect from 2009;
- (ii) the proposed Principal's [or Director's] Job Description be accepted;
- (iii) the Trinity College Council (already in existence) be the governing body from 2009 until such time as any other church governance structures emerge;
- (iv) the Trinity College Council consist of up to five people plus the Chairperson and that they be reflective of the functions of Trinity College;

- (v) the Principal (or Director) be charged with:
- developing an Agreement between Council and Management on their respective roles;
 - developing alternative models of Lay and Ministry Training together with costings and financial projections;
 - consulting with key stakeholders including relevant Conference Committees, staff and students;
 - reporting to conference 2009 on progress and specific recommendations where necessary, on the proposals re organisational and qualifications changes highlighted in the Hinchcliff Report;
- (e) agree that the Board of Ministry be disestablished.

Brian Turner
Ex President of Conference

TRINITY METHODIST THEOLOGICAL COLLEGE

Introduction

This year has been defined by the consequences of the decisions made at Conference 2007 and the Presidents recommendation "to continue the appointment of the Commissioner to undertake the governance responsibilities of the Board of Ministry." This action was taken because of the significant strategic decisions required. The implications for Trinity College meaning that considerable work has been undertaken to consider future strategy directions and structure for ministry education.

The year began with being confronted with the harsh reality of the financial difficulties of Trinity College. These were seen to be of such severe magnitude that a decisive and radical response was immediately required. The challenge was how to reduce the level of deficit whilst maintaining the integrity of the College's educational programmes.

Following consultation, I recommended to the President that Trinity College's Ministry Training Unit be closed and the programme for 2008 integrated with the Trinity College Meadowbank programme. In coming to this recommendation, a number of critical issues were considered:

- The total number of ordination students engaged in Trinity College programmes for the 2008 year.
- The projected budget deficit.
- Trinity College would continue to retain its NZQA accreditation for the programme, enabling components to become part of a mix of what could be offered into the future.
- Ministry education, training and formation were able to continue in the various parts and programmes of Trinity College and the wider Church.

Having made this difficult decision, it has been important to focus on the future and the strategic direction for Trinity College.

Strategic Planning

Trinity College has the responsibility of providing educational opportunities relevant to the needs of individual students and the needs of the Methodist Church of New Zealand. This includes the preparation of people for ministry, both lay and ordained.

A wide process of consultation has progressed during the year, as outlined in the Commissioner's

and President's reports. In light of that, planning for the future continues to be undertaken for Trinity College.

Structural flexibility is an important feature of our existing educational programmes, and it is important that our planning for the future does not lose this flexibility. We are working towards a curriculum structure that is easy to understand, that will meet the educational needs of our different constituents, is affordable and attends to the content specific requirements of a contemporary ministry. This includes:

- Ministry formation for Presbyters and Deacons
- Continuing education for Presbyters and Deacons
- Education for Lay ministry.

The learning that Trinity College's curriculum offers, must be connected to, and informed by the realities of practical experience. It is no use just learning about the Gospel and the related theological issues. It is also to live the Gospel and the theological beliefs. Trinity College's commitment will be to learning and enabling students to integrate knowledge and experience.

In our strategic planning, Trinity College will be ensuring that strategic and business plans link with the vision that ministry education (for lay and ordained) can take place in a range of settings and be relevant to a variety of groups.

Over the next year, a variety of programmes will be offered and will continue to be developed:

- Bachelor of Theology for ordination students
- Diploma of Ministry –the basis of which will be the current NZQA approved Diploma in Practical Theology. This educational programme will be particularly shaped to meet the needs of students and the wider Methodist Church seeking a comprehensive programme of Ministry Formation. It will be a compulsory requirement for all candidates training for Presbyteral and Diaconal Ministry.
- Certificate of Ministry - work will begin on development of curriculum looking towards the establishment of a new one year Certificate of Ministry.
- E-Learning programmes – consideration will be given to how this can be developed with the above programmes and also the existing ministry development programme.

Staffing

Staffing in this context is critical. Because Trinity College is a small college, its staff often needs to operate with a high level of autonomy and a comparatively low level of support. Working in these conditions is challenging, rewarding and worrying all at the same time. I respect and admire the commitment and dedication of all who are involved in offering theological education within Trinity College. So much is done by so few, with such minimal resources.

In planning for a new future, the leadership of Trinity College seems to recognise that not only new and extra staffing is required, but also clarity in role definitions and inter-relationships. A new set of job frameworks have been developed, the principles behind these frameworks are:

1. Stability with flexibility – in a developing and fast changing environment there needs to be a level of stability in the staffing arrangements, complemented by flexibility to enable specialist skills and knowledge to be purchased from time to time.
2. Specialisation complemented with willingness by all staff to share the tasks (education, training, and administration) wherever possible. Many requirements will be common across staff – particularly the academic staff.

Decisions will need to be made to sufficient teaching staff and administrative available for 2009 in all essential areas to allow student learning and related expectations to be met. There might need to be a mix of permanent and contractual agreements as a new Principal/Director works towards 2010, as recommended by the Commissioner.

Financial Implications

This year has seen an improved financial result built from the difficult decisions taken during the year. With this improvement, we are hopeful that work can begin towards the vision and creative opportunities that have begun to be identified. However, careful management of the limited financial resources must continue.

The College has benefited in the past by the foresight and wisdom of financial manager Frank Claridge who enabled a number of endowment funds to be established. These funds are now generating the majority of income for the College. This has been essential in a time of declining connexional funding.

We are immensely grateful to the PAC Distribution Group for the receipt of this year's endowment funding. That appreciation also extends to the Tidd Foundation of Hamilton, which regularly provides financial grants for student housing and book allowances for students. Without that continued and generous support, the College's task would be much more difficult.

The careful and competent management by our Business Manager has been crucial to achieving such a surprisingly good financial result.

Acknowledgements

Over the last year, there has been considerable staff movement in and away from Trinity College. During 2007, the Principal Rev Dr Mary Caygill indicated that she would be concluding her term on the 31st January 2009. Mary has given outstanding service to the Church in the field of ministry education. While Principal, she has lectured at the University of Auckland's School of Theology, has undertaken the many, complex and considerable leadership responsibilities at the College and for the Methodist Church, and she has been pastor to students and staff alike. Her Principalship has been during a time of considerable upheaval and change as the future of ministry education is debated throughout the church. Mary has ably led the college through this difficult period. We acknowledge her outstanding commitment, experience and leadership and wish her well for the future.

In January, Marisa Alix moved from being the PA / Administration Assistant to the Director of Trinity Ministry Training Unit to being the Administration Assistant at Trinity College. Marissa's understanding and knowledge of College life has been vital in a year of upheaval.

Rev Nasili Vaka'uta was appointed in July to the position of Lecturer in Biblical Studies. Nasili is an ordained minister of the Wesleyan Church of Tonga and until beginning his PhD studies in Auckland over three years ago was Head of Biblical Studies Department at Siatoutai Methodist Theological College in Tonga. He is a significant scholar and his expertise in the Biblical area is well recognised throughout the Pacific and Australia.

This year, the Principal took three months sabbatical leave. During this time, Rev Norman Brookes was appointed as Acting Principal. Norman's experience, wisdom and understanding of the Methodist Church have been greatly appreciated by staff and students alike. We acknowledge with gratitude Norman's willingness to undertake this role in a time of complex discussions about the future.

With the decision to close the Ministry Training Unit, the employment of Rev Dr Susan Adams as Director came to a conclusion. We acknowledge this involved considerable pain for Susan and the other staff of the MTU. However, we recognise and appreciate the contributions that Susan has made to the work of theological education through Trinity College. Susan's skills and knowledge in the area of adult education have been of significant benefit to the Methodist Church and we acknowledge and express our gratitude for the contribution she has made.

It was also with considerable sadness that the resignation of Rev Dr Lynne Wall was accepted during the year. Lynne has contributed greatly to the life of the college, to ministry education, to the pastoral care of students and their families and throughout the connexion over the nearly 10 years of her ministry at Trinity College. In her position of Ranston Lecturer, she brought a clear understanding of Biblical knowledge and theological understanding alongside together with expertise in nurturing learning and awareness of ministry.

Suggested Decisions:

1. That the report be received.
2. That Conference, in acknowledging that Rev Dr Mary Caygill completes her term as Principal on 31 January 2009, places on record its deep appreciation of her outstanding service to the church in the field of Ministry education.
3. That Conference acknowledges with gratitude the work of Rev Dr Susan Adams as Director Trinity Ministry Training Unit and places on record its deep appreciation of her work in the area of theological education.
4. That Conference acknowledges with gratitude the work of Rev Dr Lynne Wall as Ranston Lecturer and places on record its deep appreciation of her work in the area of Biblical studies at Trinity Methodist Theological College.
5. That Conference acknowledges the difficult financial situation faced by Trinity College and the competent work and responsible stewardship of the Business Manager in returning a healthy financial statement.

MISSION RESOURCING

"Resourcing parishes, synods and leaders for contemporary mission and ministry in order that the church can develop in healthy and mission-focused ways."

This has been the statement we have worked from in 2008, and we believe it addresses the wide-ranging work the church asks Mission Resourcing to do.

Governance

Conference 2007 appointed the Rev Dr John Hinchcliff to be Commissioner, providing governance for Mission Resourcing until such time as other governance arrangements could be agreed by Conference. We have appreciated the time and commitment given by Dr Hinchcliff and the careful way he worked with us in providing governance and guidance. We also appreciated the manner in which he listened carefully as we talked about our history and future hopes. In line with the tone of his report, we have appreciated the manner in which John gave staff the trust and encouragement to get on with their work, providing governance input only when it was required. We are also grateful to the church for the support given to Mission Resourcing staff during this interim period. We look forward to a stronger future with a new Board. After several years of struggling with our finances, Mission Resourcing done a significant amount of work on the budget and finance and we are now in a more stable financial position.

Thanks

We want to express our thanks to several groups / people for their support this year:

- The Robert Gibson trust, Doris Swadling trust, Wellington Charitable Endowment trust and the Napier Methodist Parish for financial support.
- President Brian Turner, Vice President Barbara Peddie, General Secretary Jill van de Geer and Tumuaki Diana Tana for the support given during the year working alongside the Commissioner.
- Those who invested time and energy in MYC'08.
- The Administration Division staff for support and hospitality.
- Parishes and Synods which have hosted us and participated in various workshops.

Major work for 2008

Candidates and Ordinands Assessment

This year nine candidates were assessed by the Candidates Assessment Team, with four Ordinands being assessed by the Ordinands Assessment team. The Candidates team has been ably led by Chris Elphick, and the Ordinands team by Prince Devanandan. Mission Resourcing has confidence in the teams we have used. In 2009 the Candidates team will be led by Chris Elphick, and the Ordinands team by Norman Brookes.

Communication

This year Mission Resourcing has worked to communicate more frequently with the church about what we were doing and thinking. We decided that a 'blog' was the best means of communication, as it would also allow for ongoing conversation with the church if people wanted to 'think' with us. Each month we send a list of 'headers' of each posting via e-messenger, and this has proven to be a popular way of staying in touch. Anyone can read and use the material posted there, and we encourage the church to engage in

conversation with us. Linked to the blog are documents for discussion, forms for use and posters advertising events. The web address for the blog is <http://missionresourcingcentre.blogspot.com>. We have also begun to post many of our forms and documents on the Methodist Church's website so that they would be available for wider use. This area will continue to grow, but we believe it is a helpful way of resourcing the church.

Profiles and Parish Mission and Ministry reviews

As indicated in our report to Conference 2007, work has been done on developing profile and review forms for use in stationing and in parish mission and ministry reviews. We have looked at material on theology of ministry and ordination, key questions asked in times of transition, as well as the forms and processes used by other churches. One of the conclusions of the research is that profiles (parish and presbyter) and reviews can be done most effectively if they combine a growing self-understanding with a clear sense of direction done in an atmosphere of prayer. In this way profiles and reviews use very similar processes. We are therefore working on creating a streamlined process for parishes, presbyters and synods to work with as well as creating continuity between profiles, face to face conversations, first year and parish mission and ministry reviews.

The focus of the reviews is on enabling parishes to ascertain, describe and plan for their mission and ministry goals in the context of their communities. For this reason, we believe a 3+3 year cycle is appropriate for re-focussing and development. In most cases the first review would be a major piece of work, collecting data on the community and parish, doing surveys and wide spread research and giving sufficient information that the parish can set clear and reasonable goals based on both the data and the understanding of the parish's own life and history. The second review (3 years later) would normally re-evaluate the goals and directions and suggest changes if appropriate. Much of the work would be done by the parish, with the review team providing assistance, encouragement and direction. The goal of the review process is to enable the parish to do its mission and ministry effectively.

Further information on the process of the reviews will be available from Mission Resourcing in 2009, and will be sent to all Synod Superintendents. Material for profiles will be ready for March 2009, and new review material should be available by July.

Police Vetting

For some time now, the church has been talking about the vulnerability of Children, Youth and the Elderly, and how we might be assured that those who work with them are 'safe'. This has also been part of our conversations around 'healthy church'. Currently the Candidating processes require that those who candidate for ordained ministry to undergo Ministry of Justice checks. However this is not the case with Lay Ministers, those paid by parishes to work with Children, Youth or the Elderly (though this is a requirement within many departments of our Missions) or volunteers such as Sunday School teachers and youth group leaders. Talking with other organisations, denominations and the Missions, we have established that one helpful step we should take is to institute Police vetting checks for all those engaged in ministry through parishes in the name of the church.

In line with this, Mission Resourcing was approved for Police vetting this year. The purpose of Police vetting (from their website), *"is to minimise the likelihood of the more vulnerable members of society (children, older people and those with special needs) being put at risk by individuals who may have displayed behaviour that could be detrimental to others' safety and wellbeing."* The process we propose to use would be consistent with other organisations in similar work. Police vetting is already used by Boys and Girls Brigades for all workers (including chaplains), the Presbyterian Church of Aotearoa New Zealand for all ministers and anyone working with youth and children, the Department of Education for all staff in schools, as well as many other organisations.

It is our intention that this will be used for all candidates for ordained ministry from 2009. We also believe that there is a need to extend that to all Lay Ministers on the stationing sheet, all those employed in parishes to work with Children and Young people, and eventually to all deacons and presbyters. This move is supported by Taiwi Strategy committee.

Work is still to be done on the following:

- Assessing the administrative cost of assessing volunteer Sunday School teachers and youth leaders how this can best be handled.
- Assessing the need and administrative cost of 'rechecking'. It is common practise in many organisations to 're-check' all employees, and we are suggesting that this be done 5 yearly.

The police vetting process is conducted with the consent of the individual, and information would be confidential to the person and the organisation which engages them. In the case of Presbyters and Lay Ministers, information would be held as part of the personal files at Mission Resourcing. Parishes would need to develop secure filing of information on Lay workers and volunteers. Mission Resourcing will provide criteria and guidelines which parishes can use to determine how to deal with those who have convictions.

The Police do not currently charge for this service, so the cost to parishes would be related to Mission Resourcing's administrative costs (postage and handling). More information on this process can be obtained from Mission Resourcing and will be posted on the website soon.

Children's Ministry

Mission Resourcing has been approached by Scripture Union to see if we wish to participate in their 'ChildSafe' program, which produces standards and training resources to help leaders keep children and young people safe. We are still assessing this material, but an initial evaluation is that it could be very useful for answering some of the questions that have been asked about training resources for leaders, as well as assisting in the process of assessing children's and youth workers and assisting them to provide safe programs.

We have also identified the need for an appropriate 'place' for Children's ministry. Following the lead of Dr Hinchcliff's report, in 2009 we will be looking at the possibility of bringing Children's ministry into a single 'department' with Youth ministry (see 'Expected work for 2009' below).

We are also hoping to use the Mission Resourcing blog more effectively for communication regarding children's ministry resources and events. However this will be dependent on what information comes to us, and the availability of staff to do this.

Pasifika Parish / Congregation Structures and Relationship

Work has been done this year to assist the Pacific Ministries continue to review / refine their parish and congregation structures around the question of 'what are the helpful ways for Pasifika congregations to be formed and to relate to other synods, parishes and to Conference?' Many of the Pacific congregations are quite isolated and are either attached to an English-Speaking parish or are independent but using the same set of properties. The questions of synodal oversight, accountability and shared use of properties are the major issues still being sorted out for these isolated congregations. For the Wasewase ko Viti kei Rotuma, the main issue under discussion is when it would become a synod.

Stewardship and Financial Literacy Programme

In connection with the work of Sinoti Samoa, Mission Resourcing has developed a Stewardship Workshop with a major emphasis on 'tithing' and 'money management' from a migrant Samoan perspective. Earlier in August this year, this programme was run as a trial in one Samoan congregation and it has produced a very positive outcome. Sinoti Samoa strongly supports this programme and is asking all its parishes and congregations to have this programme run at their churches. The Director for Pasifika Ministries is also currently working with a community group under the umbrella of the COMET (City of Manukau Educational Trust) to produce a 'Pasifika Youth Financial Literacy Programme'. This is a community response to an identified need of the Pacific young people. It is hoped that this programme will soon be available for Pasifika churches and communities.

Candidating for ministry in more than one cultural / ministry setting

This work is part of the ongoing task of reviewing the Candidating Process. In the current candidate materials, the candidates are asked to choose only one of the ministry settings e.g. Fijian, Tongan, English-Speaking or Rotuman. The Candidates are assessed and trained for the ministry choices they choose. It should be noted that the way we define these cultural / ministry settings are not just descriptors or language definitions – nor are they defined by the ability of a person to speak one or more languages. These are an attempt to also describe a cultural group – which includes language, styles of worship, styles of leadership, styles of meeting conduct, ways of relating with other people and understanding mission and ministry. These things are very different (for example) in Samoan and English speaking settings, and it is only exceptional people who can really work effectively in two such different settings. Preliminary work has been done in consultation with the Tauivi Strategy Committee on this area. The main issues being the criteria for assessment, and processes for synods and parishes to assess the suitability of candidates offering across multiple cultural / ministry settings.

For this year we are recommending, as a first step in this review process, that Candidates who wish to candidate in more than one cultural / ministry setting are required to be supported by a synod and a parish from each ethnic group. They will also be required to have been actively part of both parishes for more than 2 years. This takes into account the needs of all groups in Tauivi, as well as giving a fair process to the candidates who feel called to ministry in more than one cultural / ministry setting.

Building & Mission Projects

Mission Resourcing is in conversation with, and support of, the initial processes for developing the mission projects of Sinoti Samoa and Wasewase ko Viti kei Rotuma. As tabled at the Conference 2007, Sinoti Samoa is engaged in a project for a multi-purpose building for mission and ministry activities in the South Auckland area. Likewise, the Auckland Tabacakakaka of Wasewase ko Viti kei Rotuma is engaged in a similar project on the property they have already bought at Onehunga. Preliminary work with the Vahefonua

Tonga o Aotearoa on its mission project is beginning to happen. It is exciting to see our Pacific membership engaged in mission and community engagement. Mission Resourcing will continue to offer support and guidance for these mission projects.

Expected work for 2009

In 2009, Mission Resourcing has three major focus areas alongside our ongoing work resourcing parishes and synods. We will be working with the new Board to determine other work which needs to be undertaken. The first is 'Developing leadership for mission, growth, healthy churches and expanding our vision of mission and ministry'. We will be looking at what leadership is required to assist the church into the future, and will work with Trinity College, Synods and Tauiri Youth to develop both concept and people in leadership understanding and practise for these areas. This will include discussion of key competencies for leadership, a theology of leadership, developing new leaders and identifying new areas of leadership required by the church - as well as ongoing work on the Candidates processes.

Our second area of work is to begin a comprehensive review of Children's and Youth ministries, with a view to bringing them together into one 'department'. Included in this will be an assessment of the ChildSafe materials. We are not yet sure of the staffing implications for this, or how it may be structured and do not want to predetermine the outcomes of the review.

The third area is to work with the new Board in setting our strategic plan for 2009-2011 and business plan for 2009. Funding for the Board was not in our 2008-2009 budget and we will be seeking assistance from the Budget Task group to meet these costs.

Suggested Decisions:

1. The report is received.
2. Conference notes that the Candidates Assessment Team convener for 2009 will be Chris Elphick.
3. Conference notes that the Ordinands Assessment Team convener for 2009 will be Norman Brookes.
4. Conference agrees that Parish reviews will be conducted on a 3 yearly cycle, as indicated in the report, with all parishes to have completed a first review before Conference 2011.
5. Conference agrees with the principle that all those in paid parish and Diaconal ministry in the Methodist Church of New Zealand are required to have a police vetting check.
 - a. That from January 2009 all new Candidates and all Lay Ministers listed on the stationing sheet are required to complete a police vetting check.
 - b. That from January 2009 all those paid by parishes to work with children, youth or the elderly are required to complete a police vetting check.
 - c. That from 2010 all Presbyters and Deacons are required to complete a police vetting check, with the first round of this process being completed by Conference 2011.
 - d. That all Police vetting checks are to be updated every 5 years.
6. Conference agrees that the following be included in the candidate process for all candidates wanting to candidate in for more than one language setting.
 - a. That Candidates are to have been actively involved for more than two years in worship and leadership in the life of the language settings they candidate for;
 - b. That Candidates are required to complete reports from a parish in each language setting as well as both ministerial synods.
7. That the Board of Mission Resourcing for 2009 be ...

Local Shared Ministry

The Local Shared Ministry workgroup have been working alongside Synods and Parishes to "Support the growth of Local Shared Ministry as a model of Ministry in the Methodist Church of New Zealand and Uniting Congregations."

In 2008 this has meant:

- Continuing to develop the Local Shared Ministry guidelines for approval at Conference 2008;
- Assisting Synods and Parishes wanting to explore Local Shared Ministry as a ministry option for themselves;
- Developing and providing the annual Enabler and team training event, held in Opunake (Taranaki) in October;
- Establishing better lines of communication with Enablers, Local Shared Ministry Units and all those interested in Local Shared Ministry;
- Working with the church on issues directly related to Local Shared Ministry in regards to theology, church structure and ministry practise.

This work has resulted in three very distinct outcomes.

The first is the final version of the **Local Shared Ministry Guidelines**, which we are asking that Conference 2008 approve. These have been significantly changed since the original was produced in 2006. It takes into account material presented at Conference 2007, work done by the Workgroup in 2007 and 2008, and also addresses further questions and concerns from Synods. The workgroup has considerably 'toned down' the very structured model presented in the first paper in response to Synod comments, and has added the substantial theological work done by Faith and Order. It is our hope that Conference will approve these Guidelines and Local Shared Ministry will be able to continue to emerge confidently as a ministry option within our churches. Once this has happened, work will still need to be done to integrate Local Shared Ministry into church structures and Law. We would like to work with Law Revision to facilitate this as expediently as possible.

Another part of our work has been in establishing the **blog** <http://methodistenable.blogspot.com/>. This has given Local Shared Ministry a valuable communication and education tool. It has the potential to link Enablers, Local Shared Ministry Units and practitioners around the country very effectively. The blog also enables Local Shared Ministry Units to share their stories, joys and frustrations.

The third outcome is **Methodist Enable '08 Opunake**. At the time of writing the report, Opunake were preparing to host the event and an exciting program was being prepared. A full report will be provided on the blog, and a selection of experiences will be shared verbally at Conference. At the time of writing, the Local Shared Ministry Workgroup were in negotiation to hold 2 events in 2009; the first in Northland in the first half of the year, and the second in September / October possibly in the South Island.

The Workgroup is grateful for the Connexional support given for Local Shared Ministry, and believes that the most functional relationship for its future is to operate as a working Task Group of Mission Resourcing. In 2009 it is our intention to hold some special meetings which would focus on particular topics and would involve a wider group of people in topics such as; an Local Shared Ministry DVD, developing Enablers, and growing teams. Sadly for us, Alex Webster will be leaving the Workgroup in 2010. We have appreciated his solid, thoughtful input and wish him well for his future. This year we have also had to farewell Lynne Wall. Lynne's careful and enthusiastic manner and her commitment to development of people in ministry have been missed.

Suggested Decisions:

1. In regards to the Guidelines for Local Shared Ministry:
 - a. Conference approves the Guidelines for Local Shared Ministry.
 - b. Conference asks Law Revision to work with the Local Shared Ministry Workgroup to implement appropriate changes to the Law Book.
 - c. Conference notes that the Local Shared Ministry Workgroup will initiate a review of the Guidelines in 2011.
2. Conference notes that the Local Shared Ministry Workgroup will continue to report to Conference through Mission Resourcing.
3. Conference notes the membership of the Local Shared Ministry Workgroup for 2009: Val Nicholls, Bonnie Heberton, Nigel Hanscamp, Terry Wall, Ngaire Southen.
4. Conference expresses its thanks to Alex Webster and Lynne Wall for the time, energy and skill they have brought to the establishment and encouragement of Local Shared Ministry in our Methodist context.

Guidelines to

Local Shared Ministry (LSM)

in the Methodist Church of New Zealand – Te Haahi Weteriana o Aotearoa

The Local Shared Ministry Model: A Summary

Local Shared Ministry is an exciting way to renew congregational life and live out our calling to proclaim the good news of Christ.

The local church community takes responsibility for establishing mission and ministry by:

- Identifying the mission of the congregation
- Identifying the ministries that will support the congregation and its mission
- Affirming the gifts of all the baptised
- Calling together a Team to support the mission and ministry of the congregation. Some of this group may be lay, some may be ordained.

The mission and ministry of the Local Shared Ministry Unit is supported and resourced by an Enabler who acts as mentor, teacher and spiritual companion.

Definitions agreed in 2006 by Methodist Church of New Zealand and Uniting Congregations of Aotearoa New Zealand:

- **Local Shared Ministry** is a ministry of the whole congregation.
- **The Local Shared Ministry Unit** is the congregation/s. A 'Unit' may be a whole parish, or one congregation within a parish. There may also be several Units within a parish.
- **The Ministry Support Team** will support the ministry of the whole unit (or congregation/s).
- **The Enabler** resources the Ministry Support Team, but is not a member of the Parish.

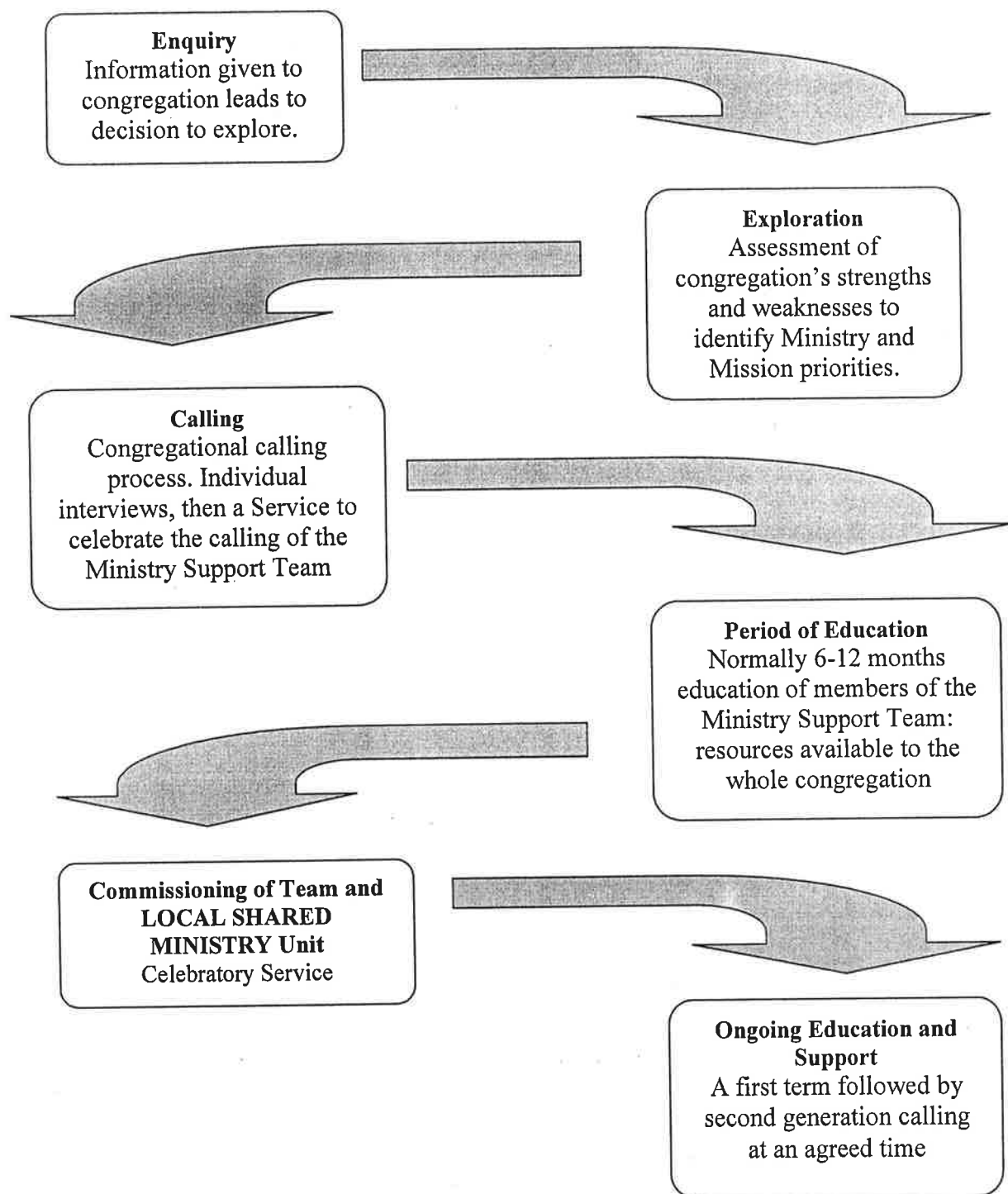
Note: For more definitions, see the 'glossary of terms' at the end of this document.

Introduction

Conference 2006 approved the draft Discussion Document for use as the model was becoming clearer to the Church. Local Shared Ministry has therefore been a 'work in progress'. It is currently working in 9 Methodist and Cooperating Parishes within the Connexion (as well as a number of Cooperative ventures and Anglican congregations) with others continuing to explore the journey to Local Shared Ministry.

These Guidelines provide the basis for Local Shared Ministry in a Methodist context. The Workgroup looks to Conference 2008 to affirm the model of Local Shared Ministry and its practice as outlined in this paper.

A TYPICAL JOURNEY INTO Local Shared Ministry



A Vision and Theology of Local Shared Ministry

Central to the ethos of Local Shared Ministry is that congregations are called to live out the mission of Christ in the world, and to proclaim and model the Christian faith. Each Local Shared Ministry unit identifies their purpose as a worshipping congregation and as a congregation involved in mission.

The vision for Local Shared Ministry is based on the belief that each congregation has within it the gifts and graces to provide opportunities for worship and witness, service and outreach. It is a vision of a ministering community of faith, which recognizes the ministry of all the baptized.

The responsibility for ministry and mission belongs to the people of God by virtue of their baptism and their God-given gifts. In baptism we are received into the household of God, to love and serve God in the world. (1 Peter 2: 4-5, 9 priesthood of all believers). As members of the Body of Christ (1 Corinthians 12: 12ff) the baptized "rejoice with those who rejoice and weep with those who weep." (Romans 12:15)

In calling a leadership team the congregation prayerfully considers its life and mission in the community, and prays for guidance in discerning the gifts people have for ministry. This is the pattern laid down as a model for Moses' ministry (Exodus 18: 13ff) and the early Church (Acts 1: 21-25 the calling of Matthias to replace Judas; Acts 6: 1-6 calling the first deacons.)

The pattern remains: prayer...guidance of the Spirit...discernment....calling. This would be followed by equipping for the task (as Jesus did for his disciples).

Jesus' model of choosing leaders from amongst his followers, mentoring them, sending them out, expecting them to show vision and initiative is well documented in the Gospels (e.g. Luke 10: the mission of the seventy). The Ministry Support Team operates on just such a basis. An Enabler mentors members of the Ministry Team, who in turn mentor a group in their given area of ministry or mission.

The team members are called to particular ministries but they also function as a team – supporting and encouraging one another, and working together to offer vision, enthusiasm and direction to the Local Shared Ministry Unit.

Sacramental ministry is central to the worshipping life of the congregation. The focus is always on the Risen Christ, not on the elements; on the worship of the people, not on the one leading. We have but one priest, Christ our Lord. In a Local Shared Ministry unit the calling of one of the congregation to preside at baptism and communion is done with the same prayerful consideration as for the other callings. The congregation is led by the Spirit to identify the people in that congregation who have the gifts necessary. Appropriate training is given once the call is accepted, as for other areas of ministry and mission.

Ultimately the theological foundation for Local Shared Ministry is embedded in the relationships present in the life of God as creator, redeemer and life-giver: a relationship which supports and makes space for others within the life of God. The team concept reflects the community of faith's lived response to God's love – an invitation to mutual recognition and mutual respect.

"Ultimately Christian ministry.....must be acknowledged as God's mystery, never fully understood or disclosed. It is both a human profession and a gift of God; it is both cultural and transcendent. It is rooted in this time and place, yet belongs to no time or place. It is a divine calling to communicate through one's own life the redemptive love of Christ for all humanity....No single title, metaphor or concept can ever fully illustrate or illuminate the fullness and mystery of Christ's ministry." (Donald Messer *Contemporary Images of Christian Ministry*)

The Methodist Church of New Zealand believes that the ministry of Jesus Christ in, to, and for the world is one ministry; that Christ continues this ministry through the Church; that all those who are 'in Christ' by virtue of their baptism, and seek a deeper relationship with God, share in this ministry. Within this ministry of all who are baptized, there are specific ministries and responsibilities.

The Methodist Church authorizes these particular ministries through the ordained ministries of presbyter and deacon, and through team ministries and specific lay ministries.

"Towards a Vision and Theology of Local Shared Ministry" extract from Local Shared Ministry Report to Conference 2007

What a Ministry Support Team might look like

Once it has identified its mission, the congregation calls members to particular ministry tasks which reflect the mission and ministry of the congregation. Typically each Ministry Team would need an administrator, a worship leader, and a pastoral care co-ordinator. However the model is flexible and the mission of a particular congregation might also require an Outreach Co-ordinator, or a Youth worker, a hospitality convenor, or a music convenor to be in the Ministry Support Team.

Examples:-

- Trinity United have two Community and Outreach team-members – one to work in the Whangamata area and the other in the Pauanui area.
- The Thames Union Ministry Support Team takes collective responsibility for education.
- The Riverton Union Ministry Support Team has three team members each working with a team of between 5 and 22 members at their given task. They also have a Marriage Celebrant and a Funeral Celebrant working in the Unit.
- North Hokianga called two Sacramental Ministers, a Worship leader, a Preaching-Teaching leader and an Administrator. Pastoral Care is a function of the whole Unit under the guidance of the Administrator.
- The Bay of Islands has called a person to ministry with tourists.

The Calling Process

During the Exploration process, the congregation identifies the tasks of ministry that are important in its life and mission. Role descriptions are formulated. There are discussions around the gifts and skills needed for the ministry tasks. The congregation is invited to pray for guidance in discerning the gifts and persons appropriate for each ministry task.

During a service of worship the ministry and mission of the local congregation is celebrated. Papers are distributed to members of the congregation, naming the ministries for which a calling is to be made. Members of the congregation are invited to put a name beside each category.

NOTE: Only parish members can participate, therefore the parish roll will need to be kept up to date.

After the service, the Synod Superintendent, another District representative, plus a third person who has some knowledge of the congregation, will collate the names on the papers. In this collation the interviewing team will exercise discernment with regard to gender balance, age range, ability to work in a team and other relevant or contextual factors. (See Glossary of Terms for full description.) They will then meet with the people who have been named, and advise them that they have been called to this position on the Team. In some cases the person may not have felt that call from God and may decline. The interviewing team will then go to the second name on the list and the process is repeated.

When the membership of the Team has been confirmed the names are presented to the congregation normally the next Sunday. In any subsequent calling, a postal system could be used for those who cannot attend, if it is decided by the Unit that this is appropriate. In a first calling the concept of Local Shared Ministry is still being understood, so it is important that people are present.

Team building

Team building is an important and on-going task. Each team member is responsible for gathering together a number of people to help with the task for which they have been given responsibility. For example, Pastoral Care may be covered by a team of 4-6 people co-ordinated by the Pastoral Care Co-ordinator. There may be a number of worship leaders who will meet for training and planning under the leadership of the Worship Co-ordinator.

The Role of the Enabler in relation to the Local Shared Ministry Unit

Working with the Local Shared Ministry Unit is an Enabler whose functions are to build the members into a supportive and committed team, resourcing each team member for their ministry, and to support the congregation through change and development of its new Mission and Ministry directions. The Enabler's role is absolutely vital, and the Local Shared Ministry Unit will always have an Enabler. As far as possible, the Enabler will do all resourcing and training in the Parish where it is available to the whole congregation.

The Enabler's role is as mentor, teacher and spiritual companion to:

1. Assist the Unit to continue to clearly identify its mission.
2. Foster relationships between the Unit and the Synod.
3. Provide ongoing encouragement through the process of change from one style of ministry to another.
4. Oversee the education and development of the Ministry Support Team.
5. To maintain contact with the congregation and to model effective worship leadership by leading worship on an occasional basis.
6. Attend Parish Council meetings as regularly as required to assist the leadership functions, and communication between the Parish Council and the Ministry Support Team.
7. Facilitate congregational/Parish Council planning days to move the Unit into a forward and outward looking way of being church in that community.
8. Meet monthly with the Ministry Support Team for training, encouragement, and planning.
9. Provide a supervisory function for the Ministry Support Team through group and individual meetings
10. Liaise closely with the Parish Council Chairperson and Parish Superintendent.
11. Maintain an overview of how the Unit is developing and remind the Parish of their new form of ministry.
12. Encourage links with other Local Shared Ministry units.

The Enabler and the wider Church.

1. The Enabler's role is a specific recognised ministry role within the life of the Methodist Church for the purposes of Local Shared Ministry.
2. The Synod through its Superintendent, in consultation with the appropriate Taiwi Mission Resourcing Director, will identify and appoint Enablers.
3. Training for Enablers is provided by the Church annually.
4. There will be a Ministry Covenant with the Enabler, the Parish and the Synod. The Enabler will sign the *Ethical Standards for Ministry*, and will be expected to operate in compliance with the discipline of the Methodist Church. There may also be an Employment Agreement in some circumstances.
5. The Enabler would be accountable to the Synod for their work. Any issues that cannot be resolved in the normal course of events between the Unit and the Enabler, should be taken to the Synod.
6. The term of appointment of an Enabler to a Local Shared Ministry Unit is flexible, depending on the needs of the Ministry Unit, but would normally be for 3 years.
7. The Enabler is required to have ministry supervision, with costs met by the Ministry Units the Enabler is engaged with.
8. The Synod Superintendent will facilitate a review of the Enabler and the ministry unit after 12 months of commissioning the Ministry Support Team. Thereafter the Enabler will be part of an annual internal appraisal of the Ministry Unit. A three yearly ministry review of the Unit will be facilitated by the Synod Superintendent.
9. It is envisaged that an Enabler could work in 3 or 4 units, each Unit contributing 1/3 or 1/4 stipend plus allowances and travelling expenses, as appropriate.

How Local Shared Ministry relates to the Methodist Church of New Zealand and fits within Methodist structures.

1. Conference

Representation at Conference shall be one member from each Local Shared Ministry unit. The Enabler may attend Conference as an Observer (if not already in Full Connexion). The Enabler is not listed on the Stationing Sheet, but will be listed in the "List of Stations" in the Year Book – as will the Administrator of the Local Shared Ministry Unit who will be the contact person for the Unit. The Stationing Sheet and the "List of Stations" will identify the Parish or congregation as a Local Shared Ministry Unit.

2. Synod:

Synods

- Work with Parishes that are looking at their ministry needs, noting that Local Shared Ministry should be investigated along with other forms of ministry e.g. as part of the process of helping with the Parish profile, or strategy development, or as a result of a Parish Review. The Church's national Local Shared Ministry Workgroup members are available to help Synods with this if needed.
- Identify and approve suitable candidates for Enabler training.
- Appoint Enablers to Local Shared Ministry units.
- Support Enablers, and ensure that appropriate supervision is in place.
- Establish Parish superintendency in a manner that maintains accountability and the relationship of Enabler and Parish to Synod and Conference.
- Ensure a Covenant is in place between the Ministry Support Team, the Enabler, Parish and the Synod

3. Parish:

Parishes or Units

- Work with Synods to identify the most appropriate forms of ministry.
- Work with an Enabler to identify the best shape for Local Shared Ministry for that Unit
- Participate fully in the life of the Synod
- Would be eligible to have the Enabler and one Parish representative at Synod.
- Ministry Support Team members would be eligible to attend Ministerial Synod.
- Parishes and Synods will consult on the appointment of an appropriate Enabler
- Ministry Support Teams and Local Shared Ministry Units will operate within the discipline of the Methodist Church and the Law Book.
- Relationships with Presbytery the Diocese and J.R.C. (in the case of Co-operating ventures) would be established at the time of setting up the Local Shared Ministry.

The Ministry Support Team has representation on the Parish Council. The form of this should be decided as the Local Shared Ministry unit is set up and then reviewed as part of the normal parish review process.

The Enabler may attend Parish Council as an observer.

4. Mission Resourcing and Trinity Methodist Theological College

Synod Superintendent in consultation with the Mission Resourcing Directors

- Identify (for the purposes of Stationing) which congregations are engaging in Local Shared Ministry
- Work together to identify and appoint Enablers,
- Draw up the Covenant and
- Ensure that Enabler training is undertaken.

Mission Resourcing and Trinity Methodist Theological College establishes and oversees the maintenance of standards of ministry for the Teams, to ensure that training and the delivery of ministry is appropriate and meets the criteria agreed to by Conference.

Trinity College will work with the national Local Shared Ministry Workgroup to oversee the

resourcing, training standards and material particularly for Enablers. At present this includes

- The Workgroup offering an annual 2-3 hour workshop on Local Shared Ministry to ministry students at Trinity Theological College.
- A specified range of educational and training opportunities for Local Shared Ministry teams (e.g. EIDTS, "Lead Worship", "Effective Leaders")
- Access to study programs at Trinity College for Enablers and Team members. Trinity College staff continues to contribute to Enabler Training events. Development of a curriculum for the education of Ministry Support teams.

Enabler training will be provided annually in consultation with the Synods and Board of Ministry.

5. Law Book

Law Book would be amended to include the Local Shared Ministry model. A discussion may need to be held between the Law Revision committee and the Local Shared Ministry workgroup.

6. Lay Preachers, Deacons and Presbyters

Lay Preachers, Deacons and Presbyters may be called by the congregation to be on the Ministry Support Team. These ministries may also be identified, nurtured and developed in individuals through the church process.

Guidelines for moving towards Local Shared Ministry in MCNZ

1. Parish Council fully discusses future ministry needs with the Synod Superintendent or their representative. This discussion encompasses the strengths and weaknesses of the congregation, their mission goals, who is active in ministry and mission in the Parish, and who the church is 'neighbour to' in the local community. Local Shared Ministry is explained along with other ministry possibilities. Parish Council agrees on the options to be presented to the whole congregation.
2. A full congregational meeting is held to further discuss the options and allow people to clarify concerns and hopes. The Synod Superintendent or their representative will be present at this meeting. This meeting may best be facilitated by someone outside the Parish. It may also be useful to include someone from outside the Parish who can confidently present the concept of Local Shared Ministry.
3. Parish Council will meet again to take time to reflect on the views of the congregation and make a decision about a way forward. If Local Shared Ministry is the chosen option, the Parish Council will advise the Synod Superintendent in writing and request that they move into a period of exploration. This period of exploration may take up to 12 months.
(If there is no consensus, either more time is taken for dialogue or other options are then investigated.)
4. The Synod Superintendent will appoint a facilitator (who may be an Enabler) to work with the congregation. The task during this time will be to flesh out what Local Shared Ministry means. This will be done through further congregational meetings, preaching and leading worship that highlights the new style of ministry, as well as workshops that prepare the congregation for the basic ministry and mission functions they will be taking over. Gift and ministry discernment programmes would also be part of this exploration.
5. During this exploratory period the Parish Council, in consultation with the Synod Superintendent, will ensure that there is regular worship and pastoral oversight in the Parish. It may not be helpful to place a supply Minister in a Parish that is in an exploratory phase.
6. Towards the end of the exploration period there will be a final congregational meeting to decide whether or not to proceed with Local Shared Ministry. This should be done with a significant majority expressing agreement. The Synod must also be satisfied that the Parish is ready to proceed with this model. *(At this point it may be decided by the Parish or by the Enabler that this model of ministry is not sustainable in this Parish and other options would again be investigated.)*

7. If the decision is to proceed with Local Shared Ministry, the Facilitator/Enabler will initiate a "Calling process" to call parishioners to the Ministry Support Team (MST). The first part of the "Calling process" will be a workshop to determine the roles of the Team members. There are several models currently being used for how these teams may be shaped. The second part of the "Calling process" centres around a Calling Service. (See *"What a Ministry Support team might look like on PP 4&5 for further detail on the calling process"*).
8. Following the Calling, a celebratory service is held to recognise the formation of the Ministry Support Team. An Enabler will be appointed by the Synod to work with the Parish. This may be a different person from the interim Enabler.
9. A period of education for the MST and the congregation then follows, which may continue for 6-12 months.
10. Following this a decision is made whether to continue with this model of ministry. If the decision is to proceed, the MST and the Enabler would be commissioned at a Celebratory Service, for a set period of time (normally 3 years). There will then be a first year review of the new ministry in the same way that there is of newly stationed Presbyters.
11. If the decision is not to proceed other models of ministry should be investigated.

Other Aspects of Local Shared Ministry.

1. Where this model of ministry might be appropriate

- For congregations who have made a deliberate choice to enhance the gifts of ministry within the congregation, Local Shared Ministry provides a working model. For many this is not a decision based on availability of finances.
- Congregations that can no longer afford a stipend for ordained Ministry, but understand that there are financial costs involved in Local Shared Ministry
- Urban congregations and rural congregations.
- Large congregations and small congregations.

2. Parish Council

- Parish Council sets policy and oversees the finances of the Parish.
- The Ministry Support Team takes responsibility for carrying out the day-to-day tasks of ministry and mission of the congregation. The M.S.T team would have representation on the Parish Council, and would be members of the Parish Council.

3. Finance

- Costs will be unique to each Local Shared Ministry unit, dependent on such things as skill-base within the congregation, level of understanding of the principles of Local Shared Ministry, isolation of the Parish, geographical size of the Parish etc.
- A guideline for cost of Enabler might be 1/5 to 1/3 stipend plus allowances and travel costs.
- Parish budget would allocate funds for education events of team, and some reimbursement costs for the team. Administration costs would continue.

4. A Multi-congregational Parish

A number of congregations within a multi-congregational Parish may choose to embrace Local Shared Ministry. But it is not necessary for all congregations within the Parish to do so. This may have implications for ministry to the whole Parish.

5. Weddings

In a Methodist model of Local Shared Ministry the congregation may call a team member to be responsible for conducting weddings. Application would be made for this team member to be on the Methodist list of celebrants. Further specific training would be provided for this person.

6. Training for Enabler, Ministry Support Team and Congregations

On-going training for both Enabler and Ministry Support Team(s) is a core aspect of this model of ministry. This can often be done in conjunction with Synod Schools of Ministry. The Enabler will

provide, and/or help the MST access, appropriate resources and training for the development of the congregation's ministry and mission.

7. Covenants and Employment Agreements

A Ministry Covenant is made between the Ministry Support Team, the Parish and the Synod Superintendent, and is co-signed by the appropriate Tauwi Mission Resourcing Director. (Each member of the Ministry Support Team would sign the *Ethical Standards for Ministry*)

If the Enabler is in Full Connexion a Ministry Covenant is made between the Enabler, the Parish and the Synod Superintendent and is co-signed by the Tauwi Mission Resourcing Director. (The Enabler would sign the *Ethical Standards for Ministry*).

If the Enabler is not in Full Connexion an Employment Agreement is put in place with the Synod

8. Second generation calling

During the Team's term, each team member is responsible for gathering together and training a number of people to help with the task for which the team member has been given responsibility. This fosters and encourages the gifts of the congregation. Towards the end of the term, a review process would identify changes in the make-up of the Ministry Support Team:

- Some members may want to come off the team
- The congregation may identify an area of their life that requires another person on the team.

A Calling is made for the whole team for the next term. Some members may be called again to their original tasks; new members may be called onto the team and so on.

If, within the Team's term, a member of the team is unable to continue in that role, a Calling is made to bring a replacement person onto the team for the remainder of the life of the team.

9. Sacramental Ministry

Our current practice is to authorise a lay person to preside at the sacraments *where there is not an ordained presbyter available to celebrate communion with the congregation*. This has been a temporary, one year measure, with extensions given year by year.

In Local Shared Ministry, lay presiding at the sacraments would be as a called ministry rather than as a stop-gap measure. Lay authorisation can be given as an integral part of the ministry, for the duration of that appointment. Specific training would be given to those called to this ministry.

In a Local Shared Ministry unit, there may be the need for more than one sacramental minister. This takes into account that lay celebrants are not always available due to job commitments or being out of the Parish. Where there is a retired presbyter willing to take up this task, the same applies – they are not always available and there is the need for more than one person to be trained and authorised. (It is noted that this is already the case in some Parishes).

Further work is being done with the Faith and Order committee seeking to answer questions related to Sacramental ministry in Cooperating ventures or Parishes that have an Anglican component.

10. Co-operating Ventures and Local Shared Ministry

Interim guidelines have been submitted to the UCANZ Standing Committee (November 2006) and a final report is pending. Of particular note for CV's:

- The Church of Oversight has responsibility for appointing the Enabler, who may come from any of the partner churches.
- The Church of Oversight has responsibility for the Enabler's job description
- Supervision of the Enabler is the responsibility of the Church of Oversight through its judiciary (e.g. Bishop, Synod Superintendent, Presbytery)
- Changes in denomination of oversight shall not change the model or personnel of Local Shared Ministry in a Co-operating Venture.
- Each member of the Ministry Support Team shall be subject to the discipline of his/her own partner denomination, or may agree to be subject to the discipline of the church of Oversight. This is to be stated in writing prior to authorisation of the Ministry Support Team.

- Each member of the Ministry Support Team shall personally sign the Code of Ethics adopted and approved by the Forum of Co-operating Ventures or the Ethical Standards of their denomination.
- Where matters of collective discipline are concerned, the Ministry Support Team as a whole is subject to the discipline of the Church of Oversight.
- Services of authorisation, induction, or ordination shall be ecumenical services, in the local setting, and shall include all parties and partners in the Co-operating venture.

11. Links to the Methodist tradition

- The Local Shared Ministry model echoes the Methodist emphasis on the involvement of all members in ministry and mission. It offers another model of ministry for the priesthood of all believers. For John Wesley, ministry belonged to everyone.
- One of the tasks of the Circuit Rider was to be a mentoring-spiritual companion. The Enabler provides a similar ministry in the Local Shared Ministry model.
- Accountability and support has always been important in Methodist tradition.
- The Methodist tradition fostered the careful, prayerful enhancement of the worshipping congregation and its outworking in mission.

Glossary of Terms:

- Unit – there may be one congregation or more than one congregation in the one Unit. The Unit may be composed of all the congregations in a Parish, or it may not.
- Enabler: see page 6 for full description
- Discernment – includes consideration of gender balance, age range, and ability to work on a team, known personality clashes, more than one member of a family on the team.
- “Calling” – is not an appointment process, or an election, or a volunteer process. It is members of the congregation identifying those in the congregation with the gifts and skills to lead the congregation in its mission and ministry.

Conclusion

Local Shared Ministry offers a significant opportunity to parishes to consider a different model of doing mission and ministry in their communities, and of involving all people in the congregation in the ministry offered.

The Local Shared Ministry Workgroup and Mission Resourcing commend this model of ministry for your consideration. If you have further questions, please visit our webpage (<http://methodistenable.blogspot.com/>) or contact us directly:-

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Tauiwi Youth Ministry

The past year has certainly been a very busy year for Tauiwi Youth Ministry, having the privilege of assisting in the organising and/or actively participating in a host of conferences, forums and networks on Connexional, ecumenical and professional youth work and ministry levels. Furthermore, amidst the myriad of discussions and considerations given to probable governance and structural changes that pertain to Tauiwi Youth Ministry (as well as others); it has been in the active and in most cases hands-on working with others around the Connexion, as well as in ecumenical collaboration that Tauiwi Youth Ministry has found reassurance of its purpose, a deeper understanding of its current context and much satisfaction in its work.

The Methodist Youth Conference 2008 (MYC08)

Tauiwi Youth Ministry played a key role in the planning, organisation, promotion, administration and running of the national Methodist Youth Conference held at Lincoln University in Christchurch during mid January this year. This conference, with the theme ***‘Where is God for young people?’*** brought together over 300 (mainly young) people from around the church Connexion, ranging from those in Methodist or Co-operating Parishes, to those employed by or whom have links with various Methodist missions.

Given the great diversity (ethnic, cultural, regional, theological, experiential and so forth) that Tauwi Youth Ministry works with, the task of working together in partnership with colleagues from our treaty partner, Te Taha Maori to plan, initiate and run MYC08 was something that was implemented as carefully as possible, with attention given to the processes taken to: confirm the lay-out and content of the programme; initiate worship and workshop teams; clarify goals and expectations; and communicate information.

From the events of the conference, it is clear that there are also many future implications that Tauwi Youth Ministry would most definitely have to consider and if possible, develop or support. This includes the possibility of encouraging forums and initiatives that encompass more hands-on projects, particularly in the areas of work with the missions and diaconal ministries; creative and contextual forums for musical and poetic compositions in worship and expressing faith; and continuing to assist in intergenerational, intercultural and interregional dialogue pertaining to youth ministry in our church, all in addition to identifying what steps need to now be taken in considering the possibility of having another Methodist Youth Conference in the not too distant future.

Churches Youth Ministry Association

Tauwi Youth ministry continues to be an active part of the Churches Youth Ministry Association (CYMA), which the Tauwi Youth Ministry Facilitator continues to convene. This year CYMA's main project was to plan and run a "Big E" (ecumenical Youth Ministry forum) which was held at the Vaughan Park Retreat Centre in Long Bay, with the theme looking at *"Mission Shaped Youth Ministry"*. In addition to providing workshops and discussions on the theme, the Big E also brought together a significant mix of pastors, leaders, practitioners, supporters and experts in church youth ministry to discuss the journey and current place of youth ministry in their respective church situations, as well as map out ways of continuing to offer effective practical, professional and pastoral support to each other and others involved in church youth ministry on more regional and national levels.

National Youth Workers Network Aotearoa Inc.

Following Conference in November 2007 Tauwi Youth Ministry was invited to become a member of the council for National Youth Workers Network Aotearoa Inc. As a representative of one of the very few faith-based organisations currently included, a responsibility to be intentionally active in this group has been taken in order to at least attempt to ensure that the work of faith-based organisations in Youth Ministry is included and heard within the full scope of "youth work" in and around the country. Membership to this network also ensures that Tauwi Youth Ministry will continue to be regularly informed of any relevant government (local and national) policy updates and initiatives pertaining to youth ministry and young people.

During 'Involve 08' (the biannual national youth workers conference which is organised by New Zealand Aotearoa Adolescent Research and Development) in Wellington this year, National Youth Workers Network Aotearoa launched the *Code of Ethics for Youth Work in Aotearoa New Zealand*. The process of assessing and fully adopting this code of ethics is still in the early stages, and Tauwi Youth Ministry is currently taking part in the dialogue and submission processes, appreciating the value and implications of a document of this nature for youth work.

Working with Synods and groups within the church

Tauwi Youth Ministry continues to enthusiastically accept invitations to visit, facilitate, assist or support a range of initiatives by Synods and groups within the church to engage in issues pertaining to youth ministry. In 2008 this has included: visiting and sharing during some synods, schools of theology or services; maintaining contact with individuals, networks and groups for possible future projects; and even initiating a mobile synod youth ministry resource library as well. Invitations for Tauwi Youth Ministry to share, assist or facilitate as best as it is able are always welcome, and all events, occasions or projects in the past have certainly been both a blessing and a privilege to be a part of.

Attending the Uniting Church of Australia's National Christian Youth Convention

Having accepted an invitation sent by Rev Kerry Enright, the National Director of Uniting International Mission in The Uniting Church of Australia for youth representatives from our church to attend their National Christian Youth Convention in Melbourne from 3rd-9th January 2009, Tauwi

Youth Ministry has finalized the names of the youth delegation and is currently in the process of ensuring that all youth representatives are as best prepared and supported for this event as possible. A preparatory hui for the delegation will be held shortly after this Conference.

Future Foci

For Taiuiwi Youth Ministry, the momentum which has been built in the past year does not look as though it will be slowing down anytime soon! In addition to focusing on all which has been included in the "Expected work for 2009" section of the Mission Resourcing report to Conference, Taiuiwi Youth Ministry also intends to continue to actively stay committed to the work of CYMA and National Youth Workers Network Aotearoa. In addition Taiuiwi Youth Ministry also intends to continue to work in collaboration on ways in which it will best address some of the implications that has come out of 'MYC08: Where is God for young people?'.

Taiuiwi Youth Ministry looks forward to continuing to work with Mission Resourcing staff, as well as the new board, particularly in paving new, healthy and promising ways forward.

Acknowledgments

Taiuiwi Youth Ministry acknowledges the very much appreciated financial, moral, professional, administrative and pastoral support and assistance which it has received throughout the accomplishment of both its ongoing day to day duties, as well its major project foci throughout the past year.

Taiuiwi Youth Ministry particularly acknowledges the Robert Gibson Charitable Trust, the Doris Swadling Trust and the Wellington Methodist Charitable & Educational Endowments Grant.

Recommendations:

- That the report be received.
- That conference supports the commitment of Taiuiwi Youth Ministry to National Youth Workers Network Aotearoa Inc.
- That conference supports the delegation of youth representatives from The Methodist Church of New Zealand, Te Haahi Weteriana o Aotearoa invited by the Uniting Church of Australia to attend the National Christian Youth Convention in Melbourne from 3rd-9th January 2009.

Diaconate Task Group

Civilization is on the move

= *Church is on the move*

= *Deacons are on the move.*

As people we '**move out**' – enriching the quality of life worldwide; we must also preserve life on earth. The future of our civilization is under threat. Our future needs a church prepared to face the serious challenges. We need a future focused Diaconate willing and able to seek the transformation of our society according to the values of the gospel.

As people we '**move in**' search for human relationships that give a renewed sense of community and often the birth and rebirth of new communities. Community is more than comfort of souls, it is about survival of species. David Clark in his book, *Breaking the Mould of Christendom*, says, "God's kingdom is a kingdom community. We see its gifts to humankind as life, liberation, love and learning."

We believe that God is calling his church to be a servant church: '**a diaconal church**'. A diaconal church would move to being a community centred, inclusive church community, focused on transformation, visioning and servanthood; with servant leaders. A diaconal church cannot be held captive by a Christendom model of church.

We believe that a renewed diaconate has a vital leadership role to play in the life of a 'diaconal church'. We support the words written by Rev Dr John Hinchcliff in his report, "that any thought that Deacons should be regarded as 'wannabes' or 'also rans' and second class citizens to other ministries needs to be dispelled".

Moving in

The Diaconate Task Group has met three times this year and continues to uphold the functions as agreed to at Conference 2003:

“The Functions of the Diaconate Task Group shall be:

- a. Discern what God is calling the Diaconate to, and offer leadership and policy for the future;
- b. Approve and regularly review the strategic direction and vision for Diaconal ministry;
- c. Report to Conference and make recommendations pertaining to Diaconal Ministry;
- d. Provide oversight and administration of finances and designated Connexional funds;
- e. Oversee selection, training, reception into Full Connexion, and ordination of candidates for Diaconal Ministry;
- f. Oversee the appointment and review of a National Diaconal Co-ordinator and Diaconal Advocates;
- g. Undertake other duties as required by Conference.

The Diaconate finds difficulty in being a part of the church that does not provide a place for a diaconal voice in its church community and discussions. Our Law is set up to balance numbers of Lay members and Presbyters, and in doing so excludes Deacons. Maybe wording such as "Lay and Ordained" may make better sense. This raises many parts in the Law Book that need some attention, for Deacons.

The Diaconate Task Group has worked with the President Rev Brian Turner, Mission Resourcing Director Rev Nigel Hanscamp and Commissioner Rev Dr John Hinchcliff to seek a way forward that enables the diaconate to be (in the words of the Commissioner) "dynamic and creative in terms of their social emphasis" and that "there needs to be education within the church about the roles and purpose of the Diaconate". We are excited and thankful for the support we have been given this year and endorse two of commissioner's recommendations in the paper, **The Methodist Diaconate: To be or not to be?**

Moving out

This year has been challenging and exciting. Deacons Brenda Fawkner, Richard Williams and Shirley-Joy Barrow; along with Lay Minister/Preacher John Fawkner, attended the Asia Pacific Diakonia Conference in Fiji where we were joined by other Deacons, Deaconesses and Diaconal ministers from the Asia Pacific basin along with 50 Deaconesses from the Fijian Islands. With feasting, fun, fellowship and footwashing, we found a greater understanding of the Fijian communities and the work the Deaconesses do. Over the last few years we have forged closer connections with other churches in New Zealand, Anglican, Catholic, Presbyterian and Lutheran, through **Diakonia, Aotearoa New Zealand Association (DANZA – an ecumenical association and a member of the Diakonia Asia Pacific Region of the World Federation)**. Convocation 2008, held in Wanganui was an ecumenical event. Along with our deacons, came Anglican deacons from around New Zealand, the Diakonia World Federation President - Deaconess Louise Williams (Lutheran) and Rev Dr Peter Pocock, a Deacon from the Anglican Church in Australia – we were blessed by their wider view of diaconal ministries. We were sad not to have the Catholic Deacons with us but with the Pope in Sydney during that week they had travelled with the youth to be a part of the celebrations. We have linked Nationally, across the Asia Pacific and the wider world as a diaconal community, a community where we are finding a sense of security, a sense of significance and a sense of solidarity. This world wide learning community of Diakonia offers us, in New Zealand, a chance of sharing ideas, experiences and resources, and of breaking out of closed systems which greatly enhances our ministries.

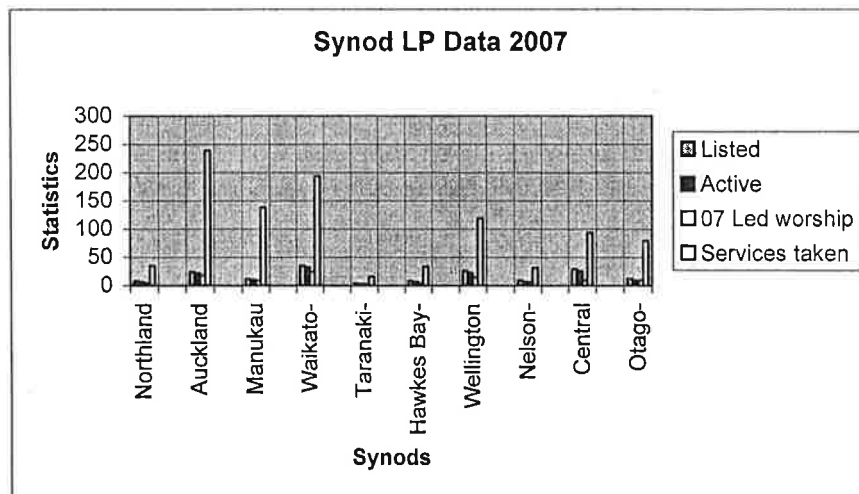
Suggested Decisions:

1. That the report be received.
2. That a Task Force of President, Vice President, Past President and General Secretary be empowered to determine whether the budget of the Church is sufficiently robust or there can be some rearrangement of the budget to cover significant revitalization of the Diaconate, and
3. That it consider the determination of the Commissioner that the Diaconate is based on a philosophy and theology that is worthy of support.
4. That Diaconate Task Group continue to operate under the Functions and roles agreed to at Conference 2003. The Secretary/Treasurer will be.....
5. That funding be sought to enable five people to attend the four yearly World Diakonia

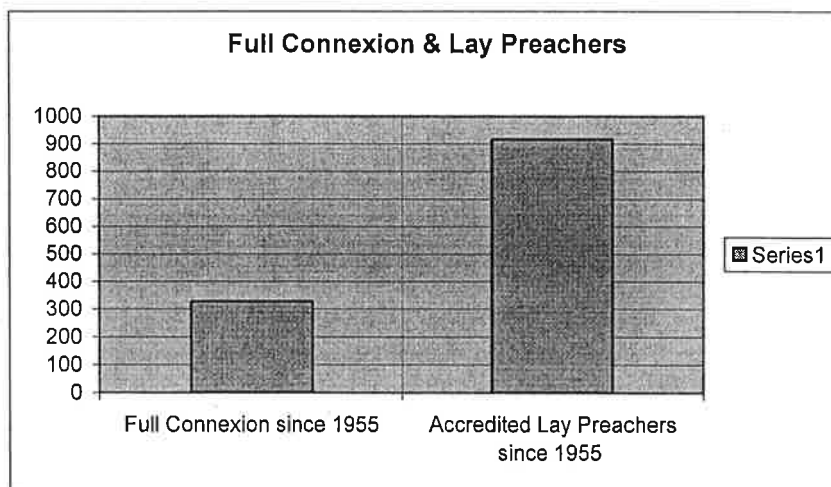
- Conference in Atlanta in July 2009 and
6. That the Methodist Church of New Zealand, Te Haahi Weteriana O Aotearoa support a bid for the Diakonia World Federation Conference in 2013 to be held in New Zealand.

Methodist Lay Preacher's Network 2008

At present the network has approximately 165 Lay Preachers that receive our email communications. 143 Lay Preachers report that they are actively involved in leading worship around the Connexion. There is an additional list of approximately 82 who are in training or leading worship but not listed on our network. Every year there is a better response to our request for information in November/December, so we hope that our gathering of data is becoming more accurate.



Another interesting statistic is shown in the following graph.



Both affordability by Parishes and supply of Presbyter by Conference has become an issue for many local faith communities. This means that the task of the Lay Preacher is very significant. It is an important ministry needing recognition and continued support by the National Church.

With an established list of folk on our data base we are now looking for ways of supporting Lay Preachers. Our emails this year have contained some personal information so that everyone gets to know a little about the co-facilitators. Rosalie continues to have the background information required to keep the "team" on task. Keith has supplied some resource ideas for worship and Dorothy uses computer skills to bring it together.

This year we have our email mail out also available for all to read on the Church Web site under the Lay Preacher's in the Board of Ministry link. We have maintained contact with Rev David Bell to ensure that we are supporting TCol Learning Line and sharing what David has to offer with all

Lay Preachers we have email addresses for.

As long service certificates for members come due we encourage the Synod/Parish to organize with Hugh Williams of the NZLPA to obtain one and present it at an appropriate occasion.

At the time of writing this report (June) long service certificates have been issued to: Rachel Tregurtha (25 yrs), Ronald G Eastwood (30 yrs), Elva Reynolds (40 yrs), Dr Bill Peddie (40 yrs), Brian Chamberlin (44 yrs), Alan R. Speirs (47 yrs), George M.R. Forster (50 yrs), Robert J. Ramsay (50 yrs) Nancy P. Carter (60 yrs).

Greg Morgan, Yolande Cresswell, Mary West, Rosalie Rentz, Bernard Young and Mary Sutton have received Accreditation.

Over the past two years 32 Lead Worship certificates have been issued.

The Network Nucleus remains as our designated representatives on Synods.

It is important for the opportunity to have a gathering at Conference so that Lay Preachers in attendance can have visual communication and access to easier input into matters pertaining to Lay Preachers.

This has been a learning year for a new co-facilitator. Rosalie Sugrue's background knowledge has been invaluable. In November 2008 Garth Cant from Christchurch has indicated his willingness to be a third co-facilitator. Garth will bring different skills to the Network and as he is involved with the National Lay Preacher's Association it will be beneficial to have close association with this group. Rosalie's skills will not be lost to us as she will maintain contact in an advisory role.

The primary task over the next 12 months is to encourage feed back from members and mutual sharing of good worship ideas and resources. It would be extremely helpful if Lay Preachers attending conference could come ready to assist the network in developing a directional strategy for the future. This would allow us to move forward with confidence knowing that we are serving the needs of the Lay Preacher's Network members.

Dorothy Willis, Keith Knox, Rosalie Sugrue
Co-facilitators

Suggested Decision:

1. That the report be received.

THE CHURCHES EDUCATION COMMISSION

'Helping students make good life choices'

'He Tautoko i nga Tauira ki a whaiake i nga huarahi tika mo tou ratou Oranga'

It's a pleasure to write a report for you about the work of the Commission for 2007/2008.

CEC still has more than 4000 volunteers teaching CRE or providing Chaplaincy to the public schools of NZ. Through this ministry we reach 52% of Primary Schools and around 20% of Secondary/Area schools.

Annual conference 2008 saw the launch of a new Strategic plan. This has been worked together as part of the renewal and envisioning process of the last couple of years and we believe will provide direction and focus for this vital work. We are thrilled that local churches up and down New Zealand are choosing to find ways to reach their community more effectively and we want to assist them in reaching their local schools. I personally believe that schools are at the heart of community.

The Mission as expressed in our strategic plan is:

*"Empowering students to make good life choices through delivering **valued** and **effective Christian services** in NZ State Schools".*

Our five key priorities are to:

1. Secure adequate funding and resourcing for the national and regional work
2. Improve the quality of our services to schools
3. Spread our influence in school communities by diversifying the services offered
4. Increase the support from churches and Christians by improving connections with the Christian community
5. Strengthen regions through improved administrative support.

To achieve these priorities we must continue to recruit personnel who are professional and competent either as CRE teachers or as Chaplains. We must also ensure credibility in schools by providing professional training that is of a high standard. It is great to report that both our CRE and Chaplaincy basic training programmes have been completely revamped in the last twelve months.

We are very grateful for the financial support given by the Methodist Church over many years and look forward to assisting you further in the resourcing and training of volunteers from your local churches throughout New Zealand. I would also like to say a special thank you to the women from APW/MWF who have fundraised toward the Special Project for Chaplaincy this last twelve months. I have heard from CEC advisors from all over New Zealand who have thoroughly enjoyed speaking at these groups about our work. Thanks so much for the opportunity and for your generosity.

God bless all associated with the Methodist Church of New Zealand

Petrea Manager
National Manager CRE & Chaplaincy
The Churches Education Commission

INTERCHURCH TERTIARY CHAPLAINCY COUNCIL (ITCC) & AOTEAROA-NEW ZEALAND CHAPLAINCY ASSOCIATION (ANZTCA)

The Interchurch Tertiary Chaplaincy Council (ITCC) is the body formed by the Methodist, Anglican, Presbyterian, and the Christian Churches (Associated Churches of Christ) and the Religious Society of Friends to co-ordinate and oversee the work of tertiary chaplaincy and regional chaplaincy Boards and Trusts throughout New Zealand.

The ITCC exists to:

- (1) Channel the constituent churches commitment to resourcing and supporting tertiary chaplaincy
- (2) Provide a national forum at which issues of common concern and practice may be discussed and policies developed
- (3) Initiate, develop and maintain links between constituent churches, chaplaincy boards, tertiary chaplains, and tertiary institutions.

The ITCC views tertiary chaplaincy as a crucial area for the mission of the churches within New Zealand. This work takes place in a context where young people are moving from home and family and developing their own lifestyle and values. It is also a time when crisis arise and young people seek help and guidance. Tertiary chaplains are uniquely placed to offer this care. Often this allows for contact with people who otherwise would have no links to the Church.

At present there are two Methodist Presbyters who are fulltime tertiary chaplains. They are the Rev Greg Hughson who is the Ecumenical Chaplain at the University of Otago and the Rev Uesifili Unasa who is the Maclaurin Chaplain at the University of Auckland.

Whilst the funding of chaplains now rests with regional boards and committees the ITCC appreciates the funding that the Methodist Church has provided over a number of years that allows for the national oversight and operation of this work to continue.

Aotearoa New Zealand Tertiary Chaplaincy Association (ANZTCA) is a professional organization formed to oversee the work of tertiary chaplains and to provide opportunities for networking, peer support, and community building among tertiary chaplains. The work of the ANZTCA may be viewed on their website at www.anztca.net.nz

The chairperson of the Association is the Rev Greg Hughson and he along with three other chaplains has been able to attend the Third Global Conference of University and College Chaplains in Tampere, Finland from 30 June to 4 July, 2008. We believe that this gathering will allow Greg and the other attendees to "feed back" some of that learning and experience into chaplaincy within New Zealand.

The ANZTCA annual conference will be held in Wellington this year from 17–19 November. There will be a number of chaplains attending from Australia. In recent years there has been increasing contact and liaison between the two countries with exchange of personnel and a sharing of experience

General

There are now some 47 chaplains working either full-time or part-time in our tertiary institutions under the oversight of the ITCC and as members of the ANZTCA. Whilst each chaplain will work differently according to their context and personality these chaplains together are offering pastoral care and support to some thousands of students and staff. The work of our chaplains is highly valued and appreciated by the institutions within which they work and the ITCC commend them to the prayers and support of the Church.

We would also like to commend to you those Presbyters and lay people who offer their time and talents to serve on local chaplaincy boards and committees and who support the work of chaplaincy in so many ways. This also is greatly appreciated.

Suggested Decisions:

1. That the report be received.
2. That Conference affirm the work of tertiary chaplaincy and those who serve in this sphere and commends this work to the ongoing support of the Church.

Bruce Hansen
Chairperson
ITCC

THE INTERCHURCH COUNCIL FOR HOSPITAL CHAPLAINCY

The Wesley Example

Over 200 years ago in a sermon on "visiting the sick" John Wesley stated the need for his followers to be sure to visit the poor and the sick, not just to assist them, but to learn compassion. He called visiting the sick a work of mercy and described it as a means of grace – a channel through which God conveys grace to mankind. For compassion is more than an emotion, it requires us to get alongside and experience another's struggles, to be with those who are sick or grieving.

Hospital Chaplains – getting alongside

Healthcare chaplains employed by ICHC on behalf of the nine partner churches work in public hospitals, address the spiritual, emotional and pastoral needs of patients particularly where their illness has presented a threat or trauma (spiritually and emotionally) which may render patients and/or their whanau/family, vulnerable. Healthcare chaplaincy is motivated from, and underpinned by, a Christian theology. It is nonetheless provided in the most appropriate way for patients regardless of denomination, faith, belief or ethnicity. Patients and their whanau/families are at liberty to access the spiritual care of their choice. The chaplain may act as the coordinator of that process.

Experiencing the struggles – being a channel of God's grace

The main themes of chaplaincy include – supporting the resolution of helplessness, despair and loss; assisting spiritual transitions; waiting alongside people in crisis; helping patients resolve anger, guilt, fear and anxiety; promoting reconciliation in personal relationships and between belief and recommended treatment; offering corporate worship and bringing hope and celebration. Providing specialized pastoral interventions such as prayer for healing, anointing, providing sacramental ministry to those who want it, offering the rites of the church; pastoral counselling, spiritual direction, blessings of work areas and locating a persons own spiritual advisor or support community.

Methodist Participation

Up until 2005 the Methodist Church-Te Haahi Weteriana provided from its Connexional budget \$35,000 per annum, which went towards the costs of 7 chaplaincy positions across the country. In 2006/07 this funding was reduced to \$30,000 and for 2007/08 \$26,000. This year 2008/09 it is \$20,000 and we are told this will be the rate for \$2009/10 also.

The Connexional funding grant is paid by the connexional office directly to the Chaplaincy committee / paymaster or alternatively via its District Synods. An estimation of last year's costs for the Ministry of Health indicated that the average cost per FTE Chaplain position is in the region of \$75,000, this includes the cost of stipends and allowances and overheads including indemnity insurance, training, resourcing, locum cover, transport costs for after hours call-outs, conference fees etc. From the information available the contribution from Methodist parishes, Synods and the Connexional office has been 0.37% of the total income nationally for the past 3 years. The ICHC and the local chaplaincy committees which have received this Methodist funding have greatly appreciated the support and encouragement it has provided.

The Future

At time of writing the ICHC has just completed negotiations with the Ministry of Health for the provision of a new national contract. This will cover 5 years starting 1 July 2008 to 2013. There will be an increase in direct government funding for chaplaincy positions and the operation of the national office, plus a cost of living increase annually. The contract includes a stated expectation that the Churches will continue to provide significant funding for the chaplaincy positions, and that efforts will continue to be made by ICHC nationally and chaplaincy committees locally to obtain additional funding from churches and communities to secure the Hospital Chaplaincy Services in each DHB.

ICHC thanks the Methodist Church partner for its past support, its many members who serve as Chaplains, Chaplaincy Assistants, locums, on Chaplaincy Committees and in other ways and hopes it will be possible for the Church to continue to provide people, financial support and encouragement to maintain the present number of Hospital Chaplains positions and their volunteer Chaplaincy assistants.

Suggested Decisions:

1. That this Report be received.
2. That the Conference note the Rev Nigel Hanscamp continues as the Methodist Trustee on the ICHC Trust Board.



Ron Malpass
National Executive Officer
July 2008

WESLEY COLLEGE TRUST BOARD

Special Character

Our Chapel life is guided by the Chaplaincy Team that consists of Rev Sylvia 'Akau'ola Tongotongo (Superintending Chaplain – a Conference appointee), Whaea Paewhenua Nathan (Chaplain Maori), Rev Stephen Tema (Guidance Counsellor), Rev Ali'itasi Toleafoa (Head of Life and Faith) and Mr Ian Faulkner (Principal). Meetings of the Chaplaincy Team create a forum for some visioning about how faith how ideas of faith are transmitted and life within a boarding and day school intermesh.

Chapel services are held at the beginning of each school day and twice on Sunday. This year there has been a set theme for each term: term 1, ABC – Aspirations, Beliefs and Commitment; term 2, Once a Wesleyan ... Always a Wesleyan; term 3, You Reap What You Sow; and term 4, God is Good ... All the Time! These themes form a base, they are then connected to the weekly theme based on the lectionary readings for the Sunday that begins the week. These themes have proved helpful as a way of integrating life and faith, the Methodist ethos and the Special Character into classrooms and the hostels.

The Life and Faith Programme is continually evolving in an endeavour to meet the immense diversity in student understanding of Christian understandings. In the classroom the challenge is to be creative in making Jesus Christ known. Student responses are a source of joy. They are critical to life at Wesley, but more importantly to life after Wesley. God is good!

Support from the Trust Board allows all students to be issued with a Zonderkids Bible as part of their stationery package at the beginning of the year. Responsive reading of scripture each morning and spirited singing contribute to a positive start to each school day.

This year teaching staff briefings that are held before school three mornings a week have started with devotions. These devotions reflect the messages to be given at Chapel. In addition, chapel messages are written in summary form and emailed to hostel parents and teaching staff. This provides the opportunity for teaching and hostel staff to discuss the themes in classrooms and at the dormitory meetings that 'close' each day.

An increasing number of students who enrol at Wesley College have little knowledge of Christianity and the bible and bring a value system that is different to that expressed by Church and school. The student body is a microcosm of what is happening in New Zealand society. As a community we have to positively manage issues that arise from a widening economic gulf and a rapid increase in cultural and ethnic diversity, coupled with the heightened fear of the stranger and levels of mistrust and suspicion of those that are perceived to be different. These feelings that are prevalent in the community beyond our school gates are reflected in the student body and, as we are a small community, they are so 'in our face'.

Our interface with students and their responses to life at Wesley College and beyond create both joys and challenges.

The College welcomes the discussions that are taking place at Council of Conference level (as requested by Conference 2007) relating to the Special Character Statement 'direct affiliation with the MCANZ' and what this means for the relationship between Wesley College and the Methodist Church of New Zealand in the 21st Century.

Presidential Visit / Service of Beginnings

The College welcomed President Brian (former student) and Vice-President Barbara to the annual Service of Beginnings. The presence of the President and Vice-President at this service is one sign to the Wesley College Community that the College is part of the Connexion.

Hostel Management / Boarder Support

The Trust Board is considering the names to be used for the newest hostel buildings. At present these are known as Units A, B and C. When buildings have been named in the past they have been named after people. The Board is considering using qualities or values as names for these new buildings.

A Supplementary Report from the Education Review Office has identified areas of concern in relation to student safety. In response to this Report the focus of the Hostel Committee of the Board is being directed towards student safety. Also, the Board has employed Paul Diver and Associates to review the current governance model for the hostels and, in particular, leadership and management structures and the support available for the Principal.

Roll

The school roll on 1 March 2008 was 346 of these 311 were male and 35 female; 336 domestic students and 10 overseas students. The boarding roll was 272.

Educational

The College continues to provide opportunities for young people to succeed. Wesley College is a decile 2 school. Results in the National Certificate of Educational Attainment [NCEA] show that Wesley College students achieve above schools of like decile. Of note is that in 2006 (the last year for which this data is available) 6.8% of students left Wesley College with little or no formal attainment, as defined by the Ministry of Education. The comparative data for decile 2 schools is 17.1% and for decile 8 schools 6.8%. Also, in 2006, 5.3% of Maori students left with little or no formal attainment. This may be compared with other decile 2 schools where 20% of students left school with little or no formal attainment and with decile 8 schools where the figure was 6.5%.

Cultural Activities

Wesley College hosted the Auckland Polyfest and will also be the host in 2009. The College received very positive publicity from the Polyfest: the smallest school to host the largest festival. At this year's festival the Tongan group were again placed first in the Taufakaniua. The Maori roopu, who combined with Waiuku College, were the winners of the third division, this result allowing them to compete in Division 2 in 2009.

In the April holidays a number of staff and students visited Samoa for a Cultural experience. A group of parents and students represented Wesley College at the Coronation of King George Tupou V of Tonga.

The Shakespearean Drama group were again placed first in the South Auckland Sheilah Winn competition, with a rendition of A Midsummer Night's Dream – commando style, earning the right to participate in the National finals.

The musical 'Aladdin' was produced by the music and drama departments, entertaining audiences in the one-week season.

College Sport

Ian Faulkner (Principal) has been elected to the Board of ASSHA (the Auckland Secondary Schools Heads Association) as a Counties-Manukau Schools representative. This provides an avenue to provide a voice for sport within our region which has different needs to the larger Auckland area.

Mike Todd (Sports' Coordinator) represents Wesley College on Northern Regional Secondary Schools Rugby (President), NZSSRC (Vice President).

Rugby - The 1st XV continues to be a major player in the Counties-Manukau competition, as does the under 15 development grade. This year all teams reached the semi-final stages of their respective competitions.

Ben Makatu played in the recent world under 20's championships in Wales representing Fiji.

A number of current students took part in the recent Northern Regions tournament and a large number have been selected for Counties-Manukau representative teams.

Netball - The Wesley College Girls have reached the semi-final of their competition: a reflection on the positive attitude of our girls and the support they have from staff.

Touch - Wesley College Touch teams dominate at 1st level and development level winning at both Counties and Regional level in Auckland. The senior team will compete at Nationals in December.

Brock Taylor represented New Zealand in age grade touch.

Athletics – A number of students have achieved outstanding individual results in athletics. In particular, Solomone Vaka who broke a long standing discus record at the Counties Championships by a considerable margin and went on to represent the region at the North Island Championships. He is currently ranked in the top three in the country for his age group.

A challenge for Wesley College is to continue to attract both hostel and teaching staff to meet the

sporting needs of our students. Success in their sporting endeavours is valued by many students.

Acknowledgements

The Trust Board wishes to acknowledge the contribution made to the life of Wesley College by the employees of both the Trust Board and the Board of Trustees. Staff are often seen going the "extra mile" working with and encouraging students in their academic work, on the sporting fields, in their cultural and spiritual pursuits.

Dairy Farm

The Farm Committees continue their work on the farm with ever increasing success. Sharemilkers Steve and Andrea Mills were again runners up in the Auckland-Hauraki regional Sharemilker of the Year Competition.

The Trust Board is evaluating the future of the Wesley College farm land with a future goal to realise increased returns through rezoning and development of the land.

The Trust Board has entered into discussions with PACT 2086 Trust investigating the possibility of forming a joint venture to undertake the future development of the land.

John Murray
Chairperson

Chris Johnston
General Secretary

Suggested Decisions:

1. That the Report be received.
2. That the following be the Wesley College Trust Board for 2008/2009.
John Murray, Norman Johnston, Kay Kendall, Barbara Lawrence, Lana Lazarus, Andre Le Roux, Jack McCoskrie, Wesley Mansell, Suliasi Naulivou, Harvey O'Loughlin, Patisepa Unasa-Samoa Saleupolu, Barry Shuker, Diana Tana, Colin Telford, Mara Tupaea, Rev Utumau'u Pupulu, and Meleane Nacagilevu.

UNITING CONGREGATIONS OF AOTEAROA NEW ZEALAND

Co-operative Ventures throughout New Zealand are a visible sign of the ecumenical movement of the 1970's and a pragmatic approach to church life in the 2000's. Congregations of various denominations have made a faithful commitment to work together in ministry and mission. Throughout New Zealand these parishes generally bear witness to the partnership of the denominations at congregational level and support the wider work of the churches. UCANZ works with these parishes through regional courts and Standing Committee to strengthen communication between the partners and to develop effective congregations.

These are changing times, and the movement to create one Christian church in New Zealand has certainly lost momentum. But the co-operative ventures of UCANZ are an affirmation that our different traditions can work together and that mission should focus on how we impact the community, not on what heritage we follow. Academics note that we are in a post-modern, post-denominational age - a time when ecumenical community churches may have an advantage in some areas. UCANZ are dealing with the issues of today by building on the vision of union that brought us together.

UCANZ was established as the meeting ground for partners when dealing with co-operative ventures (in their many forms). We are committed to affirming the place of the partner churches in each local parish and there is a conscious awareness of the difficulties that arise when partners fail to consider the impact of decisions on co-operative ventures and the overall partnership. UCANZ seeks to make things work for the partner churches, but we can only do this if we are consulted and allowed to be part of the conversation.

There is a cost to being a Co-operative Venture - having two or more partners means that there is a multiplicity of meetings, reports and forms to see to (and we are keen to simplify these processes). There is often a demand on time and a clear need to reflect the diversity of heritage.

On the whole, we believe that Co-operative Ventures are doing well in this regard and we commend the support that they give to the partner churches through their wider work giving.

The UCANZ biennial forum was held in Upper Hutt in late 2007 and there was a change of Standing Committee, Chairs, and Executive Officer. Thanks were expressed for the work of Dave Mullan in chairing UCANZ, and to John Jones who completed his position as Executive Officer in January 2008. Janet Taege and Geoff Donovan accepted the roles of co-chair, and in January Peter MacKenzie was appointed as Executive Officer. The new Standing Committee of UCANZ has members from around the country and an enthusiasm to make a difference. The two meetings of the Standing Committee in 2008 have been encouraging and forward looking.

With the encouragement of the forum, the UCANZ Standing Committee agreed to increase the Executive Officer's hours specifically so that stronger connections can be made with partners, regional courts and parishes. With limited funding available, a request for support was presented to parishes and this has been positively acknowledged. In the first six months of his position, Peter MacKenzie has made some visits to the regions and has a filling diary for the next year. He has met with church leaders, regional committees and parishes - and he has also provided encouraging workshops to some groups.

The Standing Committee has identified a number of issues that need to be worked on over the next year and has established groups to propose possible responses in conjunction with the partners. We are looking at our regional courts and the nature of the biennial forum, regulations for local shared ministry and consultations, and clarifying issues arising about stipends and parish oversight. There is also a need for UCANZ and the partners to look again at the vision of our ecumenical movement and the place of UCANZ parishes within our partner churches.

Property and investment issues are also a concern for UCANZ. There are some tough questions that need to be asked by some parishes as they consider their future, but there must always be an acknowledgement that there is a partnership in each co-operating venture and each partner must be given status and respect. Experience has shown that some partnerships come to a point where they must come apart - but there are intricate details that need to be worked through that demand patience, compromise and a lot of pastoral care from the wider church.

We believe that Co-operative Ventures in all their forms are a positive witness to the one Spirit of God. We give thanks for the work of our parishes and acknowledge the support of our partner denominations in helping them in their mission and ministry. There is a wealth of resources within the five partner churches and UCANZ parishes are privileged to be able to draw on that variety of sources. We would also want to acknowledge the contribution that Co-operative Ventures make in the regional and national courts of the partner denominations.

The Standing Committee of UCANZ continues to uphold the basic tenets of ecumenism and strongly encourages the partner churches to do together what does not need to be done apart. We pray for and look forward to greater communication between the partners and with UCANZ, in the hope that by talking we can break down barriers of mistrust and self-interest. While there are clear denominational goals expressed by the partners, we pray that they will continue to be true to their commitment to ecumenism and support the Co-operative Ventures in their midst.

Peter MacKenzie
for the Standing Committee of UCANZ

Mission Resourcing

Supplementary report to Conference report: October 2008

Uniting Congregations of Aotearoa New Zealand

The Methodist church has very close ties with Uniting Congregations both through the parishes in which we are involved and on the leadership of the Standing Committee. Questions have recently been raised about how property is handled, how ministry might be grown in Cooperating Ventures as well as how the relationships with the 5 partner churches might be strengthened. This led to Presbyterian Assembly recently making a decision to formalise these discussions. We believe that a discussion of this nature is timely and that the Methodist Church needs to fully participate in the discussion. Mission Resourcing therefore recommends that a task group be formed to meet with the UCANZ Standing Committee and representatives of the 5 negotiating partners. While we cannot bring names to Conference, we believe that this group needs to include the President and General Secretary as part of its number.

Diaconal Task Group

At the Diaconia Aotearoa New Zealand Association (DANZA) meeting in July, Deacon Shirley Joy Barrow was appointed as president of DANZA for a 2 year appointment. This was an affirmation of the skills and energy Shirley Joy brings to the leadership of diaconal ministry. DANZA is the umbrella organisation for Deacons from several New Zealand denominations, and Shirley Joy will lead a delegation from New Zealand to the World Diaconia gathering in the USA in 2009.

Mutuality of Ministry

The Methodist Church of New Zealand currently has a 'Mutuality of Ministry' covenant (information Leaflet 35) with the Presbyterian Church of Aotearoa New Zealand. However recent decisions taken by both churches has meant that this document is now out of date and requires significant updating. In 2009 a workgroup from Mission Resourcing, Administration Division and Taiwi Strategy will work with the Presbyterian Church to update the covenant, and bring a report back to Taiwi Strategy in August and Conference in November 2009.

Suggested Decisions:

1. That a group of up to 5 people, including the President and General Secretary, be formed to participate in discussions with the UCANZ Standing Committee and the five negotiating partners regarding questions and issues around Uniting Congregations. This group will report back to Conference 2009.
2. Conference congratulates Deacon Shirley Joy Barrow on her appointment as President of DANZA.
3. Conference notes the formation of a task group to work with the Presbyterian Church of Aotearoa New Zealand on updating the Mutuality of Ministry covenant and information leaflet. This task group will report to Taiwi Strategy in August and Conference in November 2009.

BOARD OF MINISTRY – MINISTRY EDUCATION
SUMMARY FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2008

*SUMMARY STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL PERFORMANCE & SUMMARY
STATEMENT OF MOVEMENTS IN EQUITY FOR THE YEAR ENDED
30 JUNE 2008*

	2008 \$	2007 \$
Income	867,504	794,953
Expenses	(706,528)	(744,361)
Gain on Sale of Student Housing	0	399,978
Net Property Surplus/(Deficit)	<u>(98,241)</u>	<u>(99,734)</u>
NET (DEFICIT) / SURPLUS	<u>62,735</u>	<u>350,836</u>
 OPENING EQUITY	 9,248,162	 8,561,808
Net Surplus/ (Deficit)	62,735	350,836
Movements of Funds to Bursary Funds	(10,000)	(10,000)
Movement in Designated Funds	<u>58,603</u>	<u>345,518</u>
CLOSING EQUITY	<u>9,359,500</u>	<u>9,248,162</u>

	2008 \$	2007 \$
<i>SUMMARY STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION AS AT 30 JUNE 2008</i>		
Designated Funds	8,669,830	8,611,226
Accumulated Funds	<u>689,670</u>	<u>636,936</u>
TOTAL EQUITY	<u>9,359,500</u>	<u>9,248,162</u>
 Current Assets	 973,284	 334,276
Current Liabilities	<u>(25,166)</u>	<u>(36,703)</u>
WORKING CAPITAL	948,118	297,573
 Property, Plant & Equipment	 1,078,771	 1,102,734
Specific Investment Funds	<u>7,332,611</u>	<u>7,847,855</u>
NET ASSETS	<u>9,359,500</u>	<u>9,248,162</u>

SUMMARY FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

The summary financial statements have been prepared from the full financial statements of the Board of Ministry – Ministry Education for the year ended 30 June 2008 which were approved by the Board on 12 September 2008.

The summary financial statements cannot be expected to provide as complete an understanding as provided by the full financial statements of the financial performance and financial position.

The full financial statements of the Board of Ministry – Ministry Education have been audited and received an unqualified audit opinion. They are available for review from the Connexional Office, Christchurch.





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Audit Report

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The Members of the Board of Ministry - Ministry Education

We have audited the summary financial statements of the Board of Ministry - Ministry Education for the year ended 30 June 2008.

Board responsibilities

The Board is responsible for the preparation of summary financial statements, in accordance with New Zealand law and generally accepted accounting practice.

Auditors' responsibilities

It is our responsibility to express to you an independent opinion on the summary financial statements.

Basis of opinion

We conducted our audit in accordance with New Zealand Auditing Standards. We planned and performed procedures to ensure the summary financial statements are consistent with the full financial statements on which the summary report is based. We also evaluated the overall adequacy of the presentation of information in the summary financial statements against the requirements of FRS-39: *Summary Financial Reports*.

Other than in our capacity as auditor we have no relationship with or interests in the Board of Ministry - Ministry Education.

Unqualified opinion

In our opinion, the information reported in the summary financial statements complies with FRS-39: *Summary Financial Reports* and is consistent with the full financial statements from which it is derived and upon which we expressed an unqualified audit opinion in our report to the members dated 15 September 2008.

Our examination of the Summary Financial Statements was completed on 15 September 2008 and our unqualified opinion is expressed as at that date.



Grant Thornton
Christchurch

METHODIST BOARD OF MINISTRY - MISSION RESOURCING
SUMMARY FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2008

*SUMMARY STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL PERFORMANCE & SUMMARY
STATEMENT OF MOVEMENTS IN EQUITY FOR THE YEAR ENDED
30 JUNE 2008*

	2008	2007
	\$	\$
Income	360,151	350,289
Expenses	(304,052)	(348,305)
Grants Paid	(1,200)	(1,980)
NET (DEFICIT) / SURPLUS	<u>54,899</u>	<u>4</u>
OPENING EQUITY	3,376,035	3,875,084
Net (Deficit) / Surplus	54,899	4
Prior Year Adjustment	0	(500,000)
Net Increase / (Decrease) in Designated Funds	71,406	(3,041)
Movement in Accumulated Funds for Fixed Assets	101,136	0
Net Increase / (Decrease) in Reserves	3,850	3,988
CLOSING EQUITY	<u>3,607,326</u>	<u>3,376,035</u>

SUMMARY STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION AS AT 30 JUNE 2008

	2008	2007
	\$	\$
Designated Funds	2,426,928	2,355,522
Accumulated Funds	590,940	434,906
Other Reserves	589,458	585,607
TOTAL EQUITY	<u>3,607,236</u>	<u>3,376,035</u>
Current Assets	387,340	166,450
Current Liabilities	(10,248)	(20,864)
WORKING CAPITAL	377,092	145,586
Non Current Assets	4,313,280	3,730,449
Non Current Liabilities	(1,083,046)	(500,000)
NET ASSETS	<u>3,607,326</u>	<u>3,376,035</u>

SUMMARY FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

The summary financial statements have been prepared from the full financial statements of the Methodist Board of Ministry - Mission Resourcing for the year ended 30 June 2008 which were approved by the Board on 12 September 2008.

The summary financial statements cannot be expected to provide as complete an understanding as provided by the full financial statements of the financial performance and financial position.

The full financial statements of the Methodist Board of Ministry - Mission Resourcing have been audited and received an unqualified audit opinion. They are available for review from the Connexional Office, Christchurch.





Audit Report

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The Members of the Board of Ministry – Mission Resourcing

We have audited the financial report on pages 1 to 12. The financial report provides information about the past financial performance of the Board of Ministry – Mission Resourcing and its financial position as at 30 June 2008. This information is stated in accordance with the accounting policies set out on page 6.

Board responsibilities

The Board is responsible for the preparation of a financial report which fairly reflects the financial position of the Board of Ministry – Mission Resourcing as at 30 June 2008 and the results of operations for the year ended on that date.

Auditor's responsibilities

It is our responsibility to express to you an independent opinion on the financial report presented by the Board.

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
- whether the accounting policies are appropriate to the Board of Ministry – Mission Resourcing's circumstances, consistently applied and adequately disclosed.

We conducted our audit in accordance with New Zealand Auditing Standards. 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 obtain 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 Board of Ministry – Mission Resourcing.

Qualified opinion

We have obtained all the information and explanations we have required other than valuation information relating to land and buildings that is compliant with Financial Reporting Standard No. 3 (FRS-3).

Use of rating valuations

The Board has utilized Rating Valuations for the purpose of revaluing the land and buildings which are not investment properties included in these financial statements. This is a departure from applicable Financial Reporting Standard No. 3 (FRS-3), which requires an independent valuation at fair value on a basis appropriate for financial reporting. A rating valuation may not have been undertaken on a basis appropriate for financial reporting. The Board has not had the rating valuation reviewed to ascertain the appropriateness of the basis utilized and therefore the Board has not calculated the financial effect of this departure from the applicable financial reporting standard.

We have not been able to assess the appropriateness of the carrying amounts of the buildings and therefore we have not been able to reliably estimate the effect of this departure.

In our opinion, except for the effect of the departures from applicable Financial Reporting Standard No. 3 noted above, the financial report on pages 1 to 12 fairly reflects the financial position of the Board of Ministry -- Mission Resourcing as at 30 June 2008 and the results of its operations for the year ended on that date.

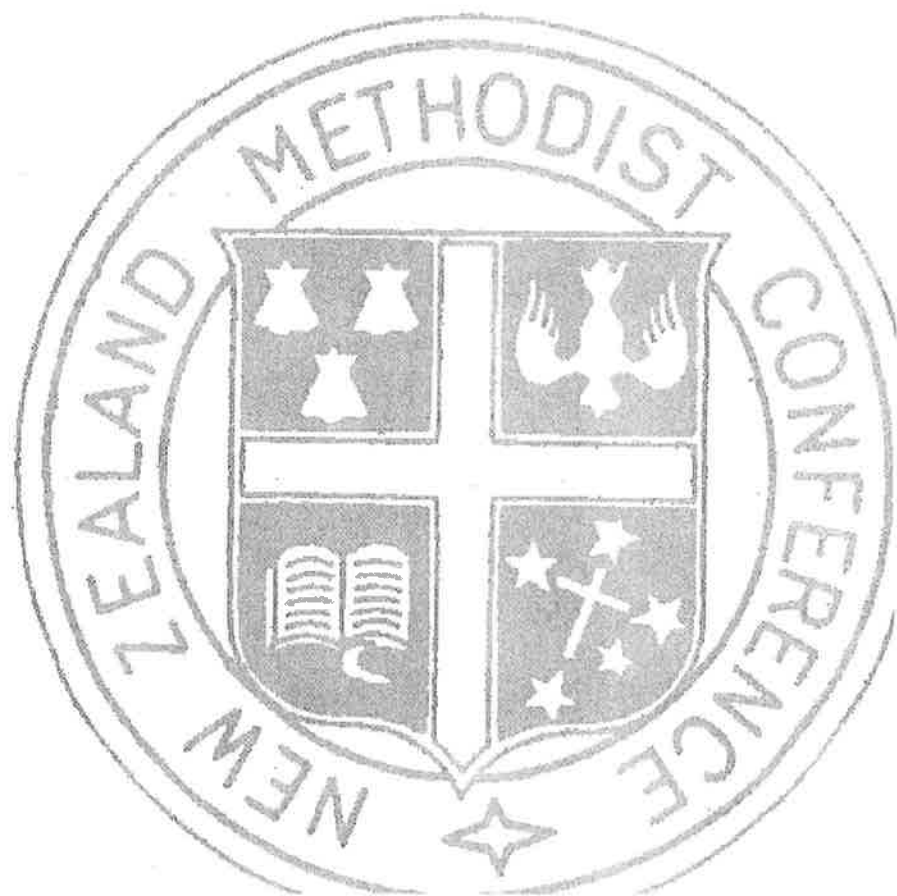
Our audit was completed on 15 September 2008 and our qualified opinion is expressed as at that date.



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Faith & Order



FAITH & ORDER COMMITTEE

The Committee has been invited to contribute more to the life of the church over the last year. This has been welcomed by the committee which is eager to serve the church by resourcing its theological and liturgical life. There appears to be a greater readiness to request assistance. Some of the work has traversed familiar questions, such as our engagement in ecumenical issues, while other work, such as that involved with sacraments in Local Shared Ministry, has taken us into uncharted territory. During the year the committee has responded to invitations to be involved with President Brian's ecumenical initiative bringing together church leaders to consider the future shape of ecumenism in New Zealand. In addition to that the committee has contributed a theological paper to support the ministry of the diaconate, played a role on the connexional Local Shared Ministry work group, collaborated with Mission and Ecumenical on various projects, resourced youth ministry and participated in the on-going reflection on the term of the president. In this way the committee is providing theological and spiritual insight to support the life of the church in worship and mission. We welcome the responses of persons and synods to our reports and encourage further dialogue.

The committee brings four reports for consideration by the conference. The most important of these is the Proposed Covenant between the Anglican and Methodist Churches. This was passed at the Anglican General Synod in May of this year. The other reports are a new version of the Revised Pastoral Resolutions, a contribution to the conversation on District Superintendency and a discussion paper on Sacraments in Local Shared Ministry.

Lectionary

The committee continues to be grateful for the work of the Rev. Dr Tony Stroobant. He has prepared the lectionary for the 2008-2009 liturgical year. We have retained the optional Season of Creation. The committee would be pleased to receive comments about the lectionary.

The Nature and Mission of the Church

This major study by Faith and Order from the World Council of Churches has been referred for comment to Churches around the world. During this year Faith & Order has collaborated with Te Taha Maori, Tauwi Youth and Mission and Ecumenical in formulating a New Zealand Methodist response. It has been an enriching experience. The proposed response can be found in the report of Mission and Ecumenical.

Methodist Ecumenical Consultation

This brings together twice a year various parts of Te Hahi Weteriana which are involved in different aspects of our ecumenical relationships. Faith & Order reports on its work in relation to ecumenism and hears reports from other groups such as Mission and Ecumenical and Mission Resourcing.

Joint Liturgical Group

This small ecumenical group meets once a year after Conference to share liturgical developments in our churches. Anglican, Methodist, Presbyterian and the Roman Catholic Churches are represented. There is a report on the work of the English Language Liturgical Consultation (ELLC) to which from time to time we contribute.

Roman Catholic Methodist Dialogue

The fourth phase of this long-standing dialogue is in the planning stages. It will meet twice a year in Hamilton and Auckland. It examines the work of the international dialogue, and develops a project of study for a three-year period. It is hoped that the fruits of the dialogue will be made widely known throughout the church.

An Anglican – Methodist Covenant

We, The Methodist Church of New Zealand (Te Hahi Weteriana o Aotearoa) and The Anglican Church in Aotearoa, New Zealand and Polynesia (Te Hahi Mihinare ki Aotearoa ki Niu Tireni, Ki Nga Moutere o te Moana Nui a Kiwa), on the basis of our shared history, our agreement on the apostolic

faith, our shared theological understandings of the nature and mission of the church and of its ministry and oversight, and our agreed vision of a greater practical expression of the unity in Christ of our two churches, hereby make the following covenant.

Landmarks on the journey

At the outset we celebrate the many ways, both formal and informal, in which Anglicans and Methodists already share and work together, including common engagement in twenty-nine co-operative parish ventures. In particular we acknowledge:

1. Acceptance of each other's church as part of the one, holy, catholic and apostolic Church. (AGS 1976/MC 1980)
2. That the ministry of each of our churches is a real ministry of Word and Sacrament. (AGS 1976/MC 1980)
3. The apostolic content in the ordained ministry of each of our churches. (AGS 1986/MC2004)
4. That each church exercises a ministry of episkope. (AGS 1986/MC2004)
5. The commitment of our churches to seek a unification of ministries. (AGS 1980/MC 1980)
6. A mutual recognition of baptism and church membership. (AGS 1980/MC 1980)
7. That baptised members of each church are free to receive the Eucharist in each other's churches. (AGS 1980/MC 2004)¹

We recognise that in the past there have been disappointments as well as hopes in the relationship between our two churches. However we are resolved to work at closer relations within the search for the visible unity of the church.

Our Aotearoa New Zealand context

We acknowledge each other's response to the Treaty of Waitangi – the three-tikanga partnership of the Anglican Church (Pakeha/Maori/Polynesia), and the bicultural partnership of the Methodist Church (Maori/Tauitiwi). Led by the Holy Spirit our two churches have each developed a model appropriate for themselves. Both churches have been significantly transformed and continue to evolve in response to Treaty of Waitangi and other contextual issues.

In this covenant we affirm:

1. That the unity of the church is not incidental to God's purpose. The unity of the church (which is the prayer of Jesus in John 17) demonstrates God's ability to reconcile through Christ and supports the mission of God. The unity of the church serves the unity of creation.
2. That visible unity of the churches involves mutual acceptance of the apostolic faith, sacramental life and ministry, and a common mission to the world.
3. Each other's understandings of the mission of the church, including: the ministry of all the baptised; proclamation of the gospel; the nurture of all members; care of those who are new to the church; social service; transformation of unjust structures; and the care of creation.
4. That each church in its own way exercises the ministry of episkope or oversight. The Anglican Church does this through the office of bishops and synodical government. The Methodist Church does so through the annual conference, the presidency between conferences, and by devolution of the conference district superintendents and connexional boards and committees.
5. That episkope is to be expressed at three levels: the personal whereby the ordained are called to service and responsibility within the church; the collegial which calls the ordained to consult with each other and act together in the exercise of the ministry of the oversight; the communal which recognises that all baptised members participate not only in the mission of the church, but also in the ministry of oversight.
6. That our two churches' different exercise of personal, collegial and communal oversight reflects ways in which our churches are variously nurtured in the faith, pastored, guided and disciplined.
7. The ministry of oversight in both our churches is concerned with the nurturing and maintenance of the community's fidelity to the teaching of the apostles, the preaching of the gospel, the authentic celebration of the sacraments, and the mission of the church.
8. That efforts at convergence in the practice of episkope challenge both our traditions. We note the call in the World Council of Churches Faith and Order statement 'Baptism, Eucharist and

¹ AGS – Anglican General Synod; MC – Methodist Conference.

Ministry' (1982) that all churches need to examine their practice of episkope. Churches in which episkope is exercised in a presbyteral or corporate fashion need to consider the merits of a personal episcopacy. Churches which are episcopally ordered are challenged to seek the renewal of their practice of episcopal ministry, taking into account the positive contributions which can be made by systems of presbyteral and corporate oversight. A frank acceptance by all parties of the need for renewal and mutual enrichment would do much to remove negative perceptions and to advance koinonia and the process of convergence.

9. Our vision at this time is one of visible unity. We are not sure at this time what this would look like, or what its implications might be for our two churches. ("What we will yet be has not yet been revealed." 1 John 3:2) We see this search as a journey in keeping with the model of "Unity by Stages" already affirmed by our two churches. We do not see one church absorbing another, or the extinguishing of any of the existing identities within our churches. The treasures all bring are to be preserved (e.g. spiritualities, cultural identities). We seek a visible unity for our two churches that receives and cherishes all the gifts, all the insights, and all the treasures, and holds them together in a creative way that serves God's mission in the world.

Covenant and ecumenical space

We need to develop ecumenical space as a setting in which, even in a state of division, we bear witness to our common allegiance to Jesus Christ and cooperate to advance the visible unity of the church. Ecumenical space offers us a way forward. In such a space we affirm our common Christian identity and have the possibility for a new discourse as we talk to one another in a new way. This provides a greater opportunity to discern together Christ's will for the church in ways that are not possible in isolation from each other. In this way ecumenical space brings the churches into living encounter with one another. We consider that the concept of ecumenical space has much to offer a covenant such as the one proposed. We commend the statement on ecumenical space in "Episkope and Episcopacy and the Quest for Visible Unity" (World Council of Churches Faith and Order Paper No. 183 1999 pages 43-45. See appendix to this covenant)

In this covenant we commit ourselves:

1. To develop a safe ecumenical space in which there is opportunity to explore together uncomfortable questions.
2. To an ongoing dialogue that seeks to:
 - realise more deeply our common life and mission and to share the distinctive contributions of our traditions, taking steps to bring about closer collaboration in all areas of witness and service in the world.
 - further explore together the meaning and exercise of episkope in both our churches life and work.
 - Work towards a united and interchangeable ministry to more fully express the visible unity of our two churches.
3. To continue to provide opportunities welcome each other's baptised members to participate in the fellowship, worship and mission of our churches, and to encourage forms of eucharistic sharing, including eucharistic hospitality, in accordance with the rules of our respective churches.
4. To provide opportunities to listen to each other and to take account of each other's concerns, especially in areas that affect our relationship as churches.
5. To provide opportunities to celebrate together annually throughout the country in an intentional way, our common faith through a focus on the offerings to the church of John and Charles Wesley who owned both the Anglican tradition and the Methodist way, on either the date set in the Anglican calendar (the Sunday nearest 8 March), or that provided for in the Methodist calendar (the Sunday nearest 24 May).

In this covenant we seek these outcomes:

1. An ongoing and intentional dialogue that will deepen the present relationship of our two churches and move us towards visible unity.
2. A greater commitment to dealing with the issues that presently prevent closer communion between our two churches.
3. An open and generous relationship that holds an awareness of the other in everything we do.

4. A focus on a common mission to the world.

Appendix

"Ecumenical space" is the milieu in which, even in a state of division, we bear witness to our common allegiance to Jesus Christ and cooperate to advance the visible unity of the church. In this space we affirm our common Christian identity. For this reason, we have the possibility of a new discourse: we talk to one another in a new way. In turn, we have a greater opportunity to discern together Christ's will for the church in ways that are not possible in isolation one from another. Space thus understood brings the churches into living encounter with one another. It is helpful to enumerate the presuppositions, characteristics, opportunities and obligations of being together in "ecumenical space".

Presuppositions of ecumenical space: - recognition of common baptism in Christ:

- search for theological understanding on the basis of scripture, tradition and experience;
- commitment to search for unity, to seek to transcend former divisions; commitment to processes of dialogue, and thus to transformation and renewal in the light of the common quest;
- maintenance of fellowship in the situation of divergent affirmations, thus demonstrating commitment to the process.

Characteristics of ecumenical space:

- frank and serious discussion, including search and discovery, questioning and listening;
- mutual respect, so that no church is required to deny its identity or heritage;
- restraint from judgment, thus excluding a purely negative attitude on the part of one church towards another.

Opportunities afforded by ecumenical space: - reconciliation of memories; - conversion and renewal; - common witness:

- guidance into the will of the Spirit;
- discernment of what will advance the visible unity of the church.

Obligations of being together in ecumenical space:

- compatibility of attitude and behavior within and outside this ecumenical space; - avoidance of actions inconsistent with brotherly/sisterly relationships;
- mutual support, forbearance and accountability.

Within such space, discernment takes place through testing on the basis of scripture, tradition and experience and according to confessional criteria. Individuals function as representatives of their communities committed to dialogue. Deliberation continues even when disagreements seem incapable of resolution. Ecumenical space continues to be a place of interrogation and encouragement, a place where the process of the reconciliation of history must occur.

The process of discernment within the space will raise questions about the relation between the global, regional and national processes of dialogue. It is clear that internal decisions cannot be reached in isolation from partners, and decisions in one region or nation will have an impact on others. For this reason, in any significant decision or agreement concerning church life, compatibility and consistency with partner churches should be tested before finalisation. In sum, mutual accountability to partners must be a chief consideration in the stage-by-stage unfolding of a process that is under the Spirit and oriented to an ultimate future belonging to the Triune God.

The group believed the need for an awareness and practice of ecumenical space is urgent with regard to the topic of episkope. It saw two questions arising:

1. Is there the possibility of ecumenical space allowing for a corporate exercise of episkope and ecumenical accountability across the churches? Could there be some structural form of episkope within the ecumenical space?
2. Is it possible to have institutional examples of ecumenical space where both episcopal and non-

episcopal churches are able to question and listen to one another's experiences and reflections?

"Episkope and Episcopacy and the Quest for Visible Unity" (World Council of Churches Faith and Order Paper No. 183, 1999, pages 43-45.

The proposed Covenant is the fruit of collaboration between the Faith & Order Committee and the Mission and Ecumenical Committee along with the Anglicans.

The New Revised Pastoral Resolutions

Introduction

Conference 2007 referred a Memorial from Auckland Synod asking the Committee "to review and revise the current wording and usage of the Revised Pastoral Resolutions..."

The Pastoral Resolutions currently appearing in the front of the Law Book, authorised by Conference 1969, are based upon the "Resolutions On Pastoral Work", commonly referred to as the "Liverpool Minutes 1820". These, in turn, are said to owe a debt to Wesley's "Rules of a Helper".

In Wesleyan Methodism, the Liverpool Minutes were to be "read and considered in every Annual Meeting of the District Committees, as our Standing Regulations require". In 1848 the Conference resolved that they should also be read "once a quarter at the Weekly Meeting of Ministers in each Circuit..."

The Pastoral Resolutions have undergone many revisions within the British Conference over the last 150 years, and have been much adapted by Conferences elsewhere. The Uniting Church "Service of Ministerial Rededication", for example, may have the Pastoral Resolutions in its pedigree but looks to have been heavily influenced by the Westminster Confession. One thing that may be inferred from all this is that, while the church has valued performing, in some way, some version of the Pastoral Resolutions over the years, no strict formula has been followed. It follows that we in our day can feel free to adapt what we have inherited for use in our changing times.

Over recent years, the anecdotal evidence is that reading The Pastoral Resolutions at Ministerial Synods is regarded as optional. In some places they have not been read, together, for years. In others they are read, but not regularly. All of which might relate to reservations on the part of many towards some of the wording and content of the 1969 version of the Pastoral Resolutions, which has finally found a focus in the Memorial to Conference last year seeking a revision.

In an increasingly pluralistic age it is, perhaps, problematic to come up with a set of words which all might, with integrity, say together. On the other hand, if reading The Pastoral Resolutions is understood as an affirmation of *community* (particularly of the ordained), rather than of belief, the practice might find renewed usefulness within Synods. The Committee continues to see value in the renewal of ordination vows and suggests it may be useful for Synods to have a discussion of what reading the Pastoral Resolutions together in some form "does" for individuals, the Synod as a whole, and even the wider church.

Following is a re-worded version of The Pastoral Resolutions which takes some account of the increased understanding of the significance of context within which ministry is exercised, the increasing imperative towards better inter-faith relations, and the constantly shifting language with which we try, however inadequately, to express the mystery of both call and ministry.

To conclude, in addition to the traditional choral recitation of The Pastoral Resolutions, there are several suggestions as to how they might be creatively handled in other ways within Synods.

Revised Pastoral Resolutions (2008)

Our ordination

We recall that at our ordination we received, by the authority of the church, the promise of God's Spirit, and were commissioned to proclaim the gospel, maintain the faith, build up the body of Christ and equip God's people for their work of mission. In humble obedience we now renew our ordination vows. We commit ourselves again to remain open to Christ's call, to the service of Christ, and to accept the discipline of the Church.

God's world

The world we live in is one of hope and fear, love and hatred, unity and division. Yet, for all its confusion, this world is God's world, Christ is Lord and Christ's love will prevail. Therefore we pledge ourselves to the task of breaking down religious and other barriers, and of offering to all people that fullness of life which is to be found in Jesus Christ.

The living Word

At the heart of the Gospel there stands Jesus Christ, the Word made flesh. We therefore resolve in all our preaching, teaching and administering of the sacraments, to open ourselves to the Holy Spirit so that our words and actions may commend to all the risen Christ. To this end we commit ourselves to disciplined study, and accept the challenge to wrestle with contemporary thought so that we may proclaim a relevant word for our age and context.

Pastoral responsibilities and administration

Remembering Jesus' infinite love for people, we resolve to give our pastoral responsibilities a central place in our ministry. We will counsel people as need arises, and will endeavour to give adequate preparation for baptism, confirmation and marriage. We are determined to be careful in administration, sensitive in our conduct of meetings and constantly alert to the particular needs of each person.

Relationship with others

In a unique way we are brothers and sisters in Christ to all ordained ministers in the church catholic. We also share responsibility with all religious leaders to ensure that our spiritual traditions promote peace, justice and healing between the peoples of the world. We resolve to grow in our understanding of others and to develop healthy relationships within our neighborhood and nation.

Stewardship

We are determined to exercise a wise and disciplined stewardship of our time, abilities, possessions, friendships and health. We resolve to remember our responsibilities to home, family and whanau as well as to our pastorate.

Our devotional life

We remind ourselves that all our efforts are of little consequence unless they spring out of a lively relationship with Jesus Christ. We commit ourselves to nurturing our spiritual life through worship, prayer and engagement with the world. We now offer ourselves afresh to God in love and for the work of the ministry.

Response

All that we have is yours, O Lord; we give you but your own. Grant us grace to be faithful. Now to God who by the power at work within us is able to accomplish far more than all we can ask or imagine, to God be glory in the church and in Christ Jesus to all generations, forever and ever. Amen.

Use of the Pastoral Resolutions

In addition to the traditional the choral reading, the Committee suggests some new ways the Pastoral Resolutions might be included in Ministerial Synods:

1. Use seven readers; after each: pause, reflect and pray. Close with the Response (above).
2. Use seven readers; after each light a candle and recite a relevant response together. Close with the Response (above).

3. Break into small groups. Ask each group to reflect on the contemporary/contextual relevance of each resolution. Share in plenary session, close with prayer and the Response (above).
4. In advance of meeting ask seven people to prepare a short reflection on each resolution, which could lead into plenary discussion. Close with prayer and the Response (above).

Reflections on Superintendency

Conference 2007 asked Faith & Order to consider the ministry of district superintendents. This was in response to a memorial from the Hawkes Bay-Manawatu-Taranaki-Wanganui and Wellington Synods which read:

That, in view of the changed nature of synod superintendency in the 21st century, Section 4.8.1 of the Laws & Regulations is amended to read: *"Synod super-intendency shall be carried out by an appropriately experienced presbyter, deacon or lay person, and by such others as are appointed by the Conference."*

Evidently the issue has been raised in view of a perceived shortage of presbyters in some districts and the possibility in some cases of there not being a sufficiently experienced presbyter to be appointed as district superintendent.

It is easy for a discussion on matters like this to become confused by issues such as the rights of lay people in the church. The committee does not believe that this issue is about power or control. Rather it has to do with the order of the church.

Essentially the matter raised has to do with the structure of our inherited Methodist polity. At the heart of the issue is the way in which the Conference exercises authority in the church.

Currently the Law Book states:

"Synod superintendency shall be carried out by a presbyter in full connexion and by such others as are appointed by the Conference to exercise general pastoral oversight of the district and to carry out administrative duties as required by Conference." (Section 4 – 8.1)

It is the understanding of the committee that it is the ministry of a superintendent minister, whether of a parish or a district, to represent and interpret the mind of Conference in parish or district. The traditional way of securing accountability in this regard is for all superintendent ministers to be in full connexion. This being in full connexion sets up a particular relationship between the ordained and the Conference, such that Conference is able to ensure that there is an accountability of the superintendent minister to Conference.

The way this works in practice is that the superintendent minister of parish or district is accountable to their peers on the floor of Conference. This is important if a superintendent minister is failing to represent and interpret the mind of Conference in parish or district.

Lay people are responsible to their peers on the floor of synod or parish council. Superintendent ministers, in full connexion, are accountable for their ministry and for the way they represent the mind of Conference on the floor of Conference.

The polity works along these lines: whereas lay people represent their parishes in the Conference, superintendent ministers represent the Conference in parish and district. Conference is able to hold the superintendent minister accountable for the exercise of this ministry through all superintendent ministers being in full connexion.

To move away from this inherited polity would constitute a major change. It would touch on the heart of connexional polity. We do not believe a strong case has been made for such radical change. There are good reasons why this order has been retained. Much would be lost were it to be abandoned.

Sacraments within Local Shared Ministry

Conference has accepted Local Shared Ministry as a model of ministry that parishes may consider adopting. Provisions exist to enable a parish to embark upon a process of discernment to establish whether this form of ministry will suit the context and challenges being faced by the parish.

Local Shared Ministry is a model that recognizes that the gifts of the Holy Spirit to lead the local church in worship and witness are to be found within the local Christian community. Resources are made available by the wider church to support the development of a ministry team.

Should a parish decide to embrace Local Shared Ministry, the parish will identify those from within the congregation who have gifts to serve within a team where ministries are exercised. The question arises as to how sacramental ministry should be provided.

Within Methodism it is the ministry of the ordained presbyter to preside at the sacraments. After exploring the options, Faith & Order propose that this principle be retained for Local Shared Ministry in Methodist parishes or congregations and in Union and Co-operating Parishes.

The Committee encourages the Church to draw on its understanding of the Local Presbyter. This could be developed in such a way that a person, chosen by the local parish could be assessed for ordination to take responsibility for sacramental ministry within the Local Shared Ministry.

Such a person would have the confidence of the local parish and the wider Church. They would be mature in faith, receive preparation for this ministry and be ordained to the presbyterate. Because ordination does not confer status but the Church's endorsement to exercise ministry, they would take their place within the team.

Within the setting of Local Shared Ministry, the one ordained to the presbyterate would have a covenant in which the parameters of their ministry would be defined. The focus of their ministry would be sacramental, exercised alongside others engaged in preaching, pastoral, educational and missional forms of service.

Not only is this approach consistent with Methodist polity, it would have the advantage of being ecumenically acceptable, as Anglicans and Presbyterians, our partners in co-operative ventures, have chosen to take the same path. Recognising that there are still questions to be answered and details to be resolved, the Faith & Order Committee commends this approach to the Church.

Suggested Decisions:

1. That the report be received.
2. That Conference recognizes the contribution to the Faith & Order Committee of the Rev. Dr John Salmon over thirty years.
3. That Conference endorses the Covenant with the Anglican Church and encourages the Committee to take the next steps in the conversation.
4. That Conference welcomes the new Revised Pastoral Resolutions and commends them for use.
5. That Conference receives the paper on District Superintendency.
6. That Conference refers the working paper on Sacraments in Local Shared Ministry back to the committee for further consideration.
7. That the committee for 2009 be: Terry Wall (Convenor), Tovia Aumua, (representing Sinoti Samoa) Shirley-Joy Barrow (representing the deacons), Norman Brookes, Michael Dye, Tony Franklin, Robyn Allen Goudge, Valerie Nicholls, Siosifa Pole, Tony Stroobant, Sisa Tuicakau (representing Wasewase ko Viti kei Rotuma e Niu Siladi), a representative from Vahefonua Tonga O Aotearoa, a student representative from Trinity College and a representative of the Evangelical Network.

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Social Services

- WesleyCom
- Methodist Mission Northern
- Wesley Community Action
- Christchurch Methodist Mission
- The Methodist Mission (Dunedin Methodist Mission)



WESLEYCOM

The following reports graphically present the significant commitment the Methodist Church of New Zealand makes to social service. Each reflects longstanding costly ministries of unconditional care and concern for the whole of society. Each is a commitment to justice and compassion. A commitment to "putting right" social and economic conditions that otherwise erode the lives of young and old and jeopardise any Cycle of Hope®.

But each of these social service ministries is maintained in increasingly complex economic and social conditions. Constantly the demand for service outstrips the capacity to provide. Consistently, escalating costs stretch the boundaries of developing and managing affordable service delivery. Complex demographic and population changes are being experienced. Continuously, emerging social policy and practice must be measured against the Church's social principles and on behalf of the Methodist Church of New Zealand, WesleyCom bears a burden to ensure responsible critique and advocacy.

Methodist Mission Aotearoa

Each regional report outlines its own areas of service and concern. Each speaks for itself. But increasingly, it is becoming critically important (particularly in discussions with government or in negotiations with government departments) to be able to address issues collectively. Although within the life of the Connexion, the name "WesleyCom" has become the recognised identity of social services ministries, it has proven to be a descriptive far less familiar beyond the bounds of the Church.

As a result, any awareness of the considerable greater Methodist commitment to social services was often dispersed by its regional fragmentation.

For that reason, WesleyCom, in its collective dealings with government and on other nation-wide matters, has returned to using the descriptive "Methodist Mission Aotearoa". Importantly, it clearly embraces our identity as "Methodist"; it includes each and every locality and service initiative from Whangarei to Invercargill; and facilitates an easily recognisable Methodist social service mandate.

Pathways to Partnership

"Pathways to Partnership" was a policy announcement of government earlier this year. It is arguably the most significant change for some decades in the funding of essential social services.

Firstly, it is a commitment over four years to achieve the full funding of agreed services provided by the non-government sector. But secondly and of equal importance, it gives clear recognition to the long standing reality that by and large it is the NGO sector, rather than government, that commits most to the delivery of such services.

However, the prospect of full funding of essential services also creates a risk of resource dependency. The overt influence of so-called full funding from one source alone and the extent to which, if left unmonitored or without critique, can compromise the values and independence of an NGO were identified by Jeffrey Pfeffer and Gerald Salancik as early as 30 years ago.

It will therefore be critically important for social service entities to appropriately monitor and manage that risk. But equally important is that the Church and wider community maintain their own firm commitment to ensure financial resources (independent of government contractual funding) remain generously available for such costly ministries of social service.

However, at the time of writing, the extent to which meaningful funding will be provided from the "Pathways to Partnership" model in the 2009 financial year is yet to be full determined. Already there are indications that the proportion of funding will fall considerably short of the sector's earlier expectations. If so, it is cause for some concern. For it risks burdening already financially overstretched service providers with the costs of sustaining the ever increasing demand for essential services, many of which are addressing complex multiple needs.

New Zealand Christian Council of Social Services

The Methodist Church of New Zealand is one of six member Churches of the New Zealand Christian Council of Social Services. This year and with the support of Church Leaders in a series *"Let us look after each other – Aroha tetahi ke tetahi"* the Council has taken a specific initiative to address the attributes required to achieve a just and compassionate society and the means by which communities and congregations might, particularly in an election cycle, approach questions of social concern.

"Let us look after each other – Aroha tetahi ke tetahi" has included "Our Children Our Treasure", "A Valued Place For Older People", "Made Poor in New Zealand" and soon to be released, "Housing Affordability" and "Supporting Communities". For all six Churches (Anglican, Baptist, Catholic, Methodist, Presbyterian and Salvation Army) the NZCCSS undertakes important research, analysis and policy development that might otherwise be beyond the capacity of each.

Amending Legislation

Conference 2007 warmly commended the passage of legislation amending s59 of the Crimes Act. Now however, WesleyCom must note the likelihood of a nation-wide referendum in 2009, sought by petitioners wishing to reclaim the right to hit children.

Change in legislation (no matter how worthy, no matter how finely crafted), does not of itself seal societal change. Even on occasions when such legislation is an urgent beacon to social transformation, at best it is an evolution of change often taking ten, twenty years or more, before becoming the heart, soul and mind of the community.

The amendment to Section 59 of the Crimes Act and the fierce opposition and media misrepresentation that it evoked, is an excellent contemporary example of that very telling analysis. For here was that "urgent beacon of social transformation" desperately needed in a country and among its people, who shamefully today, have one of the worst records of violence towards children anywhere in the western world.

Where to, now that the rights to a referendum have been successfully claimed? Over the months ahead, the most effective counter claim the Methodist Church of New Zealand can make to that referendum is simply to BE that beacon of social transformation in all that we are and all that we do.

"Never doubt that a small group of thoughtful committed citizens can change the world. Indeed, it is the only thing that ever has." Margaret Mead

METHODIST MISSION NORTHERN

New Name for Services:

After almost 18 months of research and brand development, the Mission launched its new services image under the name of LIFEWISE – turning lives around. The launch was a very successful occasion and so far the response of parishes and the wider community has been very positive, with very few concerns being expressed. Over the next few months the Mission will review the success of this renaming.

Of interest to the Conference would be the following.

From the months of June and July LIFEWISE has:

- featured on Radio Live, in the Western Leader, in the internal news of AUT twice, on TV3 News, in The Aucklander (2 editions), Central Leader, City Harbour News, Awhi Mai O Awhi Atu (CYFS), Challenge Weekly, New Zealand Herald (twice).
- With AUT has been selected as a finalist for a Robin Hood foundation Social Hero Award (including the Prime Ministers award).
- Received good support from the parishes that participated in the Hot Water Bottle Appeal (Wesley Day).
- Published and distributed the first edition of a new look newsletter for supporters.
- Progressed translation of a regular LIFEWISE church bulletin into Maori, Samoan, Tongan, Fijian and Korean.
- As many of our publications as possible printed on paper sourced from sustainable forests and the ink used is vegetable based and non-polluting.

During the year the Mission said farewell to Jaclyn Green. Jaclyn had been General Manager for a number of years. As GM, she was instrumental in steering the Mission through some very difficult times and assisted the Board in the implementation of sound policies and processes in property management, risk management, human resourcing and finance control. Her replacement as General Manager of Property and Commercial is Bruce Stone, who as a chartered accountant has served with Housing New Zealand and in a number of other property companies.

In November 2007 John McCarthy, was appointed as General Manager of Community Services, John has worked in and managed various governmental and non-governmental agencies and his experience is welcomed by the Board and Service Managers.

The Board continues, as reported to Conference last year, the discussion on a new Board structure. Already much of the work of the Board is conducted through the two proposed arms by way of committees. To ensure the smooth transition, the Board of MMN is developing processes to ensure that the work of both new Boards is consistent with the Cycles of Hope®, that the strategic planning of both is aligned and investment and service delivery plans are not in conflict.

CBD Property:

The Mission began a process of marketing its CBD sites in September 2007. Included were the multi-storied commercial properties on 360 Queen St, and 3 Wakefield St, other properties included 7 Wakefield St (predominately single level car parking), 370

Queen St, (retail and Chapel access), Airedale St (LIFEWISE Centre, carparking, and Chapel). A very complex set of properties. At the time the intention was to sell a leasehold interest in the property and a marketing programme was devised in consultation with Bayleys Real Estate. By February it was clear that very few developers were interested in leasehold properties. However, a number of potential buyers did express an interest in a freehold sale. The Board asked that freehold offers be explored along with the few interested in the leasehold. The end result was that the advantages of the freehold offers could not be ignored and finally a sale on this basis was agreed.

The Board followed the church processes diligently, and in fact constantly reviewed the situation to ensure that all consultations were taking or had taken place – this was no small task as the property was both commercial and church, and because different processes are used for each many committees had to be consulted. After exhaustive work, marketing and negotiating it was not until the last minute that the freehold option was accepted – that is the leasehold possibility was totally exhausted, and there was little use in pursuing it any further.

What was entailed and what were the advantages to the church?

- The freehold offer was substantially better than any other.
- A one hundred year lease might still retain the ownership of the land, but it is impossible to know what liabilities might be incurred over that period of time.
- The offer did not require due-diligence.
- The terms of lease for the occupancy of the Chapel and The LIFEWISE Community Centre were most favourable.
- The sale enables the Mission to look at investing in order to fund its activities without any outstanding maintenance or debt.

The figures: Without the sale, a deficit in 2008/09 of at best \$404,000; if maintenance is included \$820,000; ongoing interest payments of \$571,000. With the sale, a surplus of \$340,000, no debt servicing in second half of year, and a manageable maintenance programme.

Hiccups?

Even though the Mission had a very elaborate communication plan involving hundreds of letters and email communication to tenants, donors, contractors, clients, Aotea Chapel community, synod members, the wider church and media it did not go perfectly. It is unclear what more could have been done given that the Board was bound by commercial confidentiality clauses, and once the sale had been completed there were three days in which to inform people in a carefully planned sequence. That there would be some hurt and frustration was always of concern and everything that could, at the time, be done was to ensure that communications happened as soon as practicable and sensitively, however with the strong emotional and historic links to the site some anger, frustration and sense of being betrayed was inevitable. The Conference would do well to remember that this was not a sale entered into lightly or without a deep sense of the implications for the future of the Mission. It was no easy moment for either the Chairperson of the Board or the Superintendent to sign the Sale and Purchase Documents!

Services

LIFEWISE Family Services

With the rebranding it has been interesting to see staff creatively engage in the presentation to clients and others the new name! Cakes, pens, and wearing something red have all added to a 'good fun' atmosphere and reduced the concern of those who might have been concerned about the implication the new name had on them. This Service is currently being reorganised to allow for development of our community focussed part of this service.

LIFEWISE Home Care

One of the largest providers in New Zealand and one the Church should be proud of as it is seen as a 'preferred provider'. With over 1,700 clients and 250 staff it is no small business. Its strength is in the attitude of the staff and its mission to provide not only excellent service but to a sector of the labour force which is often marginalised a high quality educational service. At a recent graduation ceremony in the Aotea Chapel over 100 employees received entry level qualification certificates. A proud moment for all.

The LIFEWISE Centre

Corie Haddock is the new manager for this service. With a strong background in mental health and a real passion for the work it has been good to observe the new service model being implemented. It is pleasing to see that this aspect of the Mission's work is moving from 'soup kitchen' to a Centre offering a range of activities and opportunities – wood carving, medical support, group work (CADS and Odyssey House), AUT, Housing New Zealand are just a start. Centre staff are working with Street Football Aotearoa to take a team of homeless people to the 2008 Homeless (Soccer) World Cup in Melbourne – a first for New Zealand. Further development of the LIFEWISE Centre model is expected as a result of the relocation of the service following the sale of the inner-city premises.

LIFEWISE Aotea Methodist Chapel

Tony Franklin as the presbyter has brought some invigorating commitment and energy. The chapel has been used for a variety of functions including a graduation, a choir and bell ringing concert, and a Synod meeting. It continues to provide a place for worship for the Aotea Chapel Community and the Auckland Deaf Christian Fellowship. With the sale of the property the community will be involved in consultation of how the Mission engages with the people of the Central Business District, and what it means to have a 'presence' theologically, prophetically and pastorally, in the heart of the city.

LIFEWISE Innovations

The Takapuna Methodist Parish and LIFEWISE have shared in a community development project on the North Shore. This has been highly successful, and offers a sound model for shared parish – LIFEWISE projects. Rebecca Harrington, the Community Development Worker employed, has had a significant impact within the area through her involvement with City Council consultations, advocacy for local groups, youth and a very successful "Know Your Neighbour" programme which featured on the front page of the North Shore times and the New Zealand Herald.

John Murray
Superintendent

David Smith
Chairman

The Employment Generation Fund

The fund was created in 1992 to create employment by assisting small businesses through funding advances. Key points achieved during the year were:

- Six advances were made during the year, totalling \$100,000.
- Jobs created since the fund started now total 337 FTE (full time equivalents).
- The net operating and asset results generally reflect the level of grants received each year. The level of loan activity has been less than last year, a result of high employment and easier commercial sourcing of capital, but there are recent signs that the cyclical nature of these two factors is reversing.

As indicated in our report last year the trustees have been investigating ways of making the fund become more financially self-sufficient; this has reached a stage where the lending policy of the fund has been amended to include the seeking of a number of carefully selected ventures in which the fund will take an equity interest.

Table of the fund's position at 30 June 2008

	Number	\$	\$
Capital Fund input			575,000
Ventures assisted	141		
FTE employment	337		
Funding advances	199	1,516,872	
Loans repaid	83	881,342	
Loans being repaid	19	289,400	
Repayments not started	2	40,000	
Special grants	111	118,870	

At 30 June the Trustees and Management Committee members were as follows:

Trustees:

Maurice Copeland (Chair)
Angus Fletcher
John Fraser
Brian Gauld
Geoff Peak
Graham Dewar

Management Committee:

John Fraser (Convenor)
Margaret Crozier
Brian Gauld
Philip Hickling (Fund Manager)
Brian McFadden
Geoff Peak

LOOKING AHEAD.....

- The Trustees and Management Committee will continue their efforts to improve the financial sustainability of the fund by seeking four new investment ventures, following which prospective partners will be approached to take the fund to its next stage of development.
- The Trustees and Management Committee will continue to work with interested parties to replicate the fund in other areas.
- The Management Committee will actively promote the objectives of the fund and continue to seek out ventures needing financial support.

The Trustees and Management Committee acknowledges and is extremely grateful for the ongoing support it receives from Methodist Mission Northern. The Tindall Foundation and ASB Community Trust have also provided funding assistance, without which the fund could not operate.

Maurice Copeland (Chairman)

Phil Hickling (Fund Manager)

Bainbridge House Charitable Trust Towards Independent Living

Bainbridge House has been operating now for fifteen years. The Trust houses in Rotorua number four and referrals are accepted from Taupo and Turangi. One house is dedicated to crisis respite care intervention ; another house is an alcohol and other drugs home for people waiting entry to treatment centres or returning from a treatment centre; and two of the houses are used as transition homes for people affected by mental illness. All clients are encouraged and supported during their stay with the aim of integration back into the community.

The staff number 7 in total and all are completing or have completed the National Certificate Mental Health Support Worker. Staff have a variety of qualifications which enables Bainbridge to offer a variety of services within the mental health community. The staff, under Alice Whare's management and leadership, have a commitment to providing recovery-focused service in an holistic manner that is free of stigma and discrimination.

There is a policy of inclusion into the community as opposed to exclusion from the community and encourage tangata whaiora to seek opportunities for education and employment in main stream educational facilities and work places.

Bainbridge Trust works closely with many agencies including Workwise, Te Utuhina Mangaakitanga Trust, and community mental health teams. This collaborative work endeavours to achieve the best outcome for all tangata whaiora.

This year is one of consolidation by the new manager and for the Board, having experienced an upheaval in staff changes and a long awaited DHB audit. Putting the 'house' in order and keeping the morale of the dedicated staff peaking, as well as in making Bainbridge Trust Houses a point of difference and excellence in the local mental health community, must bode well for the future integrity of the business operation.

Tamahere Eventide Home And Retirement Village Period: 1 July 2007 to 30 June 2008

1. General

We have had an excellent year with continued high occupancy levels. The Tamahere Eventide Home Trust was registered as a Charitable Trust on 19 February 2008.

2. Rental Apartments

We had full occupancy for the year with an ever expanding waiting list. Tenants made good use of our catering service, transport and nursing services. A total of 7,125 meals were provided to tenants.

The real value of this project can be measured in the social benefits to the residents with increased social integration and participation, ability to attend Church services on site, nursing services and catering services suited to their needs.

3. Residential Care Services

The high occupancy level of the previous year was maintained and improved on. A waiting list for rest home and dementia beds continued to increase and demand is the highest it has been in many years. The occupancy levels were as follows:

- Rest Home 100% (2007 - 98%)
- Dementia Unit 100% (2007 - 100%)
- Villas 100% (2007 - 100%)
- Apartments 100% (2007 - 100%)

The Day Care programme had an average monthly attendance of 246 (2007 – 225) client visits.

The demand for respite care beds remained very high with 864 (2007 - 1156) bed days occupied for this service at a value of \$58,038 (2007 - \$77,642). The availability of beds for respite care restricted this service as most beds were fully occupied by rest home residents.

The nurses and caregivers under the leadership of Cushla Wolland, Clinical Services Manager provided excellent services to the residents and their families.

4. Activities

The therapy staff, lead by Chris Brocket continued to provide a diverse and entertaining programme of activities and outings for the residents.

Special events included Daffodil Day, Volunteers Christmas Party, Melbourne Cup, Easter, Residents' Christmas, Queens Birthday, Mid-Winter Christmas, Father's Day, Mothers Day, Halloween, Guy Fawkes, Trip to Cambridge Town Hall Christmas display, Waitangi Day, Valentines Day, Bus Trip to Raglan, Anzac Day, Licorice Display and Sales, on site shopping with Rose Lynn Fashions.

5. Retirement Village

We achieved registration as a Retirement Village on 31 October 2007 as required by the Retirement Villages Act 2003.

Seven villas became available for sale during the year and sold at the valuation, with a net income of \$286,466. The valuation of a two bed room unit increased to \$250,000 (2007 - \$240,000). We have a substantial waiting list for the Villas.

Social activities included Happy Hour, Putting competitions, Petanque, Crafts, Trips to Raglan, Pirongia, The Ole Creamery Cafe, Lily Pad Café, Te Piko Restaurant & Café, Willow Glen Café, Lake Karapiro, Christmas Lunch, Mid-Winter Christmas Lunch, Shopping at Chartwell and visiting the Te Awamutu Rose Gardens.

The purchase and delivery of groceries through a fax order system from New World is well used by a number of residents.

6. Quality Improvement

We maintained our ISO 9001/2000 accreditation and Ministry of Health Certification.

7. Maintenance

Internal maintenance kept the buildings up to a good standard. The presentation of the gardens continues to be a source of pride and enjoyment for all.

8. Staffing

Management and nursing staff remained stable. During the past year recruiting and retention of caregivers remained very difficult. The contribution of nurses, caregivers, therapists, chefs and other staff is appreciated and it is one of the most important factors in the success we achieved during this year.

9. Chaplain

The spiritual worship runs very well under the leadership of our Chaplain, Reverend Alice Hill. The Chaplain leads communion services in the Rest Home & Dementia Care Unit and takes a Sunday Service on a regular basis. The Chaplain also provides for the spiritual needs of our staff.

Sunday Church services was provided by:

Hamilton East Methodist Church	Rev Anne Griffiths, Mrs Dickie
Chaplain	Rev Alice Hill
St Stephens (Tamahere)	Rev Craig Lucock, Rev Juliet Drage
Morrinsville Methodist Church	Rev Nancy Jean Whitehead
St Paul's, Melville	Rev Susan Thompson
Chartwell Methodist Church	Rev Ken Olsen
St Francis (Hillcrest)	Rev George Hammond
Te Awamutu Methodist Church	Rev Maureen Calman /Mrs Lynn Pinkerton
Relief Ministers	Rev Len Schroeder, Rev Gloria Zanders

The Catholic Ministry has a monthly service which includes mass, reconciliation and anointing the sick on the 1st Friday of the month led by Father Joseph Akkara.

We appreciate the contribution the abovementioned Individuals and Churches made to the spiritual life of our residents, families and staff.

10. Financial Performance

An operating surplus of \$533,846 (2007 - \$377,001) on a turnover of \$3,726,338 (2007 - \$3,207,206) and total expenditure of \$3,192,492 (2007 - \$2,830,205) was achieved for the year. This will be amended under compliance to IFRS.

One Double Five Whare Roopu Community House

One Double Five Whare Roopu Community House continues to offer inspiring cups of tea to people in Whangarei. Projects that have developed from this interchange over the years continue to flourish. We continue to offer whanau support, counseling and community development support to marae and community groups in our area.

The community house home team of Margaret Poananga, Carol Peters, Maraeta Wharehinga and Debbe Kiriona has been strengthened during this year. Takurangi Yorke is our host, whanau support worker and information technology teaching. Matt Johnson has taken over from Alex Mason as technical support. Alina Mancini is now working for us as a researcher.

Our school, Te Kakano o Taniwharau, this year has had 20 young people learning and growing with us. They have inspired the adults with their enthusiasm and commitment to one another. Our youth team of John Pelasio, Crete Phillips and Rowena Moselen have been the rock of connection for the young people and have provided a strong secure base for the group despite difficulties with a place for the project to be. Rurangi has continued to have problems with the power – the generator is unreliable; with the security – it has been broken into twice this year, and with general access – the road floods from time to time. The youth group has used the church and One Double Five as a intermittent base. One Double Five has had the added pleasure of their company more often.

The community law service was launched formally in February this year. We have moved one of the school buildings over to the site to be used by the Opportunity Shop so that the law service can use their building as a centre. Katene Eruera, our main lawyer, has an interest in Maori land and incorporation legal issues. Karen Tipa, advocate, and manager has expertise in mediation, in employment law and in ACC issues. Aro and Margaret Poananga and Debbe Kiriona have been developing legal secretariat abilities. This is a strong team who can carry this project forward into the new year.

The cyber project is exploring the possibilities of video conferencing lawyers' services into unmet areas in the mid-north. Three videoconferencing units have been purchased. Alina has been conducting research to provide the parameters and to establish feasibility for the expansion in the mid and far north.

Takurangi Yorke is teaching information technology in the form of a course 'keeping up with the grandkids', a course for mature people. Takurangi is now accredited as a NZQA assessor and has been learning how to teach people who are blind with the use of special IT programs. She is also teaching on the 'computers in homes' project together with Otangarei Primary School.

Television and film production: Channel North went to air on the 1st August. The launch was an elaborate affair with 200 glitzy people, the associate minister of culture, and a one-hour live programme. It was ambitious, but we managed to pull it off. Volunteers to worked hard to outfit the studio, produce programming, and to iron out transmission issues. The team is working well together under the leadership of Juanita von Elders. John Gwillim is producing Pukeko Echo, the children's programme, Jo Keating is organising sales, Pete Gillard is managing the business side, and there is a talented group of producers working with the station Aaren, Ashley, Garath, Sean, Matthew and Kullum. People are working voluntarily at present, but we expect the project to be able to employ people eventually. However, all the development so far has been covered by donations and grants, there are no debts, and general overheads are low. We believe that next year will involve consolidation of this project. During the year the project in combination with Northtec has trained over 80 film-makers in the flaxroots courses in film making. Northtec also has diploma and degree courses in multi-media underway. Nineteen school have joined the Pukeko Echo PET project and will use their school media departments as production houses so that they can be involved with Channel North – John Gwillim and Marilyn Small will coordinate school involvement. One Double Five continues to let out quality film making equipment to community producers in Whangarei. There have been some feature length films and a number of documentaries produced during the year. Five teams entered the 48 hour film festival.

The quality of films being entered into the NAFF (Northland Amateur Film Festival) festival has improved again this year. We look forward to continued development of this industry during the next year.

The Emergency housing project is separately incorporated and is supported by One Double Five in an advisory capacity. New facilities have been opened in Kaitia and two houses are maintained in Whangarei. The project continues to be supported jointly by six local churches. Government support for salaries has still not been forthcoming.

Te Puawaitanga Healthcare Centre has had a good year with stability being provided by an inspired Manager, Lisette Hayes who has drawn together a tight and effective team. The group appear to be making improvement in the health outcomes for the area of Otangarei. Health promotion activities include working with health and fitness groups, a community gym and a community gardens. Otangarei has embarked on a Community Renewal project headed by Housing New Zealand and the health project has been involved in this.

Our core business continues to be hosting people. We are thankful for the strength of long serving members of our group who continue to offer good food, good company and a time to reflect for those who come to call.

We wish to extend thanks to all those who have supported the Community House this year with their time, with goods and services and with funds. We offer our thanks to the following who have supported us financially:

Methodist Mission	28492.14	Lottery Board	20000.00
St Johns Cooperating Parish	6000.00	MSD	41883.44
ASB Trust	76235.00	Ministry of Education	172569.30
Community Partnership Fund	67107.56	COGS	5000.00
J R McKenzie Trust	6944.44	Housing New Zealand	8420.00
Tindall Foundation	94000.00	Legal Services Agency	233308.83

Carol Peters, Coordinator

New Zealand Ministry with the Deaf Trust

About the Trust

The first meeting of the trustees was held on 13 November 2006. The Trust was incorporated as a charitable trust in March 2007 and was registered by the Charities Commission as a charitable entity in April 2008. The Trust's official registration number is CC23473.

Donations to the Trust are eligible for the tax rebate for charitable giving.

The Trust has been set up in association with Methodist Mission Northern (now operating as LIFEWISE), which will annually recommend trustees to Conference for appointment. Trustees currently are: Rev. Barry Neal (Chair), Dr Greg Morgan (Secretary), Graeme McDonald (Treasurer), Jean Masters, and Rev. John Murray.

The Trust's purpose is to establish and support Methodist and inter-denominational ministries with the Deaf which encourage spiritual exploration and advancement, fellowship and community among Deaf people. The initial goal is to build an endowment

fund from which the interest can in time be used to finance a range of Deaf ministry projects. The Trust could also hold funds donated for specific purposes that are compatible with its charitable aims and objectives.

As it seeks to become a funding body, the Trust does not intend to provide services directly or to become an employer.

Activities

Donations towards the endowment fund have been received from within the Connexion and from individuals. Donors to the Trust since 2006 have included the Auckland District dream fund, Te Taha Maori, the Tidd Foundation, Papakura Methodist Parish, and the Gordon Trust. The Trust also received a PAC communications grant of \$1,000.

In May 2008 the Trust made a one-off grant to Crosslight Trust in Hamilton to assist with the cost of copying brochures advertising Crosslight's information and advice service for Deaf and hearing-impaired people.

The Trust has built relations with the Crosslight Trust. By agreement Crosslight have applied for funds to cover the costs of a part-time facilitator for their community based programme of support and advocacy for the Deaf. The NZ Ministry with the Deaf Trust has successfully applied to the Tidd Foundation for a grant to reinstate a monthly service for the Deaf in Hamilton. This will pay for the bi-monthly visits to Hamilton of the Auckland Deaf Christian Fellowship chaplain and cover associated local costs. The NZ Ministry with the Deaf Trust and the Crosslight Trust seek to share information, leverage resources in support of Deaf community and services and ministry, and network with local churches.

In October 2007 NZ Ministry with the Deaf Trust visited the Auckland Deaf Christian Fellowship to explain the Trust's existence and purpose. The Trust believes that it has a key role to play in facilitating awareness of Deaf ministry needs in Aotearoa New Zealand.

A two-sided information card and donation form has been produced. "The Auckland Methodist" published an item on the Trust in its April 2008 issue.

The Trust maintains a web blog: <http://nzministrywiththedeaftrust.blogspot.com>. The blog contains information on the Trust's aims and on how to support the Trust financially.

Financial position

Statement of financial performance for 15 months ended 30 June 2008:

Donations received	
Donations	\$15,200.00
Grant for communications	\$1,000.00
Interest received	\$1,080.42
Total income	\$17,280.42
Less expenses	
Postage and stationery	\$220.00
Bank fees	\$15.00
Total expenses	\$235.00
Surplus for the year	\$17,045.42

This does not include the grant of \$5,000 received from the Tidd Foundation, which will appear in the 08/09 accounts.

Chair's comments

I am grateful to all who have supported the Trust this year. To the individuals who have made donations, thank you. To the organisations that have understood and responded with grants to the gap the Trust seeks to fill, thank you.

Thanks, too, to those who have encouraged and worked with the Trust in other ways. In this financial year we have put in place the foundations for restoring Deaf community church services in Hamilton. Through a variety of discussions we have sought to explain the Trust's vision for vibrant and sustainable Deaf ministry in Aotearoa New Zealand. This means ministry opportunities for and by Deaf people. The Trust's focus is on providing funding to nurture faith initiatives within the country's Deaf communities.

Can you help with a gift in a way that best suits you: one off, regular giving or through a legacy?

Barry Neal, Chair

HAMILTON METHODIST SOCIAL SERVICES

2008 marks the 25th Anniversary of Hamilton Methodist Social Services. To date we have marked this milestone by commissioning kaumatua Reverend Buddy Te Whare to write an agency waiata and planting a rewarewa tree at the Centre during Matariki. We're planning a bus trip to local sites of historical significance for Tainui and Methodism during September and celebrations will culminate with our AGM in October.

This 2007/2008 year has been characterised by changing leadership, growing service usage and an increasing profile both within and without the church community.

In March Kate Duggan resigned after three and a half years as Director to further her studies in education. We thank Kate for the dedicated and thoughtful leadership she gave to the agency and also to both the Hamilton Combined Christian Foodbank Trust and the Hamilton Christian Night Shelter Trust.

At the end of April Reverend Lindsay Cumberpatch was appointed Director. He returns to the parish where he first began in ministry twenty eight years ago.

Programmes and Services

- Statistics show a 33% increase in service usage over the previous year.
- The Monday lunch continues to be a focal point of our work. We've added more sense of whanaungatanga / community with live music, more pastoral care and a community nurse.
- Computer Education continues to be a growth area - anticipating an 80% increase in computer income in the new financial year.
- In June 150 people attended a very successful forum on Homelessness we co-hosted with the Salvation Army. The evening centred around the screening of 'Putting Homelessness Into Focus', a documentary recently produced by Dr.

Kate Amore from the Wellington School of Medicine and Health Sciences and directed by actor Charlie Bleakley.

- Information dissemination continues to be a niche role MCA has developed over the years. The NFP email distribution network continues to grow. Last year we produced a booklet 'Faith-Based Services for Emergency Needs' to resource parishes and community agencies.
- During Matariki we hosted a flax weaving course. This proved very popular with requests that we repeat it again sometime soon.
- Sport Waikato are about to start the third block of 'Cook Smart' cooking classes here in the Centre kitchen. These six-week courses teach people how to cook healthily and cheaply.

Other Partnerships

- MCA looks forward to hosting the WesleyCom network here in Hamilton in October. It will be great to have colleagues join us for our Annual General Meeting and the culmination of our 25th Anniversary celebrations.
- MCA continues to provide governance and administrative support to the Hamilton Combined Christian Foodbank Trust. Kate stepped down in March after two and a half years as Chair of the Board. A recent highlight for the Foodbank Trust has been relocating to their own premises at the Te Ara Hou Village in Hillcrest. We will continue to support the Foodbank through our annual 'Brown Paper Bag Appeal'.
- MCA also provides governance and administrative support to the Hamilton Christian NightShelter Trust.
- Social housing continues to be a focus for the Hamilton Council of Christian Social Services. MCA Board member Karen Morrison-Hume made a submission on behalf of HCOCSS to the Hamilton City Council's Draft Annual Plan advocating for the need for social housing.

Profiling & Publicity

- Through Haidee Kalirai our Community Development Worker, MCA had a presence at a number of community events and also at this year's Methodist Youth Conference held at Lincoln University.
- Despite the best efforts of staff, we suspect MCA is "one of Hamilton Methodism's best kept secrets". In an attempt to lift the profile of the agency, new brochures have been produced outlining the range of services and resources MCA provides. The 'Panui' has gone up-market now being produced in colour and Kaveh is finalising our website – www.hmss.org.nz.

Conclusion

Two highlights in our relationship with the Hamilton Methodist Parish over the past year have been the 'Being a Good Neighbour' forum and the annual Combined Parish

Service to Celebrate the Work of MCA. The service was a fitting occasion to 'unveil' the agency waiata 'Ko matou nei, te Taunga Mahi e', written for us by Buddy Te Whare.

Whilst we cherish our relationship with the Hamilton Methodist Parish and are immensely grateful for the facilities here at the London Street Methodist Centre, we're keen that MCA is seen to belong to the whole of Hamilton Methodism. To that end we're looking to build links with the Hamilton East Methodist Parish and the four Cooperating Parishes in the city.

Our grateful thanks to staff, members of the Board and our funders, principally the Hamilton Methodist Church Trust, the Tidd Foundation, Trust Waikato and the Tamahere Eventide Home Trust for enabling our social service, community development and social transformation work here in Kirikiriroa / Hamilton.

The Board and staff of MCA are saddened by news that Board Chair Reverend Dr. Susan Thompson is up for 'stationing' at the end of this year. We value her commitment to MCA and will miss her.

Lindsay Cumberpatch
Director

Susan Thompson
Chairperson

WESLEY COMMUNITY ACTION **(Otaki, Kapiti, Porirua, Hutt Valley, Wellington)**

Wesley Community Action continues progress with its new strategic direction to act more as a facilitator of positive community development as opposed to purely being a provider of services. This journey raises more questions than answers and means we need to be constantly open and responsive to what is happening around us. We are pleased to share with our wider Methodist family some of what we are doing and what we are learning.

Some of our key developments this year have been:

- Starting a collaborative initiative 'good cents' in Porirua that seeks to address issues of spiralling debt and promotes wealth management.
- Running a successful programme in Wellington Courts to work with young people who have committed crimes and have drug and alcohol issues.
- Entering into a partnership with unions and management at Wesleyhaven to help improve the success of this facility for all.
- Supporting a range of initiatives to help 'hard to reach' communities grow their capacities.
- Opening an office in Kapiti to provide community support to older people who are isolated.
- Supporting a range of community initiatives for communities to help themselves (this includes men's sheds in Wellington and Hutt Valley, eldercare counselling service and a meeting space for Black Power, and a community 'strengths and directions' survey in Titahi Bay).
- Establishing a discretionary fund for residents at Wesleyhaven with no financial means for uses ranging from; purchasing glasses and false teeth to arranging outings, or providing educational and physical education (including Tai Chi classes).

These developments are in addition to our standard work of providing:

- Dedicated care for very frail older people at our two rest homes and hospital
- A safe and caring home for young people in our two houses and with up to eight foster homes
- Extra help for families whose young people are in the care of CYF
- Regular support for isolated older people and mental health consumers living at home
- Running a range of community based activities for young people needing extra support and guidance
- A very low cost counselling service from four locations (Wellington, Porirua, Pomare, Petone)

From all of this activity we are learning:

- Our commitment to our strength based approach is critical and we need to keep working on this.
- Good partnerships are critical – we never have all the 'solutions'.
- Taking time to pause and reflect is important (hard to do with constant high demand).
- Good financial management is very important.
- We need to be thinking about our strategic direction at regular intervals through the year.
- Our linking through Wesleycom with our sister agencies is a strength.

More details of our work can be gained from our web-site www.wesleyca.org.nz . We look forward to learning more, strengthening our partnerships and overcoming the challenges install for us in 2009. I remain open to suggestions as to how we can grow a stronger positive relationship with the Methodist Parishes. I believe the Methodist Church should be proud of Wesley Community Action.

PALMERSTON NORTH METHODIST SOCIAL SERVICES

This year has seen many challenges and changes across the organisation. Staff hours have increased in some parts of the organisation due to demand and decreased in others as a means of reducing costs.

The social services operation is in very good heart with all services oversubscribed throughout the year. Unfortunately the same cannot be said for our finances as we continue to struggle to raise the funds we need to meet the demand for our services.

The Goodwill Operation is in good heart in terms of operation, with Highbury House turning over \$87,000, nearly \$15,000 up on last year. Unfortunately the contribution they make to the funding of our social services is well down due to the cessation of Taskforce Green funding from Work & Income.

The newly formed export operation has not generated any funds for social delivery in its first year of operation and the challenges and learning have been significant. We are still navigating our way forward with this project.

CHRISTCHURCH METHODIST MISSION

The Christchurch Methodist Mission offers a diversity of services, with the wide ranging nature of those services often highlighting the multiple, complex needs that today, confront children, adults, families and older persons.

Consequently, over the past five years, the Methodist Mission has made a strategic commitment to maximising the inter-relationship of this diverse range of services. By doing so, each becomes one component part to a comprehensive Methodist ministry of social service and our commitment to a Cycle of Hope®. Through this now well-developed inter-relationship of services in the Christchurch Methodist Mission, there is a kete of care and concern, service and support available to assist with even the most complex, multiple needs.

COMMUNITY SERVICES

Te Kete Oranga – is the successor of what was once simply charitable response to emergency need. Today, it is a whole basket of services designed to engage with all the complexities of contemporary socio-economic circumstances. It is a whole-of-life approach and involves personal, in-depth engagement with each individual, utilising coaching/mentoring models of care designed to enable people to reach their own goals. They are services designed to inspire, motivate and assist in developing new confidence and new learning skills. It includes advocacy, budgeting, debt management and life skills education. Nutrition and healthy cooking, intensive tailored numeracy and literacy, support-to-work, self-development programmes for men are all part of the basket of Te Kete Oranga services. Although food assistance is still often an important component part, today it is an adjunct to these “other” Methodist Mission services addressing cause and concern. Food assistance (including the very successful Support-a-Family programme provided around Christmas each year) is now focussed more intentionally in ways that enable recipients to create positive change.

ChildWise – is the successor of the Methodist Mission’s long commitment (originating in 1912) to the needs of children and families. Perhaps the most telling mark upon this service this year has been the death of Sister Rona Collins. Today, the comprehensive, specialist and widely respected services ChildWise offers, owes much to the remarkable ministry of this gentle, dedicated saint. ChildWise services include home-based social work, psychological services, parenting education, self-development programmes for women, child counselling, life-skills education for children and emerging young leaders, and child mentoring.

Aratupu Preschool & Nursery – offers not only pre-school and nursery care to children, but has a strategic objective to meet the needs of the whole family, many of whom are young single parents with children and struggling with low incomes. The service includes a whanau support worker. This year, the Christchurch Methodist Mission completed an extensive capital project of refurbishment and extension of the Aratupu complex. Today, throughout New Zealand it is a leading example of community based early childhood education services.

This coming year, the Christchurch Methodist Mission’s investment in its various community services will be in excess of \$1.79 million.

SERVICES FOR OLDER PEOPLE

Increasingly today, services for older people need to offer a continuum of care, supporting independent and semi-independent living, or offering affordable, sustainable housing. For some, it may include transitioning through varying degrees of frailty and acuity requiring full rest home and hospital care. Although Christchurch Methodist Mission has been a long time provider of rest home and hospital care and more recently, social housing, it has also been aware of the importance and urgency of diversification. The burgeoning growth in New Zealand of an over 65 year old population will of itself, profoundly influence social and economic needs in aged care services. But particularly, since the release of the Ministry of Health "Health of the Older Person" policy in 2002, there has been a marked transition towards the development of community based services for older people and currently the Methodist Mission is developing such strategic services (including advocacy).

WesleyCare – includes all of these services and today, the beginnings of a strategic interrelationship between institutional residential care (rest home and hospital) and community based care. The redevelopment of the current WesleyCare site in the future is likely to incorporate not only contemporary, purpose built rest home and hospital facilities to best practice standards, but also integrated independent living capable of offering variable levels of support and medical care. However, the concept of fully integrated services is still very much at the cutting edge of government's health and care of older people policy and is likely to require considerable detailed attention.

This coming year, the Christchurch Methodist Mission's commitment to its services for older people will be in excess of \$4.8 million.

CONCERNS

Compliance - The increasing cost of compliance has been alluded to in previous reports. To the extent that compliance endeavours to ensure best-practice, such requirements serve the community well. For example, like many not-for-profit (or rather, "for-people") service providers, the Methodist Mission welcomes the close scrutiny of its standards. One of its strengths has been to consistently model standards of care which we believe are the right and responsibility of all.

But when the demand for compliance becomes unnecessarily excessive, it compromises the capacity of every agency to respond to urgent social and economic need. Every dollar committed to the excessive management and administration of compliance, is money not spent in the provision of service. An objective balance is essential.

One further concern is the often unintended consequence of new legislation upon the sector. Three examples from the past year have either already impacted or have the potential to impact unhelpfully. The first has been the Retirement Villages Act 2003 and the manner in which it has jeopardised previously well intended social housing initiatives among faith-based social service providers and communities. The other has been two Bills before the House, the Financial Advisers Bill and amendments to the Securities Act. For this reason, the Christchurch Methodist Mission maintains an active brief on legislation and endeavours to make meaningful submissions as and when appropriate. In particular, the level of compliance required by the Retirement Villages Act 2003 has meant that the Christchurch Methodist Mission (and Dixon House Trust Board in Greymouth, in which the Methodist Mission is in partnership) is now making a managed

exit from licence-to-occupy social housing. It has also had wide implications throughout the Connexion.

Funding – The Government's announcement of "Pathways to Partnership" funding was welcomed throughout the social services sector, both in non-government and faith-based organisations. Over 4 years, the intention is towards the "full" funding of essential social services.

It is not an entirely new phenomenon, for the sector has operated acceptably around so-called "full-funding" in rest home and hospital care for many years (although since the devolution of funding to District Health Boards, constantly immersed in tortuous negotiations). But there is a cautionary concern to be carefully monitored: that is, the extent to which growing dependency on "full-funding" can compromise the values and independence of the service provider. Currently, even within existing funding contracts, it is a situation which requires careful and astute management when increasingly, we find ourselves challenging inappropriate or restrictive contract conditions and requirements.

SUMMARY

In addition to this report there is an extensive critique of current and social economic conditions that should also be made. It would show clearly why the services of the Christchurch Methodist Mission remain more than simply a measured, affordable response to social and economic need. They are an unconditional ministry of social service and a ministry called to be at the cutting, costly edge of human condition. It is a ministry concerned less for risk-avoidance and instead, committed to risk-taking. It is a ministry wholly part of and accountable to the Methodist Church of New Zealand, Te Hahi Weteriana O Aotearoa. But in which the product and dividend from its investment is to the community at large, where more than ever, hurts and hopes remain still disastrously entangled in social and economic disadvantage.

Michael W Greer, Superintendent

Don Eade, Chair

THE METHODIST MISSION (Dunedin Methodist Mission)

During the last Connexional year the Dunedin Methodist Mission has continued to delivery outstanding social services, particularly focused in South Dunedin (a Ministry of Health Deprivation Index decile 10 community).

We have re-established ourselves as a single, significant, provider; pulling all our services together under a single name (The Methodist Mission), a single logo (the airborne seed of the native New Zealand *Clematis Paniculata*, Puawhananga), and a single purpose statement sitting under the Church's commitment to Creating Cycles of Hope™ ("Enough support and challenge for you to risk a better future").

We have confirmed our strategic direction for the next 5 years, based on 4 imperatives:

- Distinctiveness: complementing not competing with other providers (especially parish-based initiatives).
- Client-alignment: respecting the god-given value of each individual by working with them on their terms.
- Community-alignment: anticipating changing needs and leading community responses.
- Balance: ensuring that our desires and ambitions do not rob us of our stability.

These four challenges will provide the Mission with much in the way of focus and opportunity, and we are looking forward to developing our role and our activities.

This year we have also decided to not seek or accept money derived from Gaming Machines in the belief that for us to be a beneficiary of the gaming industry risks a contradiction of the intent of our social service ministry. As we have few contracts with the Ministry of Social Development, we are unlikely to be able to take advantage of the Government's "Full Funding" programme, Pathways to Partnership, and wait to see what side effects this programme will have on other funding sources.

With this stronger identity and a re-born commitment to bringing the voice of Methodist Social Services to our local media, we have been able to create a greater public awareness of our work.

Highlights of our activities for the last year include:

In our Adult and Community Education Service

- Enrolment on our second-chance learning courses has been over 100% for some months. We see a disproportionate number of men aged 45+ who are struggling hugely to enter or re-enter the workforce, and the changing economic conditions suggest that this struggle will only intensify.
- Government contracting for services remains quixotic, and we are now subsidizing (internally) much of the work in our adult and community education services.

With Children & Families

- We have completed a major research project under the Centres of Innovation scheme in our Early Learning Centre, looking at the value of social workers attached to preschools.
- We have re-oriented enrolment of families in the Centre to ensure uptake by families in South Dunedin, and are seeing much higher levels of social need in these families – a great chance to make a difference with our Whanau Support Worker.
- Our Wise Up Walk Tall groups have been running at capacity, and like the Whanau Support Worker, this programme is funded internally from Mission resources, unfortunately limiting its growth.

In Community Social Services

- We are experiencing growing use of our Community and Home Support Services, and receive constant affirmation of our client-aligned practice.
- We see increasing need for Community Development Workers, particularly in our local communities with high levels of deprivation. We believe that Government assurances that it is all about making the dollar work smarter fall flat in communities where there just aren't enough dollars. Community Development Workers will give us a way to support those communities to achieve more resourcing, and more ownership, toward solutions.

We come into the new Connexional year ambitious for our communities, determined to move beyond reactive service provision, and challenged to find imaginative ways to meet our goals.

Financial Performance

At the time of writing figures for the last financial year had not yet been audited. However, preliminary figures indicate a loss of around \$140,000 for the 2007-08 year. This is attributed to a lower than budgeted return on investments (down by approximately \$200,000).

Laura Black, General Manager
Colin Gibson, Chairman

Suggested Decisions:

1. That the reports be received.
2. The 2009 Methodist Mission Northern (Auckland) Board membership be: Gardenia Atimalala-Taulealeausumai Prince Devanandan, Seini Filiai, Nicola Grundy, Marion Hines, Keith Hopner, David Hunt, Norman Johnston John Murray (Superintendent), David Smith (Chairperson), Greg Wright, and further members to be appointed by the President.
3. That the 2009 Employment Generation Fund (Auckland) Trustees be: Maurice Copeland (Chairperson), Graham Dewar, Angus Fletcher, John Fraser, Brian Gauld and Geoff Peak.
4. That the 2009 Tamahere Eventide Home (Hamilton) Board membership be: Neville Jack (Chairperson), Beverley Attrill, Chad Chibnall (Deputy Chairperson), Catherine Dickie, George Diprose, Ken Olsen, Don Sim, Shane Vanin, Louis Fick (CEO).
5. That the 2009 Bainbridge House Trust membership be: Warwick Hill (Chairperson), Katrina Allison, Barbara Dunn, Doug Graham, Lau Lasika, Tony Pike and John Murray, Superintendent of MMN.
6. That One Double Five Whare Roopu Community House Trust membership be: Rev Peter Williamson (Chairperson), Frances Freeman, Takurangi Yorke, Ryan Welsh, Hemi Horne, Isopo Samu and John Murray, Superintendent of MMN and further members to be appointed by the President.
7. That the 2009 Ministry with the Deaf Trust membership be: Barry Neal (Chairperson), Jean Masters, Greg Morgan, Graeme McDonald and John Murray, Superintendent of MMN.
8. That the 2009 Methodist City Action membership be: Catherine Dickie, Louis Fick, Margaret Henshaw, Karen Morrison-Hume, Faye Te Whare, John Murray, Superintendent of MMN, Parish Superintendent and further members to be appointed by the President.
9. That the 2009 Wesley Community Action (Wellington) Board membership be: Desmond Cooper (Chair) Fletcher Thomas, Fatuatia Tufuga, Kathy Stirrat, Fuailangi Salepolu, Lesley McSharry, Jan Calvert, Senorita Laukau, Sheila Swan, Stephen Finlay, David Hanna (Director).
10. That the 2009 Trustees are: Brion Jarvis, Graham Pritchard Philomena Kinera, Derek Charlton, and two more who are yet to be appointed.
11. The 2009 Dunedin Methodist Mission Board are: Joy Clark, John Gallaher, Colin Gibson (Chair), Rev Stuart Grant, Rev Michael Greer, Natalie Karaitiana, Julie Pearse and David Polson.

Methodist Mission Northern
SUMMARY FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2008

**SUMMARY STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL PERFORMANCE &
SUMMARY STATEMENT OF MOVEMENTS IN EQUITY FOR THE
YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2008**

	2008	2007
	\$	\$
Revenue	9,830,000	8,421,000
Expenditure	(11,555,000)	(9,023,000)
Net Operating Surplus (Deficit)	(1,725,000)	(602,000)
Grants Received	1,300,000	854,000
NET SURPLUS (DEFICIT)	(425,000)	252,000
Gain (loss) on revaluation of Investment Properties	1,109,000	604,000
Profit (loss) from discontinued operations	2,073,000	3,413,000
Profit (loss) for the year	2,757,000	4,269,000
OPENING EQUITY	47,673,000	42,514,000
Net Surplus (Deficit)	2,757,000	4,269,000
Increase (Decrease) in Designated Funds	6,000	890,000
CLOSING EQUITY	50,436,000	47,673,000

SUMMARY STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION AS AT 30 JUNE 2008

	2008	2007
	\$	\$
Accumulated Funds	42,840,000	40,024,000
Designated Funds	7,596,000	7,649,000
TOTAL EQUITY	50,436,000	47,673,000
Current Assets	30,855,000	867,000
Current Liabilities	(7,188,000)	(2,553,000)
WORKING CAPITAL	23,667,000	(1,686,000)
Non Current Assets	27,515,000	54,445,000
Non Current Liabilities	(746,000)	(5,086,000)
NET ASSETS	50,436,000	47,673,000

SUMMARY STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS FOR THE 30 JUNE 2008

	2008	2007
	\$	\$
Net Cash flow from Operating Activities	967,000	(1,022,000)
Net Cash flow from Investment Activities	(613,000)	(555,000)
Net Cash flow from Financing Activities	438,000	858,000
NET INCREASE IN CASH HELD	(792,000)	(719,000)

SUMMARY FINANCIAL REPORT

The summary financial statements have been prepared from the full financial statements of the Methodist Mission Northern for the year ended 30 June 2008.

The summary financial statements cannot be expected to provide as complete an understanding as provided by the full financial statements of the financial performance and financial position.

The full financial statements of the Methodist Mission Northern have been audited and received an unqualified audit opinion. They are available for review from the Connexional Office, Christchurch. The summary financial report has not been examined by the Auditors

CHRISTCHURCH METHODIST MISSION
SUMMARY FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2008

*SUMMARY STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL PERFORMANCE &
SUMMARY STATEMENT OF MOVEMENTS IN EQUITY FOR THE
YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2008*

	2008 \$	2007 \$
NET SURPLUS	395,837	549,520
OPENING EQUITY	20,388,116	19,838,596
Net Surplus	395,837	549,520
CLOSING EQUITY	<u>20,783,953</u>	<u>20,388,116</u>

SUMMARY STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION AS AT 30 JUNE 2008

	2008 \$	2007 \$
TOTAL EQUITY	20,783,953	20,388,116
Current Assets	6,619,744	6,563,501
Current Liabilities	<u>(978,016)</u>	<u>(856,077)</u>
WORKING CAPITAL	5,641,728	5,707,424
Non Current Assets	16,144,347	15,703,651
Non Current Liabilities	<u>(1,002,122)</u>	<u>(1,022,959)</u>
NET ASSETS	<u>20,783,953</u>	<u>20,388,116</u>

SUMMARY FINANCIAL REPORT

This Financial Reporting Summary has been taken from the full financial report of the Christchurch Methodist Mission for the year ended 30 June 2008 which were approved by the Board on 29 August 2008. The full financial report has been audited and an unqualified audit opinion has been received.

This Financial Reporting Summary cannot be expected to provide as complete an understanding as the full financial report, a copy of which may be obtained upon request from the Christchurch Methodist Mission.



Mission & Ecumenical

- Partner Mission Church Relations
- Ecumenical Relationships
- Inter-religious Relationships
- World Methodist Council
- Christian World Service



METHODIST MISSION & ECUMENICAL

Methodist Mission and Ecumenical (MM&E) is the official agency of the Methodist Church of New Zealand (MCNZ) that promotes the church's overseas mission church relationships, its ecumenical relationships both local and international, as well as its confessional (Methodist) relationships.

Information and reporting back

Partner mission church relationships

United Church in the Solomon Islands (UCSI)

Strategic planning workshop

Mission and Ecumenical funded a UCSI strategic planning workshop held at Munda in October 2007. Participants included regional, hospital, theological seminary, and assembly office staff. Participant evaluations showed it to have been a worthwhile exercise.

Children's and Youth Centre

Plans for the Children's and Youth Centre at Munda, being significantly funded from donations for the 2006 Mission and Ecumenical special appeal, have now been approved and at the time of writing this report were going out to tender. A local architect has been engaged to oversee the project.

Goldie College



The focus of the Mission and Ecumenical special appeal for 2008 has been the provision of science equipment for Goldie College. There has been a very encouraging response to this appeal from around the connexion. The equipment was sourced from a New Zealand company, based in Waiuku that specialises in supplying science equipment to schools in the Pacific Islands. The first consignment of equipment was sent in July.

In May a fire destroyed the administration and staff block at the college. Several donations were received from around the connexion and were used to purchase two laptop computers and printers as requested by the college. These were sent at the same time as the science equipment which arrived at the college in August.

Seghe Theological Seminary

This year we have assisted four UCSI students to train for ministry by covering the cost of their tuition and accommodation fees. The students were selected on the basis of financial need and academic potential.

Copra project

This project at Vonunu on Vella Lavella Island was launched in November 2004 with an establishment grant, followed by a loan for a boat purchase. Much work had to be done on the boat to make it operational. It came into service in March 2008. Detailed reports have been regularly received from the project manager reporting on short, medium, and long term plans. The project is making a modest financial return. Its greatest benefit is the impact it is having on local communities, providing them with an income.

Helena Goldie Hospital

Mission and Ecumenical continues to pay salaries for the Director of Nursing and for relieving nurses at Helena Goldie Hospital. Salary levels were reviewed in late 2007 to bring them into line with similar positions in government run hospitals. In 2008 Director of Nursing, Chris Leve has been studying for a Bachelor in Nursing Administration and Education at the University of Papua New Guinea, in Port Moresby. He will return to Helena Goldie Hospital in 2009.

Mission and Ecumenical has provided funding to enable the hospital's radiologist to undertake further training at the National Referral Hospital in Honiara from July to December.

Nurse Training School

The proposed Davinia Taylor memorial building will provide the teaching base for the new Nurse Training School to be opened at Helena Goldie Hospital at the beginning of 2010. The building will provide teaching rooms, a library and seminar facilities. Construction is under way and the building is expected to be completed late 2008 or early 2009.

In January Mission and Ecumenical provided funding for the purchase of text books for use by the new Nurse Training School.

Sasamugga Hospital

This year Mission and Ecumenical has begun providing assistance for UCSI's Sasamugga Hospital on remote Choiseul Island. Initial assistance has been for the cost of new staff houses to replace those destroyed in the April 2007 tsunami, and for computer equipment. Future assistance will be provided for a canoe and outboard motor to enable the hospital to provide basic health care to villages in its catchment area. We are grateful to Te Atatu Union parish for making this a fund raising project in 2008.

United Church in Papua New Guinea (UCPNG)

Rarongo Theological College



Ongoing funding has been provided for the purchase of books for the college library. Mission and Ecumenical is grateful for the practical assistance of Dr Keith Carley in this regard.

Scholarships which cover payment of course fees continue to be provided for four students in training for ministry at Rarongo Theological College. Students have been selected by Rarongo faculty staff on the basis of financial need and study potential. Remaining funds from Mission and Ecumenical's 2007 special appeal, to enable the college to

access internet and e-mail, are still held pending PNG Telekom installing cable to the college.

Project funding

Discussion is underway with the UCPNG Assembly office on future project assistance. This has begun with support being provided for the new Papuan Gulf Region of the church. This is a maritime region where a boat is essential for getting around. Provision of funds for a dinghy, outboard motor, life jackets and a fuel tank, will greatly assist regional staff outreach to teachers and health workers, as well as women's, children's and youth ministries.

40th Anniversary

This year marks the 40th anniversary of the forming of the independent United Church in Papua New Guinea and the Solomon Islands. In 1996 the Solomon Islands Church separated to form its own United Church. The UCPNG marked the anniversary at various times during the year. The 21st General Assembly in October, hosted by the Keapara Circuit in the East Central Papuan Region, was the culmination of the celebrations. The Methodist Church of New Zealand was invited to this gathering. The Mission and Ecumenical secretary was unable to travel at that time. At the time of writing this report the matter of attendance was still being considered.

Disaster responses

In the past year Mission and Ecumenical has contributed to two emergency appeals launched by Christian Word Service: the Cyclone Nargis appeal for victims of the cyclone in Burma/Myanmar, (May 2008); and the Darfur appeal (August 2008). \$2,000 was provided in each instance.

Appreciation

Mission and Ecumenical appreciates the considerable support it receives from Methodist Women's Fellowship groups, parishes, and from individual church members, for mission activity in the life of the United Church in the Solomon Islands, Helena Goldie Hospital, Sasamugga hospital, Goldie College, and in the life of the United Church in Papua New Guinea, including Rarongo Theological College. This second mile giving enables us to do so much more in assisting our partner mission churches.

HIV and AIDS

Workshops and Conference

Following the discussion on HIV and AIDS at the Methodist Consultative Council of the Pacific (MCCP) meeting in Auckland April 2007, two workshops were facilitated by Mission and Ecumenical (at the request of the President and Vice-President) at Methodist Conference 2007.

Workshop participants asked the Methodist Conference to note the statement of the MCCP and that of Methodist Church of New Zealand participants and asked parishes to engage with the issues raised in these statements and report to their respective synods in 2008.



Lack of response

It is disappointing there has been so little response to this request. In part we put this down to other institutional church matters crowding out consideration of such an issue by synods this year. It may also be that some do not see HIV and AIDS as a significant issue for us in Aotearoa New Zealand at this time. Yet we need to heed the words of the Christian Conference of Asia draft policy on HIV and AIDS which states "Unfortunately, many countries that have a low prevalence do not see the point of engaging with the issue, and this needs to be addressed." On a more positive note the secretary was invited to be resource person for the Trinity College students intensive on HIV and AIDS in August.

Resource available

Mission and Ecumenical is producing a resource to encourage discussion of HIV and AIDS as requested by the Conference workshops. This resource will be in two parts. The first a series of studies *Exploring solutions: How to Talk about HIV Prevention in the Church* produced by the Ecumenical Advocacy Alliance in Geneva. The second, several documents, most dealing with HIV and AIDS from Pacific and Aotearoa New Zealand perspectives. This resource should be available at Methodist Conference 2008

Ecumenical relationships

Methodist Ecumenical Consultation

This consultation continues to meet twice a year and includes representatives of the Mission and Ecumenical Committee, the Faith and Order Committee, and Mission Resourcing. It is a forum for sharing ecumenical endeavours which are spread across these three Methodist agencies. It is not a decision making body.

Anglican Methodist dialogue

The Mission and Ecumenical secretary, and committee members Sheila Thorne and Uesifili Unasa participate in this dialogue with Faith and Order Committee convenor Terry Wall and others. In 2008 a covenant has been drafted. It was presented to the Anglican General Synod in May 2008 and was agreed to. Faith and Order will bring it to Conference 2008. Mission and Ecumenical is fully supportive of the proposed covenant.

New ecumenical initiative

Methodist conference 2007 reaffirmed its commitment to a national expression of the ecumenical

movement by churches in Aotearoa New Zealand in a form yet to be determined; resolved, in cooperation with those churches and individuals who have been on the traditional ecumenical journey, to create an ecumenical space to explore the meaning of ecumenical vision in this time and place; and encouraged the Mission and Ecumenical Committee to explore with other traditionally ecumenically minded churches and individuals (by Pentecost 2008) how such an ecumenical space may be initiated. The Mission and Ecumenical Committee developed a strategy to this end and discussed this with President Brian Turner who took the initiative in calling church leaders from the Anglican, Baptist, Christian Churches on New Zealand, Methodist, Presbyterian, Religious Society of Friends (Quakers), Roman Catholic, Salvation Army churches to meet in Wellington to respond to the Methodist initiative. It was a positive meeting that agreed to the need for an ecumenical space where these churches could engage with one another, and agreed to further discussion on the matter. A paper on a theology for ecumenism and an ecumenical landscape map were prepared for discussion at a meeting on 3 September 2008.

Ecumenical Coalition for Justice

This is an informal coalition of people from the Anglican, Catholic, Presbyterian and Methodist Churches. It has produced resources on free trade, for general elections, and on child poverty, the Treaty of Waitangi and the foreshore and seabed debate. The coalition has completed work on an educational project which explores the relationship between affluence and poverty. It can be downloaded from the group's website: www.socialjustice.org.nz

World Council of Churches (WCC)

Ecumenical Officers meeting

The secretary attended a WCC Ecumenical Officers meeting 19-23 May at the Bossey Ecumenical Institute, Geneva, which was preceded by a one day ecumenical formation event. A day was also spent at the WCC's ecumenical centre in Geneva contacting staff members. The meeting provided:

- An opportunity to hear from Desmond Tutu who was in Geneva to address the World Health Organisation;
- A chance to hear from WCC programme directors
- Sharing in groups on the life of our churches and reporting back in plenary;
- Update on the work of the WCC Youth commission;
- Visioning - our world today and ecumenism tomorrow, led by two young ecumenists;
- Sharing in groups on ecumenical witness today and tomorrow, and reporting back in plenary;
- Meeting with WCC programme staff on elective issues:

Ecclesiology document

The task group considering the Faith and Order Commission's document *The Nature and Mission of the Church* has met throughout the year. Its response appears in Appendix 1.

Living Letters visit

As part of the Methodist strategy toward a new national ecumenical initiative the idea of a visit from World Council of Churches leaders to WCC member churches in Aotearoa New Zealand was suggested. This was shared with the WCC. Its General Secretary, Sam Kobia, has responded positively, noting it has been many years since the fellowship of WCC member churches visited member churches in this country. The sending of a 'living letters' team to our churches, he notes, would be an important expression of solidarity and fellowship. This will be the subject of ongoing discussion with all churches participating in the discussions around a new national ecumenical future.

Christian Conference of Asia (CCA)

Consultation attended



Jan Fogg attended a CCA consultation on *Ecology, Economy and Accountability* 15-17 May in Seoul, Korea. Her report is available on request. Jan has said, "I found it a stimulating and rewarding experience and thank you very much for encouraging my application. I have to confess to much ignorance about CCA and was very impressed by the work they are involved in." Jan also had an article about the consultation published in the July issue of Touchstone.

Life and work review

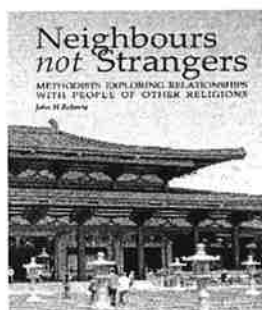
The CCA General Assembly in 2007 decided that the time was right for a review of the life and mission of CCA. The terms of reference have been received with a covering letter. The objectives of the review include:

- Assessing the institutional capacity of CCA and identify key organisational areas requiring change;
- Assessing the relevance, efficiency, effectiveness, sustainability and impact of CCA programmes;
- Assessing CCA's relationship with member churches and councils;
- Identifying key challenges, tensions and possible directions for the coming years.

A team of evaluators will facilitate the review. Mission and Ecumenical will respond to the review questionnaire when it is received.

Interreligious relationships

Secretary's publication



The book *Neighbours not Strangers: Methodists Exploring Relationships with People of Other Religions* was launched at the Auckland Synod meeting on 15 March. It sets out the contribution of a number of scholars in the Methodist tradition to interreligious relations and a theology of religions. Beginning with a section on John Wesley it proceeds to outline the contribution of five 20th century pioneers and four contemporary scholars. The contributions of some others who have been working in the area are briefly described and some conclusions on how we might be learn from these scholars for reflection and action now, are made. The book is available for \$15.00 from Epworth Books 0800-755355, sales@epworthbooks.org.nz

Open letter from Muslim leaders

On 20 December President Brian Turner referred "An Open Letter and Call from Muslim Religious Leaders" for a response. A précis of the open letter together with some recommendations for consideration by both the Mission and Ecumenical and Faith and Order Committees was compiled. Some comments from a commentary on the open letter from the World Council of Churches *Learning to Explore Love Together* were also included. It was prepared to assist WCC member churches in responding to the Muslim open letter. The response document was sent around the connexion in April for feedback. An article on this paper was published in the May issue of Touchstone. Two responses from synods were positive - Nelson Marlborough West Coast; and the combined synods of Hawkes Bay Manawatu, Taranaki Wanganui, and Wellington. The document is included in this report as Appendix 2

World Methodist relationships

World Methodist Council and Conference

The World Methodist Council has sent regular electronic communications each month during this year and these have been circulated through emessenger and the Church website. The Presidium met in

Bulgaria late September and a major focus of their agenda was the planning for the next world Conference in Durban South Africa in 2011. Because of the proximity to the New Zealand Methodist Conference, the General Secretary did not attend this meeting. Details of this meeting were not available at the time of writing this brief report but will be circulated when they are available. The World Council continues to support members in countries where there is war or political unrest and urges member churches to remember these countries in prayer.

Visit of British Methodist Church leaders

The President of the British Methodist Conference, Stephen Poxon, and his wife, Myrtle former Vice-President, visited New Zealand 25-28 July. They were accompanied by Chris Elliott (secretary for External Relationships) and Steve Pearce (Asia Pacific Secretary). Meetings with them were arranged in Christchurch and Auckland. These provided an opportunity for conversation around matters of mutual interest.

Methodist Consultative Council of the Pacific

The 2008 meeting which was to be hosted by the Methodist Church of Fiji in April 2008 was postponed because of the situation in Fiji.

Education and communication

The secretary has been involved in a range of communication and education activities. These have included: monthly newsletters; occasional papers; articles in 'Touchstone'; preaching engagements; presentations to MWF groups; working with Trinity Meadowbank and Ministry Training Unit students; and displays to promote Mission and Ecumenical relationships and activity. PowerPoint presentations have been used where appropriate and possible. The secretary has engaged in professional development, study and reading in the areas of mission and ecumenism.

Restructuring

In April the Mission and Ecumenical Committee was informed that the Board of Ministry Commissioner had produced a report on a wider restructuring of the Methodist Church of New Zealand. The President and the General Secretary met with the committee in May to alert it to this and invite discussion on the Commissioners report dated 25 March 2008. The committee considered the Commissioner's report and made a written response. It subsequently met with the Commissioner for a dialogue on his report and particularly its implications for Mission and Ecumenical. Following the meeting it sent a written statement of the key points it wanted to make to the Commissioner. There had been no time for the Mission and Ecumenical Committee to consider either the Commissioner's revised report of 16 July or the President's report to the August synods before this report to Conference was written. It is hoped there will be opportunity for further discussion and consultation in 2009.

Strategic plan

Our vision

Our vision is to see mission and ecumenical endeavour as the very core of our church's being. Mission to be given expression at the global as well as the local level. Existing partner church relationships being renewed and rebuilt, with new relationships able to be developed. Ecumenical thinking and action to be seen as essential to our church's life. Supporting and encouraging existing ecumenical relationships while looking for new expressions of ecumenism.

Key goals

Our key goals are to:

- Use the "Transforming Mission" and the "To be Methodist is to be Ecumenical" papers as working documents that provide a theological base for the work of the committee and secretary.
- Support and strengthen the world-wide mission of the Methodist Church of New Zealand, in particular the partnership relationships with the United Church of Papua New Guinea and the

United Church of the Solomon Islands, through personal visits, regular correspondence and sharing of resources

- Promote and strengthen relationships with ecumenical agencies of which the Methodist Church of New Zealand is a member: Christian World Service, Churches Agency on International issues, Christian Conference of Asia, and the World Council of Churches.
- Promote an awareness of religious diversity within Aotearoa New Zealand and the fostering of good relationships between religions.
- Promote the relationships of the Methodist Church of New Zealand with world Methodism.
- Produce resources on ecumenism and mission, suitable for use in parishes and rohe.
- Further develop effective communication with parishes, rohe and uniting congregations, through monthly newsletters, occasional papers, information leaflets and articles in "Touchstone".

Appendix 1

Response to World Council of Churches Faith and Order Paper 198, 2005

The Nature and Purpose of the Church: A Stage on the Way to a Common Statement

Draft response of Methodist Church of New Zealand

Background

This World Council of Churches (WCC) Faith and Order Commission document seeks to affirm what the churches can say together about the Church, and to identify and clarify issues over which the churches continue to differ. The WCC hopes that this text will play an important part in serving the call "to the goal of visible unity in one faith and one eucharistic fellowship." In the light of responses from the churches the text will be revised and developed. It is hoped the process will make a significant contribution to the churches' growing understanding of being church, and to the resolution of divisive issues. Churches have been asked to respond to the text by the end of January 2010.

The Mission and Ecumenical Committee, the Faith and Order Committee, and Te Taha Maori of the Methodist Church of New Zealand (MCNZ) have worked together in developing a response to the text of this WCC Faith and Order paper. Those involved in the process have been: Hugh Dyson (Mission and Ecumenical), Lana Lazarus (Te Taha Maori), TeRito Peyroux (Youth), Siosifa Pole (Faith and Order), John Roberts (Mission and Ecumenical), Diana Tana (Te Taha Maori), Terry Wall (Faith and Order). We met on four occasions in 2008, each time considering a different section of the text.

Overall we felt that the Faith and Order Commission has produced a significant and helpful text, and that it is serving the churches and the cause of ecumenism well.

Introduction

The MCNZ expresses its gratitude that the WCC Faith and Order Commission is developing what we hope will become a significant text in the life of the churches. We appreciate the work of all those members of the commission who have been contributing to the development of the text. There is much in the text that we can readily affirm, and some areas where we raise questions or express concerns. We commend the commission for bringing together in one text, both the nature of the church and the mission of the church, because so often, in theology and the life of the churches, these are dealt with separately. We affirm the purpose of the text in seeking to give expression to what the churches can now say together about the nature and mission of the church, and within that agreement, to explore the extent to which the remaining church-dividing issues may be overcome. We appreciate the overall emphasis the text places on the centrality of worship.

We note that the numbered paragraphs in the main text set out what are seen to be common perspectives across the churches, while the boxed sections identify areas where differences remain

both within and between churches.

Section I The Church of the Triune God

A The nature of the Church

We affirm subsection (I) The Church as Gift of God.

Regarding the boxed section **The Institutional Dimension of the Church and the Work of the Holy Spirit** we hold that:

- The power of the Word and Spirit of God in the Church is not confined to ordained ministry but is embodied in the whole community of faith by virtue of the baptism of its members. The ministry of the laity is as important as the ministry of the ordained.
- God's work is not confined to the institutional structures of the Church. God can work outside those structures in order to challenge them.
- The Church can exercise episcopate without being episcopal i.e. having bishops.

We affirm subsection (II) Biblical Insights. However we have a concern regarding paragraph 18 which relates to the church being seen as the "Israel of God." Does the Church supersede Israel? We find any suggestion of a supersessionist theology to be unhelpful in the context of Christian-Jewish relations.

B The mission of the Church

While we affirm much of this section we have a concern. We are uneasy with the note of Christian triumphalism that appears: as in para 34 gathering all creation under the lordship of Christ; para 36 reconciling all things to God through Christ; para 37 salvation of the whole world; para 41 proclaiming Christ with everyone throughout the entire world. In an increasingly religiously plural world where we are called to respect the diversity of religions, such references leave us feeling uncomfortable. We ask that attention be paid to this concern in further development of the text. We are not calling for the abandonment of these important New Testament themes, but rather their reformulation.

C The Church as Sign and Instrument of God's Intention and Plan for the World

Again we affirm much of this section but express a similar concern to that raised regarding the previous section of the text, the note of Christian triumphalism that is apparent as in: para 43, the Church as sign and instrument of God's intention and plan for the whole world; para 44 the Church rendering praise and thanks on behalf of all peoples. Our question is this: Is this claiming too much for the Church? Again we ask that attention be paid to this concern in further development of the text.

Section II The Church in History

A The Church *in via*

We affirm this section of the text. Regarding the boxed section **The Church as 'Sacrament'**, the Methodist Church of New Zealand would not normally use the language of Church as sacrament, seeing a distinction between the Church and the sacraments for both reasons cited in the text. We would hold to the view that the church is an instrument for God's purpose in the world.

Regarding the boxed section "The Church and Sin" we note that some deep and complex questions are raised here. While the sin of a member or leader may not tarnish the holiness of the Church, when sin becomes systemic it does tarnish the holiness of the Church. Maybe there is a question of scale at work in this way of thinking. We would affirm that while the Church is a holy instrument of God, it does in reality sin, and that sin can become systemic in the institutional life of the church. We can affirm the proposed statement on the relationship between sin and holiness.

B In Christ – But Not Yet in Full Communion

We affirm this section of the text.

C Communion and Diversity

We affirm this section of the text. The boxed section **Limits to Diversity** deals with ecclesial identity and how one church regards the ecclesial status of other churches. It clearly sets out the various

positions and the challenge to the ecumenical movement at this time. The very real and difficult issues are clearly identified. The pressing ecumenical question identified in the final sentence is a very real challenge to the ecumenical movement in the 21st century – Whether and how churches can live in mutual accountability so that they can sustain one another in unity and legitimate diversity, and can prevent new issues from becoming causes of division within and between churches.

D The Church as Communion of Local Churches

We affirm paragraphs 64 and 65. Regarding para 66 on apostolicity and catholicity as sustaining the communion of local churches, we strongly identify with the goal relating to the search for full communion. However we have some questions about the statement that the Church of Jesus Christ is to be the same yesterday, today and tomorrow. Can the Church not change through time as new insights and wisdoms emerge? Can the Church be seen as alive and dynamic and able to adapt to rapidly changing contexts?

Regarding the boxed section **Local Church** our church affirms that each local church, however defined, is united to every other in the universal Church and contains within it the fullness of what it is to be the Church. We acknowledge that the discrepancy identified in the final sentence, between theological descriptions of local church and how the local church is experienced by the faithful, can be very real for people.

Section III The Life of Communion in and for the World

A Apostolic Faith

We affirm this section of the text

B Baptism

We affirm this section of the text. Regarding the boxed section **Baptism** our church recognises the unresolved issues. As a church we baptise both infants and those of an age to make profession of faith; we recognise other churches' baptism and do not rebaptise; we recognise baptism as a sacrament; we recognise baptism as both effecting and reflecting the new life in Christ; we baptise with water using the Trinitarian formula.

C Eucharist

We affirm this section of the text

Regarding the boxed section **Eucharist** our church recognises the significant differences identified and sees these as an expression of legitimate diversity. For our church the Eucharist is primarily a service of thanksgiving which acknowledges the sacrifice of Christ. We affirm a real presence of Christ in the Eucharist and invoke the presence of the Holy Spirit throughout the celebration. We practise open hospitality i.e. all who know and love Jesus Christ are welcome at the Eucharistic table.

D Ministry of All the Faithful

While we affirm much of this section of the text, we feel that it fails to fully recognise the importance of the role of the laity in the life of our churches. Whereas the ecumenical movement once attached considerable significance to the role of the laity (having a department on the role of the laity), this now seems to have fallen off the agenda. This section needs strengthening to recognise the crucial role the laity have in the life of the Church. We note that the word laity is not used in the text. Has there been a conscious move away from using that term, and if so why?

E Ministry of the Ordained

We affirm this section of the text. Regarding the boxed section **Ordained Ministry** we acknowledge that there are areas still needing exploration. Our church would put more emphasis on the ministry of the ordained being with and amongst the people of God rather than over them. For us the norm is that the ordained administer the sacraments and preside at the Eucharist, however in exceptional circumstances a lay person may be authorised to do so. Ordination is open to both men and women. We see ourselves as being in apostolic continuity if not in episcopal succession as other churches understand that term.

F Oversight: Personal, Communal, Collegial

We affirm this section of the text. Regarding the boxed section **Episcopate, Bishops and Apostolic succession**, we believe it correctly sets out the positions of the churches. At this time ours is a non-episcopal church that values its own form of the exercise of episcopate through its annual conference; the appointment of a president on an annual basis to preside over the national church; the regional synods and the appointment of synod superintendents to take oversight of the church in the regions. In the 1970s there was a willingness on the part of our church to accept an episcopal form of church government in a church that would have united five separate denominations. However the union did not happen. We would not rule out acceptance of an episcopal form of church government for our church in the future.

G Conciliarity and Primacy

We affirm the nature of conciliarity (para 99); the origins of 'ecumenical councils' (para 100), and the historical statement (para 102). However we have some questions. Can there be a joint presiding involving more than one person? (para 101). The claim that "In recent years, both ecumenical rapprochement and globalisation have created a new climate in which a universal primacy can be seen as a gift rather than a threat to other churches" (para 103) needs to be tested. Our church has not considered the matter of a universal primacy at this time. Discussion on a universal primacy (para 104) needs to be ongoing. However we suspect there would be little enthusiasm for discussing a ministry of universal primacy in our church.

Regarding the boxed section **Conciliarity and Universal Primacy** we believe this correctly sets out the situation of divergence on this matter. The word 'today' could be added to the last sentence of the second paragraph.

H Authority

Authority is not a word our church makes much use of. We prefer to talk about responsibility and accountability. Authority is open to abuse, which is why we consider responsibility and accountability must be essential parts of the exercise of authority.

Section IV In and for the World

We affirm this section of the text, while raising questions about the wording of paragraphs 110 and 111.

Para 110 raises concerns in the area of interreligious relations. "Proclaiming to every creature" suggests a Christian triumphalism that may well be offensive to people of other religions. The final sentence, "There is no contradiction between evangelisation and respect for the values present in other faiths" needs some clarification if it is to remain. While it may be true in a technical sense, there are too many instances where this has not been the case in practice. Evangelisation is a term that can mean different things to different people. The text needs to take account of this.

In paragraph 111 we feel the reference to Acts 5:29 needs a little more elaboration. Is there a sharp disjunction between God's truth and human truth? How do we receive God's truth if not through human agency? Yet we can be mistaken even in our best convictions.

Conclusion

We affirm this concluding section of the report.

Appendix 2

Responding to an Open letter to Christian leaders from Muslim leaders

Muslims in New Zealand

Muslims first appear in a New Zealand census in 1874. Most of the early Muslims to come here were

from Fiji and India. According to the 2006 census there were 35,976 Muslims living in New Zealand. Their numbers have been growing rapidly with a 490% increase since the 1991 census. Today Muslims living in New Zealand have come from Asia, the Middle East, Africa and Europe, with a growing number of New Zealand born Muslims. Many have come to this country to escape conflict in their home countries, or to further their education, and seek employment opportunities. Many of the more recent arrivals have come under the New Zealand Government's humanitarian/refugee immigration category. In most of our larger urban centres mosques and Islamic centres have been established.

The events of 11th September 2001 in the USA lifted the profile of Muslims around the world, and led to negative stereotyping. Muslims came to be seen as fundamentalists and Islam a religion that breeds terrorists. As a result some Muslims in New Zealand have experienced harassment, physical attack and vandalism of their property. In January 2003, several of the New Zealand Muslim communities signed a declaration denouncing all forms of terrorism and stated clearly that Islam promotes peace and security for all humankind. In response to the growth in the number of Muslims in New Zealand and concern at stereotyping and negative experiences in the Islamic community, Councils of Christians and Muslims have been formed. These exist in various communities including Auckland and Wellington. The councils seek to encourage dialogue, build understanding, and create trust between the two religious communities. Methodists are active in the life of these councils.

Open letter of Muslim leaders

In October 2007 138 Muslim leaders from various parts of the world met at the Royal Aal al-Bayt Institute for Islamic Thought in Jordan. Their objective was to develop *A Common Word between us and you*. The result was a 29 page open letter addressed to 27 world leaders of the various branches of the Christian Church, as well as to leaders of Christian Churches everywhere. (Available at www.acommonword.com) The letter was issued on the occasion of Eid al-Fitr al-Mubarak, the festivity that marks the end of Ramadan, Islam's holiest month.

The letter acknowledges that Muslims and Christians together make up over half of the world's population and says that without peace and justice between the two religious communities there can be no meaningful peace in the world. The basis of this peace and understanding is at the core both faiths – love of the One God and love of the neighbour. This they say is repeatedly stated in the sacred texts of both Islam and Christianity and is the common ground which Muslims and Christians can stand on together. It is on this basis that the Muslim leaders invite Christians to join them in expressing that which is most essential to the faith and practice of both – the two commandments of love.

The Muslim leaders state that while Islam and Christianity are obviously different religions it is clear that the two greatest commandments are an area of common ground and a link between the Qur'an, the Torah and the New Testament. They quote the Qur'an where God tells Muslims to issue the following call to Christians (and Jews) "O People of the Scripture! Come to a common word between us and you." That common word, the leaders say, is found in the two greatest commandments.

The leaders state that as Muslims, we say to Christians that we are not against them and that Islam is not against them (so long as they do not wage war against Muslims on account of their religion, oppress them and drive them out of their homes). Quoting words of Jesus the leaders invite Christians to consider Muslims as not being against them, but with them. On this basis they invite Christians to join Muslims on the common essentials of the two religions. "Let this common ground be the basis of all future interfaith dialogue between us."

The leaders go on to say "Finding common ground between Muslims and Christians is not simply a matter for polite ecumenical dialogue between selected religious leaders." It is about the future of the world, for "If Muslims and Christians are not at peace, the world cannot be at peace." The leaders challenge those who relish conflict and destruction for their own sake, or reckon that ultimately they stand to gain through them, stating that "our very eternal souls are at stake if we fail to sincerely make every effort to make peace and come together in harmony."

The letter concludes: "So let our differences not cause hatred and strife between us. Let us vie with each other only in righteousness and good works. Let us respect each other, be fair, just and kind to [one] another and live in sincere peace, harmony and mutual good will."

Commentary of World Council of Churches

The World Council of Churches (WCC) has prepared a commentary on the open letter *A Common Word Between Us and You* to assist both the council and its member churches in developing their responses. A meeting of leaders engaged in the field of Christian-Muslim relations considered the open letter and the commentary *Learning to Explore Love Together* (available on the interreligious dialogue pages at www.wcc-coe.org) was the outcome of their deliberation. The WCC commentary sees in *A Common Word Between Us and You* a clear indication that leading Muslim leaders and religious leaders are committed to fresh thinking about the relationship between Islam and Christianity. An action that is to be applauded.

While *A Common Word Between Us and You* affirms what the two religions have in common it also acknowledges that there are very real differences between Christianity and Islam and these should not be minimised. There are divergences and differences that resist all efforts at resolution. Amongst these are the Christian difficulty of appreciating Muhammad as a prophet, and the Muslim difficulty of appreciating Jesus as God incarnate. At the same time as they seek to enhance what they have in common, the commentary sees a pressing necessity for Christians and Muslims to find ways of acknowledging and respecting the differences between them, of attempting to understand these, and of not allowing them to fuel hostility. While affirming examples of humane mutual respect, it says both Christians and Muslims need to actively work to heal hurts both, local and global, and to change attitudes and stereotypes.

Even when Christians and Muslims continue to disagree on matters of belief the commentary urges that they should seek to recognise and endorse what they hold in common with sufficient integrity to allow them to work together in the world. They should make it a priority to understand how the precious heritages they each hold can direct and even impel them to work together for justice and peace. So Christians and Muslims should come together not only in a common word but also in common action for the greater glory of God and the wellbeing of all.

Suggested Decisions:

Report

1. The report is received.

United Churches in the Solomon Islands and in Papua New Guinea

2. Conference affirms the continuing significant relationship with the United Church in the Solomon Islands, and the United Church in Papua New Guinea, and the assistance being provided to them through Methodist Mission and Ecumenical.

HIV and AIDS resource

3. Conference encourages parishes and rohe to engage with the issues surrounding HIV and AIDS using the resource pack prepared by Methodist Mission and Ecumenical and available at Conference 2008.

New ecumenical initiative

4. Conference affirms the ongoing discussion amongst leaders of traditionally ecumenically minded churches towards a possible new national ecumenical initiative, and looks forward to a positive outcome.
5. Conference notes the significant contribution of Rev Brian Turner to this discussion in his presidential year.
6. Noting the desirability of continuity of church leadership participation at this early stage of the dialogue, Conference requests Brian Turner to continue alongside John Roberts, Mission and

Ecumenical Secretary, who is acting as a resource person for the dialogue. (Note at this stage there are to be just two representatives from each participating church.)

World Council of Churches

7. That the response to the World Council of Churches Faith and Order paper *The Nature and Mission of the Church: A Stage on the Way to a Common Statement* as set out in Appendix 1 be approved as that of the Methodist Church of New Zealand.
8. Conference affirms the suggestion of a "Living Letters" visit by leaders of the World Council of Churches to its member churches in Aotearoa New Zealand in late 2009 or early 2010.

Responding to open letter from Muslim leaders

9. Conference welcomes the open letter addressed to Christian leaders by the Muslim leaders who met in Jordan in October 2007 and:
 - a) while acknowledging some profound differences of belief between Christians and Muslims, affirms that the two commandments to love God and neighbour constitute a common element in the faith and practice of our two religious traditions;
 - b) accepts the invitation to see Islam as not being against us but with us as we seek to realise the two commandments of love;
 - c) acknowledges the need for the two religions to work together for a meaningful peace with justice in the world;
 - d) joins with Muslims in challenging those who would promote violence and conflict for their own sake or personal gain;
 - e) encourages the promotion of justice, respect, fairness, kindness, healing, harmony and goodwill between the followers of Islam and Christianity, locally, nationally and internationally;
 - f) urges that the open letter be considered and promoted by local Councils of Christians and Muslims, Interfaith Councils, and be widely discussed within the Methodist Church of New Zealand;
 - g) encourages local congregations to enter with care and sensitivity into conversation with local Mosque or Islamic Centre communities.

Committee membership

10. The Mission and Ecumenical Committee membership for 2007 be: Keith Hopner (convener), Margaret Donald, Hugh Dyson, Kilifi Heimuli, Keita Hotere, Barry Jones, Lana Lazarus, TeRito Peyroux, Shanti Sinnaduray, Sheila Thorne, Uesifili Unasa.

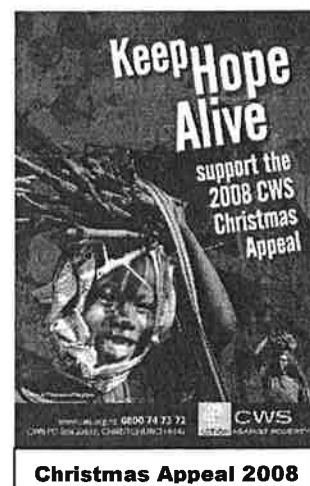
Christian World Service

'Like slavery and apartheid, poverty is not natural. It is man-made and can be overcome and eradicated by the actions of human beings' – Nelson Mandela.

Introduction

Christian World Service takes action to end poverty and injustice throughout the world. It is a proudly New Zealand organisation, governed by a New Zealand Board and responsible to a Council appointed by the national bodies of its supporting churches. The Methodist appointee on that Council is the Rev John Roberts, and I would like to thank him for his hard work and support for CWS.

Methodists are strong supporters of the ecumenical work of CWS with around three quarters of Methodist and Uniting Congregation parishes giving to CWS's annual Christmas Appeal. Many also support the work of CWS either by being regular donors or by contributing to our emergency and @world appeals. Thank you for this loyal support, we rely on it for our work.



Methodist Women's Fellowship

Christian World Service greatly appreciates the close working relationship it has with the Methodist Women's Fellowship (MWF). The money raised for the annual joint MWF/APW Special Project qualifies for subsidy under the NZAID KOHA scheme and has enabled CWS, in the last 10 years, to contribute over \$1,200,000 towards the work of our development partners. The project supported in 2007/08 was the work of the House of Passage, a programme that provides opportunities and hope to vulnerable young girls growing up in an impoverished and violent squatter settlement in Recife, Brazil. The project chosen by the MWF/APW for 2008/09 is the work of the Women's programme of the Lauru Land Conference of Tribal Communities in Lauru (Choiseul) in the Solomon Islands. To support the fundraising CWS has made a documentary film on the work of this partner and the challenges of balancing the protection of their land, forests and water resources with the need to have a cash income to meet health, education, transport and other costs. The documentary (in either video or DVD format) is available to borrow from cws@cws.org.nz.

The Aid Grant

The 2% aid grant from the Methodist Church (\$11,000) was used for programmes in Uganda, Timor Leste, India, and Cambodia. Programmes ranged from family food production and new income opportunities, to HIV and AIDS community care, environmental protection and human rights training. CWS is most appreciative of this support by the Methodist Church; it is an important demonstration of commitment to international development work.

William Waters Trust

The income received from the William Waters Trust for the benefit of children worldwide was used to support the work of partners in: Timor Leste, Fiji, India and Brazil.

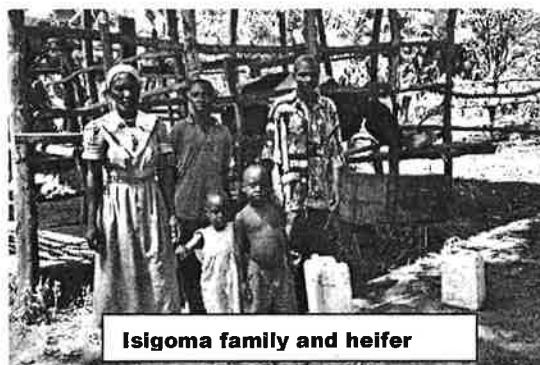
Supporting Development Partners

The core of our work is the support we are able to provide to our development partners. CWS is currently supporting 32 development programmes in 21 countries throughout the world. An example of these programmes is that of the Planning, Development and Rehabilitation Department (PDR) of the Church of Uganda which was established in 1974 and has been a partner of Christian World Service for many years. The programmes are available to all regardless of religion.

The PDR operates through dioceses and parishes across Uganda. Its work includes:

- 1) Grassroots development programmes: improved agricultural production, savings and credit schemes, land resource management.
- 2) Food and Nutritional programmes: Food processing, storage & marketing; rural water and sanitation; training community-based extension workers.
- 3) HIV and AIDS, Malaria and TB control programmes: Health support services, HIV and AIDS awareness & prevention programme; community support for those sick and orphaned by AIDS.
- 4) Peace and Human Rights Programme: Conflict prevention and peace building work, training development workers.
- 5) Uprooted Peoples programme: Emergency relief, rehabilitation & resettlement of the 1.6 million internally displaced people and refugees from neighbouring countries.

An example of the difference that the programme makes is that of Norbert Isingoma and his family who are participants in a heifer programme. They were given their heifer after Norbert and his wife, Ruth, had completed a year of training in how to care for the heifer, utilise the manure, and use the milk to make cheese. The heifer has not only improved the nutrition for the family but the sale of the milk in excess of their requirements has enabled Norbert and his wife to meet their other cash needs, including the school costs of their five children, the oldest of whom is now at secondary school. Their proudest achievement is that they have been able to replace their house that was blown over and damaged in a storm with one built of more permanent materials.



Action by Churches Together – Development (ACT-D)

This global network of ecumenical development agencies is growing steadily and now has more than 70 members, the majority from developing countries. CWS is an enthusiastic support of the grouping as it provides opportunities for us to work and learn together. It is also, potentially, a very influential voice supporting good development practice and those international policies that are needed to eradicate poverty.

Emergency Appeals

Unfortunately humanitarian emergencies as a result of conflict or natural disasters are all too common and we have over the last year launched emergency appeals for: Zimbabwe; Cyclone Nargis in Burma; the earthquake in China, Darfur in Sudan and Typhoon Fengshen in the Philippines. The generous support given to these appeals has enabled Christian World Service to obtain Government funding for its emergency work.

Education, Campaigning and Advocacy

I encourage you in your advocacy for total debt cancellation for poor countries because, frankly, it is a scandal that we are forced to choose between basic health and education for our people and repaying historical debt. President Mkapa of Tanzania.

Global Youth Encounter

In many ways the highlight of this year has been the hosting of the Global Youth Encounter: Make Peace a Reality funded largely from the money donated by the churches to CCANZ for the Decade to Overcome Violence. Three weekend events were held at Te Maungarongo, Ohope, Wainuiomata and Christchurch as well as meetings around the country. Five international guests from Fiji, Sri Lanka and Timor Leste and local resource people helped young people from schools and churches learn about how they both live with conflict and seek to build a better future for everyone. There has been a strong response to this new initiative and CWS is exploring opportunities for further involvement with those who participated.

Debt

CWS continues to play a leading role in the Jubilee Aotearoa network meeting regularly with the government on its policies relating to debt, the World Bank, the IMF and Asian Development Bank. Of particular concern is the impact of rising food and oil prices after decades of economic policies often on their advice that have undermined local food security and sovereignty.

Fair Trade and Fair Trade Churches

New Zealanders' support for fair trade products as a practical demonstration of support for producers getting a fair return for their production continues to grow exponentially. More and more suppliers are offering fairtrade certified products, particularly tea, coffee and chocolate, and there are other goods in the offing including clothing, sugar, spices, vanilla and bananas. Much of the interest is driven by consumer demand and churches have played a significant role. Over two hundred parishes took part in this year's Fair Trade Fortnight, serving fair trade tea, coffee and hot chocolate after their services and 30 churches have signed up for the joint CWS/Trade Aid Fair Trade Church scheme. If your local shop does not stock a range of fair-trade products it is worthwhile asking them to, and if they do, thanking them.



Food crops damaged by salt water intrusion, Kiribati

New Campaign initiative: Climate Change

The impacts of climate change fall disproportionately on poor countries and poor communities, while it is rich countries who have had the benefits that have resulted in climate change. In early 2009 CWS will launch a major campaign around the social justice and development issue associated with climate change. CWS is particularly interested in providing an international perspective in support and collaboration with those working on local initiatives to address climate change.

0.7% Campaign

As reported last year the Government decision to increase overseas development assistance to 0.35% of Gross National Income (GNI) by 2010/11 was a very significant step forward. It is however only half way towards the expected 0.7% by 2015 and there is still no announced timetable for achieving this higher figure. So we need to keep the pressure on.

Cluster Munitions Treaty

There has been much action over the last 18 months supporting the campaign to get an international treaty to ban the production and use of cluster munitions¹. A meeting hosted by the New Zealand Government in February this year paved the way for an historic treaty which was finalised in Dublin in May. The final step is to get enough nations to ratify it for it to come into force. The New Zealand Government needs encouraging to ensure that it ratifies the treaty before the signing on 3 December in Oslo.

Churches' Agency on International Issues

Over the last year this group which is supported by the Methodist and Anglican Churches, The Salvation Army and the Religious Society of Friends has produced two further *Hot Topics*. One *Palestine: 40 Years of occupation* looks at the situation in Palestine, the suffering imposed on the people there, and provides a voice for some of those – Muslims, Christians and Jews working for a peaceful resolution of the situation. The second *Immigration Matters* looks at refugees and asylum seekers. It concentrates on the New Zealand experience, and puts it in the international context. Each provides a very readable summary of the topic and can be read, or used as the basis for group study. Copies are available on request from cws@cws.org.nz

In preparation is a *Hot Topic* looking at weapons of war, particularly - land mines, depleted uranium and cluster munitions – and the efforts to have them banned. CAI is continuing to publish short web updates on the situation in Zimbabwe (see <http://www.cws.org.nz/resources/topics>)

Thank You

In a world where international events and decisions have an immediate impact, it is important that New Zealand churches have an international ecumenical presence. A presence that contributes with other international ecumenical agencies and colleagues to overcoming poverty and injustice: by supporting development work; by adding to the Christian voice in international advocacy; and by campaigning, advocacy and education in New Zealand. With your support CWS provides that presence. It enables member churches to respond appropriately, effectively and efficiently to issues of justice and peace around the world. Thank you for the backing that the Methodist Church and Methodists throughout New Zealand have provided over the last 63 years, your continued support is vital to CWS's future work. A world without poverty is not only possible, but is in keeping with the grace of God for the world.

For more news about Christian World Service including news, worship resources and other materials visit our web site (www.cws.org.nz).

¹ Cluster munitions are bombs or shells that contain within them hundreds of smaller bombs. Not only do these munitions kill indiscriminately and pose a particularly serious threat to civilians; but more importantly, many of the smaller bombs do not explode on impact and lie hidden only to be detonated by civilians. www.stopclusterbombs.org.nz

Suggested Decisions:

1. That Conference thanks the Rev John Roberts for representing the Methodist Church on the Christian World Service Council and the Churches Agency on International Issues;
2. That Conference affirms the work of Christian World Service and encourages parishes to support the Christmas Appeal and emergency appeals.
3. That the Conference encourages all parishes to support the CWS campaign on climate change and its continued advocacy for policies to eradicate poverty.
4. That the Conference writes to the leaders of all political parties urging their support for an increase in aid spending to meet the 0.7% commitment, to help people out of poverty.
5. That Conference writes to the Hon Phil Goff, Minister of Disarmament, thanking him for his work on the Cluster Munitions Treaty and asking that the Government ratify the Treaty before December 3.

Jonathan Fletcher
National Director

METHODIST MISSION AND ECUMENICAL BOARD
SUMMARY FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2008

***SUMMARY STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL PERFORMANCE & SUMMARY
STATEMENT OF MOVEMENTS IN EQUITY FOR THE YEAR ENDED
30 JUNE 2008***

	2008 \$	2007 \$
Revenue	109,884	147,222
Expenditure	(87,969)	(77,480)
NET SURPLUS	21,915	69,742
 OPENING EQUITY	 2,047,793	 2,086,418
Net Surplus	21,915	69,742
Increase in Accumulated Funds	(41,500)	(41,500)
Increase/(Decrease) due to Exchange Rates	2,964	(3,945)
Decrease in Designated Funds	193,311	(62,922)
CLOSING EQUITY	2,224,483	2,047,793

	2008 \$	2007 \$
<i>SUMMARY STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION AS AT 30 JUNE 2008</i>		
Accumulated Funds	1,554,248	1,570,869
Designated Funds	670,235	476,924
EQUITY	2,224,483	2,047,793
Current Assets	675,682	492,454
Current Liabilities	(4,754)	(5,060)
WORKING CAPITAL	670,928	487,394
Non-Current Assets	1,553,555	1,560,399
NET ASSETS	2,224,483	2,047,793

SUMMARY FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

The summary financial statements have been prepared from the full financial statements of the Methodist Mission and Ecumenical Board for the year ended 30 June 2007 which were approved by the Board on 11 September 2008.

The summary financial statements cannot be expected to provide as complete an understanding as provided by the full financial statements of the financial performance and financial position.

The full financial statements of the Methodist Mission and Ecumenical Board have been audited and received an unqualified audit opinion. They are available for review from the Connexional Office, Christchurch.



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The Members of the Methodist Mission and Ecumenical Board

We have audited the summary financial statements of the Methodist Mission and Ecumenical Board for the year ended 30 June 2008.

Committee responsibilities

The Committee is responsible for the preparation of summary financial statements, in accordance with New Zealand law and generally accepted accounting practice.

Auditors' responsibilities

It is our responsibility to express to you an independent opinion on the summary financial statements.

Basis of opinion

We conducted our audit in accordance with New Zealand Auditing Standards. We planned and performed procedures to ensure the summary financial statements are consistent with the full financial statements on which the summary report is based. We also evaluated the overall adequacy of the presentation of information in the summary financial statements against the requirements of FRS-39: *Summary Financial Reports*.

Other than in our capacity as auditor we have no relationship with or interests in the Methodist Mission and Ecumenical Board.

Unqualified opinion

In our opinion, the information reported in the summary financial statements complies with FRS-39: *Summary Financial Reports* and is consistent with the full financial statements from which it is derived and upon which we expressed an unqualified audit opinion in our report to the members dated 15 September 2008.

Our examination of the Summary Financial Statements was completed on 15 September 2008 and our unqualified opinion is expressed as at that date.



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Communications

- Communications Committee
- Methodist Publishing
- PAC Media & Communications
- Churches Broadcasting Commission



COMMUNICATIONS COMMITTEE

Background Information

Methodist Church of New Zealand laws and regulations [S5 7.13.1 – 7.13.3] note that the role of the communications committee is:

- To develop and enable on behalf of the Church clear and coherent strategies for the proclamation of the Gospel, the building of community and for the critique of Church and society.

Conference 2003 approved the following vision statement to guide the life of the Methodist Church:

Te Haahi Weteriana O Aotearoa – The Methodist Church of New Zealand is a Church:

- *Passionate in its commitment to living out the love and grace of God known in Jesus Christ;*
- *Actively concerned with all life;*
- *Committed to the Treaty of Waitangi and to talking and walking Justice.*

To achieve this vision, the Church will:

- *Creatively focus its people, finances and resources in the life and Mission of the Church;*
- *Empower the people to live out the vision by establishing cost effective communication networks, and accessible education opportunities;*
- *Constantly evaluate its work against the Vision statement.*

In light of this vision statement the Communications Committee prepared a strategy which was adopted by Conference in 2005 to assist the living out of the Church's Vision Statement.

That Strategy had the overall vision that the people called Methodist communicate effectively and at depth with each other and the wider community. This was to be expressed through:

- The development of effective personal communication;
- The development of open and honest communication;
- The development of effective communication networks;
- Careful consideration of what we communicate and how the content is to be shared;
- Electronic communication;
- Being able to relate effectively with the media;
- Production of effective print media.

Over the past year the committee has considered how some of these objectives can be met.

Strategy 2008/2009

We noted the Commissioners report in August suggested that a half time communication position linked with the Board of Administration be established. This was in line with the 2007 conference decision to approve in principle a job description for a "communicator". However this decision was made recognising that no appointment was possible until funding could be identified.

While we support this direction, we felt it was important to look at what could be achieved and how the church can make progress on the communication strategy it has adopted. We noted that it was important to focus on one part of the communications strategy (as identified above). The area of focus chosen for 2008/2009 was for the church to be able to relate effectively with media.

One of the driving forces behind the suggestion of a "communicator" was so that Church leadership was supported when media are seeking comment, that the Methodist Church had an identified spokesperson, and to help local and national communities be aware of and engaged in the life and work of the Methodist Church.

We believe that it is possible to achieve some of these goals immediately with careful preparation and wise use of existing resources. The following are suggested as a way forward:

- 1. That the Board of Administration be asked to consider the General Secretary being designated as the Church's media contact person.**

We believe that this is a role that fits within the role definition of the General Secretary. In

conversation with the General Secretary designate, we think that this could be a useful starting point as we continue to consider the need for a potential half time position. The General Secretary has a wide knowledge of the church and the people with expertise and knowledge.

It is important that alongside this a list of church members, or friends of the church with media experience be developed. These people may be able to provide advice in local areas, or be used as part of training events, or be useful contacts for the communications committee and other areas of communication around the church. A request will be sent to Synods, Hui Poari, asking if they have people in their area with skills in the area of media and communications.

2. That the General Secretary (designate), President and Vice President elect undertake a media and communication workshop as part of the preparation for office.

If we see it as important for the Church to be able to comment on issues, and relate effectively with media, then some professional development is required. We note particularly in times of controversy, it is essential for there to be support for people who are in these positions. We believe it is also an important part of the preparation for these roles that aspects of communication are taken seriously. Consequently we have made application to the PAC media and communication fund so that a media training workshop may be undertaken. This application has been accepted. It would be our intention to seek the support of the PAC media and communication fund for ongoing support for this type of workshop each year for President and Vice President elect.

3. That Professional development in communications and media training is undertaken by Church leaders.

As a first step we have asked Taiuiwi Strategy Committee to consider having as part of their first meeting in 2009 a media training workshop. We see this as a first step to the building of skills for media relations in local communities.

We are conscious that this type of workshop would benefit a number of people in various leadership roles of the church; however, funding restrictions limit our ability at this point. Taiuiwi Strategy have agreed to undertake this in 2009, we ask that other areas of the church consider this as a possibility and contact the communications committee if there is interest in pursuing this matter further. Funding and appropriate resourcing for such an event can then be considered.

4. That a communication template be developed including consideration of a process on how the church decides which issues we need to make comment on.

We have been aware that over recent years media have often used other denominations to comment on various issues. We note that the Catholic Church for instance has a media person, and that often the media approach Destiny Church for comment. We believe it is important that the Methodist Church becomes more proactive in the areas it feels strongly about and has something to say.

It would seem sensible for example that we might want to be making comment on issues of social justice. We note that during the past year there has been considerable media comment on issues relating to poverty, inclusion, violence; particularly in the South Auckland region. There was a lack of comment from the Methodist Church around these issues. However, it is conceivable that with our strong social justice background that comment could have been made from our point of view in conjunction with Wesleycom, or the new 'Public questions' group, or in consultation with Te Taha Maori, Vahefona, Sinoti and WaseWase ko viti Kei Rotuma.

Questions of:

1. What are the issues of conscience the church needs to be addressing?
2. What are the issues of concern to local and national and international community?

are questions that we believe should be focus of Hui Poari, synod, parish and Board discussions. We believe that these are issues that would helpfully be discussed throughout

the next year, with responses back to the communications committee, so that a communications template might be developed.

Continuing Work

PAC Media and Communication application process

Conference 2007 approved a revised application form for the PAC Media and Communications committee. This has been used over the last year. The Distribution Committee reported that the new form has made their task easier with improved information provided by applicants. However two areas for improvement have been identified.

The Communications Committee will work with the convenor of the PAC media and communications committee to ensure that the provision for sign off of applications by Synod Superintendents and Board Chairs is in place. We believe it is important that Synods and Boards are aware of what applications are being made to ensure these fit within synod and board strategies.

Further work is also required in the area of financial information. It is of concern that some applicants have not revealed other funds at their disposal or in some cases are applying to a number of different funds for the same project. While we understand the passion and desire for projects to be completed, it is important that the committee can ascertain its priorities having full information.

Methodist Church Website

We note the appointment of Alec Utting as the new webmaster. The Communications Committee believes it is important for Alec to have a link with the Committee as a resource person, rather than a Committee member. Conversation will take place over the next year looking at emerging issues in relation to the website.

We note that since Alec's appointment some Synods have taken the opportunity of asking Alec to run workshops. We encourage this across all Synods, Hui Poari and Boards to ensure up to date information can be maintained on the website.

Committee Membership

During the last year resignations have been received from Robyn Brown and Ruth Sandiford Phelan from the committee. We acknowledge the considerable contribution that both have made to the communications committee over the years and wish them well for the future.

We also note that David Bush completes his term as convenor of the Communications Committee. We wish David well as he takes up his new position as General Secretary, and note the considerable time and skills that he has brought to the work of communications. David has been instrumental in the development of the Church's website amongst a number of things. The committee will continue to link with David in his new role.

In order to strengthen the work of the Communications Committee we think it is necessary to add additional members to the committee alongside the development of a list of people who might be able to resource the committee or act as advisers. A list of skills and attributes has been identified. The attributes we are looking for include:

- People with experience in providing strategic and operational communications advice
- People with experience in the development of media relations strategy
- People with experience in communication and or marketing training
- People with a knowledge of internal communication strategy
- People who can advise on media issues
- People with a strong network of media contacts
- People who understand the different communication requirements for a diverse church (culturally, theologically, geographically)
- People who are able to generate and recognise imaginative solutions and innovations in communication.
- People who are able to adopt a flexible and proactive approach.
- People with media management experience and skills
- People with excellent written communication skills

- People with knowledge of the English language, Te Reo, Samoan language, Tongan language
- People with a knowledge of print production
- People with experience in public relations and marketing
- People with knowledge in digital developments and information and communication technologies.

Ideally the committee will be made up of people who between them have a wide variety of skills and experience in the area of communications.

Suggested Decisions:

1. The report to be received
2. Conference asks the Board of Administration be consider designating the General Secretary as the Church's media contact person.
3. Conference approves the policy that the President and Vice President elect undertake a media and communication workshop as part of their preparation for office.
4. Conference encourages Board, Hui Poari and Synods to discuss the following questions:
 - a. What are the issues of conscience the church needs to be addressing?
 - b. What are the issues of concern to local and national and international community?
 And send responses to the Communications Committee by 30th June 2009 in order that a communication template can be developed and circulated for comment to August Synods and Hui Poari 2009.
5. Conference acknowledges with gratitude the work of David Bush as conenvor of the Communications Committee since 2000??
6. Conference acknowledges and thanks Robyn Brown and Ruth Sandiford Phelan for their contribution to the Communications Committee
7. Conference approves the membership of the Communications Committee for 2009 as: Nicola Grundy (Convenor), Moseley, Bill Peddie, Shelia Thorne and at least three other people (to be approved by the President).

METHODIST PUBLISHING BOARD REPORT

The monthly newspaper Touchstone continues to be the primary focus of our work.

With a tight budget, highly committed board, skilled editor and lots of goodwill from the wider church and advertisers Touchstone has had another good year. Our sincere thanks to Paul Titus, editor, and his team of Pieter Van der Berg, advertising, Karen Isaacs, distribution, and Julian Doesburg, design and layout. But many other people have also contributed and every issue is a community effort -from those who research and write stories, through to those in the parishes who deliver it to other parishioners or even to the local medical centre waiting room.

There continues to be the sense that readers have taken ownership of the newspaper. A wide variety of people have contributed to its lively pages in the many stories that have been covered in the past twelve months. It was said last year and we need to say it again, that dollar for dollar, Touchstone offers great value to the church in the form of up-to-date reporting and analysis of what's happening around the connexion and in wider society. It is difficult to think of another resource that more effectively provides a sense of connexion both for the Methodist church and cooperating ventures.

During the year the Rev. Inoke Siulangapo completed his term on the Board, representing Vahefonua Tonga o Aotearoa. We thank Inoke for his contribution to our work and wish him well in his future ministry commitments. We welcomed on to the Board Rev. Saikalone Taufua. His skills and knowledge have already been a benefit to our work.

Editor's Comments

In 2008 Touchstone consolidated changes initiated last year and brought some new people on board. The newspaper also weathered another financial crisis.

Due to budget constraints and retirements several people have left Touchstone since my last report. Two valuable contributors, Anne Millar and Julia Stuart, decided their writing days were

over, while the need to cut costs meant Berry! Tuppen is no longer paid to prepare book reviews and we finished our subscription to Pam Hutton's crosswords. I am now organising the book reviews with help of Connexional office staff, and, in place of the crossword, Rosalie Sugrue is contributing a monthly Bible Challenge free of charge.

Discussions at Methodist Youth Conference 2008 revealed there was an interest in a regular youth column or news spot in Touchstone. When momentum for this floundered after the gathering, Mataiva Robertson stepped forward and picked up the ball. Daughter of Sinoti Samoa presbyter Limu Isaia, Mataiva brings an insight into the church as well as young people to her role as youth correspondent. In the past few years, she has also attended two World Council of Churches events, including a seminar at Bossey, Switzerland, on human rights, which she reported on in the September issue of the paper.

Another young person who has provided input to Touchstone is Corazon (Cory) Miller, an aspiring journalism student at Auckland University. We hope that she will continue to write for us as she pursues her degree. Thanks also to Kidz Korna organiser Doreen Lennox and cartoonist Brendan Boughen, who both began contributing to the paper last year and kept up the good work this year.

Methodist Church of NZ webmaster Alec Utting also provided valuable help to Touchstone. When I up-graded my computer to the Vista operating system it was blocked from access to the MCNZ website, and Alec volunteered to post the Touchstone articles on the website. He has continued to do this throughout the year.

Influenced in part by my visit to MYC08, early in the year, I also decided that Touchstone needed to have more stories on events and issues of interest in the Pacific sections of the Methodist church. I sent an email to the heads of the ethnic synods and other Pasifika leaders in the church and have received a very good response. Items to emerge from the initiative include a story on how Tongan Methodist women are helping ACC get safety messages out to the community, interviews with theologians Rev. Nasili Vaka'uta and Rev Dr Ama Tofaeono Siolo, and an account of how the young people of Ellerslie's Tongan Methodist congregation are raising funds to take part in a mission trip to Papua New Guinea.

Once again, as we neared the end of the fiscal year Touchstone went through another financial crisis. As in 2007 and 2006, we made an appeal for donations in the paper and Board chair, Rev. Mark Gibson, put out a strategic request to parishes and trusts. And once again, the response was both positive and humbling. As detailed in the September issue, by the end of August we received \$11,500 and another large grant later came in to bring that total to nearly \$15,000.

Financial officer Peter van Hout would like to see parishes and individuals contribute to Touchstone throughout the year, as they are able, so that the budget remains on an even keel rather than hit panic stages every winter. We will attempt to get this message across in Touchstone. Also in a discussion at a Board meeting, it was suggested that if the Prince Albert College Trust were to top up Touchstone's endowment at some point it would alleviate the short fall and potentially reduce the annual grant sought from the Connexional budget.

We are also looking into other ways to cut the cost of producing and distributing Touchstone. Currently Touchstone is printed in Ashburton and then shipped to other parts of the country. In the past we have explored the possibility of printing in the North Island but it was not cheaper. Now, with the rise in fuel costs and the fall in printing costs owing to the introduction of new technology, the numbers may add up to shifting production.

Financial Performance

The net loss for the year ended 30 June 2008 was \$1,640 compared with \$20,119 (2007) and \$38,116 (2006).

The reduction in loss to a virtual break even was because of the strict control kept on costs, an increase in advertising revenue, the generosity of the editorial team and the wider support of the church through grants, the connexional budget and interest from the PAC endowment received two years ago. We are extremely grateful for the grants and donations Touchstone received during the past year, in particular from Wesley Wellington and Hamilton East parishes; and PAC communications.

New Initiatives

Funding constraints have meant that the Board has not in the past been in a position to venture into new publishing initiatives. However we are in discussion with Bill Wallace, a well-known Methodist hymn writer, over the possibility of publishing a collection of 110 hymns in 2009. All effort will be made to keep costs to a minimum if a final decision to proceed is made, but it is an exciting project.

As flagged in our report to Conference last year the Board has also begun an exploration of ways that we can better utilize new technology. We believe that blogs and chatrooms are powerful new communication tools that the church needs to discover how to use. Potentially they could open up for us another kind of connexionalism for the 21st century. These tools are already being used in the Pacific to hold church conversations between different countries. We are also looking at how we can get more of the material in Touchstone on to the Methodist website. Our conversations will continue in 2009. Any input from members of the wider church who have expertise in this field would be greatly appreciated by the Board.

Mark Gibson Chairperson

Suggested Decisions:

1. That the report be received.
2. That conference encourages parishes and individuals to where able to contribute financially to maintain Touchstone.
3. That the Methodist Publishing Board for 2009 be: Mark Gibson (chair), the General Secretary, Jim Stuart, Paul Titus (Editor), Pieter Van der Berg (advertising), John Wilson, Chris Ambrose, Barbara Peddie and Saikolone Taufa.

PAC MEDIA & COMMUNICATION FUND

The 2008 grants were fewer than in previous years but still as difficult to allocate. The following organisations received grants.

Te Atatu Union Parish Auckland	\$ 2,000	Data projector
Meadowlands Community Church Auckland.	\$ 5,000	Updating and purchasing more children's resources
Redeemed Media Publishing Ltd Hastings	\$ 3,500	Assisting with resources for community projects
Methodist Publishing, Christchurch	\$ 750	New camera for Touchstone Editor
Methodist Publishing, Christchurch	\$ 5,000	Assisting with costs of Producing Touchstone
St Paul's Co-operating Parish – Taumarunui	\$ 3,000	Screen, Data Projector
Churches Broadcasting Commission Wellington	\$ 2,000	Scholarship for Christian Media Tertiary Student
Methodist Social Services – Palmerston North	\$ 4,000	Assisting with advertising costs
Disability, Spiritual & Faith Network Lower Hutt	\$ 4,000	Assisting with production costs for their next brochures/booklets
Mt Albert Methodist Parish Auckland	\$ 5,000	Data Projector, screen, whiteboard and associated

		equipment
Waimea Methodist Parish- Richmond, Nelson	\$ 2,000	Assisting with costs to produce book on their church history and DVD/TV
Methodist Communications Committee	\$ 5,000	Media training for President and Vice President
Epworth Camp-Cambridge	\$ 3,000	whiteboard, data projector

Suggested Decisions:

1. The report be received.
2. The committee for 2009 is – Sheila Thorne, Brian Peterson, Lana Lazarus, Te Rito Peyroux, Trish Moseley (Convenor).

CHURCHES BROADCASTING COMMISSION (CBC)

"Praise B" has continued to be produced in different regions of New Zealand and incorporating many New Zealand choirs and hymns. The cut of 10 weeks programmes in 2007 to "Praise Be" has continued for 2008 with 'My God' as its replacement during those weeks. The 'My God' programme is diverse in faith but we (CBC) still feel it could have been in addition to "Praise Be".

Radio NZ has continued with 'Hymns for Sunday' and "Spiritual Outlook" in its 2008 programming and the Concert programme had a series on 'hymns'.

Once again CBC are very grateful to the churches and individuals who have provided us with funding towards our scholarships for Christian Tertiary students in media/journalism training. We are fortunate the Christian Broadcasting Association (CBA) once again provided a scholarship under the CBC umbrella and we were able to present 3 scholarships this year. It is important these students with their Christian backgrounds and journalism qualifications are part of the media reporters working in the public arena helping to convince the public that spiritual/religious views, statements and programmes are still important to the New Zealand public. It is encouraging to know from our continued contacts with the recipients, several of them are working successfully in difference aspects of media already.

With the major changes in the way both TVNZ and RadioNZ are working, with many programme producers and directors being outsourced, or under contract, CBC will need to look at our Constitution and decide what changes, if any, are necessary to bring it into line with current practice. The churches associated with CBC will be advised of any decisions in changes and be asked for their recommendation before any final decisions are made.

Trish Moseley is continuing as the Chair of CBC for 2009.

Suggested Decisions:

1. The report be received.

METHODIST PUBLISHING BOARD (TOUCHSTONE)
SUMMARY FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2008

**SUMMARY STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL PERFORMANCE & SUMMARY
STATEMENT OF MOVEMENTS IN EQUITY FOR THE YEAR ENDED
30 JUNE 2008**

	2008	2007
	\$	\$
Revenue	145,662	133,455
Expenditure	<u>(147,302)</u>	<u>(158,574)</u>
Operating Deficit	(1,640)	(25,119)
Grants Received	0	5,000
NET SURPLUS (DEFICIT)	<u>(1,640)</u>	<u>(20,119)</u>
OPENING EQUITY	538,645	40,537
Net Surplus/(Loss)	(1,640)	(20,119)
Movement in PAC Endowment	<u>(7,969)</u>	<u>518,227</u>
CLOSING EQUITY	<u>529,036</u>	<u>538,645</u>

SUMMARY STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION AS AT 30 JUNE 2008

	2008	2007
	\$	\$
EQUITY	<u>529,036</u>	<u>538,645</u>
Current Assets	409,530	415,180
Current Liabilities	<u>(9,866)</u>	<u>(9,921)</u>
WORKING CAPITAL	<u>399,663</u>	<u>405,259</u>
Non Current Assets	<u>129,372</u>	<u>133,386</u>
NET ASSETS	<u>529,036</u>	<u>538,645</u>

SUMMARY FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

The summary financial statements have been prepared from the full financial statements of the Methodist Publishing Board for the year ended 30 June 2008 which were approved by the Methodist Publishing Board on 11 September 2008.

The summary financial statements cannot be expected to provide as complete an understanding as provided by the full financial statements of the financial performance and financial position.

The full financial statements of Methodist Publishing Board have been subject to a review by an independent Chartered Accountant. They are available for review from the Connexional Office, Christchurch.





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The Members of the Methodist Publishing Board

We have reviewed the summary financial statements of the Board of Methodist Publishing T/A Touchstone ("Touchstone") for the year ended 30 June 2008.

Boards' responsibilities

The Board is responsible for the preparation of summary financial statements in accordance with New Zealand law and generally accepted accounting practice in New Zealand.

Reviewer's responsibilities

It is our responsibility to express to you an independent opinion on the summary financial statements presented by the Board.

Basis of statement

We have reviewed the summary financial statements of Touchstone for the year ended 30 June 2008 in accordance with the Review Engagement Standards issued by the New Zealand Institute of Chartered Accountants to ensure the summary financial statements are consistent with the full financial statements on which the summary financial statements are based. We also evaluated the overall adequacy of the presentation of information in the summary financial statements against the requirements of Financial Reporting Standard 39: *Summary Financial Reports*.

Other than our capacity as independent Chartered Accountants, Grant Thornton has no other relationship with or interest in Touchstone.

Statement of review findings

In our opinion, the information reported in the summary financial statements complies with FRS-39: *Summary Financial Reports* and are consistent with the full financial statements from which they are derived and upon which we expressed a review opinion to Touchstone on 15 September 2008.

Our examination of the summary financial statements was completed on 15 September 2008 and our review opinion is expressed as at that date.

Grant Thornton
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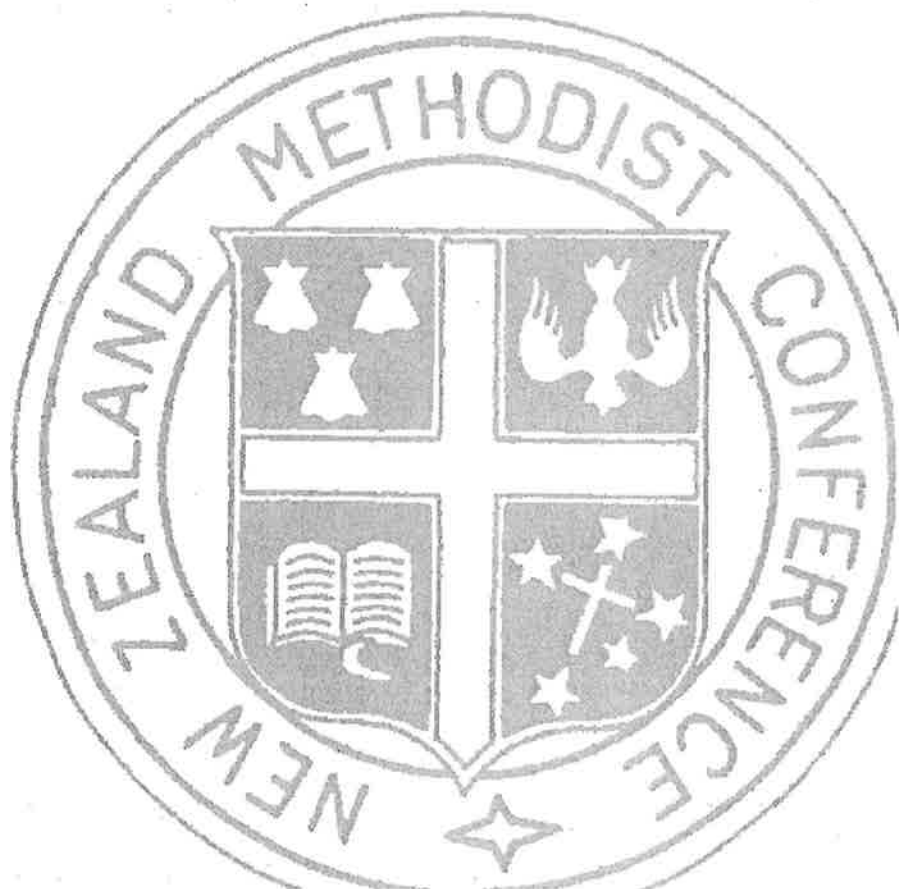
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Social Issues

- Social Issues Discussion Paper
- Interchurch Bioethics Council



THE METHODIST CHURCH AND SOCIAL ISSUES

In response to the disestablishment of CASI during 2007, Conference adopted the following statement:

The Methodist Church of New Zealand has a very strong and positive response to the need to address social concerns. To be a Methodist is to be passionate about social issues. From the outset of the Methodist movement, holiness has been worked out in social concerns and actions. We believe that God's love must be embodied in practical acts of compassion for the whole of creation. Conference strongly affirms the need for a stand-alone Social Issues Work Group that will:

- *Develop a vision for our church's involvement in social and ecological issues;*
 - *Carry out and collate research on key issues;*
 - *Send and receive communications on issues between synods, parishes, and interested individuals;*
 - *Address the wider society on these issues;*
 - *Encourage and resource parishes to engage with social and ecological issues at the local level; and*
 - *Encourage networking with other groups that share our ethos.*
- (2007 Conference decisions B (ii) 9 Question 26 (ii) 10.)

Further, Conference agreed: *That the Church resolves to find a way to continue to work in the area of Social Justice and to ensure that, wherever possible, it works in ecumenical partnerships. (2007 Conference decisions J-4, Question 36 (a) 2.)*

In the light of this and several notices of motion on the subject, Conference agreed that: *A group is established to ensure implementation of this decision and report to Council of Conference in 2008. (2007 Conference decisions J-4, Question 36 (a) 3.)*

The working group (Lynne Frith, David Hanna, Viliame Naliva, Ken Rae) is pleased to report to the Church our progress with giving effect to these decisions.

This report:

- Summarises responses from the wider church;
- Outlines a way of organizing this activity within the Church; and
- Proposes some next steps.

Feedback from Synods / Rohe

Early in the year, a preliminary discussion paper was sent to Synods and Hui Poari, and a progress report made to Council of Conference in April. A report proposing a way forward was sent to August Synods and Hui Poari. Responses in both June and August supported the directions that the group is suggesting.

The key messages were:

- Responding, engaging with, and taking action on social issues is contextual, local and regional;
- Engaging with social issues as a church nationally is important;
- Parishes need support in defining what they consider to be important social issues;
- Ecumenical relationships and partnerships are important;
- Clear recognition of the need for a staff person located in Wellington;
- Issues of concern are wide ranging and may be local, regional or national;
- There is a need for educational and liturgical resources.

Council of Conference reminded us of the need to identify funding sources.

The Proposal of the Working Group

Reflecting on the feedback above and our own experience we propose the following model as a basis for moving forward.

A Public Questions Network

We envisage the new entity operating as a network of interested people / members to contribute to / oversee the work. This network will link in with existing groups / bodies within the Church (namely parish councils, Hui Poari, synods, UDCs and Council of Conference). It must also be open to exploring ecumenical partnerships.

The key objectives of this Public Questions Network will be:

- To Educate / inform – providing information to groups within the Church to spark and inform discussions in relation to current social / public issues;
- To Advocate – within and on behalf of the Methodist Church on gospel responses to current social / public issues;
- To Research and Share – issues, evidence, key opinions and synthesise data in a form that is accessible for a general audience.

There will be a core group, drawn from synods and other bodies in the Church, who will coordinate and oversee the functioning of the Public Questions Network. We encourage synods / parishes to select a regional public questions coordinator who will be a member of the coordinating / core group, and whose travel to twice yearly meetings in Wellington will be funded by the synod or region.

It is important to have this network sufficiently resourced to function effectively. We recommend a staff person be employed for 20 hours per week, to work from Wellington. The staff person will be employed by a Methodist organisation in Wellington (either Wesley Wellington Parish or Wesley Community Action) to provide a clear employment and support structure. A clear job description and a core group of the network will guide the work of this person.

The staff person will develop key links with:

- Wesleycom;
- NZ Council of Christian Social Services;
- Other church-based social justice agencies;
- NGO groups as appropriate (e.g. Federation of Volunteer Welfare Organisations, ANGOA, and the Community and Volunteer Taskforce).

Communications

The network will use communication technology (e.g. email or a blog / website) to stay connected and inform the worker / resource person.

The core group from the network will gather twice a year in a central location. The network is encouraged to explore making regular use of *Touchstone*, e-Messenger and other media to communicate issues and disseminate educational material.

The Name

The implementation group believes that neither social issues nor social responsibility adequately describes either the commitment of the Church or the nature of the work, although each is an aspect of it.

We propose that the Church reclaims the name 'Public Questions'. It has an honourable history in the life of the Church, and has been retained in the PQ Broadsheet that continued to be produced by CASI.

Public Questions may be described as anything to do with public policy or good, and the common good. Such matters may include social and economic policies and conditions, environmental concerns, questions of justice and social responsibility, issues of peace and war, Treaty of Waitangi. They may be of local, regional and / or national concern.

Public questioning is about "giving life to the questions" rather than providing answers.

The Focus / Agenda of the Public Questions Network

Flexibility must be allowed for 'public questions' to be identified and focused on within local communities. This could be done alongside some issues that the network felt required a national focus – for example a significant new piece of legislation, or policy at a national level. The Network

would encourage the sharing of insights, ideas or resources between different local groups and the whole church. The resources developed may range from liturgy used in worship to submissions to local councils.

The network – while Methodist in origin – may choose to partner with a range of groups or organisations in relation to projects it is working on.

Accountability

Through whom will the new network be accountable? There is no clear direction from the Church on this matter. Therefore, the implementation group proposes that, in the initial stages, the Public Questions Network core group will report through Wesleycom to Conference.

Funding

There is currently no funding other than a residual amount left after the dissolution of CASI. There is no funding in the Connexional Budget for 'Social Issues' activity in the life of the Church. The initial anticipated annual budget is in the range of \$40,000-\$50,000 per annum. The breakdown is detailed below.

Wages (0.5 fte)	\$33,000
Rent	\$ 800
Communications (internet, phone)	\$ 3,000
I T resources and support	\$ 2,500
Travel	\$ 2,000
Overheads (e.g. supervision, stationary)	\$ 1,200
Publications	\$ 5,000
Estimated Total	\$47,000

Communication

There is a strongly expressed need for educational resources and liturgical material. *Touchstone*, the TCol website, the Connexional website, and the CASI website are existing media that could be used to good effect to communicate with and resource the Church.

Conclusion

Responses from synods, Sinoti Samoa, parishes and individuals support the directions proposed. We believe that with the provision of a part time worker / coordinator and by utilising existing resources and capacity this network will operate effectively.

Lynne Frith

Work Group Convener

Suggested Decisions:

- Conference approves the establishment of a Public Questions Network as an entity in the life of the Church.
- Conference authorises the Public Questions Network core group to implement the proposals in this report and report progress to Conference 2009.
- Conference requests the budget task group to reinstate a funding stream in the Connexional Budget for social justice activity.
- Conference encourages Synods / UDCs and Hui Poari to identify a Synod Public Questions coordinator, who will be both the synod contact person on such matters and a member of the network core group.
- Conference requests that those synods who identify a member of the coordinating group fund the travel for that person to a maximum of two meetings per year.
- Conference encourages Wesleycom to consider how this network fits with aspects of their work and identify the resources they may be able to contribute.
- Conference encourages parishes and rohe to consider how they might engage with the Public Questions Network.
- Conference thanks and discharges the implementation group.
- The Convenor of the Public Questions Network core group will be
- Membership of the core group will be ...

THE INTERCHURCH BIOETHICS COUNCIL

REPORT OF ACTIVITIES

The Interchurch Bioethics Council (ICBC) represents the Anglican, Methodist and Presbyterian churches. Members encompass expertise in science, ethics, theology, medicine, education and cultural issues. The role of the Council is to respond to ethical, spiritual and cultural issues in biotechnology which are seen as important to the church membership and the community generally. Five meetings of the ICBC and one teleconference were held during 2007 to 2008.

Work undertaken has included:

March 2007: Submission on Guidelines for the Use of Gametes and Embryos in Human Reproductive Research: determining policy for New Zealand.

March 2007: Two members attended a 'by invitation' seminar on Neuroscience organised by Health Research Council and Bioethics Council.

May 2007: Chairperson attended a 'by invitation' seminar on Deepening Democracy'.

August 2007: Chairperson reported to Anglican Archbishops at meeting in Wellington on work of ICBC and current topics in biotechnology.

August 2007: Submission on 'Discussion Document on Advice on Aspects of Assisted Reproductive Technology'.

September 2007: Contributed to a Science and Theology Symposium in Auckland.

January 2008: Responded to a discussion document 'Who Gets Born? Pre-birth Testing Choicebook'.

February 2008: Contributed to the International Bioethics Conference held in Dunedin.

February 2008: ICBC study 'Real, Urgent and Personal: A Christian Approach to Climate Change' was released.

March 2008: Paper sent to Sustainability Council in response to their correspondence on xenotransplantation.

Currently in preparation: Submissions on discussion documents on (i) The use of frozen eggs in fertility treatment, and (ii) The use of pre-implantation genetic diagnosis to select an embryo that will result in the birth of a child designed to help the medical treatment of another person.

Articles have been published in the local and national press including Taonga, SPANZ and Touchstone on such issues as 'Pre-birth Testing for Sex Selection' and Climate Change.

Conclusion

We are mindful that our brief is to consider biotechnology from the point of view of spiritual, ethical and cultural dimensions. We are currently planning a study book on ethical issues in innovative food technologies such as nutrigenomics and nanotechnology. Study guides and submissions may be downloaded free from the website www.justice.anglican.org.nz/icbc or obtained from Audrey Jarvis at jarvis.ab@xtra.co.nz

Suggested Decisions:

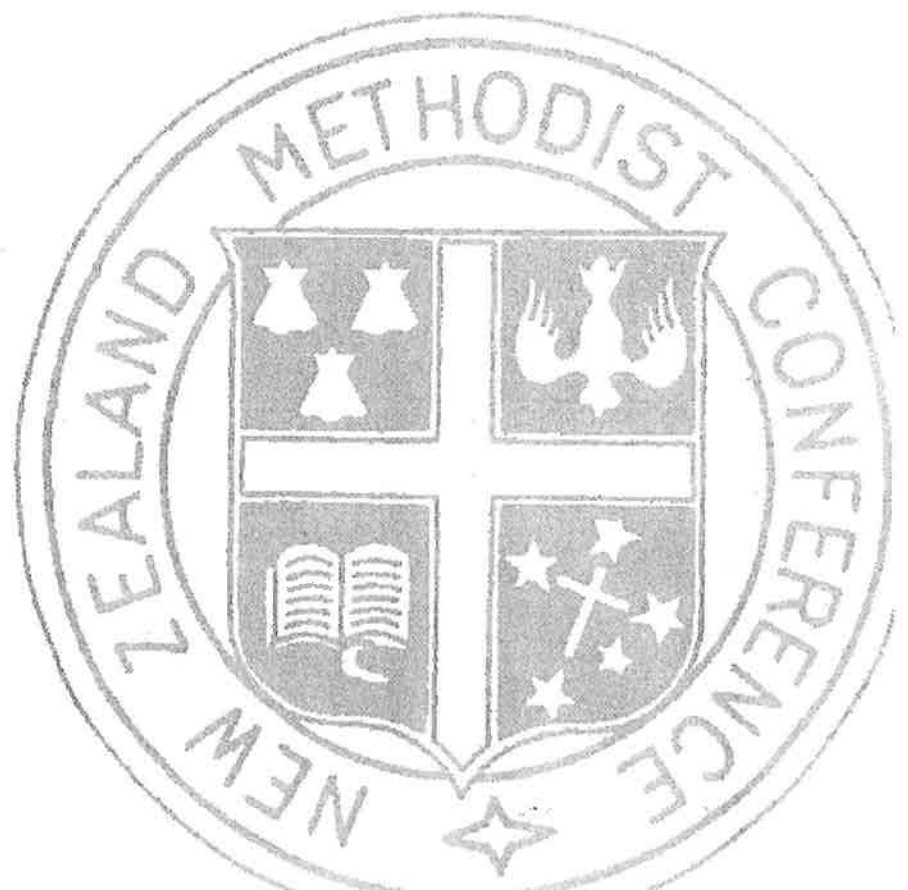
1. That this report be received
2. That the following be approved as Methodist members 2008-2009:
Audrey Jarvis, Barbara Peddie and Bella Ngaha

Audrey Jarvis
Chairperson



Nominations for...

- President
- Vice-President



NOMINATIONS FOR PRESIDENT & VICE-PRESIDENT 2008

PRESIDENT:

Nicola Grundy

Alison Molineux

Alan Upson

NOMINATED BY:

Central South Island

Nelson / Marlborough / West Coast
Central South Island

Manukau
Waikato / Waiariki
Nelson / Marlborough / West Coast
Taranaki / Wanganui
Hawkes Bay / Manawatu
Wellington
Otago / Southland
Sinoti Samoa

VICE PRESIDENT:

Shirley-Joy Barrow

Lana Lazarus

Alison Molineux

TeRito Peyroux

Olive Tanielu

Alan Upson

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Nicola Grundy

I was born into a Methodist family in Christchurch, the eldest child of five. My family attended the Papanui Methodist Church and my parents remain active members continuing to exercise leadership in the parish.

I am married to Peter Grundy and we have two daughters. We have spent most of our married life living in Dunedin and moved to Auckland in 2006.

As a young person growing up as part of the Papanui church, the influence of Rona Collins and Albert Grundy for me, was instrumental in the development of my faith and understanding of being Methodist. Their influence instilled in me a strong understanding that it is important to nourish my own faith and understanding, and that this needs to be followed with action.

To be strong in my faith and involved and active in community was also reinforced and developed further by being part of the Dunedin Methodist Parish. The Dunedin Parish motto was

"finding good in everyone — finding God in everyone".

For me this carries a powerful message that what we create for one another and give to one another is community. Within the diversity of the community that is the Methodist Church of New Zealand, and as part of the community of Aotearoa (and all its diversity), God is the source of life, meaning, and purpose, and our response is to seek to express God's intention in what we do and how we shape our life.

My response is my involvement in the life of the church and community activities. Currently I am employed as Business Manager for Trinity College, and previous to this was an employee of the Dunedin Methodist Mission and earlier still a staff member at the Connexional Office. I have been involved in leadership of the Church, having been Vice President and on committee's such as Council of Conference, Tauwiwi Strategy, Synods and Parish. I am also a member of the Methodist Mission Northern Board and have recently been appointed to the Church Communications Committee.

As a family we hosted an AFS student from Italy last year, and this year have a student from Denmark. This experience has been a great opportunity as a family to widen our understandings of life with people from different cultures and to learn more about our own culture, as we are challenged by our two AFS daughters.

Alison Molineux

I am 54 years old, single, with 3 adult children.

Twelve years ago now the Methodist church welcomed me into my first ministry appointment. The warmth and support my "adopted" church offered me began a journey of growing appreciation of and commitment to Te Haahi Weteriana o Aotearoa.

I have served the church as parish minister, chaplain and resource person. For the last two years I have been superintendent of the Nelson, Marlborough, West Coast synod.

I delight in meeting new people and learning from them and offer skills in listening, theological reflection, analysis and planning, facilitation and conflict resolution and, equally important, a sense of humour.

My preferred leadership style is to enable and, sometimes, to challenge people. I'm an ideas person rather than a "follower through" and would work best in partnership with someone who has those complementary skills.

My dream for our church follows Jesus' parables – of the mustard bush: a surprising, rather ungainly plant that nonetheless offers safety and shelter for each and everyone and whose

pungent leaves offer healing – and of the woman who mixes enough leaven and flour to make a loaf big enough to feed a city the size of Auckland!

I would like the opportunity to serve you as part of a team who share the good news of a God of love and justice for all people, with all people.

Alan Upson

Family Information

Married to Kerry, Alan has two adult married children, and two grand-children. With parental origins in Kamo and New Plymouth Alan was raised, the middle of five boys, on Bombay Hill attending High School at Pukekohe.

Ministry and Work Experience

Before training for ministry Alan gained work experience in forestry, the Magistrates Court, Psychiatric Nurse-aid (UK) and Primary Teaching at Tokoroa.

Alan has been a member of the Auckland Bi-Cultural Workgroup, the Faith and Order Committee and the Committee of Ministry in its final years. He has served in the roles of Synod District Property Convenor and Candidates Convenor, was on the Welfare of the Church Committee, and was Co-Convenor with the Superintendent of Sinoti Samoa of the Arrangements Committee for the 2001 Conference at Mangere. He was District Superintendent of Taranaki/Wanganui Synod for two years, serving on the Tauwiwi Forum and Stationing and Strategy through that period. Currently Alan chairs the Grey Institute Trust, is a member of the Tainui Village Board and part of the Methodist-Catholic Dialogue. He superintends several parishes in Taranaki. In 2006 he completed a two year course in Spiritual Director Formation with Spiritual Growth Ministries.

Ordained at Turangawaewae in 1978, Alan has been Presbyterian at Birkenhead, Mosgiel and St Kilda, West Harbour Uniting Parish, and shared Mornington/Broad Bay. After being Wesley College Chaplain, he was Presbyterian at GlenInnes Co-operating parish and Manurewa. He is now at New Plymouth and Waitara/Urenui parishes.

He worked closely with the Samoan and Tongan congregations at Manurewa, and with Sinoti Samoa and the Samoan congregation at New Plymouth. He is also pastorally involved with a growing Fijian group at New Plymouth. The Grey Institute Trust involves his working with Te Taha Maori.

General Information

Alan's interests include music, reading, writing, bowls, astronomy, travel, humour, walking and following sport. His strengths are in spirituality, prayer and pastoral relationships. He is passionate about bridging differences in a common purpose. Alan believes in prayerful and wise listening to God's Spirit, and looks for God's presence with people in everyday situations.

Shirley-Joy Barrow

Marital/Family Information

I am married to Rev Tony Bell who is the Presbyterian at Trinity Methodist Church in Wanganui. We have five adult children – Jennifer, Douglas, Jared, Colin and Naomi. We are grandparents of six. We both have parents living in their own homes in Whangarei and Te Puke.

Ministry or Work Experience

I was Ordained Deacon in 1988 at Palmerston North Conference, worked in Community Trusts, Social Services, Government Departments and in roles pertaining to the Diaconate in Te Puke (where I candidated from) Matamata, Auckland, Gisborne and now as City Missioner at Christian Social Services, Wanganui. The City Missioner's role involves working with a Board made up of Catholic, Methodist, Anglican and Presbyterian members; supervising seven paid staff and 100 volunteers. My strengths are in social work, counselling and family therapy, dealing with drug alcohol and gambling addictions; physical, sexual and emotional abuse; relationships and basic

survival needs of disadvantaged people. I trained in Transitional Ministry, and am a Enabler at a small rural church and support a Local Shared Ministry team of 7+. Being a Deacon and being part of the Diaconate Task Group, has involved me in developing this servant ministry and being a prophetic voice within the church. This has taken me overseas to join with other deacons, deaconesses and diaconal ministers through the Diakonia World Federation where I am on the Executive of the Asia Pacific Region. Being involved with other churches deacons brought a passion for an ecumenical association of diaconal ministry and I joined with Anglican and Catholic deacons to help set up Diakonia, Aotearoa New Zealand Association (DANZA), of which I am currently President. I am passionate about a church that is a community centred, inclusive church; which focuses on transformation, visioning and servanthood; with servant leaders that bring gifts to humankind such as life, liberation, love and learning.

General Information

I enjoy quiet times at home with Tony, noisy times with my grandchildren, writing, music, poetry, swimming, motor racing, walking the dog - Shiloh and spending time with our cat- Corkery.

Lana Lazarus

Lana lives with her family in Beach Haven on Auckland's North Shore and has whanau iwi affiliation with Ngati Kuri, Ngati Kahu, Ngapuhi, Ngati Paoa and Waikato.

Lana comes from a family very strong in their Methodist tradition, and from a young age her exposure and nurturing in Sunday school and rangatahi group helped set a platform for her work and ministry.

In December 1986 she was invited by Rev. Rua Rakena, the then Tumuaki of Te Taha Maori, to work, initially on a part time basis, assisting in administration at the national office of Te Taha Maori. Unbeknown to her at the time, this was the beginning of what continues to be a very long-term commitment to serving Te Taha Maori and the wider church in her work.

Throughout her years of service thus far, she has worked with and contributed to a range of different groups, boards and committees both within the church, as well as on the church's behalf. Some of the international events she has been a part of on behalf of the church include:

- WCC Conference on World Mission & Evangelism in Bahia, Brazil in 1996
(also participating in a 3 day WCC Indigenous Consultation: Indigenous Spirituality prior to this)
- WCC General Assembly, Harare, Zimbabwe in 1998
(also participating in the event/pre-meetings prior to the General Assembly:
 - The WCC Women's Decade Festival. The Festival marked the end of the WCC Ecumenical Decade of Churches in Solidarity with Women
 - WCC Indigenous Peoples pre-meeting
 - WCC Youth pre-meeting)
- Second International Network Forum on Multicultural Ministry Representative in Pattaya, Thailand in 2002
- Member of MCNZ delegation to Fiji for the Pacific Methodist Youth Camp in 2002
- Member of WCC Communications Advisory Group based in Geneva, Switzerland from 1999-2006

Having participated in a number of "4+4" meetings and Hui for the church, Lana is also currently a member of the following Connexional Boards/Committees:

- Co-Convener with Tovia Aumua on Council of Conference
- Hui Poari
- Methodist Mission & Ecumenical
- PAC Media & Communications
- Te Runanga Whakawhanaunga i Nga Haahi O Aotearoa
- Wesley College Trust Board

- Methodist Youth Conference 2008 Organising Committee

In addition to her work in and for the Church, for many years Lana has played, and voluntarily coached and managed various netball teams on local, regional and even national levels, having been recognised by Harbour Sport for her service to Maori Sport and Netball North Harbour for her services to netball.

Lana is passionate about working with and helping people, and finds much enjoyment and fulfilment when working particularly with rangatahi. It has been especially alongside people that she has come to understand the importance of service through committed, nurturing and caring action, irrespective of whether she is with a group of three, or a group of three hundred.

“Takina te moka o te pae, kia korara o parirau”
Challenge the margins of time and explore what is beyond”

TeRito Peyroux

Family Information

TeRito is 27 years old, and whilst is an only child, comes from a big, diverse and strong extended family background. She has a very rich and mixed Polynesian and European ethnic heritage which she is proud of, however was born and raised in Auckland, and calls Grey Lynn home. Since birth, she has been a member of Auckland Central Parish, and is an active part of the Kingsland Trinity Church's Rotuman Congregation.

Work Experience

TeRito holds a Bachelor of Education from what was the Auckland College of Education (currently the Faculty of Education for the University of Auckland), and before coming to work for the church, taught year six, and then new entrants at Sunnnyvale School in West Auckland. Throughout her senior Secondary, then Tertiary years she was also an afternoon volunteer at Barnardos Freemans Bay Early Learning Centre, and still continues to support the work of Barnardos in the community.

Current Work

Since March 2005 TeRito has been the National Facilitator for Tauwi Youth Ministry, which is a part of Mission Resourcing in the national church. Her experience in this role has seen her work with a range of different Parishes, Synods, groups and committees around the Connexion, especially on initiatives and issues pertaining to youth ministry, or which call for perspectives, contribution, and commitment from young people. Her current work also has an important ecumenical element to it, where she convenes as well as represents the church on the Churches Youth Ministry Association (CYMA) committee, and continues to maintain links with youth ministry desks and departments, both nationally and internationally.

Areas of Interest

TeRito has always had a passion for working with and for people, especially young people; and she has a particular interest in finding and promoting effective ways to provide meaningful youth engagement, encouragement, nurturing and support in the varied levels of the church, as well as wider society.

In addition to the above, TeRito has a strong interest in promoting inclusive understandings of identity, supporting the ecumenical movement, and spreading the word of God through service as well as speech. She also has interests in poetry writing, dance (especially Latin Street), growing her own fruit and veggies, singing, the NRL and chillaxing with her friends and family.

Olive Amani Tanielu

Family

Born and educated in Samoa, grew up in the Methodist church of Samoa as her father Reverend Amani Amituanai was the minister and former past president of the Methodist church of Samoa. Olive also has a brother who is the minister of the Methodist church of Samoa.

Olive is married to Matai'a Sione Tanielu. They have four lovely grown up children, son Opeta (32yrs), daughter Suega (24yrs), son Uilisone (21yrs) and daughter Olione (9yrs) who's health has been a real challenge to Olive's family journey of Faith, but it is a great proof of the God's Healing Grace and his Wonderful love to her family.

Church Involvement:- Local Parish

Arrived in Wellington in 1977 and attended the Taranaki Wesley Methodist church, then shifted to Hastings in 1979 to do her NZ Nursing training as her Samoan Registered nurse qualification was degraded to an Enrolled nursing level. Olive's church membership was transferred to the Wesley Methodist Parish in Hastings in 1979.

Olive was very involved in the local parish in Hastings serving on different groups such as:-

- Secretary of the Samoan Youth group for 10years.
- A member congregation and Fetuao Youth choirs.
- The combined Hastings & Havelock North parish council and leaders meeting.
- Secretary of the Samoan Women fellowship.
- Parish Steward for the Samoan parish since 1986.
- Appointed licensee for the Punavai ole Gagana Samoa in 2004(Samoan Licensed Early Childhood Centre).
- Olive is a founding member and one of the determined leaders of the Fetuao Youth choir whose ministry goes beyond the community of the church as an imperative of God's Gospel.

National Involvement:-

- Secretary for the Mafutaga Tamaitai Sinoti Samoa Ekalesia metotisi Niu Sila (Samoan District Women Fellowship) since 2002.
- Member of NZMWF National Council and Convention.
- She is a member of the Sinoti Samoa Property Advisory committee, & steering committee of Sinoti's Special Building Project.
- Executive committee of Sinoti Samoa.
- A disposed Sinoti Samoa stationing committee member.
- Last year 2007 Olive attended the Tauivi Strategy and Stationing committee meetings at Rotorua and at Wellington as a proxy for Sinoti Samoa. It was a great experience and it wasn't so threatening and scary for new people especially lay people because they had an orientation session before the actual meetings. At that meeting in Rotorua Olive was selected onto the 5+5 for the selection of the President and Vice President last year.
- Olive is an ex committee member of the Smethurst Trust, Olive was committed to this committee and she contributed to some new changes during the three years she ideas. Olive believes that Smethurst has helped a lot of New Zealand Methodist women achieved their GOALS and she was one of the Smethurst Trust grant's recipient. Olive strongly believes that New Zealand Methodist women and beyond have been so blessed by this financial help from the Smethurst Trust.
- She has attended the Methodist Conferences few times including 2007 and she had some challenging experiences at some conferences.

Profession:-

Olive is working as the Pacific Islands Liaison Nurse for the Maternal, Child & Youth Service with the Hawkes Bay DHB, she works with Pacific children who have poor and complicated health

problems, and their families within the hospital and out in the community.

In self determination she shifted to Hastings in 1979 to do her New Zealand nursing training so she can use her nursing skills and experience as a Registered Nurse. Olive completed her training at the Hastings Memorial Hospital in 1982 and graduated in May 1983. In 1999 Olive started her nursing degree studies through Massey University. Olive acknowledges and is very grateful to the Smethurst Trust for the financial and prayerful support during her studies.

Olive also works as a community social worker for the Hawkes Bay Pacific Islands Resource Centre, assisting families in need, women and children through the Women's Refuge and from there she had fostered a lot of families and young people as her own while they were in need.

Olive was appointed the Justice of the Peace of New Zealand in 2002.

She has a great sometimes wicked sense of humour; you can interpret that the way you like!

Serving God and seeking his Kingdom is very challenging but "Everything is Possible with God" I have a commitment and passion to serve the Lord in whatever ways He wants me to take for His glory.

I am committed to the NZ Methodist Church bicultural Journey and I respect and acknowledge our multicultural and the diverse theological differences that sometimes stops us from hearing what the Holy Spirit is Saying to Us.



Tributes to Deceased

- Presbyters
- Minita-a-lwi
- Deacons
- Lay People



David Armstrong

1916 – 2008

David's faith was rooted in the Salvation Army, experienced as his parents were moved around the country. His call to the ministry came early in life but WW2 interfered. He joined up and trained to fly in Tiger Moths and bombers. He was to spend three and half years overseas. He and Mary had been married in the 1930's and they had established their family on a farm at Dairy Flat. David came back from overseas as soon as possible to share with them life on the farm, where they were milking 80 cows. He took the opportunity to attend night classes at Trinity College.

In 1947 Conference appointed him to the Bombay/Tuakau Circuit where he served for two years. With a growing family Mary and David decided to return to their farm. For ten years he combined farming with continuing study at Trinity to equip himself for his basic calling, to Christian ministry. Sent to Kaeo Kerikeri Circuit on probation he was ordained in 1964 and appointed to Mangere. After several years David took an exchange ministry with Gene Hibbard in Kellogg Idaho. His evangelical spirit was at home with some of the charismatic wave of that era. Later he served in several United Methodist churches in the USA. He completed his USA ministry in Corpus Christi, Texas as the church's hospital chaplain. Superannuating, they came to live in Whangaparaoa, Red Beach. It was at this time he said, "with tears in my eyes I felt I had to resign from the church because of her acceptance of gay clergy."

In the last few years David had come to a better appreciation of where the Methodist Church stood. He then entered into the full life of our Red Beach congregation. Back to 20 years ago, when he and Mary planned to move into Peninsular Village, Mary died suddenly. She had been a beloved partner and helpmate for some 50 years. Since then David has seen his ministry fulfilled as he was involved in the weekly bible study and the taking of communion to home bound residents in the village. Where ever David lived his ministry reached out into the community. Often that was in sport's clubs sharing a lemonade afterwards with the players in the pub. This was back in the days when the church frowned on such fraternizing behaviour by her ministers.

David passed away peacefully on the 26th April in his 93rd year.

Ken Christiansen

1925 - 2007

Ken Christiansen's connection to the life of the Methodist Church encompassed three countries (France, Britain and New Zealand) and over many years his wide-ranging professional expertise influenced the Church in a variety of settings.

Born in Paris in 1925, educated in France and Britain and then later at the University of Auckland, Ken was extensively qualified in property and planning. He held a wide range of professional memberships, several of which he was a Life Member. Prior to retirement he had been Associate Professor and Head of the Department of Property in the Faculty of Architecture, Property and Planning at the University of Auckland. He was widely published in matters concerning property planning and economics and property management.

It was therefore in matters of property planning and property management that Ken first made his contribution to the life of the Methodist Church of New Zealand. He was a member of the Church Building & Loan Fund Committee through the 1960's and a trustee of the Grafton Halls of Residence for several years through the end of the 1990's. Over many more years, he was a trustee of the Wesley College Trust Board through the 1980's and 1990's.

But in addition to these Connexional responsibilities, Ken had also served as a Trustee at Durham Street Methodist Church in Christchurch and at St Paul's Methodist Church in Auckland.

Ken's first wife, Betty died in 1986. He married Jan in 1988.

Ken Christiansen: fussy grammarian, a man who (still) did his arithmetic in French, keen reader of history, writer and thinker, lover of maps and underground railways, philatelist, property management pioneer (who came to detest the shopping malls he helped create), who fought and lost battles with the computer and video remote, retired Associate Professor, published author; was strong minded but widely respected.

And to all of that, must be added: immersed in the life, faith, responsibilities and witness of the Methodist Church of New Zealand. Not always immersed comfortably. Sometimes thoroughly intolerant of those things which divert the Church from its real mission. And not afraid to say so, often and loudly.

But a man whose actions, faith commitment and applied professional skill spoke even louder than his words. The Church respects and honours you Ken.

Rona Collins

1925 - 2008

On the occasion of Rona's so-called "retirement", the 1985 Methodist Conference paid tribute to her "commitment to God and service to others". In fact, it was to be a whole lifetime of commitment and service. For in the 23 years of ministry that was to follow right up until her death in September this year, Rona gave and gave and gave again.

Rona was born into Methodism. She was one of a Palmerston North family of 7 children, survived today in her immediate family by just one sister, Avis Garner. After a brief period of employment in an accountancy firm, Rona trained at Deaconess House, Christchurch 1946-47. It was over those two years, Sister Rona (as she was to become), first began what was to become an extraordinary 38 years of ministry centred upon the Papanui Methodist Children's Home. Today, the comprehensive specialist and widely respected ChildWise services of the Christchurch Methodist Mission owes much of its genesis to Rona's remarkable ministry.

From those years and among the countless hundreds of children and families Rona's ministry unconditionally embraced, it is unlikely the real length and breadth, height and depth of Rona's influence will ever be able to be accurately measured. Even in later years, Rona remained for many, their rock and certainty of care. Her small home in Hills Road in Christchurch was constantly a place of hospitality, care and concern for people the length and breadth of New Zealand, whose first links with Rona had been her care for them as children in years past.

Rona's commitment to diaconal ministry was absolute and unlimited, un-containable, and un-confined. Beyond the Papanui Methodist Children's Home it included a preaching and pastoral ministry, which in "retirement" extended to itinerant supply ministries Marton (4 years), Te Awamutu (3 years), Gisborne (1 year) Invercargill (1 year) and Oxford (2 years). Everywhere and in every place, including her local Papanui Methodist Church in Christchurch, it saw Rona wholeheartedly engaged in Sunday School, Bible Class, Youth ministries, Methodist Women's Fellowships and a constant round of pastoral care. Rona's resourcefulness, her willingness to give so completely of herself and her insistent awareness of the needs of others was valued beyond price.

For 3 years, President of the Deaconess Association; the last Deaconess to retire from fulltime ministry in the Methodist Church of New Zealand; Vice-President of the Methodist Church of New Zealand in 1980-81; keynote presenter to the World Federation of Methodist Women in 1983; foundation member of the Methodist Church's Community of Women & Men; letter writer extraordinaire; confidant of presbyters; pastor and preacher; straightforward, down-to-earth, no nonsense; loved not only among her family, but within the life of the Church and the community at large. But still not even all of this, adequately describes the faith and works of this remarkable Mother Teresa of New Zealand Methodism.

There were but two speeds to Rona's life and enthusiasm. Full speed ahead and full stop. In the afternoon of Friday 5 September 2008 and following a brief few weeks of illness, Rona quietly and

graciously came to that full stop. A life which has ended, but a ministry which will endure. The Methodist Church of New Zealand proclaims its thanks and praise for the gifts of God made real in the life, faith, works and love of Sister Rona Collins.

Margaret Denham
(Sister Margaret Kippenberger)
1911 - 2007

A few months before her death, Margaret Denham told her family that she felt her life could be summed up in the words of the hymn —

“Great is your faithfulness, O God, my Father,
You have fulfilled all your promises to me.
All I have needed, your hand has provided —
Great is your faithfulness, O Lord, to me.”

As Margaret praised God for faithfulness to her, we pay tribute to Margaret’s faithfulness to God throughout the 96 years of her life.

Margaret was born into the Kippenberger family — a strong Methodist family living then in Oxford and later in Waimate. Her faith was nurtured in this loving family, whose life revolved around Church and farm.

Margaret trained as a nurse, all the while pondering a call by God to offer as a Methodist Deaconess. At the completion of her nursing training she did her three years Deaconess training at Deaconess House in Latimer Square.

Her first appointment was for one year at Dunedin Central Mission. This was followed by three years attached to Pitt Street Methodist in Central Auckland, at the height of—or should it be low of — the depression. Her work involved meeting with, caring for, and helping out poor and needy people of central and slum Auckland — undoubtedly a huge culture shock for a young woman who had grown up in rural Canterbury.

Then followed a move to Ashburton to do Maternity Nursing and Midwifery training with the intention of using that training in future Deaconess work.

She returned to the North Island, intending to continue her work, but another love got in the way and she returned to Ashburton as the bride of Cuthbert Denham. A daughter and son were born to the union.

From the mid 1950’s Baring Square Church was Margaret’s spiritual home. Her deep spiritual gifts were soon recognised and she became a much loved leader of the Young Women’s Bible Class, serving in that role for a number of years. She was also an active and loyal member of Methodist Women’s Fellowship.

Always, and wherever she was, Margaret’s heart was in the Church. Her faith was extremely strong, and she lived it in her quiet, caring, and very gracious ways.

We thank God for Margaret, and for her deep devotion, love and care, and offer loving and prayerful sympathy to her daughter, son, and seven grandchildren.

Dorothy Ford

(Formerly IRVINE – nee ROBERTS)
1912 - 2008

Dorothy was born in Inglewood Taranaki, she was an only child. The family shifted to Christchurch where she and her parents were regular attendees at Knox Presbyterian Church. Dorothy became a member of the Presbyterian Church in 1927 and later was a member of the choir, involved in youth work, served on the National Executive of the Bible Class Union and was ordained an elder.

After a short time in an office, her career was on path, and spent 42 years working for Calder Mackay Company becoming Accountant and later Company Secretary. In 1971 she resigned to marry Roy Irvine. After much thought she decided to join with Roy in attending the Clarence Street Methodist Church where she readily became involved with the Methodist Women's Fellowship and the life of the Church.

In 1972 Dorothy was elected to the North Canterbury District Executive becoming treasurer 1974 – 1976 and President 1979 – 1981 finishing her time at 1984 annual meeting. She was also a district representative to National Council of Women.
She was widowed in May 1978

In 1982 Dorothy was asked by Doreen Hill to join her North Canterbury National Executive of MWF. She became the treasurer (1982-84) and also treasurer of the Smethurst Grants Committee. During this time she remarried and shifted to Cambridge but so was her commitment she travelled to Christchurch each month to attend Executive meetings.

Dorothy made a significant contribution to the Methodist Connection, serving on the Board of Administration, Christchurch Central Mission, Methodist Trust Association, Investment Board and Prince Albert Trust (she was the only woman on the last three).

On her shift to Cambridge she continued her involvement with Women's Fellowship being on the Waikato District Executive as treasurer from 1985 until 1993, and continued being treasurer wherever it was needed at local and Parish level. She was a keen and active member of the Waikato/Waiariki Synod as a member of the standing committee and also the nominations committee.

Figures have been a great part of her life, everything had to balance to the last penny/cent, even as Company Secretary this was so.

Church has always been important to Dorothy. We give grateful thanks for her full and giving life.

Irwin John Fowler

1920 – 2007

Irwin John Fowler was born in 1920 the fourth and final child to James and Ethel.

Irwin grew up at Bunnythorpe in the Manawatu where his parents owned and ran a dairy farm. The farm was divided by the North Island Main Trunk Railway which was crossed each day by the milking herd. Money was scarce and so the four children had to walk the mile to school as even second hand bicycles were out of the question. Irwin with his elder brother Brian, soon schemed together so that whenever a vehicle passed them on the road, one was being piggy backed by the other. More often than not, those two boys were given a ride by the sympathetic driver.

After finishing school, Irwin's first job was with Vacuum Products Ltd at Palmerston North. He didn't last long and moved onto R. E. Harrison Ltd, Seed Plant and Nursery Products, also at Palmerston North. From there he went into the dairy factory at Bunnythorpe and it was around this time that the Second World War began. He spent six months in the army before being sent back

to the dairy factory. When his brother Brian was conscripted into the army, Irwin was conscripted to the family farm.

After the war, Irwin moved to Christchurch and worked for Arthur Yates Seed Merchants for a few months before purchasing a grocery and dairy shop, which he had for over four years.

He then moved into the Methodist Home Mission Work which took him up to Hikurangi. From there he went to Onehunga, and while there, cycled to Mangere Methodist Church to take the occasional church service, where he noticed Iris Westney playing the organ.

They eventually were engaged and it was an engagement spent apart for two years whilst Irwin completed college prior to being ordained. After Irwin and Iris were married on 19th January 1957, their first posting was Apiti, near Fielding where Marie was born.

From Apiti the family moved to Darfield and had their second child, Paul. After Darfield, came the posting to Mt. Maunganui, where the family was completed, with the birth of Joanne.

From Mt. Maunganui, Irwin was posted to the parish of Ngatea on the Hauraki Plains, where Irwin helped the Union Parish become a three way co-operating Parish.

After five years at Ngatea it was time to move to Morrinsville, another farming community not far from Hamilton.

From Morrinsville, Irwin was posted to the big smoke, Auckland. He arrived at Te Atatu Union Parish at a time when discontent was being felt and expressed by some Presbyterians, with what was felt to be the limitations imposed by the union. These feelings eventually led to the withdrawal from the Union Parish of a group who reformed St. Giles Presbyterian Church in Te Atatu South. These were not happy times and what occurred made life and work very difficult for both Irwin, and those who worked closely with him, particularly the church secretary. It was made more difficult in that the parish boundaries remained unchanged and the buildings remained the responsibility of the Union Parish until a Presbyterian Minister was appointed to Te Atatu Union after Irwin's retirement. Irwin maintained the churches at large had a lot to answer for throughout this turmoil. He proved loyal, totally trustworthy person, who gave to those close to him, a fresh meaning to what it meant to be brothers and sisters in Christ, of whom Irwin was a loyal servant.

After retirement Irwin and Iris took the opportunity to do some travelling. They went to parts of the United States, England and most of Europe. Although his health was failing at the time, Irwin went over to Queensland with Iris and Paul for Joanne's wedding. He was able to walk her up the aisle, and speak at the wedding, something for which Joanne was very grateful.

In 2007 Irwin and Iris celebrated their golden wedding anniversary, and it was later that year on 14th December that Irwin died.

Mabel Lilian Grocott

1908 - 2008

On January 12th 2008, Mabel's family gathered with her to celebrate her 100th birthday. She was thrilled to receive the Queen's message and thoroughly enjoyed talking with her family and friends. Almost 6 months later most met again to mark the death on May 31st 2008 of a most remarkable woman.

Mabel was born and grew up in Murchison, the 7th of 10 children of Joseph and Florence Brown. The Methodist Church and Sunday School was central to their life and had a strong influence on Mabel's life. Her secondary schooling was at Nelson Girl's College, a scholarship making this possible. Then to Christchurch where she lived at Deaconess House while studying at University and Teachers College. On successfully completing her studies she returned to Nelson to teach. She met Rev John Grocott, the travelling secretary for the Methodist Youth movement at an SCM camp in 1929. They were married in 1932.

His appointments to Fitzroy in New Plymouth, Onehunga, Richmond Nelson, Karori Wellington and Riccarton Christchurch, their three children, Judith, John and Paul, her work as a teacher and heavy involvement in church life made these busy years. One of John's friends remarked that he had the highest respect for Mabel and the zestful way she attacked life. This zest never left her and was just as evident in her late 90's.

In 1969 John and Mabel travelled to spend two years in the USA. For part of the time they were with a Methodist Church organisation working with United Nations agencies. It was situated on the UN Plaza and was an exciting place to be. Mabel enjoyed an ongoing active interest in the work of the UN for the rest of her life.

They retired to Christchurch. John died in 1983 after a period of illness where Mabel cared for him at home.

Mabel continued her active involvement in Federation of University Women, United Nations Association, her local Methodist Parish and Supernumerary Ministers gatherings right into her late 90's. She read Touchstone every month, taking a keen interest in the life of the church which had both nurtured her and through which she had invested so much love and energy.

Mabel was pre-deceased by daughter Judith and son Paul. To son John and his wife Lola Mabel's 11 grandchildren and 23 great grandchildren we express our sympathy and give thanks for being able to so richly share her life.

Ivan Hall

1934 – 2008

Ivan was born to Rev Jim and Elfreda Hall on 17 November, 1934, in Marton. Within a few years Jim Hall was stationed to Woodend where Ivan and sister Dulcie attended Primary school. A later stationing to Pukekohe led to Ivan's schooling at Pukekohe High school. His first job was with the Auckland Savings Bank in that township from where he moved on to the Central Auckland office. He remained working for the ASB until he took up a retirement job at the House of Knives in Auckland.

In 1957 Ivan offered as a candidate for ministry but this was not accepted by the Auckland Synod. The same year is recognised as the beginning of his work as a Lay Preacher at churches in the Auckland and Manukau Synods. Regular preaching places included New Lynn, Avondale, Papatoetoe and Mangere East. In November 1987, Ivan's record of thirty years as an accredited Lay Preacher was recognised by the Methodist Conference. He continued as an active Lay Preacher until his move to New Plymouth.

In 1989 Ivan was appointed to a part-time lay supply ministry at St Austells, New Lynn. His work involved pastoral visiting, attending meetings and preaching three out of four Sundays. He was also Chaplain to the Girls' Brigade and Boys' Brigade groups associated with the parish. Ivan began work on his LTh during this appointment.

Ivan was also involved with Inter-Church Hospital Chaplaincy as a Lay Visitor at Auckland Hospital, his work there being recognised at a ceremony on 20th November, 1985. In 1995, Ivan was awarded his Licentiate in Theology by the Ecumenical Board of Theological Studies, after some years of part-time and full-time study. Through his pastoral care at St Austells and the hospital, Ivan established many lasting friendships.

Ivan was appointed a Justice of the Peace in January 1989, serving the communities in both Auckland and New Plymouth. He died on the 2 April, 2008 after a short illness.

Roy Hasseldine

1924 - 2007

Roy was born in a village in Northamptonshire, and was a first cousin of Margaret Thatcher. A bright student he won a scholarship to a Grammar School.

He left school in the early part of World War II and worked in the local Council office and then in the IRD office at Leicester. In February 1943 he joined the army and eventually trained as a Wireless Operator. He then served with the British forces in Asia from 1944-47.

In 1948 he passed his Civil Service Reconstruction Exams and was sent to Newbury, Berkshire where he met Stella. They were married in 1950 at the local Bartholomew St Methodist Church. In 1958 they emigrated with their first son to New Zealand and settled in the south of Christchurch.

While working in the Christchurch Inland Revenue Office he studied for an Accountancy qualification. Achieving this in three years he won the National Prizes in Auditing and Advanced Accounting. He was soon promoted to Inspector in the Christchurch IRD.

In 1964 he joined the teaching department of Accountancy at the University of Canterbury. He taught Management Accounting and completed a research paper that was published in the leading Accounting journal in the United States. He also completed a M.Com degree as part of his ongoing professional development.

Then in 1968 he became the first General Treasurer of the Methodist church of New Zealand based in the connexional office in Epworth Chambers. This was the first time that a lay person had been appointed to work alongside clergy in a senior position and his appointment was specifically stated to be an equal role with the Conference Secretary. He served with distinction in this position for six and a half years, pioneering the church into a new era in the way it organised its finances. Conference Minutes paid tribute to his wisdom and skill.

Following this term with the church he returned to teaching Business Finance and Financial Accounting at the university; and eventually became Head of Department in 1979. Retiring in 1986 he then did consultancy work for Canterbury Dairy Farmers for another seven years.

For many years Roy also served as Trust Secretary of the St. Marks Somerfield Methodist church. He was a much-loved member of this congregation and is remembered for his caring attitude to people, integrity, humility and lively intellect.

Roy was never satisfied with traditional understandings of faith and always enjoyed a good theological conversation. His abiding passion was reading and what he referred to as the "Life of the Mind".

The Christchurch Polytechnic, Girl Guides New Zealand, Cracroft Community Centre and Cracroft Mens Probus Club also benefited from his accounting skills in his "spare" time.

Throughout the years it was his family more than anything that gave him greatest pleasure. His wife Stella; and their two sons, James and John, survive him. Our love and prayers are with them all.

Te Uru Hone Heta

1933 – 2006

Born on January 26, 1933 and passed away peacefully at his home on November 13, 2006.

From his childhood through to adult life, Te Uru was immersed in the teachings and work of the Methodist church and dedicated an immense amount of time taking the word and teachings of the church to not only the people of the Whangaroa Rohe but to other Marae if he was called upon to assist. He travelled widely and gave freely of his time and resources.

The connection with the Methodist Church began when his grandfather gifted land to build the church as there was no place in Te Patunga for worship. With the help of builders and local people the church was erected for the many hapu in the valley and over the years, to its final deterioration, it was well used and attended.

Te Uru's seven children along with the rest of the children from the valley attended church every Sunday which was taken over the years by Sister Atawhai, Charlotte Tupe, Reverend Sonny Maaka and Minita-a-lwi Waha Wiki.

Te Uru's commitment to the church and its work was observed by the many Kaumatua and kuia of the time, and it was they who persuaded Te Uru to consider a role as Minita-a-lwi in the church. Because he was already so versed in the work of the church, it was not a difficult task for Te Uru to fulfil. He attended many Hui in the various Rohe on behalf of the people and church of Te Patunga and he was commissioned as a Minita-a-lwi by the Reverends Sam Toia and Sonny Maaka and Minita-a-lwi Waha Wiki at Te Patunga. It was a wonderful occasion not only for Te Uru, but for the people of the Pupuke valley and Whangaroa Rohe.

Te Uru was "adopted" by the local schools as their Kaumatua and this included delivering the word of the bible and the church. His work has included burials, marriages, christenings, birthdays, blessings, openings, hui, counselling, and pastoral care for his many followers, Iwi and Hapu.

In conclusion Te Uru Hone Heta worked for his Marae, Iwi, Hapu and any person needing the word and help of the church and the many people he assisted will always be eternally grateful for his awhi, aroha and tautoko.

He is remembered and loved.

Joan Lawry

1924 - 2008

Joan Dornwell was born in Wellington on 23 February, 1924. She grew up in Christchurch where she became involved as a teenager in Methodist youth activities in New Brighton. She graduated from Christchurch Teachers College in 1945. She had met Wesley Lawry through those youth activities and they were married on 3 August, 1946 at the Clarence Street Methodist Church.

In 1958 Wesley transferred to a position in Invercargill. The family with three daughters Caroline, Patricia and Heather, joined the St Peter's Methodist congregation. A further daughter, Dawn was born in 1959. Wesley carried on his involvement with youth when he became the Sunday School Superintendent.

Wesley died suddenly on 29 September, 1983. As a widow Joan enjoyed becoming a Nana to her grandchildren. Her first, Amber, arrived a couple of months after Wesley's death. Then followed Kent, Sarah, Glenn and twins Janine and Leah. More recently she had enjoyed the arrival of her great grandchildren Benjamin, Misharna and Sophie.

Joan was committed to Christian service within St Peter's and the wider Otago-Southland district. She served as a Circuit Steward and was a long-serving Quarterly Meeting Secretary retiring from that position in 1993. She was an effective lay preacher and was part of the executive of the Methodist LPA for some years. She regularly attended the Otago-Southland Synods and was the Methodist Conferences.

She offered for service as a Deacon and, after completing all the necessary requirements, she was ordained as a Deacon at St Peter's in 1985. She sustained her involvement in parish pastoral care, parish administration and the Methodist Women's Fellowship.

After a long illness in the care of Peacehaven Village in Invercargill, Joan died on 23 July 2008. Her funeral in the Lindisfarne Methodist Worship Centre was a celebration of her full and

dedicated life of Christian service. It was fitting that the family suggested that donations be made to the Pastoral Care work of the Invercargill parish. Her life of faith in practice will not be forgotten.

Joan was survived by three daughters Caroline, Heather and Dawn and their extended families.

John Elgar Langley

1923 – 2007

There were two great loves in John's life, Jesus and Barbara.

Walking up to Barbara 15 outside Church in Jersey as a 13 year old he announced "You don't know me. My name is John Langley. You are going to marry me." He pursued her, courted her during the German occupation, persuaded her to elope and escaped with her in a tiny boat to Northern France. Invited to commando training if he would remain single, John and Barbara married. He saw active service in Burma and Germany at the close of the war and was acting Captain when de-mobbed. Finding Jersey too small and parochial John and Barbara moved to New Zealand and settled in Palmerston North with their two young sons in 1953.

John set up his own business doing what he knew, pianos and organs. In 1958 he began studies at Trinity while serving as a student pastor at St Timothys, Glen Innes. In 1964 John was stationed at St Marks Sommerfield and St James Cashmere, in 1970 they moved to St Johns Whangarei, 1980 to Upper Riccarton, 1984 to Carterton and in 1987 they retired initially to Whangarei, then to Christchurch and finally to Picton.

Jesus was John's hero. He saw in the life, teachings and example of Jesus of Nazareth the human face of God and he enthused about him. The broad canvas of the good news of John Langley arose from the conviction that all is love. John believed that without our stories all of us are pure love. That love itself is the true nature of reality.

John was a passionate evangelist for faith in a loving God. He considered a life with faith a logical choice for a life worth living. His was a robust faith that called him into creative encounter with the world. It was faith that led him to selfless service and to surrender ever more deeply to the ways of love. It was faith that led to the progressive shedding and triumph of spirit over ego. He consistently exhorted the Conference with the need to resource evangelism.

John became a wonderful counselor. People who had been almost entirely closed down by stressful thoughts were freed, wonderfully freed after working with John. He attended with great discernment and compassion sometimes over long periods of time and many people were touched and changed for the better. He facilitated serendipity groups, encounter groups and life line training sessions. He hammered out a counseling training program he called "Listening With Love." Hundreds and hundreds of people were trained and many people found deep healing with John.

Listening with love led to deep encounters and intimacy brought appreciation. John came to believe in the innate goodness of all people, not their behavior but always their good intention. He came to believe that all people are doing their best however inadequate that sometimes proves to be. That everyone is special, no body is better than any other, that some are better at seeing it, that's all. As that became the reality he inhabited it became an increasingly beautiful world - "earth but cloaks your heaven"

John was an immensely practical man and his vision of the church took practical forms. He renovated, rebuilt or installed 13 pipe organs throughout his ministry, 12 in NZ and one in Fiji, all with the help of willing local volunteers.

John was a thoughtful and intense preacher. John had a passion for God which moved him, often to tears, not tears of grief but of spiritual fervor and an overwhelming sense of humility and gratitude for the experience of love and grace that attended him.

All their marriage Barbara had to accept that here was someone whose greatest joy was to go home to his heavenly Father – to hear Gods holy laughter. John's was a big faith in a generous God. Love, God and Jesus were interchangeable for him. He was wide open, not disturbed by seeming unorthodoxy or error, a lover of truth who was totally confident that a sincere love of truth would lead to freedom. This was the foundation for his lifelong total commitment to the ecumenical cause.

He was equally committed to stewardship of his wealth, to an awareness of the power of money for good and the trap of money if it wasn't mastered. He took a very active part in stewardship programs for the church and he and Barbara tithed and gave generously and proved over and over the adage that you simply cannot out-give God.

And in all this, through his personal experience of the grace of God, through his deep encounters through counselling, and his passion for faith in Jesus Christ, John became a living example of the capacity to be changed and changed to the uttermost – living proof that nothing about personality or character needs to be fixed.

So here's to John Elgar Langley, son and grandson, brother, husband, father, grandfather, great grandfather, craftsman, organ builder, businessman, minister, colleague, counselor and friend. A lover of reality, lover of God, trophy of grace.

And though his body burned it didn't burn a fraction as brightly as his spirit, liberated from this earthly form, burns in humility and thanksgiving before its maker, lover and source of all that is. Amen

Colin Leadley

1937 – 2008

Colin Stanley Leadley was born in Ashburton on 18th March 1937, the eldest son in a family of eight children. As a boy he went to Hampstead School and later to the Ashburton Technical College where he gained the accolade of Head Prefect in his final year.

As a career he went farming. He was involved with many farm related organisations including Young Farmers, being Chairman of first the Wakanui Club and later the Mid-Canterbury Club, with all the debates at the local and district levels. For a while he was Chairman of the Wakanui Federated Farmers, and served on the District Executive. In 1974 at the age of 37 he became the youngest elected Chairman of the Ashburton Agricultural and Pastoral Association. When the Farm Cadet Training Scheme was introduced to Ashburton he was the Chairman, working with young farmers to help them further their careers.

He married Audrey West in 1960 at the Baring Square Methodist Church in Ashburton and slowly their family grew to four children, Cynthia, David, Brian and Barbara.

The faith which Colin held was evident at an early age in his involvement in the church Youth Group and Boys Brigade. Colin was for a time on the committee for the Gunn's Bush Campsite, but when the Staveley Campsite, nearer home, was developed he transferred his energies there. He took on various roles in the life of the church including Sunday School Superintendent, Parish Steward and was accredited as a Local Preacher in 1962.

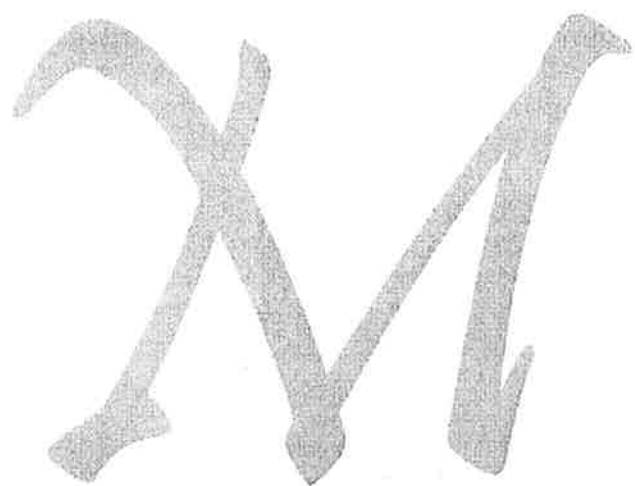
He began his training as a presbyter in the home setting in 1983, but before that was completed offered for the itinerant ministry serving in the Hornby-Riccarton Parish in Christchurch at St Stephens and Clarence St, where he served from 1989, being ordained in 1990. After 7 years there he and Audrey moved to the Invercargill Parish at first half-time in the Parish and half-time in Bluff, then later as the Parish Superintendent at the newly combined Lindisfarne Church and Community Centre in Invercargill.

Colin and Audrey retired to Tinwald in 2003 where they were able to return to his roots at Baring Square. He continued to preach especially during an eighteen month interregnum, alongside three

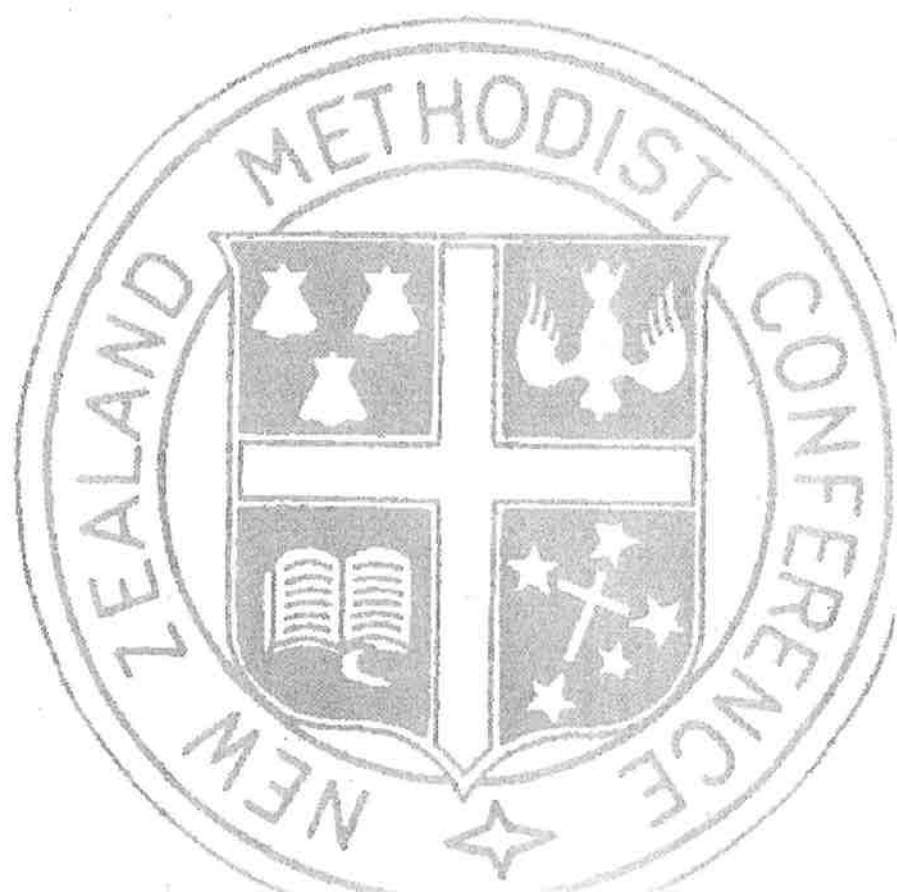
other retired presbyters, concentrating on the pastoral side of the Parish, convening the pastoral committee until that was no longer possible.

He was also active beyond Parish life principally in the Budget Advice service and in Ashburton Men's Probus, appointed as Vice Chairman in 2007, but unfortunately had to resign before being elected Chairman due to ill health, later that year. It was not all work, for Colin enjoyed playing golf, and spending time with his growing family including 9 grandchildren, helping out where possible.

In October 2007 he was diagnosed with a cancer which proved fatal. Neither the realisation of his fate, nor his increasing disability was able to stifle his positive outlook which he retained to his peaceful death on 26th February 2008. His faith in God untarnished, Colin leaves a legacy of Christian example which impressed all those he met and he will be missed for his enthusiasm, gentle spirit and infectious laugh by many in the church, in the community and especially by his family.



Record of Service for Retirees



Lorna Goodwin

In 1984 Lorna had a passion that would not go away and that was she knew there was a real need in the community for people who had psychiatric needs to be accepted and supported in a loving home environment and so she opened her home where people were warmly welcomed. Lorna committed 20 years to Agape Fellowship leadership.

In 1988 Lorna was accepted for training as a Deacon. Her Diaconate role within the parish was as leader of Agape fellowship and the outreach that the fellowship offered to psychiatric and intellectually disadvantaged people in the community. Lorna was ordained at the conference in Wanganui in 1991. The call to do this was strong and it was such that Lorna knew she could not walk away from it.

This decision followed 25 years of involvement in the scouting movement where the feeling of being able to do something more for adults who were disadvantaged rather than putting emphasis on children had become a firmer belief. This was a shift of focus that Lorna could see was needed as she got older.

At the time of being accepted for diaconate training Lorna was very appreciative of the support of some particular people in the parish as well as the tutors and mentors who guided her through the home setting training and at Trinity College.

Lorna's ministry was more often on a one to one basis and dealt with the raw edge of existence when members or close friends of members committed or attempted suicide, found themselves on the wrong side of the law, were emotionally unwell or who died suddenly. But there were also the happy sides, birthdays, weddings, new babies and other celebrations.

Lorna was well supported by the women's Fellowship groups in additional food parcels for her house and the fellowship, money for herself, folders for the Tuesday singing, Food for the Christmas dinner or Christmas gifts for the attending the Christmas meal, and in many other ways.

Having got Agape cottage underway Lorna soon realized that the needs of this particular community of people was bigger than she could manage through her house and so Agape Fellowship came into being focusing on accepting and loving people who were differently abled. Agape fellowship started originally for Friday and Saturday nights and a Tuesday afternoon as Lorna already had a full time job. Friday and Saturday nights were known as being the loneliest.

During the years Lorna has been hampered by what can be termed "red tape and bureaucracy. She learnt that the pathway to funding was an unending trail of paperwork.

This was not Lorna's forte and she gratefully handed this on to the first willing volunteer who offered.

Friday and Saturday nights offered videos and Saturday night saw everyone involved in games card games of every description, chess, bowls, table tennis, draughts or what ever else was on offer.

Tuesday afternoons offered singing, sharing and worship time that allowed an opportunity for people to show their talents as soloists or in an impromptu band.

Part of the commitment of Agape was to show members that they could go places and see things that anybody else could do. All it needed was a savings programme and commitment. Agape travel club was formed after Lorna and 3 others had had a trip to Disneyland San Diego, Tijuana returning home via Hawaii. The travel club went away in 2000 to Sydney, 2003 to the gold coast, 2005 to Cairns and 2007 Melbourne and Tasmania.

Within New Zealand Agape embarked on bus trips for a day out of town. These included places where there were collections to be seen, museums to learn from, snow to play in, rivers to boat on, Places of natural interest, parks to relax in and many others.

Agape choir sang at church services around the Manawatu district where Lorna was leading

worship, and for a number of years a Christmas was provided for members in the Wesley Broadway lounge.

After twenty years of very dedicated service with very few weekends to herself Lorna was finding that she needed to commit more time to care for her sister and retired from Agape Fellowship leadership on 31st March 08.

Jesus asks – "Who am I – do you love Me?" Go and do likewise." And Lorna did.

Alan John Leadley

*Tuia a rangi
Tuia a papa
Tuia te pono au te Atua
Tehei Mauri ora
Nai i te rangatira e Alan
Ki te whanau i a koe.*

Alan was born at Picton, on 26 November 1943, the fourth child of Clarry & Amy Leadley. Clarry was working in the role of the Picton Methodist minister. Alan was schooled at Onehunga Primary, Gisborne Primary & Intermediate, Gisborne Boys High, then Mt Albert Grammar. He was very involved in the Dominion Road Methodist Church.

Tertiary Study

- 1964 University of Auckland, BA (Senior Scholar in Geography).
- 1965 – 67 Trinity Theological College (Senior Student in 1967). Alan was the fourth in his family tradition to undertake theological training leading on to ministry.
- 1967 University of Otago (Greek, Hebrew, and Philosophy) B.D. in MA, University of PNG in 1975. His thesis ["History of the Japanese Occupation of the New Guinea Islands (1942 – 1945)."] was highly original, the preparation of which involved travelling to remote villages where he and Muriel stayed and Alan interviewed the older men about their memories of the occupation.

His ability in acquiring languages was becoming evident to those who knew him well. He married Muriel Sullivan in 1967. Along with Brian Turner, Alan was (as a Trinity College student) gainfully employed in contract gardening & farm work including working for the well-known judge Sir Hardie-Boys, tending his formal home garden in Remuera.

Alan has said, "Mi tok tenkyu tru i go long Bikpela long olgeta gutpela samting i kamap long laip bilong mi."

Appointments

- 1968 – 70 Edgware Road & Aldred Memorial.
- 1971 – 76 Principal, Malmaluan C. E. Training Centre, Rabaul, PNG.
- 1977 Westlake Girls High School Auckland, gardener, then teacher.
- Aug 1977 – 84 Waikato Hospital Ecumenical Chaplain, (two CPE quarters, the second with Joan Dalloway & Evan Sherrard).
- 1984 – 94 Joint Secretary of Council for Mission & Ecumenical Co-operation, based in Hamilton.
- 1994 – 2004 Chartwell Co-operating Parish, Hamilton.
- 2005 – 08 Waikato Hospital Ecumenical Chaplain.

Alan was Waikato/Wairiki District Superintendent 1999 – 2004.

Alan's parish work has been characterised by frequent and faithful pastoral care and visiting, scholarly and thoughtful worship leadership, an engagement with the wider community, and critical involvement in social justice issues. For instance, location in Hamilton put him well within reach to become significantly engaged in the 1981 Springbok Tour protests; he has long been involved in various Peace Group initiatives. He became a key member of the group opposed to the licensing of a Casino in Hamilton. He actively opposed the building of an asphalt plant near a residential area. He has researched land history, championed bi-culturalism, and led the Waikato Interfaith Council within which he has established strong and mutually respectful links with leaders from each of the religious traditions represented there.

As one of the two COMEC secretaries, Alan demonstrated a considerable capacity for maintaining many relationships at once with people around the world. He was allocated particular global areas and impressed many with his grasp of mission and true partnership. He was gifted in bringing the needs of our global neighbours into compelling focus for us, as well as in enabling our partner church members to minister to us. He was highly organised, had a large administrative capacity, and was a good team player.

As District Superintendent, Alan interpreted the often painful issues the church faced into Synod and Parish settings. He was a champion of the parish clergy and deacons in his care, and promoted the down-to-earth pragmatism of Methodism amongst the wider ecclesiastical environment.

Alan has been a prolific writer, of histories, studies, and other papers. During his chaplaincy time Alan has written short histories on ecumenical chaplaincy at Waikato Hospital 1975 – 2005, and on volunteer assistance to the Chaplaincy service 1975 – 2005.

He has been responsible for the ongoing training and development of Chaplaincy Assistants, and has lifted the profile of Chaplains by liaising with the media.

Alan was awarded the QSM in 2005 for his considerable service to the community.

Graeme McIver

Graeme's journey of faith had its beginnings in the Papanui Methodist Church where he was baptised and nurtured from infancy. Graeme's earliest memories include being taken to church and sitting in the back pew with his mother and grandmother. He also holds memories of being part of a large Sunday school and the annual SS anniversary services and being coached for the annual North Canterbury Sunday School Union scripture examinations.

As a teenager Graeme lived in Sumner and it was within the Methodist church community there that his faith was nurtured. In young adult years he returned to the Papanui church where he was encouraged to train as a Local Preacher.

Graeme recalls the North Canterbury district youth scene, which included Easter Camps, as being particularly vibrant and led to developing an increasingly evangelical faith, which was to shape future choices of his life journey.

In 1963 Graeme ventured forth across the Tasman for a working holiday in Australia. Eventually his holiday brought him to Sydney where he regularly attended the Central Methodist Mission. Graeme had been resisting a sense of call to the ministry for many months when the missionary, Rev Alan Walker, asked Graeme a question about his life-intentions. This spurred Graeme toward the decision to return to NZ to candidate for ministry and to begin part-time university. He was accepted and entered Trinity College in 1965 as well as continuing with university studies.

Towards the end of 1966 Graeme was married and there were two daughters to the marriage, which ended, in 1987. He was ordained at Durham Street Church in 1970 and gained his BA degree through the University of Canterbury in 1972.

Graeme exercised ministry in NZ, Wairoa (1968-71), Marchwiell Union, Timaru (1972-78), Upper Hutt Cooperating (1979-1985), Durham Street (1991-96), Sumner Redcliffs Lyttelton Union (2003-2008); and in USA, ministry exchanges at Portland, Oregon (1975-76) and Minneapolis (1998), and pastor at First United Methodist Church, Santa Cruz (1997-2002). He served for five years as convenor of the Methodist International Affairs Committee and for two years as Acting District Superintendent of the Wellington District.

Further to his ministry within parish settings Graeme became a real estate agent for four years and qualified MREINZ. He went on to spend sixteen months at Holy Names College in Oakland, California where he gained a masters degree in Creation-centred Spirituality.

Graeme remarried for six years in 1993 and lived in the San Francisco Bay area. During this time he completed Hakomi Psychotherapy training.

Graeme recalls how in the early years of his ministry he sought to live by a faith that he later came to see as narrow and restricting. He describes how, in the 1970's he began a more expansive faith-journey which was influenced by the 'human potential' movement in the church and which eventually led him to grow within Creation-centred Spirituality.

While in California, Graeme attended a biennial forum of The Centre for Progressive Christianity and has continued to explore with his parishioners and others what he has called 'Open Christianity.' Most recently he has used, with significant success, in community-based groups, the writings of Marcus Borg and the 'Living the Questions' DVD resources.

Graeme's journey clearly demonstrates the faith journey of one who has been very open to standing within his context. He has allowed himself to experience the challenge and growth of reviewing theology in terms of its relevance to his growth and the needs of those to whom he has sought to offer ministry.

Graeme is a person of much integrity, intelligence, adaptability and self-awareness. His ministry has been one of nurture, compassion and challenge. This has been evident throughout the years of his ministry. The church can be very grateful for his significant contribution over forty years.

Anne Millar

Anne Millar proved to be a rare gift to Methodism, the wider church and many other people of this country and India.

She was brought up a Presbyterian, her sense of calling to ministry leading to a nursing career and becoming a Salvation Army Officer.

With her husband, Jim, a physiotherapist and fellow officer, she left for India with two children, where they served for eight years, returning with four children. In 1974 they managed a medical/surgical convalescence hospital in Dunedin, then later a Family Care Centre in Gisborne.

Eventually Anne and Jim resigned from the Salvation Army and Anne began working for Presbyterian Support. Two years spent managing a rest home led to her developing services in the community for older people, e.g. group work, counselling and education. That work continues.

Anne furthered her counselling training with C.P.E. and completed her LTh ministry training and a ministry covenant with the North Canterbury District took her to ordination in 1992.

She further completed her STh thesis, through E.I.D.T.S. on "Ageing in Contemporary Society", later published (Phillip Garside/Epworth Books) as Growing in Life. She became widely appreciated with her Touchstone articles from 2004-2007, soon to be published as Growing in Grace and Wisdom.

Anne is grateful for the acceptance and flexibility of the Methodist Church as her ministry has

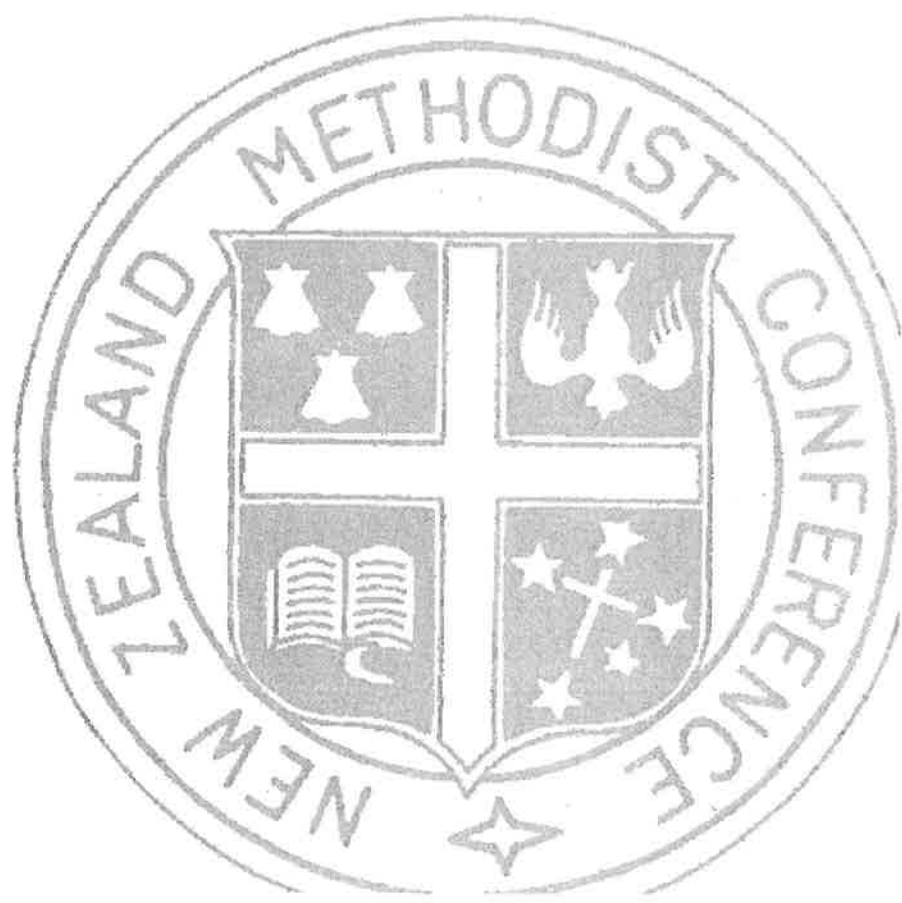
evolved, as also to Presbyterian Support for their validation and trust through her 22 years of employment and time given for various church involvements.

The ministries of Anne, Jim and their family continue to be an offering of Christ's care for all people and we have been much enriched by them.

Blessings on you, Anne and Jim!

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Statistics



METHODIST STATISTICS

Roll	Baptism, Dedication or Blessing		Other			Worship				Christian Formation			Leadership									
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1000 NORTHLAND

95	0	2	0	0	145	474	3	62	65	5	12	1	17	17	0	40	4	4	2	4	10	4
95	0	2	0	0	145	474	3	62	65	5	12	1	17	17	0	40	4	4	2	4	10	4

2000 AUCKLAND

257	0	4	0	3	288	173	34	144	178	25	31	14	27	20	1	2	12	16	5	10	5	4
59	0	3	0	0	65	34	12	47	59	5	12	3	19	12	0	8	3	1	1	5	1	1
116	0	0	0	0	400	0	12	54	66	4	10	7	17	11	1	5	0	0	3	6	0	1
0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
173	0	4	0	0	245	120	37	171	208	21	44	7	6	18	0	12	4	14	2	15	0	1
29	0	3	0	0	235	250	3	22	25	5	15	10	3	0	0	0	2	6	1	2	0	3
113	0	2	0	0	150	300	8	70	78	5	8	6	10	15	0	12	0	7	1	2	0	2
53	0	4	0	0	97	52	13	50	63	11	9	0	4	10	0	0	2	3	0	3	0	1
50	0	0	0	0	100	43	2	28	30	5	2	0	6	6	3	0	1	1	0	2	0	1
72	0	4	0	0	164	85	8	42	50	5	8	0	28	8	0	12	6	5	2	4	0	1
91	0	0	1	1	35	74	5	66	71	13	0	0	14	4	0	0	4	4	0	0	6	0
52	0	2	0	0	2	18	23	57	80	13	21	8	12	4	0	0	10	3	4	6	0	0
196	0	4	0	0	12	123	5	95	100	10	5	7	30	12	5	0	0	10	1	3	0	1
1261	0	30	1	4	1793	1272	162	846	1008	122	165	62	176	120	10	51	44	70	20	58	6	0

2400 MANUKAU

108	0	8	0	0	237	132	6	102	108	5	10	2	3	5	1	12	4	0	2	4	0	1
189	0	3	0	0	5	350	11	87	88	25	6	3	87	16	2	3	3	4	3	4	3	2
122	0	1	0	1	60	97	7	83	90	9	6	7	36	24	0	10	1	4	2	2	0	2
60	0	1	0	3	141	35	2	51	53	5	0	4	17	17	0	5	1	6	2	0	6	
190	0	4	0	0	176	0	32	145	177	9	35	12	18	0	1	4	1	4	3	4	0	1
0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
669	0	17	0	4	619	614	58	468	516	53	57	28	161	62	4	34	10	18	12	14	3	0

3000 WAIKATO-WAIRIKI

71	0	4	0	0	0	178	49	2	28	30	5	2	0	7	17	0	9	1	1	0	1	0	0
103	0	2	0	0	0	357	1037	16	128	144	21	9	2	6	13	0	12	16	10	1	6	0	1
189	0	5	0	0	0	338	126	32	185	217	23	35	12	44	16	1	51	14	12	5	7	0	1
50	0	2	0	4	0	5	2	20	50	70	23	25	23	0	1	1	3	2	1	2	5	0	3
143	0	1	0	0	0	151	97	18	94	112	17	0	0	9	11	0	6	3	8	0	0	2	

Waikato-Wairariki cont....

3190	Tauranga Parish (Western Bay of Plenty)
3210	Te Puke/Mt Maunganui Methodist Parish
3230	Kawerau Parish
3250	Te Awamutu Parish
3300	Ohura Methodist Parish

TARANAKI WANGANUI

4000	New Plymouth Methodist Parish
4010	Waitara Methodist Parish
4020	Stratford Methodist Parish
4030	Hawera Parish
4050	Wanganui Methodist Parish

HAWKES BAY-MANAWATU

5000	Napier Methodist Parish
5010	Hastings Methodist Parish
5020	Palmerston North Methodist Parish
5100	Ashurst-Bunnythorpe-Pohangina Parish
5110	Feilding-Oroua Methodist Parish
5120	Marton Methodist Parish

WELLINGTON

6000	Wesley Wellington Parish
6010	Mana Parish

NELSON-MARLBOROUGH-WEST COAST

7000	St Johns in the City Methodist Parish, Nelson
7010	Stoke Methodist Parish
7015	Waimea Parish
7030	Blenheim Methodist Parish

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156	0	2	0	0	0	329	182	23	119	142	6	23	6	15	20	1	31	5	4	6	14	0	4
80	0	1	0	0	0	117	55	2	68	70	6	0	0	19	9	0	26	2	4	0	0	14	1
0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
76	0	1	0	0	0	121	19	3	56	59	7	2	1	5	10	0	20	2	7	0	2	0	0
868	0	18	0	0	4	1596	1567	116	728	844	108	96	44	105	97	3	158	45	47	14	35	14	12

165	0	3	0	0	5	88	238	9	58	67	19	6	9	14	15	0	32	3	14	4	3	0	3
29	0	0	0	0	0	8	0	0	20	20	4	0	0	0	7	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0
34	0	1	0	0	0	29	22	0	20	20	5	0	0	5	11	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0
41	0	1	0	0	0	40	23	0	20	20	5	0	0	5	9	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
88	0	3	0	0	0	93	124	6	113	119	9	6	0	2	12	0	31	3	1	0	2	0	1
357	0	8	0	0	5	258	407	15	231	246	42	12	9	26	54	1	64	6	16	4	5	0	4

63	0	0	0	0	0	52	0	4	70	74	4	3	0	10	14	0	0	0	2	0	1	0	3
43	0	0	1	0	8	43	0	3	27	30	5	2	10	30	4	0	0	1	2	2	2	2	0
223	0	3	0	0	0	433	159	12	93	105	5	8	10	2	21	0	1	5	13	4	9	0	1
44	0	0	0	0	0	58	30	1	42	43	5	0	0	12	14	0	4	0	2	0	0	10	6
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26	0	0	0	0	0	26	11	1	16	17	2	1	0	25	8	0	1	2	0	0	0	0	1
436	0	3	1	0	8	697	260	21	275	296	25	14	20	79	72	0	6	9	19	6	12	0	11

161	0	1	0	0	4	122	78	27	88	115	29	25	15	73	8	61	0	9	12	1	2	0	2
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190	0	1	0	0	4	136	97	27	108	135	34	25	15	93	24	61	0	9	12	1	2	0	2

60	0	0	0	0	0	66	32	0	39	39	10	0	0	0	10	0	6	4	0	0	0	0	0
83	0	0	0	0	0	145	63	3	47	50	5	2	0	15	14	0	5	1	3	0	1	0	3
65	0	0	0	0	65	100	50	9	39	48	8	9	0	6	10	0	2	0	9	0	3	0	0
160	0	1	1	1	1	238	103	19	93	112	16	12	8	20	24	0	5	15	4	3	6	0	2
368	0	1	1	1	66	549	248	31	218	249	39	23	8	41	58	0	18	20	16	3	10	0	5

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7500 VAHEFONUA TONGA O' AOTEAROA

	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
486	0	0	0	0	0	5	80	245	325	40	60	20	70	0	0	0	65	20	4	25	0	0	0
	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
126	0	2	0	0	126	0	33	24	50	74	11	24	5	50	8	0	21	54	4	11	21	9	9
130	0	3	0	0	162	36	44	81	125	26	44	7	79	12	0	0	15	18	2	8	0	0	0
722	0	5	0	126	162	74	148	376	524	77	128	32	199	20	0	0	101	92	10	44	21	9	9

8000 CENTRAL SOUTH ISLAND

8010	ChCh Central Methodist Parish & Mission	110	0	0	0	0	184	61	0	57	57	0	4	19	8	0	3	3	3	1	0	0	2
8020	Christchurch South Parish	59	0	1	0	0	130	300	5	60	65	9	5	22	14	1	9	2	16	0	6	0	2
8090	Beckenham-Sydenham Parish	129	0	2	0	0	129	69	5	54	59	5	3	9	11	0	2	2	5	8	2	0	3
8120	Hornby Riccarton Parish	185	0	3	0	0	115	388	18	122	140	23	19	47	17	0	9	5	21	5	7	1	?
8140	Christchurch North Parish	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
8190	Rangiora Parish	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
8260	Wainoni Methodist Parish	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
8270	Shirley - Richmond Parish	94	0	0	0	0	55	248	19	104	123	9	4	0	20	1	3	3	4	1	3	0	1
8310	Timaru-Temuka Parish	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
8350	Waimate Methodist Parish	22	0	0	0	0	30	16	2	17	19	5	0	0	9	0	0	0	2	0	0	0	1
8380	Ashburton Methodist Parish	95	0	1	0	0	51	97	2	47	49	8	2	6	15	0	19	2	6	3	4	0	1
		694	0	7	0	0	694	1179	51	461	512	59	38	105	94	2	45	17	57	18	22	1	10

9000 OTAGO-SOUTHLAND

9010	Dunedin Methodist Parish	214	0	0	0	3	391	200	25	146	171	27	16	8	22	0	25	10	0	5	7	0	1
9110	Invercargill Methodist Parish	189	0	4	0	0	300	232	16	110	126	10	18	23	21	0	9	6	1	3	25	7	1
9230	Lawrence Parish	3	0	1	0	0	9	2	0	3	3	2	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0
		406	0	5	0	3	700	434	41	259	300	39	34	31	43	0	34	17	1	8	32	7	2

9500 SINOTI SAMOA

9510	Panmure Samoan Parish	152	0	0	0	64	172	27	22	67	89	6	25	78	14	0	0	8	0	2	9	0	0
9520	Waitakere Methodist Samoan Parish	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
9530	Birkenhead Samoan Parish	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
9540	Auckland Samoan Parish	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
9550	Manurewa Samoan Parish	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
9560	Papakura Samoan Parish	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

Sinoti Samoa cont....

9570	Papatoetoe Otara Samoan Parish
9575	Mangere Samoan Parish
9585	New Plymouth Samoan Parish
9580	Hastings Samoan Parish
9590	Gisborne Samoan Parish
9600	Wesley Wellington Samoan Parish

SUMMARY

1000	NORTHLAND
2000	AUCKLAND
2400	MANUKAU
3000	WAIKATO-WAIARIKI
4000	TARANAKI WANGANUI
5000	HAWKES BAY-MANAWATU
6000	WELLINGTON
7000	NELSON-MARLBOROUGH
7500	VAHEFONUA TONGA O' AOTEAROA
8000	CENTRAL SOUTH ISLAND
9000	OTAGO-SOUTHLAND
9500	SINOTI SAMOA
	TOTALS

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0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
69	0	5	0	0	0	144	49	62	112	174	5	50	28	60	46	0	0	11	0	4	20	0	0	
0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
68	0	4	0	0	0	146	31	25	110	135	5	25	28	80	4	5	0	5	6	2	11	2	1	
0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
107	0	7	0	0	0	151	0	32	83	115	5	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
396	0	16	0	0	64	613	107	141	372	513	21	100	78	218	64	5	0	24	6	8	40	2	1	
95	0	2	0	0	0	145	474	3	62	65	5	12	1	17	17	0	40	4	4	2	4	10	4	
1261	0	30	1	0	4	1793	1272	162	846	1008	122	165	62	176	120	10	51	44	70	20	58	6	22	
669	0	17	0	0	4	619	614	58	468	516	53	57	28	161	62	4	34	10	18	12	14	3	12	
868	0	18	0	0	4	1596	1567	116	728	844	108	96	44	105	97	3	158	45	47	14	35	14	12	
357	0	8	0	0	5	258	407	15	231	246	42	12	9	26	54	1	64	6	16	4	5	0	4	
436	0	3	1	0	8	697	260	21	275	296	25	14	20	79	72	0	6	9	19	6	12	12	11	
190	0	1	0	0	4	136	97	27	108	135	34	25	15	93	24	61	0	9	12	1	2	0	2	
368	0	1	1	0	66	549	248	31	218	249	39	23	8	41	58	0	18	20	16	3	10	0	5	
722	0	5	0	0	126	162	74	148	376	524	77	128	32	199	20	0	0	101	92	10	44	21	9	
694	0	7	0	0	0	694	1179	51	461	512	59	38	36	105	94	2	45	17	57	18	22	1	10	
406	0	5	0	0	3	700	434	41	259	300	39	34	23	31	43	0	34	17	1	8	32	7	2	
396	0	16	0	0	64	613	107	141	372	513	21	100	78	218	64	5	0	24	6	8	40	2	1	
6462	0	113	3	0	288	7962	6733	814	4404	5208	624	704	356	1251	725	86	450	306	358	106	278	76	94	

UNION & CO-OP STATISTICS

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NORTHLAND																						
1000																						
1010	131	0	0	55	45	7	54	61	7	0	0	0	0	10	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
1020	42	0	0	30	27	10	28	38	5	14	2	4	4	10	0	0	0	2	2	4	0	0
1030	31	0	0	40	26	2	18	20	9	0	0	0	0	14	1	3	4	4	0	4	4	4
1040	84	1	0	128	73	6	51	57	4	4	16	0	0	10	0	0	6	0	1	4	0	0
1060	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
1070	11	0	0	14	9	4	11	15	5	0	0	6	8	1	0	0	0	2	0	0	0	0
1080	250	0	6	235	22	76	263	339	19	96	41	90	15	3	0	0	9	8	11	13	0	2
1100	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
1110	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
1120	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
1130	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	4	6	0	0	1	0	0
1140	71	1	0	113	32	2	37	39	6	7	15	18	53	12	2	6	10	10	4	4	6	5
1150	33	0	0	50	43	10	31	41	7	15	18	53	12	2	2	6	10	10	4	4	6	5
1160	27	0	0	6	7	0	20	20	5	0	0	5	8	0	1	3	5	0	0	7	7	1
	680	2	6	671	284	117	513	630	67	131	77	158	86	9	14	38	37	18	26	17	13	
AUCKLAND																						
2000																						
2070	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
2080	235	5	0	82	77	74	239	313	12	88	24	10	53	0	0	5	0	7	12	0	0	0
2090	74	0	0	108	91	12	93	105	10	11	3	5	12	0	0	5	1	5	3	3	0	0
2120	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
2270	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
2300	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
2330	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
2380	260	30	6	273	273	78	254	332	36	98	96	72	29	2	42	13	18	16	21	0	0	1
	569	35	6	463	441	164	586	750	58	197	123	87	94	2	47	19	23	26	36	0	1	
MANUKAU																						
2400																						
2450	31	0	0	35	21	8	21	29	4	31	0	6	11	0	1	1	0	0	2	4	0	0
2460	201	0	0	192	90	22	110	132	10	22	7	25	9	1	1	1	8	2	4	0	1	
2470	118	1	2	69	5	6	23	29	6	27	42	50	12	1	1	0	4	8	2	0	1	
	350	1	2	296	116	36	154	190	20	80	49	81	32	2	3	2	12	10	8	0	2	
WAIKATO-WAIARIKI																						
3000																						
3010	114	0	0	154	78	4	56	60	12	1	0	10	9	0	14	6	6	0	5	5	1	
3020	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
3030	86	0	0	130	45	9	45	54	0	8	0	10	10	0	5	0	7	0	5	0	0	1
3040	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
3050	266	0	0	150	32	2	37	39	11	4	0	0	12	0	6	4	4	0	6	0	2	2
3070	165	0	0	180	70	3	92	95	5	3	0	26	6	0	23	0	1	0	2	0	4	1
3090	19	0	0	18	12	2	17	19	4	0	0	10	7	0	0	0	0	0	0	4	1	
3110	3090																					
3120	275	8	0	414	250	22	204	226	20	25	10	20	13	0	0	0	2	0	1	7	0	2
3130	27	0	0	100	140	17	40	57	12	50	0	12	5	1	0	0	0	0	8	0	0	0
3140	100	1	2	136	60	16	50	66	7	13	40	22	12	1	0	3	3	8	4	0	1	
3150	51	0	0	64	34	4	33	37	5	0	0	12	11	0	22	1	5	0	5	0	0	0
3180	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
3190	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
3200	372	5	1	247	0	9	89	98	5	9	0	23	18	0	0	0	2	6	0	6	0	0
3210	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
3220	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
3240	50	2	0	140	50	1	45	46	4	0	0	2	10	0	8	3	0	0	0	0	0	0
3280	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
3290	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
3320	42	1	0	224	30	3	28	31	6	3	0	10	7	0	4	3	3	0	2	0	0	1

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33330	Union or Co-operating	2	0	35	60	35	2	21	23	4	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
33330	St Francis Co-operating Parish (Hillcrest)	3	0	0	214	95	19	136	155	20	20	0	200	11	0	0	0	0	0	1	2	2	0
33330	Pio Pio-Aria Co-operating Parish	7	1	0	120	130	18	35	53	6	14	1	0	8	0	8	8	3	4	1	0	1	
33350	Mokoroa Co-operating Parish	254	3	5	273	400	21	145	166	18	38	21	87	12	0	14	4	5	2	4	0	2	
3360	The Co-operating parish of St Clare, Dinsdale	44	0	0	78	40	1	43	44	5	0	0	4	11	0	4	0	3	0	0	0	0	
3370	Papamoa Co-operating Parish	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
3370	Papamoa Co-operating Parish	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
3390	All Saints (Bryant Park) Co-operating Parish	210	2	0	96	66	0	71	71	18	12	0	35	8	0	4	0	9	0	2	0	1	
3390	All Saints (Bryant Park) Co-operating Parish	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
3400	Trinity United, (Whangamata-Tairua-Pauanui)	2738	35	9	2798	1567	153	1187	1340	162	200	72	483	170	1	112	44	48	16	59	11	20	
4000	TARANAKI WANGANUI																						
4040	Eltham-Kaponga Co-operating Parish	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
4060	Manala Union Parish	70	0	0	45	20	0	9	9	3	0	0	0	12	0	0	3	0	0	0	0	0	
4070	Opunake Co-operating Parish	66	1	0	155	78	3	30	33	6	0	0	0	13	0	3	2	6	0	0	6	5	
4080	Okato / Oakura Co-operating Parish	24	2	0	17	22	0	58	58	4	0	0	0	9	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
4110	Inglewood Union Church	55	1	2	73	42	16	35	51	25	15	6	25	7	0	4	3	5	3	2	0	0	
4110	Inglewood Union Church	17	0	0	27	19	0	12	12	4	0	0	13	6	2	10	2	0	0	0	2	1	
4120	Patea Co-operating Parish	85	2	0	50	37	0	31	31	9	0	0	31	4	0	3	0	5	0	2	0	1	
4130	Bell Block Lepperton Co-operating parish	317	6	2	367	218	19	175	194	51	15	6	69	51	2	20	10	16	3	4	8	7	
5000	HAWKES BAY-MANAWATU																						
5050	Mangapapa Union Church	218	4	10	166	166	61	177	238	5	65	25	160	11	1	0	15	8	6	9	0	1	
5060	Presbyterian Methodist Parish of Wairoa	58	0	0	90	11	16	2	18	5	2	0	4	8	0	0	4	7	0	3	0	0	
5080	Woodville St James Union Parish	84	0	0	61	20	0	13	13	5	0	0	0	4	0	0	0	2	0	0	3	0	
5090	Pahiatua Union Parish	3	0	0	60	25	0	22	22	5	2	0	25	6	0	20	0	4	1	0	0	6	
5140	Rongotea United Parish	58	0	0	83	43	2	39	41	5	0	12	10	9	0	5	0	5	1	1	0	1	
5150	Foxton Shannon Co-operating Parish	144	0	0	52	52	50	65	115	4	50	25	0	12	1	6	0	6	0	5	10	1	
5160	Tamatea Community Church	33	0	0	16	10	0	15	15	5	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	3	0	
5170	Waipawa Co-operating Parish	86	0	0	55	48	7	45	52	5	7	4	17	11	0	8	4	4	0	4	0	0	
5180	Milson Combined Church	96	0	1	50	90	12	59	71	5	147	9	15	10	0	1	2	5	11	2	0	0	
6000	WELLINGTON																						
6030	Wellington South-Lyall Bay Union	22	0	0	3	10	2	17	19	4	0	0	0	5	0	0	0	4	0	0	1	1	
6050	Miramar United Church	46	0	0	16	34	7	29	36	5	7	8	0	8	0	0	0	0	2	3	0	0	
6060	Ngiao Union Parish	74	0	0	83	48	6	47	53	5	6	1	8	13	0	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	
6070	Johnsonville United Church	145	0	0	125	125	3	72	75	4	2	3	73	12	0	3	3	0	2	0	0	1	
6110	Tawa Union Parish	156	1	0	188	97	7	88	95	15	25	5	13	8	0	10	1	12	0	4	0	1	
6120	Hutt City United Congregations	704	15	0	388	289	119	342	461	59	95	85	165	56	1	25	54	29	13	50	1	2	
6140	Upper Hutt United Parish	193	3	7	192	145	22	128	150	11	22	15	63	12	0	3	15	6	3	12	0	3	
6160	Greytown St Andrews Union Parish	26	1	0	106	21	4	33	37	4	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	
6170	Featherston Union Parish	20	0	0	45	16	1	12	13	5	1	0	12	0	0	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	
6180	Charlerton Union Parish	81	2	4	80	53	7	42	49	6	7	0	25	14	0	0	5	5	0	4	0	1	
6190	Masterton St Lukes Union Parish	101	0	0	196	57	6	132	138	19	16	7	50	15	0	28	3	4	4	3	0	1	
6200	St James Masterton Union Parish	76	1	0	68	60	0	60	60	6	0	0	38	9	4	0	3	7	0	2	0	1	
6220	Levin United Parish	213	1	0	133	253	13	142	155	20	13	6	49	12	0	8	4	1	3	1	2	1	
6230	Orakei	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
6240	Kapiti United Parish	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
6250	Hataitai-Kilbirnie Co-operating Parish	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
6270	St Matthew's Joint Parish Brooklyn	44	0	0	102	30	5	25	30	9	5	0	12	5	0	0	0	0	0	2	4	0	
6280	St Ninian's United Parish	165	0	0	116	80	13	65	78	5	12	4	0	11	0	20	1	1	2	4	0	1	
2066	St Ninian's United Parish	2066	24	11	107	1841	1318	215	1234	1449	177	211	134	508	192	5	97	92	72	31	89	4	

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NELSON-MARLBOROUGH / WEST COAST																							
7000	Nelson, St Luke's Union Parish	0	0	0	24	19	0	0	0	5	0	0	0	6	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
7020	Motueka Uniting Parish	163	0	0	113	89	4	55	59	5	4	0	19	9	0	0	0	1	0	2	0	0	
7040	Murchison Community Church	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
7060	Picton Union Parish	45	0	0	76	33	0	35	35	6	0	0	0	11	0	0	3	0	0	0	0	0	
7080	Reefton District Union Parish	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
7090	Buller Union Parish	40	0	0	40	28	0	16	16	9	0	0	0	12	0	6	0	6	0	0	12	2	
7100	Greymouth District Uniting Parish	97	2	0	80	55	5	36	41	6	6	0	8	14	2	10	0	5	0	3	0	3	
7110	Hokitika Union Parish	78	2	0	156	50	3	60	63	5	0	0	17	12	0	4	0	5	0	0	0	0	
7120		423	4	0	2	489	12	202	214	36	10	0	44	64	2	20	3	17	0	5	12	5	
CENTRAL SOUTH ISLAND																							
8000	New Brighton Union Parish	48	2	0	42	22	2	26	28	5	2	0	26	10	0	0	1	2	0	2	0	1	
8040	Sumner Redcliffs Lyttelton Union Parish	67	0	0	143	88	0	43	43	10	0	0	30	22	0	10	0	0	0	0	0	1	
8050	Linwood Avenue Union Parish	72	1	1	100	60	13	51	64	12	15	10	4	9	0	6	7	14	7	3	6	6	
8060	Halswell Union Parish	46	2	0	54	32	3	29	32	5	3	0	6	10	0	0	1	0	0	4	0	0	
8110	Lincoln Union Parish	107	1	0	121	47	4	87	91	15	4	0	0	11	0	0	0	3	0	0	0	0	
8160	Ellersmere Cooperating Parish	148	1	0	186	68	15	79	94	11	13	0	30	11	0	2	0	1	0	4	0	3	
8170	Kaipoi Co-op Parish	64	0	0	120	40	6	64	70	5	6	2	68	13	0	8	0	4	1	3	0	2	
8180	Malvern Co-operating Parish	98	3	0	154	63	3	48	51	4	5	0	10	11	0	17	4	0	0	2	0	0	
8210	Oxford District Union Parish	41	0	0	31	22	0	58	58	8	0	0	15	15	0	10	1	3	0	6	0	0	
8230	Rolliston Combined Church	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
8250	St Albans Uniting Parish	98	1	0	106	68	0	57	57	4	0	0	11	15	0	33	1	0	0	0	0	1	
8330	St Davids Marchview Union Parish	91	1	0	60	47	6	37	43	5	6	30	10	18	1	3	0	5	0	2	0	0	
8360	Geraldine Co-operating Parish	151	7	1	345	0	32	105	137	65	35	30	60	10	1	45	0	9	7	10	3	1	
8390	St David's Union Parish Ashburton	185	5	0	396	300	17	119	136	6	7	9	40	35	0	1	3	5	1	10	0	1	
8400	Oamaru Union Parish	46	0	0	29	20	11	21	32	5	11	0	21	10	0	4	6	0	0	0	0	5	
691		24	2	4	1887	877	112	824	936	160	107	81	331	200	2	139	24	44	16	47	9	21	
OTAGO-SOUTHLAND																							
9000	Grants Braes Union Parish	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
9070	Tokomairiro Co-Operating Parish	66	0	1	263	45	13	48	61	4	10	0	12	6	0	0	0	0	0	2	0	0	
9080	Riverton Union Parish	84	2	0	225	43	3	35	38	5	3	20	10	9	0	12	5	6	7	3	3	4	
9120	Otautau Waiono Union Parish	28	1	0	160	60	0	18	18	10	0	0	10	8	0	0	3	3	0	0	0	0	
9150	Bluff Co-Operating Parish	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
9160	Teviot Union Parish	52	1	0	80	33	1	38	39	4	0	0	10	13	1	0	5	0	0	0	0	0	
9170	Alexandra Clyde Lauder Union Parish	132	2	0	129	146	1	40	41	10	0	0	12	10	0	12	1	6	0	0	0	1	
9190	Flagstaff Co-Operating Parish	95	0	2	106	37	16	75	91	9	75	35	39	10	0	25	2	6	5	4	0	0	
9250	Brockville Union Parish	43	0	0	30	24	5	27	32	5	20	20	8	11	0	1	1	11	2	4	0	0	
9260	Otagara Community Church	65	0	0	47	45	17	47	64	5	17	0	14	11	1	0	5	3	0	7	0	0	
499		6	3	2	1040	433	56	328	384	52	125	75	103	80	2	50	22	35	14	20	3	5	
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1000	NORTHLAND	680	2	6	671	284	117	513	630	67	131	77	158	86	9	14	38	37	18	26	17	13	
2000	AUCKLAND	569	35	6	463	441	164	586	750	58	197	123	87	94	2	47	19	23	26	36	0	1	
2400	MANUKAU	350	1	2	296	116	36	154	190	20	80	49	81	32	2	3	2	12	10	8	0	2	
3000	WAIKATO-WAIRIKI	2738	35	9	2798	1567	153	1187	1340	162	200	72	483	170	1	112	44	48	16	59	11	20	
4000	TARANAKI WANGANUI	317	6	2	367	218	19	175	194	51	15	6	69	51	2	20	10	16	3	4	8	7	
5000	HAWKES BAY-MANAWATU	780	4	11	633	465	148	437	585	44	273	75	231	71	2	35	30	41	19	24	16	8	
6000	WELLINGTON	2066	24	11	1841	1318	215	1234	1449	177	211	134	508	192	5	97	92	72	31	89	4	14	
7000	NELSON-MARLBOROUGH	423	4	0	489	274	12	202	214	36	10	0	44	64	2	20	3	17	0	5	12	5	
8000	CENTRAL SOUTH ISLAND	691	24	2	1887	877	112	824	936	160	107	81	331	200	2	139	24	44	16	47	9	21	
9000	OTAGO-SOUTHLAND	499	6	3	1040	433	56	328	384	52	125	75	103	80	2	50	22	35	14	20	3	5	
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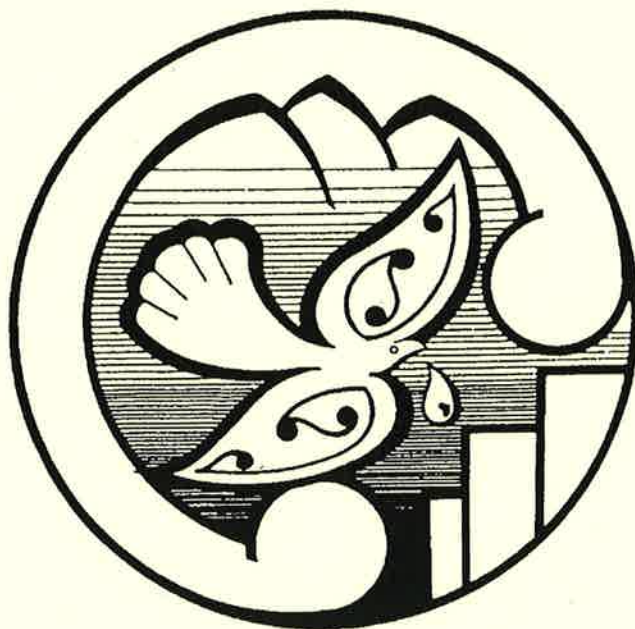
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DECISIONS

2008 CONFERENCE

MANUKAU

The Methodist Church of New Zealand
Te Hāhi Weteriana O Aotearoa

QUESTION 1: Who Are Members of this Conference?

- (a & b) Presbyters and Deacons in Full Connexion with the Conference, Probationers and 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 Reports on pages 15.

Representatives: As printed in the Reports, pages 17, together with such substitutes 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 Reports on pages 16 and 20 together with any additions or deletions as recorded in the Journal.

QUESTION 3: What candidates are now received for training?

(a) **Deacons:**

None

(b) **Presbyters:**

Alofaifo Asiata	In a full-time programme (itinerant, Samoan speaking)
Ian Boddy	In a full-time programme (limited itinerancy, English speaking)
Kalo Kaisa	In a full-time programme (itinerant, Tongan speaking)
Alisa Lasi	In a full-time programme (itinerancy, English speaking)
Goll Fan Manukia	In a full-time programme (limited itinerancy, Tongan speaking)
Tania Shackleton	In a full-time programme (itinerant, English speaking)
Luke Tamu	In a full-time programme (itinerant, English speaking)

QUESTION 4: Who continues in training for ordained ministry?

(a) **Deacons:**

None

(b) **Presbyters:**

Kathleen Dixon	For a third year (limited itinerancy, English speaking)
Misilei Misilei	For a second year (itinerant, English speaking)
David Palelei	For a second year (itinerant, Samoan speaking)
Dale Peach	For a second year (limited itinerancy, English speaking)
Simote Taunga	For a second year (local, Tongan speaking)

QUESTION 5: Who are stationed by Conference as Probationers?

(a) **Deacons:**

None

(b) **Presbyters:**

Tony Franklin	Second year (itinerant, English speaking)
Aisea Matangi	Second year (itinerant, Tongan speaking)
Alipate 'Uhila	Second year (itinerant, English speaking)
Joohong Kim	First year (itinerant, English speaking)
Hiueni Nuku	First year (local, Tongan speaking)
Ikilifi Pope	First year (itinerant, English speaking)
David Poultney	First year (itinerant, English speaking)
Apakuki Ratucoka	First year (local Fijian ministry)
Metuisela Tafuna	First year (itinerant, English speaking)

QUESTION 6: Who are now admitted as Presbyters in Full Connexion with the Conference?

(a) Those who have completed their training?

Presbyter:

Petra Barber
Anne Griffiths
Peter Norman
Barbara Peddie
Tevita Taufalele

from another Church?

Anna Gilkinson (under the Mutual ministry Agreement, Presbyterian Church) 14/08/08
All'itasi Aoima-Salesa (transferred from the Presbyterian Church of Aotearoa New Zealand)
Bob Sidal (from the Methodist church of Fiji)
Mele Suipi Latu (from the Free Wesleyan Church of Tonga) 27/07/08
Nasili Vaka'uta (from the Free Wesleyan Church of Tonga)

(b) Deacons:

none

QUESTION 7: Who are now ordained Deacon or Presbyter?

(a) Deacon(s):

None

(b) Presbyter(s):

Petra Barber
Anne Griffiths
Peter Norman
Barbara Peddie
Tevita Taufalele

QUESTION 8: What Minita-a-iwi:

(a) are received as candidates?

Karen Bishop

(b) have completed their training?

Ella Nelson
Solomon Nelson
Thomas Waaka

QUESTION 9:

(a) What Deacon(s) is reinstated into the Diaconate?

None

(b) What Presbyter(s) is reinstated into Full Connexion?

David (Dave) Armstrong (25/04/08)

QUESTION 10:

(a) What Deacon(s) now cease to be recognised as a Deacon(s) of the Conference?

None

(b) What Presbyter(s) now cease to be recognised as in Full Connexion with the Conference?

John Grant (resigned 17/08/08)
Jacquie Cavit (returned to the Presbyterian Church)
Jan Calvert (returned to the Presbyterian Church)

- (c) **What Presbyter(s) now cease to be recognised as a Probationer with the Conference?**
None
- (d) **What students have discontinued their training?**
None
- (e) **What Presbyter(s) have been received as Associate of Synod?**
Marilyn Loken
Stephen Tema
Jan Calvert

QUESTION 11: 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) **Deacon(s):**
None
 - (b) **Presbyter(s):**
None
- B. For full-time or part-time Local Ministries (with no remuneration) with Ministry Covenant (*full or part-time*):
 - (a) **Deacon(s):**
Shirley-Joy Barrow (Part-time)
Brenda Fawcner (Part-time)
Dianne C Hight (Part-time)
Francis Westaway (Part-time)
 - (b) **Presbyter(s):**
Margaret Donald (Part-time)
Viliami Finau (Part-time)
Kilifi Heimuli (Part-time)
Limu Isaia (Part-time)
Mosese Manukia (Part-time)
Christina Morunga (Part-time)
Holakitu'akolo Paea (Part-time)
Barbara Peddie (Part-time)
David Rolinson (Part-time)
'Inoke Siulangapo (Part-time)
Molia Tu'itupou (Part-time)
Tamata'ane Tupou (Part-time)
Langi'ila Uasi (Part-time)
Robyn E Westaway (Part-time)
- C. For part-time ministries (remuneration pro rata) with a Ministry Covenant:
 - (a) **Deacon(s):**
Margaret Birtles
Valma E Hallam
 - (b) **Presbyter(s):**
Tony Bell
Robyn Allen Goudge
Maureen Calman
K Desmond Cooper
Joanne Durrant
Doris Elphick
Laurie Ennor
Sandra Gibbons
Cornelia Grant

Margaret Hall
Alan Judge
Rachel Judge
Alifeleti Vaitu'ulala Ngahe
Alalafaga Palelei
Ikilifi Pope
Vaikoloa Kilikiti
Setaita Kinahoi Veikune
Falaniko Mann-Taito
Kepu Moa
Rodney Routledge
Kenneth Smith
Susan Thompson
Peni Tikoinaka
Paul Tregurtha

QUESTION 12: What Deacon(s) or Presbyter(s) is transferred to, or is now exercising ministry in, another Conference or Church, whether overseas or in New Zealand, and has the right to return to the Conference on the completion of service with that Conference or Church?

(a) Deacon(s):

None

(b) Presbyter(s):

Andrew R Ferguson (Presbyterian Church of Aotearoa New Zealand)

Marie Greenwood (British Methodist Church)

Kenneth Olsen (Presbyterian Church of Aotearoa New Zealand)

Russell Rigby (Methodist Church, Britain)

Neil Keesing (Presbyterian Church of Aotearoa New Zealand)

QUESTION 13: What Deacon(s) or Presbyter(s) has been received from another Conference or Church?

(a) Deacon(s):

None

(b) Presbyter(s):

Ilaitia Sevati Tuwere (serving as Lecturer for the College of the Diocese of Polynesia, St Johns College) (attached to Mt Roskill Fiji Congregation – non Stipendiary)

QUESTION 14: 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) Deacon(s):

None

(b) Presbyter(s):

Maureen Calman (The Anglican Church in Aotearoa New Zealand and Polynesia)

Geraldine Coats (Christian Churches of New Zealand)

Taufa Filiai, (Free Wesleyan Church of Tonga)

QUESTION 15: For what Deacon(s) or Presbyter(s) is there no appointment available?

(a) Deacon(s):

Richard Williams

(b) Presbyter(s):

David Alley

Wallis Browne

Susan Thompson (Half time)

QUESTION 16: 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) Deacon(s):

Chaplaincies and other ministries

Shirley-Joy Barrow, MNZSA, Assoc Member NZAC, City Missioner Wanganui

(b) Presbyter(s):

(i) Chaplaincies and other Ministries

Ian MacLeod, Chaplain Timaru Hospital

Lindsay E Cumberpatch, BA, LTh, Director, Methodist City Action (Hamilton)

Greg Hughson, MSc, BD, Ecumenical Tertiary Chaplain, Otago

Tavake Manu Ecumenical Chaplain, Burnham Military Camp

Ali'itasi Aoina Salesa, Head of Life and Faith, Wesley College

Hausia Taufui (Chaplain, Christchurch Hospital)

Paul R Trebilco, BSc(Hons), BD, PhD, Professor of New Testament Studies,

Dept of Theology and Religious Studies – University of Otago

Uesifili Unasa, MA (Auck), BD (Otago), McLaurin Chaplain, University of Auckland

(ii) Other

Alison Cable, BTheol (Auck)

Lynne Wall, BA, BD, PhD

Janet Marsh, B Theol (Hons) (Otago) (with permission to be out of New Zealand)

Alex Webster, B Theol (Otago) PG Dip Theol (Otago) (with permission to be out of New Zealand)

QUESTION 17: What Deacon(s) and Presbyter(s) retire at this Conference?

(a) Deacons:

Lorna Goodwin

(b) Presbyters:

Alan Leadley, MA BD

Anne Millar

Graeme McIver, MA

QUESTION 18: What Deacons and Presbyters continue in retirement?

(a) Deacons (Deaconesses):

David Bryant

B June Higham

Margaret Bryant

Stan Hunt

Raewyn Cubin

Jean I McInnes, MBE

Kay Wicks

Malcolm McLeod

R Harvey Dalton

Rita Reid

June Fuller

Elva M Reynolds, QSM

June L Gibson

Rachel Tregurtha

Edna E Evans

Piula A Unasa-Su, QSM, JP

(b) Presbyters:

Bryant S L Abbott

G Basil W Bell

Edwin B. Clarke, BD Hns (Melb), MA,

William K Abbott

Trevor L Bennett

Dip Mgmt

Gordon Abernethy, Dip Tchg, Dip Soc Sci

John Silverstone

Ian L Clarke, ACA

Roy Alexander

Warren Blundell,

Lois R H Clarke, BA, LTCL

Robert Allan

Lewis A Bowen, DipRE

Ashley Corlett, LTh

Mavis Ambler

Edward P Boyd

Hughan M Craig

Audrey P Ancrum

Norman Brookes, MA (Hons)

B Anne Dargaville

Robert S Andrews

Jean Bruce, LTh, B Theol

Arthur W Dickie, CEng, MInstE, MIPENZ

David H Ansell

Margaret E Burnett, BSc, Dip Appl,

Audrey N Dickinson, LTh

H Mary Astley

Soc Sc

Mervyn Dickinson, BA, BD, PhD

Edward Baker

Douglas H Burt

Mervyn L Dine

Frederick J K Baker

Wilfred J Cable

Bruno Egli

Marcia J Baker

M Jackson Campbell

William Elderton, LTh, MA, DipNZLS,

Stanley Barnes, BA (Rhodes)

Clive Chandler

ANZIA

William A Chessum, Mus B

I W Les Ferguson, LTh, STh

Edna J Garner, Cert Ed	Bruce E Mackie	Stuart G Slinn
Norma George	Derek McNicol	G Clive Smith, LTh
Hendrik Gerritsen, BA, BD	Lisiate Manu'atu	Margaret Springett, LTh
Loyal J Gibson	C Russell Marshall	Peter A Stead, BA
Geoffrey T Gilbert	John Meredith	Barbara Stephens, BSociol
Wilfred S Gilbert	Barbara I Miller	Anne Stephenson, LTh, Cert Christian
Norman J Goreham, BA(B'ham), BD(Lond)	David S Mullan, MA, Dip Ed	Min, SRN
Stanley R Goudge, BA	Barry W Neal MA, DipEd	David G Stubbs
Keith C Griffith, MBE	John B Nesbit	Lane M Tauroa, BA
Edmund D Grounds	Alan Newman, MA (Hons)	Peni Maf'i Ta'ufo'ou
Warwick Gust, BA, BD (Melb)	Nomani Noa	Keith Taylor, BA
Phyllis M Guthardt, DBE, MA, PhD(Camb), HonD(Waik)	Beverley Osborn, MA, DipTheol, Cert Soc Wk	Kerry Taylor, BA, Dip Ed
John R Hall	John H Osborne, MA	Philip F Taylor
George M Hammond	Judith Parkes	Gillian A Telford
E Francis I Hanson, BA, BD. TheolM, DTheol (Fellow of Trinity College)	Henry Heremia Pate	Morehu (Buddy) Te Whare
Barry Harkness, BA, BD	Marion Peterson BTheol (Melb)	Neville Thorncroft
Graham Hawkey	Donald J Phillipps, BA, BD (Fellow Trinity College)	Ken Toomer, LTh
Ernest Heppelthwaite	David H Pond, ACIA, ACAA (UK), MIPS (NZ)	Geoffrey Tucker
C Brice Herbert	David Pratt	A Fa'aoso Tugia
Roger J E Hey	Don Prince	Shirley Ungemuth
Elizabeth Hopner, SRN, BTheol	Beverley Pullar	Ralph Vickers, LTh, ACM
Maxwell A Hornblow	Ruawai D Rakena, BA	Douglas Wakeling
C Seton Horrill	Loraine Reid, BA Hns	Napi Waaka, OBE
John S Hosking, MA, Dip Mus	Gillian Richards	William L Wallace, BA, DipEd
Patricia M Jacobson, BA, LTh	Douglas I Rogers LLB(Hons), BD(Hons), MTh	Alexander C Watson
Russell E James	Wendie Rosewell	Alan C Webster, MA, MDiv, EdD, PhD
Colin G Jamieson, Dip RE (Melb)	Percy P Rushton, BA, BD	P Joan Wedding
Barry E Jones, BA	Kenneth H Russell	Norman West
Graham Kane	John Salmon MA(Hons), ThM(Princeton), PhD, LTh(Hons), STh(Hons), CA, ACIS, Fellow of Trinity College	Peter West
Jessie Kerr, Cert Theol	Elia Samusamuvodre	Stan West
Henry W Kitchingman	Leonard P Schroeder BA, BD(Melb)	Graham H Whaley BA, BD, Cert Tchg
Derek G Laws, FCA, ACIS	Ashley Sedon, LTh (Hons), BTP	Raymond G Wicks
	Harry I Shaw	Frank H Woodfield
	Trevor Shepherd	Owen T Woodfield, BA
	Robert D Short	Alan K Woodley, BA
		Jack Wright
		Mikaele Yasa
		Gloria Zanders BTheol (Melb)

QUESTION 19: What Deacons, Minita-a-iwi and Presbyters have died since last Conference?

(a) Deacons / Deaconess:

Rona Collins
Margaret Denham (Sister Margaret Kippenberger)
A. Joan Lawry

(b) Minita-a-iwi:

(c) Presbyters:

Dave Armstrong
Irwin Fowler
Colin Leadley

QUESTION 20: What Laypersons who have given leadership in the Conference have died since last Conference?

(a) Taha Maori:

- (b) **Tauiwi:**
Ken Christiansen
Dorothy Ford (Nee Irvine)
Mabel Grocott
Ivan Hall
Roy Hasseldine

QUESTION 21: Are there any congregations where, for imperative pastoral considerations, others than Presbyters, should have authority to administer the Sacraments?

- (a) South Hokianga
Bay of Islands
Kaeo Kerikeri
St James Onerahi
St Pauls, Kamo
Auckland Central Parish
Onehunga
Aotea Chapel
Bond Chapel
Glen Innes
Hindi Language Fellowship (Auckland District)
Rotuman Fellowship Kingsland (Auckland Central Parish)
Great Barrier Island Community Church
Auckland Manukau Tongan
Mangere Otahuhu
Pukekohe
Tokoroa Samoan
Tauranga Tongan
Hamilton
Hamilton East
St Paul's Hamilton Tongan
Waikato Fijian Ministry
Trinity United Whangamata
Opotiki Union
Taranaki/Wanganui Synod
Opunake Co-operating
Manawatu Regional Church
Mangapapa Union
Palmerston North Tongan
Wesley Hastings
Milson
Mangapapa Union
Levin Tongan
Hutt City Uniting Parish
Porirua Samoan
Upper Hutt Uniting Parish
Upper Hutt Tongan
Wesley Wellington Tongan
Tawa Tongan
Buller Union
Greymouth District Uniting
Blenheim Tongan
Richmond/Shirley Parish
Rangiora
Oamaru Union Parish
Oamaru Tongan
Hornby/Riccarton Parish
Waimate
Dunedin Tongan
Teviot Union

Riverton Union
Otatara Community Church
Alexandra-Clyde-Lauder Union Parish

**(b) Who are now given special authority to administer the Sacraments?
Te Taha Maori:**

Tai Tokerau

Mere Cassidy
Winiata Morunga
Rex Nathan
Wiremu Waiomio

Tamaki

Kiri Haretuku
Jim Rauwhero (retired)
Sonny Livingstone

Waikato

John Kopa
Sunnah Thompson
Mara Tupaea

Te Rohe Potae

Ella Nelson
Solomon Nelson
Thomas Waaka
Barney Winikerei

Taranaki

Jim George
Syd Kershaw
Jim Ngarewa
Barry Whakaruru

South Island

Tauīwi:

Northland District
Bay of Islands

Kaero Kerikeri
South Hokianga
St James Onerahi
St Pauls, Kamo
Whangarei Hospice
Fiji Indian Fellowship
Rotuman Fellowship
Great Barrier Island
Pukekohe
Auckland Central Parish
Onehunga
Aotea Chapel
Bond Chapel
Glen Innes
Mangere Otahuhu

Auckland Manukau Tongan

- Rosalie Gwilliam
- Ann Pearson
- Frank Leadley
- Jan Gough
- John Askew (additional to Local Presbyter)
- Lucy Armon
- Alan Rowe
- Andrea Williamson
- Balchand Karan
- Susau Strickland
- Maurice Handisides
- 'Alipate 'Uhila (Probationer)
- William (Bill) Peddie
- Ikilifi Pope (Probationer)
- Tony Franklin (Probationer)
- Sheila Thorne
- Metuisela Tafuna (Probationer)
- Sua Vili
- Matilda Parker
- Sione Fifita
- Moi Kaufononga
- Mafua Lolohea

	- Aisea Matangi (Probationer)
	- Taniela Tae Kei
	- Sione Tonga
	- 'Uha'one Metuisela
Tokoroa	- Letoa Alesana Letoa
Tauranga Tongan	- Sione Tonga Vaomotou
Trinity United Parish	- John Watson
	- Freeman Raine
Hamilton	- David Poultney (Probationer)
St Paul's Tongan	- Sekope Moli
Hamilton East Tongan	- Sione Molitika
Rotorua	- Alipate Cook
Taranaki/Wanganui Synod	- Tom Thompson
	- Margie Bishop
	- Brenda Fawkner
	- Shirley-Joy Barrow
Opunake	- Mary Nicholas
	- Donald Gillbanks
	- Barbara Hooper
Manawatu Region	- Sydney Easton
	- Gordon Green
	- Helen Starck
	- Judy Gore
	- Lindsay Taylor
Palmerston North Tongan	- Saia Fia
Patea Cooperating	- John Hill
Wesley Hastings	- Dennis Coon
Milson	- Noel Watts
Mangapapa	- Stewart Patrick
Wesley Wellington Tongan	- Tevita Finau
Tawa Tongan	- Hiueni Nuku (Probationer)
Levin Tongan	- Siela Fakavale Nau
Upper Hutt Tongan	- Sione Na'a Sina
Blenheim Tongan	- Samiu Fotu
Buller Union	- Kate Redman
Greymouth Uniting	- Thelma Efford
Central Sth Is	- Heather Walls
(Hornby/Riccarton)	- Rita Reid (to Rest Homes)
Rangiora	- Rachel Tregurtha
	- Richard Ridout
Richmond Shirley	- Joohong Kim (Probationer)
	- Bruce McCallum (and Rest Homes)
Oamaru Tongan	- Melesetina Kaufana
Waimate	- Christine Bailey
Dunedin Tongan	- Palanite Taungapeau
Teviot Union	- Lyndon Weggery
	- Bettie Lawson
Riverton Union	- Anne Stoddart
	- Ernest Willis
Otatara Community Church	- Steve Harrex
Alexandra-Clyde-Lauder	- Alan Graves
	- Linda Armstrong

QUESTION 22:

- (a) **Does the Conference sanction the amalgamation, division or naming of any Synod, Parish.**

Hawkes Bay/Manawatu, Taranaki/Wanganui, Wellington Districts amalgamate to become the Lower North Island Synod

8360 Geraldine Co-operating Parish becomes Geraldine Presbyterian Church and the co-operating agreement is dissolved

9090 Balclutha Parish is closed

Sinoti Samoa has divided the Papatoetoe/Otara Parish to form two new parishes: 9570 Papatoetoe Samoan Parish, 9615 Otara, and one further new parish 9610 Mangere Central Samoan Parish

2180 Northcote and 2140 Takapuna amalgamate from 1 February 2008 under 2140 Northcote Takapuna Parish

6010 Wesley Wellington and 6100 Mana Parish become Wellington Methodist Parish

(b) What other Agreements affecting Parishes and/or Use of Buildings are approved by Conference?

(c) What covenant relationships has the Methodist Church entered into?

8180 Kaiapoi Co-operating Parish, 8190 Rangiora and 8210 Oxford District Union Parish have entered into a covenant to work together

8270 Richmond Shirley Parish and North Avon Presbyterian Parish have entered into a covenant to work together

4030 Stratford Methodist Parish and Stratford Anglican Parish have entered into a covenant to work together

4050 Hawera Methodist Parish and Hawera Anglican Parish, Patea Cooperating Parish and Waverley - Waitotara Cooperating Parish have entered into a covenant to work together

QUESTION 23

(a) To what Parishes/Rohe are additional deacons, Minita-a-lwi, or Presbyters appointed?:

The Rev Utumau'u Pupulu changes from local part-time to stipended presbyter

(b) From what Parishes/Rohe are Deacons, Minita-a-lwi or Presbyters withdrawn?:

Mangere-Otahuhu Parish reduced to half time stipendiary

QUESTION 24: - How are the Presbyters, Presbyters in training, Deacons, Deacons in training and Minita-a-iwi stationed for the ensuing year?

**LIST OF STATIONS
of the
METHODIST CHURCH OF NEW ZEALAND**

President – Jill van de Geer
Vice-President – Ron Gibson
Secretary – David Bush
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**PRESBYTERS, DEACONS AND
MINITA-A-IWI 2009**

INTRODUCTION

This List contains the List of Stations for 2009.

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. Unless otherwise stated the person first named in each sub-section is the Parish Superintendent or equivalent.

Note: 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 TAI TOKERAU
Liaison Person
Raiha (Dorta) Cassidy

Minita-A-Iwi
Mere Cassidy
Winiata Morunga
Rex Nathan
Wiremu Waiomio

2510 TAMAKI
Liaison Person
Gillian Laird

Minita-A-Iwi
Kiri Haretuku
Jim Rauwhero

3510 WAIKATO
Liaison Person
Pari Waaka

Minita-A-Iwi
John Kopa
Sunnah Thompson
Marangai Tupaea

3520 TE ROHE POTAE
Liaison Person

Minita-A-Iwi
Ella Nelson
Solomon Nelson

Thomas Waaka
Barney Winikerei

4510 TARANAKI
Liaison Person
Frances Kingi-Katene

Minita-A-Iwi
Jim George
Syd Kershaw
Jim Ngarewa
Barry Whakaruru

6510 PONEKE
Liaison Person

6510 OTAUTAHU-TE WAIPOUNAMU
Liaison Person
Sonny Livingstone

Minita-a-Iwi
Sonny Livingstone

ENABLING MINISTRY TEAM
Tumuaki
Diana Tana

B. TAUWI

1000 NORTHLAND SYNOD

1010 KAITAIA UNION PARISH
Presbyterian appt:

1020 KAIKOHE UNION PARISH
Presbyterian oversight

1030 BAY OF ISLANDS CO-OPERATING PARISH
(Parish Superintendency Peter Williamson 1130)
Lay Ministry Team

1040 KAEOKERIKERI UNION PARISH
Presbyterian appt:

1050 NORTH HOKIANGA COMMUNITY CHURCH
Christina Morunga (Local Presbyterian) (part-time)
Local Shared Ministry

1060 SOUTH HOKIANGA CO-OPERATING PARISH
Awaiting clarification

1070 HIKURANGI UNION PARISH
Presbyterian oversight

1080 WHANGAREI UNITING CHURCH
Presbyterian appt: (St James, Onerahi)
Presbyterian appt: (St Andrew's Uniting)
Presbyterian oversight: (Tikipunga)

1090 WESLEY DARGAVILLE
Chris Bedford

- 1100 RUAWAI CO-OPERATING PARISH
Presbyterian oversight
- 1120 WELLSFORD CO-OPERATING PARISH
Methodist oversight one wanted part-time
- 1130 ST JOHN'S/RAUMANGA CO-OPERATING PARISH
Peter Williamson, BTheol, LLB, ACM
- 1140 ST PAUL'S CO-OPERATING (KAMO)
Presbyterian oversight
- 1150 OTAMATEA CO-OPERATING PARISH
Presbyterian oversight
- 1160 TUTUKAKA COAST COMMUNITY CHURCH LEP
Joint Anglican/Methodist supervision
Local Shared Ministry

SYNOD SUPERINTENDENT

Peter Williamson (Co-Superintendent)

Rosalie Gwilliam (Co-Superintendent)

2000 AUCKLAND SYNOD

- 2007 FIJI MINISTRY
Ilaitia Sevatia Tuwere, LTh (Melbourne), BD (PTC), ThM (Melbourne), DTh (Melbourne) - Presbyteral oversight (*Non-Stipendiary*)
- 2008 THE MISSION & ECUMENICAL COMMITTEE
John Roberts, BA, LTh, DipCrim (Hons)
- 2600 MISSION RESOURCING
Nigel Hanscamp, BTh (Hons), MTheol (Hons); Director Pakeha Ministries
Aso T Samoa Saleupolu, DipTropAgr, LTh; Director Pasifika Ministries
- 2820 MINISTRY EDUCATION (Trinity College)
David S Bell, BA, BD, MTh (Dist), PhD; Principal
Mary E Caygill, DipSocWk, LTh, DMin (San Francisco)
Nasili Vaka'uta BD (Dist) (Sia'atoutai) MTh (PTC) PGDip Dev St, MA, (Univ South Pac)
- 2010 AUCKLAND CENTRAL PARISH
Lynne O Frith, BTheol, DipTheol. (Otago), DMin
William (Bill) S. Peddie, BSc, MPhil (Hons), PhD, Dip Ed, FNZIC, JP, Lay Minister
- 2020 METHODIST MISSION NORTHERN
John Murray (Superintendent)
Anthony G (Tony) Franklin, BCom (Auckland), BTheol (Auckland), CA (Probationer)
Sandra Gibbons, BMin, PGDipEd (Guidance) (Auckland Deaf Christian Fellowship)
- 2030 ROSKILL
Siosifa Pole, MTh (Melb), BTh (Melb), Dip. Min (ACT) (part-time) (see also 2310)
- 2060 ORAKEI
Terence W. Wall, MA (Hons), BSc, LTh, STM, DMinStuds (Melb)
- 2070 GLEN INNES CO-OPERATING PARISH – ST MARY'S
(Parish Superintendency Terence Wall 2060)
Metuisela Tafuna, Dip PTh (Trinity College), post grad Dip Social Services (Otago), BD (PTC) (Probationer)
- 2080 MT ALBERT
One wanted (supply in mind)

- 2090 AVONDALE UNION PARISH
Alifeleti Vaitu'ulala Ngahe, Dip.PTh (Trinity College) (part-time) (see also 2300)
- 2100 WAITAKERE
Kenneth Smith, LTh, (Glen Eden half-time), (see also 2000)
Tony Stroobant, LTh, MA(Hons), PhD
- 2120 TE ATATU UNION PARISH
Graeme R. White, LTh
- 2130 DEVONPORT
Robyn Allen Goudge, BSc, BD (part-time)
- 2140 NORTHCOTE - TAKAPUNA
Michael Dye, DipAdEd (Leeds), BA (Hons)
- 2150 BIRKENHEAD
Suiva'aia Te'o, LTh, MinDip
- 2270 SOUTH KAIPARA CO-OPERATING PARISH
Local Shared Ministry – Anglican oversight
- 2280 WHANGAPARAOA
Val Nicholls, BA, B.Theol, ACM
- 2290 MAHURANGI
One wanted (supply in mind)
- 2300 ST AUSTELL'S CO-OPERATING PARISH - New Lynn
Alifeleti Vaitu'ulala Ngahe, Dip.PTh (Trinity College) (part-time) (see also 2090)
- 2310 WATERVIEW
Siosifa Pole, MTh (Melb), BTh (Melb), Dip. Min (ACT) (part-time) (see also 2030)
- 2320 EAST COAST BAYS
Alfred Taylor, BAppSc, Dip Psychotherapy
- 2330 LYNFIELD COMMUNITY CHURCH
Donald Biggs, NZTCC
- 2380 ONEHUNGA CO-OPERATING
Ikilifi Pope, half-time, Dip PTh (Trinity College), BA (Auck), BTheol (Auck), (Probationer 7630)

SYNOD SUPERINTENDENT

Kenneth Smith (half-time stipended)

2400 MANUKAU SYNOD

- 2830 WESLEY COLLEGE
Sylvia 'Akauola-Tongotongo, BTheol, MTheol (Auck)
- 2410 HOWICK PAKURANGA
Prince Devanandan, BTh, BD (India), MTheol (Auckland)
Brian Peterson, LTh, MinDip, (ACTE)
- 2420 MANUREWA
Eveli Taungapeau, MNZM, LTh (Aotearoa), BTheol (Melb)
- 2430 PAPAKURA
Gillian Woodward, DipTchg, DipPhyT, BD (Otago), BA

- 2440 **PUKEKOHE**
(Parish Superintendency: Synod Superintendent 2410)
Margaret Donald, DipPTh (Trinity College) (Local Presbyterian)
'Alipate 'Uhila, BTheol (Auck), (Probationer)
- 2450 **TUAKAU UNION PARISH**
William (Bill) J Clifford, BTh (Melb), PGDipEd (Guidance), CA (Ret), ACIS, ANZIN
- 2460 **WAIUKU AND SYNODS COMBINED CHURCHES**
Presbyterian appt:
- 2470 **BUCKLANDS BEACH CO-OPERATING**
Presbyterian appt:
- 2480 **PAPATOETOE**
Andre Le Roux, BTh (Hons)
- 2490 **MANGERE OTAHUHU**
Setaita Kinahoi-Veikune, BTheol (Auck) (half-time)
David T H Rolinson (Local Presbyterian) (part-time)

SYNOD SUPERINTENDENT
Prince Devanandan

3000 WAIKATO-WAIARIKI SYNOD

- 3010 **THAMES UNION PARISH**
Presbyterian oversight
Local Shared Ministry
- 3020 **HAURAKI PLAINS CO-OPERATING PARISH**
Anglican appt:
- 3030 **PAEROA CO-OPERATING PARISH**
Tau Lasi, BTheol (Auckland)
- 3040 **WAIHI BEACH CONGREGATION LEP**
Presbyterian appt:
- 3050 **TE AROHA CO-OPERATING PARISH**
Doris Elphick, DipTheol (Otago) (part-time)
Dianne Hight, (Deacon) (See Q11B(a))
- 3060 **MORRINSVILLE**
Marcia Hardy
- 3070 **CAMBRIDGE UNION PARISH**
Presbyterian appt:
- 3080 **HAMILTON**
Parish Superintendency Paul Sinclair (see 3360)
David Poultney, Dip PTh (Trinity College), BTheol (Southampton), Dip Nursing (Coventry)
(Probationer)
Margaret Birtles (Deacon) (part-time)
- 3090 **RAGLAN UNION PARISH**
Congregational Union oversight
- 3100 **HAMILTON EAST**
Anne Griffiths, BTheol (Auck), Dip Counselling (BCNZ)
Apakuki Ratucoka (Local Fijian Ministry) (Probationer)

- 3110 CHARTWELL CO-OPERATING PARISH
Presbyterian appt:
Anglican appt:
- 3120 NGARUAWAHIA UNION PARISH
Presbyterian appt:
- 3130 HUNTLY CO-OPERATING PARISH
Presbyterian appt:
- 3140 MATAMATA UNION PARISH
Christian Churches of NZ appt:
- 3150 PUTARURU CO-OPERATING PARISH
Anglican oversight
- 3170 ROTORUA (incorporating Tokoroa)
Brian Eagle (Rotorua) (See also 3230)
Lay ministry, part-time (Tokoroa)
- 3180 TAUPO UNION PARISH
Presbyterian appt:
- 3190 TAURANGA
Motekiai Fakatou, BTheol
St Stephens, one wanted, half-time supply in mind
Valma E Hallam, (Deacon) (See Q11C(a))
- 3200 ST JAMES UNION PARISH, GREERTON
Presbyterian appt:
- 3210 TE PUKE / MT MAUNGANUI PARISH
Michael Dymond
- 3220 WHAKATANE CO-OPERATING PARISH
Anglican appt:
- 3230 KAWERAU
(Parish superintendency Brian Eagle 3170)
- 3240 OPOTIKI UNION PARISH
Presbyterian oversight
- 3250 TE AWAMUTU (Including Otorohanga and Te Kuiti)
Maureen Calman (part-time)
- 3280 ST PAUL'S CO-OPERATING PARISH (TAUMARUNUI)
Ruth Sandiford Phelan, BTheol (Hons) (Murdoch, WA)
- 3290 TURANGI CO-OPERATING PARISH
Anglican oversight
- 3300 OHURA
Parish superintendency, (awaiting clarification)
- 3320 MERCURY BAY
Presbyterian appt:
- 3330 ST FRANCIS CO-OPERATING PARISH (HILLCREST)
Anglican appt:
- 3340 PIO PIO-ARIA MOKAU CO-OPERATING PARISH
Anglican appt:

- 3350 OMOKOROA CO-OPERATING PARISH
Methodist oversight
Local Ordained Ministry – Presbyterian appt:
- 3360 CO-OPERATING PARISH OF ST CLARE, DINSDALE
Paul Sinclair (who will superintend 3080)
- 3370 PAPAMOA COOPERATING PARISH
Presbyterian appt:
- 3390 ALL SAINTS (BRYANT PARK) CO-OPERATING PARISH
Anglican appt:
- 3400 TRINITY UNITED: (WHANGAMATA-TAIRUA-PAUANUI)
(Parish superintendency, awaiting clarification)
Local Shared Ministry

SYNOD SUPERINTENDENT

Susan Thompson BTheol, MA (Hons), PhD (half-time stipended)

4000 LOWER NORTH ISLAND

- 4010 NEW PLYMOUTH
Alan Upson, LTh (who shall superintend 4020,4030,4040,4050,4060,4070,4080)
Brenda R N Fawcner (Deacon) (See Q11C(a))
Peni Tikoinaka (see 4090, 6010 and 8120)
- 4020 WAITARA
(Parish Superintendency Alan Upson 4010)
Methodist oversight
- 4030 STRATFORD
(Parish Superintendency Alan Upson 4010)
LEP Methodist/Anglican, Methodist oversight
- 4040 ELTHAM-KAPONGA CO-OPERATING PARISH
(Parish Superintendency Alan Upson 4010)
- 4050 HAWERA
(Parish Superintendency Alan Upson 4010)
LEP Methodist/Anglican, Methodist oversight
- 4060 MANAIA UNION PARISH
(Parish Superintendency Alan Upson 4010)
- 4070 OPUNAKE CO-OPERATING PARISH (See also 4080)
(Parish superintendency Alan Upson 4010)
Local Shared Ministry
- 4080 OKATO / OAKURA CO-OPERATING PARISH (see 4070)
(Parish superintendency Alan Upson 4010)
Awaiting clarification
- 4090 WANGANUI
Tony Bell, LTh (who shall superintend 4090 and 4120) (part-time) (local shared ministry)
Peni Tikoinaka, BD (PTC Fiji), DipTh (Daivulevu College) Fijian ministry (see also 4010,6010 & 8120)(part-time, quarter-time)
Shirley-Joy Barrow, MNZSA, Assoc Member NZAC, (Deacon) (see Q16(a))
- 4110 INGLEWOOD UNION PARISH
Presbyterian appt:

- 4120 PATEA CO-OPERATING PARISH
(Parish Superintendency Tony Bell 4090)
Methodist oversight
Anglican appt: LEP
- 4130 BELL BLOCK LEPPERTON CO-OPERATING PARISH
Anglican appt:
- 5010 NAPIER
Stuart Slinn (supply, third year) (who shall superintend 5050)
- 5020 HASTINGS
Parish superintendency Gillian Watkin (part-time)
Dennis Coon, Lay Minister
- 5050 MANGAPAPA UNION PARISH
(Parish superintendency: Stuart Slinn 5010)
Stewart Patrick: Lay ministry
- 5060 PRESBYTERIAN-METHODIST PARISH OF WAIROA
Presbyterian appt:
- 5080 WOODVILLE ST JAMES UNION PARISH
Presbyterian oversight
- 5090 PAHIATUA UNION PARISH
Presbyterian oversight
- 5100 MANAWATU REGIONAL CHURCH
(5100, 5110, 5120, 5130)
Palmerston North
Philomeno Kinera, DipPTh (Trinity College)
Ashhurst-Bunnythorpe-Pohangina
Feilding-Oroua
Marion
Lay Ministry Team
- 5140 RONGOTEA UNITING PARISH
Presbyterian oversight
- 5150 FOXTON/SHANNON CO-OPERATING PARISH
Presbyterian oversight
- 5160 TAMATEA COMMUNITY CHURCH
Anglican oversight
- 5170 WAIPAWA CO-OPERATING PARISH
Presbyterian oversight
- 5180 MILSON COMBINED CHURCH
Anglican appt (part-time):
- 6010 WELLINGTON METHODIST PARISH
One wanted, (supply in mind)
K. Desmond Cooper, BA (half-time) (See also 6030)
Peni Tikoinaka, BD (PTC Fiji), DipTh (Daivulevu College) Fijian ministry (See 4010, 4090 & 8120)
(part-time)
- 6020 WESLEY WELLINGTON MISSION
(Director David Hanna)
- 6030 WELLINGTON SOUTH-LYALL BAY UNION
K. Desmond Cooper (half-time) (See also 6010)

- 6050 MIRAMAR UNITING PARISH
Presbyterian appt:
- 6060 NGAIO UNION PARISH
Presbyterian appt:
- 6070 JOHNSONVILLE UNITING CHURCH
Anna Gilkison
- 6110 TAWA UNION PARISH
Presbyterian appt:
Hiueni Nuku (Local Tongan Ministry) (Probationer)
- 6120 HUTT CITY UNITING CONGREGATIONS
One wanted (awaiting clarification)
Tevita Taufalele, Dip PTh (Trinity College), BTheol (Otago)
Presbyterian appt:
Presbyterian appt:
- 6140 UPPER HUTT UNITING PARISH
Presbyterian appt:
- 6160 GREYTOWN ST ANDREW'S UNION PARISH
Presbyterian appt:
- 6170 FEATHERSTON UNION PARISH
Margaret Hall, BA DipTheol. ACM (Local Presbyterian) (part-time) (See also 6200)
- 6180 CARTERTON UNION PARISH
Presbyterian appt:
- 6190 MASTERTON ST LUKES UNION PARISH
Geraldine Coats, BTheol
- 6200 ST JAMES, MASTERTON UNION PARISH
Margaret Hall, BA DipTheol. ACM (Local Presbyterian) (part-time) (See also 6170)
- 6220 LEVIN UNITING PARISH
Presbyterian appt:
- 6230 OTAKI
Anglican appt:
- 6240 KAPITI UNITING PARISH
One wanted, awaiting clarification
- 6250 HATAITAI-KILBIRNIE CO-OPERATING PARISH
Anglican appt:
- 6270 ST MATTHEWS JOINT PARISH BROOKLYN
Anglican appt:
- 6280 ST NINIAN'S UNITING PARISH
Awaiting clarification
- SYNOD SUPERINTENDENT**
Tony Bell (part-time 75% stipended)
- 7000 NELSON / MARLBOROUGH / WEST COAST SYNOD**
- 7010 ST JOHNS IN THE CITY
Alison Molineux, BD, BA (Hons) (who shall superintend 7100 & 7070, 7110)

- 7015 **STOKE**
Gary A. M. Clover, BD, MA (First Class Hons), DipNZLS
- 7020 **NELSON, ST LUKE'S UNION PARISH**
Presbyterian oversight
- 7030 **WAIMEA**
Paul Tregurtha, BA, BTheol (2/3 time)
- 7040 **MOTUEKA UNITING**
Peter Norman, DipPTh (Trinity College), MTheol (BCNZ), BMin (BCNZ)
- 7070 **BLENHEIM**
Parish superintendency awaiting clarification
One wanted (two year transitional ministry)
- 7080 **PICTON UNION PARISH**
(Presbyterian oversight)
Local Shared Ministry
- 7090 **REEFTON DISTRICT UNION PARISH**
Presbyterian appt: (part-time)
- 7100 **BULLER UNION PARISH**
(Parish superintendency Alison Molineux 7010)
Lay Ministry Team
- 7110 **GREYMOUTH DISTRICT UNITING PARISH**
(Parish superintendency Alison Molineux 7010)
Lay ministry: Thelma Efford (half-time)
Lay ministry: Lyn Heine (quarter-time)
- 7120 **HOKITIKA UNION PARISH**
Presbyterian appt: (part-time)

SYNOD SUPERINTENDENT
Alison Molineux

7500 VAHEFONUA TONGA 'O AOTEAROA

- 7510 **AUCKLAND-MANUKAU TONGAN PARISH**
Parish Superintendent – Taufa Filiai BTheol, DipEd (see Q14b)

VAINE MO'ONIA, PONSONBY
Kilifi Heimuli, BTheol, MNZM, QSM, NZCM, JP (Local Presbyter) (see Q11B(b))(who shall superintend 7630)

NORTHCOTE
Taufa Filiai (part-time) see Q14(b)

HENDERSON
Viliami Finau, DipMin (Sydney), BCNZ Dip (Local Presbyter) (see Q11B(b))

NEW LYNN
Mosese Manukia (Local Presbyter), (see Q11B(b))

ONEHUNGA / EPSOM
Molia Tu'itupou (see Q11B(b))

DOMINION ROAD / ELLERSLIE
Taufa Filiai (see Q14b) (part-time)

OTAHUHU / EAST TAMAKI / PAPATOETOE

Holakitu'akolo Paea (Local Presbyter) (see Q11B(b))

PANMURE / GLEN INNES

Tamata'ane Tupou, BTheol (Local Presbyter) (see Q11B(b))

MANGERE

Aisea Matangi, BTheol (Auck), BD (Sia'atoutai), (Probationer)
Moi Kaufononga (Lay ministry)

MANUREWA

Awaiting clarification

PUKEKOHE / WAIUKU

Langi'ila Uasi, LTh, BTh, ThDip, DipMin, DipEd, DipSocWork (Local Presbyter) (see Q11B(b))

7520 OTARA TONGAN PARISH

Vaikoloa Kilikiti (Local Presbyter) (3/4 time) (see Q11C(b))

7630 PAPATOETOE TONGAN PARISH

(Parish Superintendency Kilifi Heimuli 7510)
Ikilifi Pope, half-time (Probationer) (see 2380)

7750 GISBORNE TONGAN PARISH

Kepu Moa (half-time) (see Q11C(b))

7800 WESLEY WELLINGTON TONGAN PARISH

Awaiting clarification

7900 CHRISTCHURCH SOUTH TONGAN PARISH

'Inoke Siulangapo (Local Presbyter) (see Q11B(b))

SYNOD SUPERINTENDENT

Setaita Kinahoi Veikune (half-time stipended)(see 2490)

8000 CENTRAL SOUTH ISLAND

Barbara Peddie (Presbyter) (part-time) Covenanted ministry with Synod (see Qu11B(b))

8900 CONNEXIONAL OFFICE and ADMINISTRATION DIVISION

David J Bush, BSc, General Secretary and Authorised Representative

8010 CHRISTCHURCH CENTRAL METHODIST PARISH & MISSION

Mission Superintendent: Michael W Greer, LTh
Parish Superintendent: Kathryn Walters, BMin, BTheol

8020 CHRISTCHURCH SOUTH

Mark Gibson, BA, BTheol

8040 NEW BRIGHTON UNION PARISH

Rodney Routledge (3/4 time)(see 8050)

8050 SUMNER-REDCLIFFS / LYTTTELTON HARBOUR UNION PARISH

One wanted, two year transitional ministry (part-time)
Rodney Routledge (quarter-time) see 8040

8060 LINWOOD AVENUE UNION PARISH

Christian Churches of NZ appt:

8090 BECKENHAM-SYDENHAM

Alan K Webster, BD, MA (Hons)

8110 HALSWELL UNION PARISH

Bob Sidal

- 8120 HORNBY / RICCARTON
Jan Fogg, BTheol (Auck), MVSc, DipDevStuds (Massey) (who shall superintend 8270)
Joanne (Jo) A. Durrant, LTh, (half-time)
Peni Tikoinaka, BD (PTC Fiji), DipTh (Daivulevu College) Fijian Ministry (See also 4010,4090 & 6010) (part-time)
- 8140 CHRISTCHURCH NORTH
SaikoloneTaufa, DipPTh
- 8160 LINCOLN UNION PARISH
Presbyterian Appt.
- 8170 ELLESMERE CO-OPERATING PARISH
Paul Eden (supply for a 2nd year)
- 8180 KAIAPOI CO-OPERATING PARISH
Presbyterian appointment (part-time) & Brian Turner (part-time) (Shared ministry agreement with 8190, 8210)
- 8190 RANGIORA
Brian Turner (part-time) (Shared ministry agreement with 8210, 8180)
- 8200 MALVERN CO-OPERATING PARISH
Laurence Ennor, BMus, BD, LTCL, LTCL(GMT), DipMgt. (part-time 90%)
- 8210 OXFORD DISTRICT UNION PARISH
Brian Turner (part-time) (Shared ministry agreement with 8190,8180)
- 8230 ROLLESTON COMBINED CHURCH
Shared oversight: Lincoln Anglican, Lincoln Union Parish
- 8250 ST ALBANS UNITING PARISH
Presbyterian Appt:
- 8260 WAINONI
John Meredith (Supply for a 2nd year) (half-time)
- 8270 RICHMOND – SHIRLEY
(Parish superintendency Jan Fogg 8120)
Joohong Kim (shared ministry with North Avon Presbyterian), Dip PTh (Trinity College), BMin (BCNZ), MSc (Colorado), BSc (National Open University) (Probationer)
Bruce McCallum (Lay ministry) (part-time)
- 8310 TIMARU -TEMUKA
Bruce Anderson, MTheol (Auck)
- 8330 ST DAVID'S MARCHWIEL UNION PARISH
Presbyterian appt (part-time)
- 8350 WAIMATE
(Parish Superintendency Bruce Anderson 8310)
- 8380 ASHBURTON
M Peter Taylor, BMet (Sheffield), BD (Manchester)
- 8390 ST DAVID'S UNION ASHBURTON
Alan Judge,* BCA (Econ), BTheol (ACT), Dip. BCNZ, Certificate (Cong. College) (part-time)
Rachel Judge,* BA (Hons), BD (merit) (part-time)
**Joint Appointment*
- 8400 OAMARU UNION PARISH
(Parish superintendency Bruce Anderson 8310)

SYNOD SUPERINTENDENT
Bruce Anderson

9000 OTAGO-SOUTHLAND SYNOD

- 9020 DUNEDIN MISSION
Superintendency Michael Greer LTh (see also 8010)
- 9010 DUNEDIN PARISH
Stuart C. Grant, BA, LLB, LTh (Hons) (who shall superintend 9120, 9160 & 9260)
Cornelia Grant, MTheol (Tübingen), (two-thirds time)
- 9070 GRANTS BRAES UNION PARISH
Presbyterian oversight
- 9080 TOKOMAIRIRO CO-OPERATING PARISH
Presbyterian oversight
- 9110 INVERCARGILL
Petra Barber BA, LLB (Waikato)
- 9120 RIVERTON UNION PARISH
(Parish superintendency Synod Superintendent 9010)
Local shared ministry
- 9130 OTAUTAU-WAIONO UNION PARISH
Presbyterian oversight (part-time)
- 9150 BLUFF CO-OPERATING PARISH
Presbyterian oversight:
- 9160 TEVIOT UNION PARISH
(Parish superintendency Synod Superintendent 9010)
Lay Supply (one third time)
- 9170 ALEXANDRA-CLYDE-LAUDER UNION PARISH
Martin Oh, MTheol (Methodist Theological Seminary Korea), DipPTh (Trinity College)
- 9190 FLAGSTAFF CO-OPERATING PARISH
Presbyterian appt:
- 9230 LAWRENCE
Robyn E Westaway (Local Presbyter) (See Q 11B(b))
Francis Westaway (Deacon) (See Q 11B(a))
- 9250 BROCKVILLE UNION
Dunedin JRC oversight
- 9260 OTATARA
(Parish superintendency, Synod Superintendent 9010)
Steve Harrex: part-time lay ministry

SYNOD SUPERINTENDENT
Stuart Grant

9500 SINOTI SAMOA

- 9510 PANMURE SAMOAN
Tovia Aumua, BTheol
- 9520 WAITAKERE (SAMOAN)
Amaamalele Tofaeono PhD (supply)

- 9530 BIRKENHEAD
(Parish superintendency Suiva'aia Te'o 2150)
- 9540 AUCKLAND SAMOAN PARISH
Faleatua Faleatua BTheol
- 9550 MANUREWA
Alalafaga Palelei (half-time)(see 9560)
- 9560 PAPAKURA,
Alalafaga Palelei (half-time)(see 9550)
- 9570 PAPATOETOE
Paulo Ieli, DipPTh
- 9575 OTAHUHU/MANGERE EAST
Tulaga Iosefa Lei'ataua
- 9580 HASTINGS
Iakopo Fa'afuata LTh, Min Dip
- 9585 NEW PLYMOUTH
Limu Isaia (Local Presbyter)
- 9590 GISBORNE
Falaniko Mann-Taito (Local Presbyter) (part-time)
- 9600 WESLEY WELLINGTON PARISH
Fatu'atia Tufuga, BTheol (Melb), Cert Sup(NZIM), CertSmBus, CertTropAgr (Fiji) (who shall
superintend Samoan ministry in Waitangirua)
- 9610 MANGERE CENTRAL
Utumau'u Pupulu
- 9615 OTARA
Faiva Alaelua LTh, Dip Min (ACTE)

SYNOD SUPERINTENDENT
Tovia Aumua

CONFERENCE WELCOMES the following Observers and gladly associates them with all the sessions of Conference.

OBSERVERS & GUESTS:

The Free Wesleyan Church of Tonga

The Catholic Church

The Uniting Church of Australia

The Presbyterian Church of Aotearoa NZ

Congregational Union of New Zealand

Rev Dr 'Alifaleti Mone

Rev Dr Ahio

Vic Barrington

Pat Lythe

Rev Gregor Henderson

Rev Margaret Low

Mr Peter Eccles

CONFERENCE STAFF 2008

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CONVENERS OF BUSINESS:

A. Council of Conference : Lana Lazarus and Tovia Aumua

B(i). Te Taha Maori : Bella Ngaha

B(ii). Tauivi : Lynne Frith & Paula Taumoepeau

C. Law Revision : David Smith

D. Administration / Connexional : Ruth Silverstone

E. Board of Ministry : John Hinchcliff & Brian Turner

F. Faith & Order : Terry Wall

G. Social Services : Ruth Silverstone

H. Mission & Ecumenical : Keith Hopner

I. Communications / Organisations : Nicola Grundy

J. Social Issues : Lynne Frith

SCRUTINEERS:

Alan K. Webster, Eric Laurenson, Rosalie Gwilliam & Alec Utting

LEGAL COMMITTEE:

David Smith, General Secretary and Michael Greer.

DECISIONS OVERVIEW:

David Smith & Michael Greer

GREETINGS:

A. That greetings and good wishes of Conference be extended to the following:

- Supernumerary Ministers and Widows
- To those Ministers/Deacons who attain their Ministerial Jubilees:

50 Years since first appointment

J Mervyn Dickinson

Wilfred S Gilbert

Evan R Lewis

50 Years since ordination

Robert S Andrews

JOURNAL:

The checking of the Journal and Daily Record shall be the responsibility of the Secretarial Staff.

HOURS OF SESSION AND AGENDA:

Are as printed in the Reports pages 2 to 4 or as may be decided from time to time.

REPORT OF THE GENERAL SECRETARY TO CONFERENCE 2008:

- 1 (a) I report that I have received all audited Annual Accounts 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:

2000 AUCKLAND

2310 Waterview Methodist Parish

2400 MANUKAU

2430 Papakura Parish

3000 WAIKATO-WAIARIKI

3250 Te Awamutu Parish

4000 TARANAKI WANGANUI

4010 New Plymouth Methodist Parish

7500 VAHEFONUA TONGA O' AOTEAROA

7630 Papatoetoe Tongan Parish

9000 OTAGO-SOUTHLAND

9230 Lawrence Parish

9500 SINOTI SAMOA

9510 Panmure Samoan Parish

9530 Birkenhead Samoan Parish

9540 Auckland Samoan Parish

9550 Manurewa Samoan Parish

9560 Papakura Samoan Parish

9570 Papatoetoe Otara Samoan Parish

9575 Mangere Samoan Parish

9585 New Plymouth Samoan Parish

9590 Gisborne Samoan Parish

QUESTION 37(a) Who is elected President of the Church for induction at the next Conference?
Alan Upson

QUESTION 37(b) Arrangements for the President's supply?
Arrangements in place

QUESTION 38 Who is elected Vice-President for induction at the next Conference?
Lana Lazarus

QUESTION 39 Who is elected the President's Legal Adviser?
Mr David G. Smith

QUESTION 40 Who are elected to the following Synod and Regional positions for the ensuing year?

(a) Superintendents
Northland

- Mrs Rosalie Gwilliam (Co-Superintendent)

Auckland	- Rev Peter Williamson (<i>Co-Superintendent</i>)
Manukau	- Rev Kenneth Smith
Waikato-Waiariki	- Rev Prince Devanandan
Lower North Island Synod	- Susan Thompson
Nelson/Marlborough/West Coast	- Rev Tony Bell
Central South Island	- Rev Alison Molineux
Otago-Southland	- Rev Bruce Anderson
Sinoti Samoa	- Rev Stuart Grant
Vahefonua Tonga 'o Aotearoa	- Rev Tovia Aumua
	- Rev Setaita Kinahoi Veikune

(b) Secretaries

Northland	- Robyn McPhail
Auckland	- Cheryl Banks
Manukau	- Ian Faulkner
Waikato-Waiariki	- Mary West
Lower North Island	- Jenny Olsson
Nelson/Marlborough/West Coast	- Lyn Frater
Central South Island	- Barbara Peddie
Otago-Southland	- Rachel Masterton
Sinoti Samoa	- Lani Tupu
Vahefonua Tonga	- Tevita Finau.

(c) Financial Secretaries

Northland	- Eileen Schick
Auckland	- David Davies
Manukau	- Ian Faulkner
Waikato-Waiariki	- Margaret Giles
Lower North Island	- Noel Olsson
Nelson/Marlborough/West Coast	- Thelma Efford
Central South Island	- Sue Spindler
Otago-Southland	- Rachel Masterton
Sinoti Samoa	- Leungseu Amelia Faleatua
Vahefonua Tonga	- Paula Taumoepeau

(d) Property Secretaries

Northland	- Neil Scott
Auckland	- Keith Taylor
Manukau	- Bill Clifford
Waikato-Waiariki	- Dave Buchan
Lower North Island	- To be advised
Nelson/Marlborough/West Coast	- Don Shirley
Central South Island	- Maurice van de Geer
Otago-Southland	- Donald Phillipps
Sinoti Samoa	- Lani Tupu
Vahefonua Tonga	- Paula Taumoepeau

QUESTION 41

Who are appointed as members of the following Standing Committees and their Conveners?

(a) Pastoral Committee

The President, Ex-President, President Elect, the Vice-President, Ex-Vice-President, Vice-President Elect, General Secretary, Executive Officer Tauwi, Tumuaki.

- (b) President's Committee of Advice
The President, the Vice-President, Ex-President, the Ex-Vice-President, President Elect, Vice-President Elect, General Secretary, Executive Officer Tauwiwi, Tumuaki and Legal Advisor.
- (c) Council of Elders
Te Taha Maori: Evelyn Kingi and Te Aroha Rountree
Tauwiwi: Diana Roberts, and Kepu Moa
- (d) Budget Task Group
Paula Taumoepeau, Frank Claridge, David McGeorge, Diana Tana, Evelyn Kingi, Pari Waaka, President, Vice President, General Secretary and one to be advised.

QUESTION 42 **When and where shall the next Conference be held?**
Christchurch 7 - 11 November 2009

QUESTION 43 **When shall the Annual Meeting of Synods be held?**
7 - 8 August

DATES FOR 2009:

- Pastoral Committee - 6 April
- Council of Conference - 3-5 April
 - 4-6 September
- Tauwiwi Strategy & Stationing - 6-8 March
 - 23-26 August
 - 5 November
- Connexional Stationing - 5 November
- Tauwiwi /Te Taha Maori Meeting - 6 November
- Vahefonua Tonga - 20-22 February (Auckland)
 - 24-26 July (Auckland)
- Sinoti Samoa - 24-26 July
- Wasewase ko Viti Kei Rotuma e Niu Siladi – 25 July

COUNCIL OF CONFERENCE:

Membership for 2009 shall be:

Taha Māori: Lana Lazarus (Co-Convenor), Julie-Anne Barney-Katene, Jim George, Keita Hotere, Gillian Laird, Rex Nathan, Bella Ngaha, Diana Tana, Pari Waaka and one further member to be appointed by the President from the substitute list following the Council of Conference Training Workshop. Substitutes: Raiha (Dorta) Cassidy, Christine Kershaw, Sonny Livingstone and Shirley Wiki.

Tauwiwi: Tovia Aumua (Co-Convenor), Des Cooper, Motekiai Fakatou, Tevita Finau, Jan Fogg, David McGeorge, Barbara Peddie, Aso Samoa Saleupolu, Olive Tanielu and Susan Thompson. Substitutes: Thelma Efford, Mark Gibson, Derek Holland, Akisi Renner, Susau Strickland, Nigel Hanscamp and Viv Whimster. President Jill van de Geer, Vice President Ron Gibson, General Secretary David Bush will also be in attendance and Principal David Bell.

TAUIWI STRATEGY COMMITTEE:**Membership for 2009 shall be:**

President Jill van de Geer, Vice President Ron Gibson, General Secretary David Bush, Taiuiwi Executive Officer Aso Samoa Saleupolu, Director Pakeha Ministries Nigel Hanscamp, Taiuiwi Facilitators Paula Taumoepeau, Lynne Frith, Principal Trinity College David Bell, Peter Williamson, Rosalie Gwillam (Northland), Kenneth Smith, Christine Peak, (Auckland), Setaita Kinahoi Veikune, Tevita Finau (Vahefonua Tonga), Tovia Aumua, Lani Tupu (Sinoti Samoa), Prince Devanandan, Ian Faulkner (Manukau), Viv Whimster, Susan Thompson (Waikato), Jocelyn Boys, Tony Bell, Desmond Cooper (Lower North Island), Bruce McKeage, Alison Molineux (Nelson – Marlborough – West Coast), Bruce Anderson, Sue Spindler (Central South Island), Stuart Grant, Rachel Masterton (Otago – Southland), Peni Tikonaka, Niko Bower (Wasewase ko Viti kei Rotuma), Alan K Webster (Evangelical Network) and other current full members of Council of Conference not named in the committee, Motekiai Fakatou, Jan Fogg, Barbara Peddie and Olive Tanielu.

TAUIWI STATIONING COMMITTEE:**Membership for 2009 shall be:**

President Jill van de Geer, Vice President Ron Gibson, General Secretary David Bush, Taiuiwi Executive Officer Aso Samoa Saleupolu, Director Pakeha Ministries Nigel Hanscamp, Principal Trinity College David Bell, Peter Williamson, Rosalie Gwillam (Northland), Kenneth Smith, Christine Peak, (Auckland), Setaita Kinahoi Veikune, Tevita Finau (Vahefonua Tonga), Tovia Aumua, Lani Tupu (Sinoti Samoa), Prince Devanandan, Ian Faulkner (Manukau), Viv Whimster, Susan Thompson (Waikato), Jocelyn Boys, Tony Bell, (Lower North Island), Bruce McKeage, Alison Molineux (Nelson – Marlborough – West Coast), Bruce Anderson, Sue Spindler (Central South Island), Stuart Grant, Rachel Masterton (Otago – Southland), Peni Tikonaka, Niko Bower (Wasewase ko Viti kei Rotuma), Alan K Webster (Evangelical Network).

CONFERENCE BUSINESS COMMITTEE "A" Council of Conference

CONVENERS: Lana Lazarus and Tovia Aumua

QUESTION 25: What are the decisions of Conference on matters relating to the Council of Conference?
Report pp A1-3

DECISIONS:

1. The report is received.
2. Conference thanks Kilifi Heimuli, Aroha Houston, Jessie Kerr, Alex Webster and Ruby Winikerei who complete their time on Council of Conference.
3. Conference adopts the official name of the Church to be "The Methodist Church of New Zealand–Te Haahi Weteriana O Aotearoa".
4. Conference:
 - a. implements the proposed Model of Presidency from 2010; **No decision**
 - b. asks the Administration Division and Law Revision Committee to work on matters of funding and other structural and legal aspects and report to Conference 2009.**No consensus**
5. Conference asks the Council of Conference to circulate a discussion paper on the Wesley College Special Character by March 2009 to Synods and Hui Poari and report the outcomes to Conference 2009.
6. Conference approves the membership of the Council of Elders to be two members from Te Taha Māori and two members from Tauīwi.
7. Conference thanks Jill van de Geer for her significant contribution to the life and work of the Council of Conference in her role as General Secretary.
8. The Budget Task Group for 2009 shall be the President, Vice President, General Secretary, Tumuaki, Evelyn Kingi, David McGeorge, Paula Taumoepeau, Pari Waaka, plus one other to be brought to Conference and with Connexional Office Staff in attendance.
9. The two new members for the PAC Distribution Group for 2009 shall be: Rachel Masterton and Rex Nathan.
10. Council of Conference membership for 2009 shall be Te Taha Māori: Lana Lazarus (Co-Convenor), Julie-Anne Barney-Katene, Jim George, Keita Hotere, Gillian Laird, Rex Nathan, Bella Ngaha, Diana Tana, Pari Waaka and one further member to be appointed by the President from the substitute list following the Council of Conference Training Workshop. Substitutes: Raiha (Dorta) Cassidy, Christine Kershaw, Sonny Livingstone and Shirley Wiki. Tauīwi: Tovia Aumua (Co-Convenor), Des Cooper, Motekiai Fakatou, Tevita Finau, Jan Fogg, Barbara Peddie, Aso Samoa Saleupolu, Olive Tanielu and Susan Thompson. Substitutes: Thelma Efford, Mark Gibson, Derek Holland, Akisi Renner, Susau Strickland, Nigel Hanscamp and Viv Whimster. President Jill van de Geer, Vice President Ron Gibson, The Principal David Bell and General Secretary David Bush will also be in attendance.
11. That exploration be undertaken into moving towards two yearly Conferences.
12. That continuing exploration be undertaken into moving towards a two year Presidency term.
13. That the Council of Conference work group consult with the newly formed Task Group on items 11 and 12 and report to Hui Poari, Tauīwi Strategy, Synods and Conference 2009.

QUESTION 25(a): What is God saying to us now?

QUESTION 25(b): What more can be done to promote the work of God?

QUESTION 25(c): What are the decisions of Conference on matters relating to the Connexional Budget?
Report pp A3-7

DECISIONS:

1. The report is received.
2. Conference notes and affirms the Budget Task Group and the direction it has outlined regarding the contracting of professional expertise to implement a development plan, noting the moratorium in 3 below. (A PAC Grant is in place to fund this).
3. (a) A moratorium be placed on the PAC Funds from the PAC Distribution Group to outside groups other than MCNZ.
(b) The moratorium be placed on the PAC funds for a period of up to 3 years commencing 1/7/09.
(c) A priority for the PAC Funds will be the Connexional Budget for those 3 years.

4. Conference notes the Budget Task Groups intention to contract professional expertise to implement the development plan and that the consultant is to report to Budget Task Group and Council of Conference on the above and also to suggest what relief might be given to Parishes/Rohe during the moratorium.

CONFERENCE BUSINESS COMMITTEE "B(i)" Te Taha Maori

CONVENOR: Bella Ngaha

QUESTION 26(i) What are the decisions of Conference on matters relating to the tangata whenua, Te Taha Māori? *Report pp B(i)1-3*

DECISIONS:

1. The report is received.
2. Conference thanks Keita Hotere for her work and contribution to the life and ministry of Rangatahi.
3. The 2009 membership and officers of *Hui Poari* shall be Tumuaki Diana Tana; Lana Lazarus; Rangatahi: Raiha (Dorta) Cassidy, Julie-Anne Barney-Katene, Tiraroa Toki; Tai Tokerau: Raiha (Dorta) Cassidy, Rex Nathan; Tamaki: Gillian Laird, Bella Ngaha; Waikato: Pari Waaka, Evelyn Kingi; Taranaki: Frances Kingi-Katene, Jim George; Otautahi-Te Waipounamu: Sonny Livingstone and one further representative and two representatives each from Te Rohe Potae and Poneke to be appointed by the President.
4. The 2009 officers of *Rohe* shall be Tai Tokerau: Raiha (Dorta) Cassidy; Tamaki: Gillian Laird; Waikato: Pari Waaka; Taranaki: Frances Kingi-Katene; Otautahi-Te Waipounamu: Sonny Livingstone and one each for Te Rohe Potae and Poneke to be appointed by the President.
5. The 2009 membership of *Te Runanga Whakawhanaunga I Nga Haahi O Aotearoa* shall be Tumuaki Diana Tana, Keita Hotere and Lana Lazarus.

QUESTION 26 (i)(a) What are the decisions of Conference on matters relating to the Grey Institute Trust? *Report pp B(i)3-5*

DECISIONS:

1. The report is received.
2. The members of the Grey Institute Trust for 2009 shall be The Superintendent of the New Plymouth Methodist Parish (Chairperson), currently Rev Alan Upson, Rev Diana Tana, Julie-Anne Barney-Katene, Juanita Bishop, Doreen Erueti, Chris Gregory, John Honeyfield, Aroha Houston, Norman Johnston, Rex Nathan and Greg Wright with additional member(s) who may be added to the Trust to assist with changes in the work of the Trust during the coming year.

QUESTION 26 (i)(a) What are the decisions of Conference on matters relating to the Wellington Methodist Charitable and Educational Endowments Trust? *Report pp B(i) 5-6*

DECISIONS:

1. The report is received.
2. The membership of the Board for 2009 shall be Trevor Dine, Nola Hanson, Heather Lumsden-Ratu, Neville Price (Secretary), Owen Prior, Matthew Roberts, Diana Tana, Lani Tupu, Bunny Willing, Barrie Woods (Chairperson), and any others appointed by the President.

CONFERENCE BUSINESS COMMITTEE "B(ii)" Taiuiwi

CONVENERS: Lynne Frith and Paula Taumoepeau

QUESTION 26(ii)(a): What are the decisions of Conference on matters relating to Taiuiwi?

Report pp B(ii)1-4

DECISIONS:

1. The report is received.
2. Conference acknowledges the contributions made by Alex Webster, Setaita Kinahoi Veikune, Kilifi Heimuli, Ron Gibson and Dawn Armistead on the Taiuiwi Strategy and Taiuiwi Stationing committee, as well as their work in Synod leadership.
3. Conference notes the changes to the membership criteria for Taiuiwi members of Council of Conference as in the report.
4. Conference asks that Hui Poari, Synods and Boards have an ongoing agenda item focussing on ecology matters relevant to their work.
5. Synod Superintendents and Lay Representatives are asked to promote the CASI Energy Audit as a tool for use by Parishes, Rohe, Hui Poari, Synods and Boards.
6. Faith and Order Committee and Law Revision are asked to further explore what it means for a Lay Superintendent to be brought into full connexion and bring recommendations to August Synods, Hui Poari, Taiuiwi Strategy and Conference 2009.
7. Conference notes that Aso Samoa Saleupolu will be Taiuiwi Executive officer from 2009.
8. Conference expresses appreciation to Nigel Hanscamp for the time and commitment he has brought as Taiuiwi Executive Officer to Conference, Taiuiwi Strategy and Taiuiwi Stationing.
9. Conference agrees that
 - a. for 2009 the Taiuiwi Facilitators will facilitate Taiuiwi Strategy.
 - b. Taiuiwi Strategy will bring recommendations to Conference 2009 for changes to the Laws and Regulations to this effect.
10. Taiuiwi Membership of Council of Conference will be: Tovia Aumua (Co-convener), Aso Samoa Saleupolu (Taiuiwi Executive Officer), Desmond Cooper, David McGeorge, Motekiai Fakatou, Tevita Finau, Jan Fogg, Olive Tanielu, Susan Thompson, Barbara Peddie. Substitutes: Thelma Efford, Mark Gibson, Nigel Hanscamp, Kilifi Heimuli, Jessie Kerr and Viv Whimster.
11. Taiuiwi members of Council of Elders will be: Diana Roberts, Kepu Moa, Garth Cant (2010).
12. The Methodist Representatives to Uniting Congregations of Aotearoa New Zealand standing committee will be: Nigel Hanscamp (Director Pakeha Ministries) and Tony Bell.
13. The Taiuiwi Facilitators for 2009 will be: Lynne Frith and Paula Taumoepeau.
14. Taiuiwi Strategy Committee for 2009 will be: President Jill van de Geer, Vice President Ron Gibson, General Secretary David Bush, Taiuiwi Executive Officer Aso Samoa Saleupolu, Director Pakeha Ministries Nigel Hanscamp, Taiuiwi Facilitators Paula Taumoepeau, Lynne Frith, Principal / Trinity College David Bell, Peter Williamson, Rosalie Gwillam (Northland), Kenneth Smith, Christine Peak, (Auckland), Setaita Kinahoi Veikune, Tevita Finau (Vahefonua Tonga), Tovia Aumua, Lani Tupu (Sinoti Samoa), Prince Devanandan, Ian Faulkner (Manukau), Viv Whimster, Susan Thompson (Waikato), Jocelyn Boys, Tony Bell, Desmond Cooper (Lower North Island), Dave Martin, Alison Molineux (Nelson – Marlborough – West Coast), Bruce Anderson, Sue Spindler (Central South Island), Stuart Grant, Rachel Masterton (Otago – Southland), Peni Tikonaka, Niko Bower (Wasewase ko Viti kei Rotuma), Alan K Webster (Evangelical Network) and other current full members of Council of Conference not named in the committee, Barbara Peddie, Motekiai Fakatou, Jan Fogg and Olive Tanielu.
15. Taiuiwi Stationing Committee for 2009 will be: President Jill van de Geer, Vice President Ron Gibson, General Secretary David Bush, Taiuiwi Executive Officer Aso Samoa Saleupolu, Director Pakeha Ministries Nigel Hanscamp, Principal / Trinity College David Bell, Peter Williamson, Rosalie Gwillam (Northland), Kenneth Smith, Christine Peak, (Auckland), Setaita Kinahoi Veikune, Tevita Finau (Vahefonua Tonga), Tovia Aumua, Lani Tupu (Sinoti Samoa), Prince Devanandan, Ian Faulkner (Manukau), Viv Whimster, Susan Thompson (Waikato), Jocelyn Boys, Tony Bell, (Lower North Island), Dave Martin, Alison Molineux (Nelson – Marlborough – West Coast), Bruce Anderson, Sue Spindler (Central South Island), Stuart Grant, Rachel Masterton (Otago – Southland), Peni Tikonaka, Niko Bower (Wasewase ko Viti kei Rotuma), Alan K Webster (Evangelical Network).
16. Taiuiwi Meeting reports to Conference 2008, that in receiving the Taiuiwi Strategy report, page B(ii) – on "Leadership and Human Sexuality", it notes that Conference 2007, (in response to a notice of motion), had agreed to 'a conversation and consultation ...' during 2008 (see Reports to Conference 2007, pg B(ii) 2 and recommendation 8 [pg B(ii) – 9]).

That Taiuiwi, in keeping faith with the report of 2007; reaffirm its commitment to the decision of Conference 1993 to work within the intention of the Human Rights Act; the emphasis of John Wesley in his sermon on the Catholic Spirit; the church's contemporary understanding of the rights and

privileges of lay and ordained; and the traditional understanding of the role and function of the President and the Memorandum of Understanding (2004).

We therefore ask that Tauwi commit itself, resourced by Tauwi Strategy, to undertake the promised consultation during 2009.

17. Conference requests Tauwi Strategy to keep Hui Poari fully informed during 2009
18. Tauwi supports and affirms the initiative of Vahefonua Tonga O Aotearoa to establish a mission and encourages them to engage with WesleyCom as required by the Law Book.

QUESTION 26(ii)(b): What are the decisions of Conference on matters relating to the Evangelical Network?
Report pp B(ii)4-6

DECISIONS:

1. The report is received.
2. That the Executive for 2008-9 be Rev Alan Webster, David White (Treasurer) Andrea Williamson, Rev Peter Williamson, Rev Marion Peterson, Rev Brian Peterson and Mr Graham Older.

QUESTION 26(ii)(c): What are the decisions of Conference on matters relating to the New Zealand Methodist Women's Fellowship?
Report pp B(ii)6-9

DECISION:

1. The report is received.

QUESTION 26(ii)(d): What are the decisions of Conference on matters relating to Wasewase Ko Viti Kei Rotuma?
Report pp B(ii)9-10

DECISION:

1. The report is received.

B. Notice of Motion B

Wasewase ko viti kei Rotuma e Niu Siladi noted with approval the case made at Conference 2007 by Sinoti Samoa for a wider distribution of Connexional funds for assistance in areas of significant Church growth.

In the same spirit, the Auckland Methodist Fijian Circuit is requesting that Conference support the project at May's Road, Onehunga by giving directions to the Administrative Division and its Committees to give all possible financial support including grants, and necessary lower-interest manageable loan monies to the project.

Decision:

1. Conference refers the Notice of Motion to Tauwi Strategy and Hui Poari for consideration alongside conversations about Connexional Mission priorities.

CONFERENCE BUSINESS COMMITTEE "C" Law Revision

CONVENER: David Smith

QUESTION 27(a): What are the decisions of Conference on matters relating to Law Revision?

Report pp C1-2

DECISIONS:

1. The report is received.
2. Conference approves the following changes to the Discipline Code:
 - The current section 8: 18(b) become 18(b)(i).
 - New 18(b)(ii) The General Secretary shall promptly provide the Principal with a copy of any complaint against a student.
 - New 18(b)(iii) The General Secretary shall promptly provide the Principal and designated Synod Superintendent with a copy of any complaint against a probationer.
3. Conference approves the following two statements being added to the Law Book:
Add to the PREAMBLE
....". In the event of translation into any other language, the English version shall be authoritative and paramount, and will therefore always prevail over any translation.
SECTION 7 add the following:
1.6 The Laws and Regulations of the Methodist Church of New Zealand / Te Hāhi Weteriana o Aotearoa shall be those contained in these Laws and Regulations, as from time to time amended by the Conference. If there shall be any translation into another language, the English version shall always be paramount and definitive, and will therefore always prevail over any translation.
4. The Committee for 2009 be: David Smith (Convenor), Gardenia Atimalala Taulealeausumai, Manase Latu, Howard Lawry, Geoff Peak, Jan Tasker, Peter Williamson, the General Secretary, corresponding member, Donald Phillipps and one to be appointed by the President.

QUESTION 27(b): What are the decisions of Conference on matters relating to Presidential Rulings which have been made during the year?

DECISIONS:

1. The report is received.
2. Conference affirms the decisions taken by the President as outlined in the report.

CONFERENCE BUSINESS COMMITTEE "D" Administration Division

CONVENER: Ruth Bilverstone

QUESTION 28: What are the decisions of Conference on matters relating to the Administration Division?
Report pp D1-26

DECISIONS:

Administration:

1. The report is received.
2. Conference records its deep appreciation and congratulations to Jill van de Geer on completion of a successful term as General Secretary.
3. The Board of Administration notes that Conference has appointed David Bush as General Secretary and welcomes him to this task.
4. Conference records its appreciation to Frank Claridge for his offering of skill and commitment over many years to the work of the church.
5. Conference acknowledges the retirement of Noelene Allen on the completion of 23 years of loyal and dedicated service to the church.
6. That Conference adopts the provisions as set out in the report to allow Parishes and Boards to choose to rent the presbyters own home to meet their requirement to provide suitable accommodation for a full time Presbyter.
7. That Conference asks the Administration Division to prepare an information leaflet setting out the procedures and their implementation.
8. Membership of the Board of Administration for 2009 is: Bruce Anderson, Alan Bettany, Ruth Bilverstone (Chairperson), Richard Blakeborough, Donald Biggs, David McGeorge, Geoff Peak, Nan Russell, Diana Tana, Paula Taumoepaeu, Pari Waaka and the General Secretary.

Stipend Paper:

9. The report is received.
10. Conference recommends that the Board of Administration clarify the purposes for which the Book Allowance may be used.
11. Parishes and boards be required to provide for the costs of a home internet connection (Broadband where available) for presbyters and other nominated personnel. To be added to the remuneration booklet.
12. Urgency must be given to exploring and monitoring the capacity of the Church's supernumerary fund. The Board of Administration should bring a report to Conference in 2009.
13. Conference asks the Board of Administration to explore loan and shared equity possibilities for the purchase of housing by presbyters and deacons, and bring a report to the Conference in 2009.
14. Presbyters be encouraged to consider their long term housing needs as early in their ministry as possible. The Board of Administration to implement.
15. That the process of setting stipends be changed as follows:
A parish in preparing a profile for stationing may indicate, with the approval of the Synod, Board of Ministry, and Tauwi Strategy or Hui Poari a stipend figure above or below that set by the Stipends Committee. **Referred back to the Stipends Committee**
16. The Board of Administration is asked to investigate fleet purchase of vehicles and the associated cost benefits.
17. Conference notes that the superannuation contributions would be based on the standard stipend figure set by the Stipends Committee and not on any amount negotiated by parishes, synod or boards above or below that figure. **Referred back to the Stipends Committee**
18. That Mission Resourcing develops 'multi entry points' for ministry candidates.
19. Conference recognizes the importance of ministry reviews as part of building a robust and appreciated ministry and asks Mission Resourcing to work with Synods to monitor and conduct reviews of ministry on a regular basis.
20. Conference in acknowledging that professional development is important to ministry requests the Director, Ministry Development to prepare guidelines to assist Synods and the Theological College to better facilitate the ongoing education of those in ministry by; replacing the present study grants available with parish funded professional development grants of, in the first year, \$1,800 The latter should be reviewed annually, becoming the major resource of funds for significant study and travel. **Referred to Travel and Study**
21. Mission Resourcing ensure that Parishes declare in their parish profile the housing they have available i.e.
 - Provided and already in existence with no right to negotiate any options.

- Provided but the parish is willing to negotiate other options.
 - Not provided, but provision made for rental up to the amount established following a church's agreed formulae.
22. Mission Resourcing ensure that Presbyters [or any layperson or deacons deployed to a parish by Conference] declare:
- That housing to the standard set by Conference will be provided.
 - They are willing to live in long term rental accommodation of a mutually agreed standard.
 - They will live in their own housing [address to be declared in the profile].
- Referred to Board of Administration**
23. Conference notes that the changes recommended in this report will improve the degree of flexibility for Cooperating Ventures and Joint Ventures when negotiating with incoming Presbyters. **Referred to Board of Admin**
24. That Ministry Education be directed by Conference to develop a more decentralized model of training for Ministry with greater emphasis on distance learning options and less focus on residential training.
25. In recognition of the diverse range of requirements within parishes, communities of faith, chaplaincies and boards, Ministry Education be directed to focus on preparing people from a wide range of ethnic, theological and academic backgrounds in Ministry Formation programs (both residential and by distance learning) for Methodist Ministry, and reduce the involvement of Trinity College in academic studies. Academic studies should become a pre-requisite to entering Ministry Formation training.
26. That a reimbursing subsidy for Medical/Health Insurance be made available to all Presbyters at a level to be set annually by the Board of Administration. **Be referred to Board of Administration**
27. Conference supports in principle the payment of a responsibility margin for Connexional Appointees and Synod Superintendents. In doing so Tauwi Strategy asks:
- (a) The Board of Administration to consider whether a responsibility margin should be; part of stipend or allowances.
 - (b) The Board of Administration to seek independent objective advice on scoping of responsibility margins.
 - (c) The Board of Administration to circulate a report on findings to Hui Poari and Tauwi Strategy and March Synods 2009.
 - (d) Synods to report to Tauwi Strategy on their capacity to fund these payments by August 2009.
- Referred to Stipends Committee**
28. Tauwi Strategy accepts and notes that changes recommended in the Stipends Review report will improve the degree of flexibility for cooperating ventures and joint ventures when negotiating with incoming presbyters. **Referred to Stipends Committee**

Methodist Connexional Property Committee:

29. That the report is received.
30. The Church Law be amended by deleting the present wording of Section 9 clause 3.1, 3.2.1, 3.3.1, 3.3.2, 3.4.1, 3.4.2, and 3.4.3 as follows in italics.

Proposed Law

31. (3.1) *The consent of the Conference through the Board of Administration shall be obtained by all Parish Meetings, Incorporated Boards and trustees under the Methodist Model Trust Deed of 1887 for:*
- (a) *all proposed erections of, or enlargements and alterations, both exterior and interior, to Church buildings, including parsonages, which require building or resource consent;*
 - (b) *purchases or sales of Church property;*
 - (c) *leases of Church property for terms of seven years or more;*
 - (d) *mortgages of Church property;*
 - (e) *any borrowing or proposal to borrow funds sourced from outside New Zealand.*
32. (3.2.1) *Prior to the consent of the Conference being given to an applicant for any property proposal, the respective Synod or Regional Court shall be satisfied:*
- (a) *the proposal is in accord with established regional property strategy, is financially viable and that the applicant is able to repay any funds borrowed and any interest thereon;*
 - (b) *near the inception of the project of the appointment of an appropriately approved and qualified design professional in accordance with Methodist Connexional Property Committee guidelines as issued from time to time to assist with the strategy and planning, and to undertake the design, documentation, and contract administration of the project;*
 - (c) *that any Te Tiriti obligations of the Church have been resolved;*
 - (d) *that the land history has been researched for any sale or purchase of land.*

33. (3.3.1) *The proceeds from the sale of property shall be lodged with the Church Building and Loan fund in the name of the Parish and shall receive interest at the Church Building and Loan Fund's distribution rate as set from time to time.*
34. (3.4.1) *The Board of Administration shall consult with each Parish and that Parish's Synod at least once every 5 years to review ongoing ownership of property to ensure it is being appropriately used for mission of the Church and to meet stated Synod strategy, and to confirm that the funds from the sale of any property are being used in accordance with the Synod strategy.*
35. (3.4.2) *When property is sold that is no longer required to maintain Parish mission, and is not to be replaced:*
 - (a) *a portion of the proceeds of sale shall be contributed to the Development Fund Ministries. That portion shall be 15% unless otherwise agreed between MCPC, the Synod, and the Parish.*
 - (b) *after 5 years from the date of the sale, if the Parish has not ensured the use of the funds in the furtherance of the Parish mission and strategy, the Synod and Parish will determine if the funds are to be released to the Synod for its use in Synod strategy and mission.*

Clause 3.4.4 be renumbered 3.4.3.

QUESTION 28(a): What are the decisions of Conference on matters relating to the Investment Advisory Board?
Report pp D 29-30

DECISIONS:

1. The report is received.
2. The Board for 2009 be: David Bush (Secretary), John Chittenden, David Cleal, Hugh Garlick (Chairman), Michael Greer, Chris Gregory, David Hunt, Jack Jenner, Norman Johnston, Kay Kendall, Manase Latu, Meleane Nacagilevu, Lorraine Parker, Geoff Peak, Jill van de Geer, Greg Wright (Executive Officer).

QUESTION 28(b): What are the decisions of Conference on matters relating to the Methodist Trust Association?
Report pp D31--36

DECISIONS:

1. The report be received.
2. The Board for 2009 be: David Bush (Secretary), John Chittenden, David Cleal, Hugh Garlick (Chairman), Michael Greer, Chris Gregory, David Hunt, Jack Jenner, Norman Johnston, Kay Kendall, Manase Latu, Meleane Nacagilevu, Lorraine Parker, Geoff Peak, Jill van de Geer, Greg Wright (Executive Officer).

QUESTION 28(c): What are the decisions of Conference on matters relating to Connexional Trusts?
Report pp D26-27

Superannuation:

DECISIONS:

1. The report is received.
2. The Fund be closed to new members from 1 February 2010 (NB section 7.1.5 may apply to this resolution).
 - 7.1.5 *Subject to the provision of Clause 7.1.2 hereof, and in accordance with the provisions of Clause 7.1.1 hereof, the Conference shall have power to do whatever it from time to time considers appropriate for the mission work and order of the Methodist Church of New Zealand/Te Haahi Weteriana o Aotearoa provided that no change shall be made affecting what the President, acting on the advice of the President's Legal Adviser, deems to affect constitutional matters or the rights and privileges of the Ministry or Laity, unless such changes shall have been previously submitted by the Conference to the Districts and Regions, and confirmed at the next succeeding Conference by a resolution passed by a consensus decision of not less than fifty-five per cent of the votes of the members present and voting.*
3. The necessary legal steps are put in place to effect this change.
4. Conference affirms the Board of Administration's intention to seek out alternative arrangements to the existing scheme.

General Purposes Trust Board:

DECISION:

5. The report is received.

QUESTION 28(d): What are the decisions of Conference on matters relating to the PACT 2086 Trust?

Report p D29

DECISION:

1. The report is received.

QUESTION 28(e): What are the decisions of Conference on matters relating to the PAC Distribution Group?

Report p D28

DECISIONS:

1. The report is received.
2. The PAC Distribution Group for 2008 be: Gillian Laird, Arthur Davis, Margaret Giles, Tevita Finau, Elspeth Mclean, two to be appointed by the Conference, the Ex President, and the General Secretary.

QUESTION 28(f): What are the decisions of Conference on matters relating to the Robert Gibson Trust?

Report p D36

DECISIONS:

1. The report is received.
2. The Trust Board Members for 2009 be: Rex Ashley, Tony Bell, Preston Bulfin, John Chittenden, Susan Clarry, Reba Hunt, Geoff Marx, Christian Padrutt, Andrew Richardson, Margaret Springett, David Bush (General Secretary) and Bill Yateman (Chair / Farm Co-ordinator).

QUESTION 28(g): What are the decisions of Conference on matters relating to Statistics?

Report pp N1-4

DECISION:

1. The report is received.

QUESTION 28(h): What are the decisions of Conference on matters relating to the Wesley Historical Society?

Report p D37

DECISION:

1. The report is received.

QUESTION 28(i): What are the decisions of Conference on matters relating to Travel and Study?

Report pp D38-39

DECISIONS:

1. The report is received.
2. The Committee for 2009 be Don Biggs (Chair), Mary West (Secretary), Tovia Aumua, Liz Hopner, Prince Devanandan, and representation from Te Taha Maori And ex-officio (Corresponding or attending) , The Principal of the Theological College, Directors of Mission Resourcing, Co-ordinator Mission and Ecumenical, and the General Secretary. And up to two others as brought to conference or as approved thereafter by the President.

A. Memorial to Conference from Travel & Study Committee:

The Travel and Study Committee acknowledges with gratitude and thanks the endowment gift of \$100,000 from the PAC Distribution Group, and notes with joy that the group will look at adding to this amount if it possibly can in future years.

Decision:

1. Memorial is acknowledged.

CONFERENCE BUSINESS COMMITTEE "E" Board of Ministry

CONVENER: John Hinchcliff and Brian Turner

QUESTION 29: What are the decisions of Conference on matters relating to the Board of Ministry?
Report pp E1-35

DECISIONS:

Organisational Restructuring – Dr John Hinchcliff, Commissioner:

1. The report is received.

Report from Brian Turner (Ex President):

2. The report is received.
3. It is recommended that Conference
 - (a) notes that:
 - i. in examining governance structures for Mission Resourcing and Trinity Theological College, as supported by Conference 2007, the Commissioner Dr. John Hinchcliff, identified issues of governance and management across the various levels of the Church as a whole;
 - ii. I, as President of Conference, invited the Commissioner to explore those issues and provide a Church-wide governance/management paper for Synods and 2008 Conference;
 - iii. the Church-wide governance and management paper has been circulated to Synods and Boards with other committees accessing it through their regional Synods.
 - (b)
 - i. agrees that the 2008 Commissioner's Report on governance and management be accepted as a document for further consultation and development;
 - ii. notes that Recommendation 25a of the Stipends Review Group report to Conference 2007, received by Conference 2007, recommended that a Task Force be appointed to review the regional and national structure of Conference and Synods to reflect the diminishing resources of the Church;
 - iii. Conference appoints a Task Group charged with further consideration and consultation on the Commissioners report to Conference 2008, and any other reports submitted by groups or individuals on the Governance and Management Structures of the church.
 - iv. The Task Group to report to Synods and Hui Paori on a regular basis with a view to reporting to Conference 2009 and finally in 2010.
 - v. In preparing to report to Conference the Task group will note the need to manage communications to employees of the church, Trusts, Boards, Synods and any agency with which a board or committee of the Church as a contractual relationship.
 - vi. Noting this, Conference recommends that a budget allocation be approved by the Council of Conference in order that the Task Group may engage the expertise needed in order to implement any changes.
 - (c) agree that in respect of Mission Resourcing, a Board be established, until such time as any other church governance structures emerge; such a committee to consist of up to five people plus the Chairperson people reflective of Mission Resourcing responsibilities; with an Agreement developed to define the respective roles of the Board and the Management.
 - (d) agrees that in respect of Lay and Ministry Training through Trinity Theological College:
 - (i) the appointment of Principal proceed for effect from 2009;
 - (ii) the proposed Principal's Job Description be accepted;
 - (iii) the Trinity College Council (already in existence) be the governing body from 2009 until such time as any other church governance structures emerge;
 - (iv) the Trinity College Council consist of up to five people plus the Chairperson and that they be reflective of the functions of Trinity College;
 - (v) the Trinity College Council be charged with developing an agreement between Council and Management on their respective roles.
 - (vi) the Principal be charged with:
 - developing alternative models of Lay and Ordained Ministry Training together with costings and financial projections;
 - consulting with key stakeholders including relevant Conference Committees, staff and students;
 - reporting to conference 2009 on progress and specific recommendations where necessary, on the proposals re organisational and qualifications changes.
 - (e) agree that the Board of Ministry be disestablished.
 - (f) Conference 2008 recognises that the Commissioner be thanked.

- (g) that the membership of the Task Group be Ron Gibson (chairperson), John Murray, Dr Savae Latu, Lindsay Cumberpatch, David Bush, Lana Lazarus, Diana Tana, Fika Fucago and Laura Black.

QUESTION 29(a): What are the decisions of Conference on matters relating to Mission Resourcing?
Report pp E38-52

DECISIONS:

Mission Resourcing:

1. The report is received.
2. Conference notes that the Candidates Assessment Team convener for 2009 will be Chris Elphick.
3. Conference notes that the Ordinands Assessment Team convener for 2009 will be Norman Brookes.
4. Conference agrees that Parish reviews will be conducted on a 3 yearly cycle, as indicated in the report, with all parishes to have completed a first review before Conference 2011.
5. Conference agrees with the principle that all those in paid parish and Diaconal ministry in the Methodist Church of New Zealand are required to have a police vetting check.
 - a. That from January 2009 all new Candidates and all Lay Ministers listed on the stationing sheet are required to complete a police vetting check.
 - b. Recognising that Mission's have their own policies and procedures in place, from January 2009 all those paid by parishes to work with children, youth or the elderly are required to complete a police vetting check.
 - c. That from 2010 all Presbyters and Deacons are required to complete a police vetting check, with the first round of this process being completed by Conference 2011.
 - d. That all Police vetting checks are to be updated every 5 years.
 - e. That Mission Resourcing Board develop protocols to appropriately address matters that arise from police vetting reports.
6. Conference agrees that the following be included in the candidate process for all candidates wanting to candidate in for more than one language setting.
 - a. That Candidates are to have been actively involved for more than two years in worship and leadership in the life of the language settings they candidate for;
 - b. That Candidates are required to complete reports from a parish in each language setting as well as both ministerial synods.
7. That a group of up to 5 people, including the President and General Secretary, be formed to participate in discussions with the UCANZ Standing Committee and the five negotiating partners regarding questions and issues around Uniting Congregations. This group will report back to Conference 2009.
8. Conference congratulates Deacon Shirley Joy Barrow on her appointment as President of DANZA.
9. Conference notes the formation of a task group to work with the Presbyterian Church of Aotearoa New Zealand on updating the Mutuality of Ministry covenant and information leaflet. This task group will report to Tauiri Strategy in August and Conference in November 2009.
10. That the Board of Mission Resourcing for 2009 be Michael Greer (Chairperson), Tovia Aumua, Setaita Kinahoi Veikune, Soana Pamaka, Norman Johnston and one to be appointed by the President.

Local Shared Ministry:

11. In regards to the Guidelines for Local Shared Ministry:
 - a. Conference approves the Guidelines for Local Shared Ministry.
 - b. Conference asks Law Revision to work with the Local Shared Ministry Workgroup to implement appropriate changes to the Law Book.
 - c. Conference notes that the Local Shared Ministry Workgroup will initiate a review of the Guidelines in 2011.
12. Conference notes that the Local Shared Ministry Workgroup will continue to report to Conference through Mission Resourcing.
13. Conference notes the membership of the Local Shared Ministry Workgroup for 2009: Val Nicholls, Bonnie Heberton, Nigel Hanscamp, Terry Wall, Ngaire Southen.
14. Conference expresses its thanks to Alex Webster and Lynne Wall for the time, energy and skill they have brought to the establishment and encouragement of Local Shared Ministry in our Methodist context.

QUESTION 29(b): What are the decisions of Conference on matters relating to Ministry Education (Trinity College)? *Report pp E35-38*

DECISIONS:

1. The report is received.
2. That Conference, in acknowledging that Rev Dr Mary Caygill completes her term as Principal on 31 January 2009, places on record its deep appreciation of her outstanding service to the church in the field of Ministry education.
3. That Conference acknowledges with gratitude the work of Rev Dr Susan Adams as Director Trinity Ministry Training Unit and places on record its deep appreciation of her work in the area of theological education.
4. That Conference acknowledges with gratitude the work of Rev Dr Lynne Wall as Ranston Lecturer and places on record its deep appreciation of her work in the area of Biblical studies at Trinity Methodist Theological College.
5. That Conference acknowledges the difficult financial situation faced by Trinity College and the competent work and responsible stewardship of the Business Manager in returning a healthy financial statement.
6. That the Trinity College Council for 2009 be: Catherine Gibson (Chair), Susan Thompson, Melenaita Taumoefolau, Bella Ngaha (plus two to be appointed by the President).

QUESTION 29(c): What are the decisions of Conference on matters relating to The Churches Education Commission? *Report pp E57-58*

DECISION:

1. The report is received.

QUESTION 29(d): What are the decisions of Conference on matters relating to the Diaconate Task Group? *Report pp E54-56*

DECISIONS:

1. The report is received.
2. That a Task Group of President, Vice President, Past President and General Secretary be empowered to determine whether the budget of the Church is sufficiently robust or there can be some rearrangement of the budget to cover significant revitalization of the Diaconate; and
3. That it consider the determination of the Commissioner that the Diaconate is based on a philosophy and theology that is worthy of support.
4. That Diaconate Task Group continue to operate under the Functions and roles agreed to at Conference 2003. The National Coordinator for 2009 will be Shirley Joy Barrow and the Secretary/Treasurer will be Edna Evans.
5. Conference notes that the Diaconate will seek funding to enable five people to attend the four yearly World Diaconia Conference in Atlanta in July 2009.
6. That the Methodist Church of New Zealand, Te Hāhi Weteriana O Aotearoa support a bid for the Diaconia World Federation Conference in 2013 to be held in New Zealand.

QUESTION 29(e): What are the decisions of Conference on matters relating to The Methodist Lay Preacher's Network 2008? *Report pp E56-57*

DECISIONS:

1. The report is received.
2. Conference notes Dr Garth Cant will be replacing Rosalie Sugrue as a co-ordinator of the Network in 2009.

QUESTION 29(f): What are the decisions of Conference on matters relating to Tauwi Youth? *Report pp E52-E54*

DECISIONS:

1. The report is received.
2. That conference supports the commitment of Tauwi Youth Ministry to National Youth Workers Network Aotearoa Inc.

3. That conference supports the delegation of youth representatives from The Methodist Church of New Zealand, Te Hāhi Weteriana o Aotearoa invited by the Uniting Church of Australia to attend the National Christian Youth Convention in Melbourne from 3rd-9th January 2009.

QUESTION 29(g): What are the decisions of Conference on matters relating to Uniting Congregations of Aotearoa New Zealand?
Report pp E63-64

DECISION:

1. The report is received.

QUESTION 29(h)(i): What are the decisions of Conference on matters relating to the Tertiary Chaplaincy?
Report pp E58-59

DECISIONS:

1. The report is received.
2. That Conference affirm the work of tertiary chaplaincy and those who serve in this sphere and commends this work to the ongoing support of the Church.
3. Conference expresses its sincere thanks to Rev Bruce Hansen for his work as Chairperson of Tertiary Chaplaincy Council.

QUESTION 29(h)(ii): What are the decisions of Conference on matters relating to the Hospital Chaplaincy?
Report pp E59-60

DECISIONS:

1. The report is received.
2. That the Conference note the Rev Nigel Hanscamp continues as the Methodist Trustee on the ICHC Trust Board.

QUESTION 29(i): What are the decisions of Conference on matters relating to the Wesley College Trust Board?
Report pp E60-63

DECISIONS:

1. The report is received.
2. That the following be the Wesley College Trust Board for 2008/2009.
John Murray, Norman Johnston, Kay Kendall, Barbara Lawrence, Gillian Laird, Lana Lazarus, Andre Le Roux, Jack McCoskrie, Wesley Mansell, Suliasi Naulivou, Harvey O'Loughlin, Patisepa Unasa-Samoa Saleupolu, Barry Shuker, Diana Tana, Colin Telford, Mara Tupaea, Rev Utumau'u Pupulu, and Meleane Nacagilevu.

CONFERENCE BUSINESS COMMITTEE "F" Faith & Order

CONVENER: Terry Wall

QUESTION 30: What are the decisions of Conference on matters relating to Faith & Order?

Report pp F1-8

DECISIONS:

1. The report is received.
2. That Conference recognizes the significant contribution to the Faith & Order Committee of the Rev. Dr John Salmon over thirty years.
3. That Conference endorses the Covenant with the Anglican Church and encourages the Committee to take the next steps in the conversation.
4. That Conference welcomes the new Revised Pastoral Resolutions and commends them for use.
5. Conference accepts the principle of the appointment of Lay Superintendency and requests Faith and Order in conjunction with Law Revision to bring appropriate resolutions to Conference 2009.
6. That Conference refers the working paper on Sacraments in Local Shared Ministry back to the committee for further consideration.
7. That the committee for 2009 be: Terry Wall (Convenor), Tovia Aumua, (representing Sinoti Samoa) Shirley-Joy Barrow (representing the deacons), Norman Brookes, Michael Dye, Tony Franklin, Robyn Allen Goudge, Valerie Nicholls, Siosifa Pole, Tony Stroobant, Sisa Tuicakau (representing Wasewase ko Viti kei Rotuma e Niu Siladi), a representative from Vahefonua Tonga O Aotearoa, a student representative from Trinity College and a representative of the Evangelical Network.

C. Notice of Motion

From Waikato/Wairariki Synod

We believe that lay and ordained have theological, spiritual and pastoral skills and experience required for the position of Synod Superintendent. Therefore we ask that Conference allow a Synod to nominate a lay person to be the Synod Superintendent.

Explanation.

- Since Conference 1981 the position of President of the Methodist Church of New Zealand, Te Haahi Weteriana o Aotearoa has been open to Laypersons, as well as Presbyters and Deacons.
- The President, whether ordained or lay, is the Pastor of the church throughout the term of office.
- A Synod Superintendent also has pastoral and organizational responsibilities for the Presbyters, Deacons, members and Parishes within the Synod District, which is a considerably smaller area than the whole of NZ.
- Fewer senior Presbyters are available for Superintendency, as increasing numbers are approaching retirement, employed in chaplaincy or similar positions with limited parish or Synod involvement, or stationed in Connexional positions.
- Within Synods there are lay members who have leadership skills and experience of MCNZ.
- Should a lay person be nominated as Synod superintendent that person must:
 - a) Have the confidence of Synod members in his/her ability to provide the required leadership.
 - b) Have received appropriate training.
 - c) Attend a Synod superintendent's orientation training prior to induction.
 - d) Attend regular supervision with a registered supervisor.
 - e) Enter an appropriate Covenant with Te Haahi, recognising the authority of MCNZ.
 - f) Recognise that any authority given is valid only for the term of office.

Decision:

1. That this be referred to the Faith and Order Committee for reporting back to Conference 2009.

CONFERENCE BUSINESS COMMITTEE "G" Social Services

CONVENER: Ruth Silverstone

QUESTION 31: What are the decisions of Conference on matters relating to:

- a. WesleyCom
- b. Methodist Mission Northern
- c. Wesley Community Action
- d. Christchurch Methodist Mission
- e. The Methodist Mission (Dunedin Methodist Mission)

Report pp G1-21

DECISIONS:

1. The reports be received.
2. That the 2009 Methodist members of New Zealand Council of Christian Social Services (NZCCSS) be: Michael Greer and John Murray.
3. That the 2009 membership of WesleyCom Aotearoa be: Ruth Silverstone (Convenor), John Murray (Methodist Mission Northern Superintendent), David Hanna (Wellington Community Action Director), Michael Greer (Christchurch Mission Superintendent), Laura Black (Dunedin General Manager), Keith Hopner, Lindsay Cumberpatch, Michelle Grey, Desmond Cooper, Jenny Keightley and Julie Pearse.
4. The 2009 Methodist Mission Northern (Auckland) Board membership be: Gardenia Atimalala-Taulealea Sumai Prince Devanandan, Seini Filiai, Nicola Grundy, Marion Hines, Keith Hopner, David Hunt, Norman Johnston John Murray (Superintendent), David Smith (Chairperson), Greg Wright, and further members to be appointed by the President.
5. That the 2009 Employment Generation Fund (Auckland) Trustees be: Maurice Copeland (Chairperson), Graham Dewar, Angus Fletcher, John Fraser, Brian Gauld and Geoff Peak.
6. That the 2009 Tamahere Eventide Home (Hamilton) Board membership be: Neville Jack (Chairperson), Beverley Attrill, Chad Chibnall (Deputy Chairperson), Catherine Dickie, George Diprose, Ken Olsen, Don Sim, Shane Vanin, Louis Fick (CEO).
7. That the 2009 Bainbridge House Trust membership be: Warwick Hill (Chairperson), Katrina Allison, Barbara Dunn, Doug Graham, Lau Lasika, Tony Pike and John Murray, Superintendent of MMN.
8. That One Double Five Whare Roopu Community House Trust membership be: Rev Peter Williamson (Chairperson), Frances Freeman, Takurangi Yorke, Ryan Welsh, Hemi Horne, Isopo Samu and John Murray, Superintendent of MMN and further members to be appointed by the President.
9. That the 2009 Ministry with the Deaf Trust membership be: Barry Neal (Chairperson), Jean Masters, Greg Morgan, Graeme McDonald and John Murray, Superintendent of MMN.
10. That the 2009 Methodist City Action (Hamilton) membership be: Catherine Dickie, Louis Fick, Margaret Henshaw, Karen Morrison-Hume, Faye Te Whare, John Murray, Superintendent of MMN, Parish Superintendent and further members to be appointed by the President.
11. That the 2009 Wesley Community Action (Wellington) Board membership be: Desmond Cooper (Chair) Fletcher Thomas, Fatuatia Tufuga, Kathy Stirrat, Fuailangi Salepolu, Lesley McSharry, Jan Calvert, Senorita Laukau, Sheila Swan, Stephen Finlay, David Hanna (Director).
12. That the 2009 Trustees of Palmerston North Methodist Social Services Trust are: Brion Jarvis, Graham Pritchard Philomena Kiner, Derek Charlton, Desmond Cooper and David Hanna and two more who are yet to be appointed.
13. That the 2009 Christchurch Methodist Mission membership be: Jenny Keightley (Chair), Michael Greer (Superintendent), Carol Bellette, Richard Cunliffe, Garth Nowland-Foreman, Graeme McIver, Pam Sharpe, Susanne Spindler, John Wilson; and one other on nomination to the President.
14. Conference notes the retirement of Don Eade and Maurice van de Geer from the Board of the Christchurch Methodist Mission and records its appreciation for the significant commitment and expertise each has contributed.
15. The 2009 Dunedin Methodist Mission Board are: Austen Banks, Joy Clark, John Gallaher, Colin Gibson (Chair), Laura Black (General Manager), Rev Stuart Grant, Rev Michael Greer, Natalie Karaitiana, Julie Pearse and David Polson.

CONFERENCE BUSINESS COMMITTEE "H" Mission & Ecumenical

CONVENER: Keith Hopner

QUESTION 32(a): What are the decisions of Conference on matters relating to Mission and Ecumenical Affairs?
Report pp H1-13

DECISIONS:

Report:

1. The report is received.

United Churches in the Solomon Islands and in Papua New Guinea:

2. Conference affirms the continuing significant relationship with the United Church in the Solomon Islands, and the United Church in Papua New Guinea, and the assistance being provided to them through Methodist Mission and Ecumenical.

HIV and AIDS resource:

3. Conference encourages parishes and rohe to engage with the issues surrounding HIV and AIDS using the resource pack prepared by Methodist Mission and Ecumenical and available at Conference 2008.

New ecumenical initiative:

4. Conference affirms the ongoing discussion amongst leaders of traditionally ecumenically minded churches towards a possible new national ecumenical initiative, and looks forward to a positive outcome.
5. Conference notes the significant contribution of Rev Brian Turner to this discussion in his presidential year.
6. Noting the desirability of continuity of church leadership participation at this early stage of the dialogue, Conference requests Brian Turner to continue alongside John Roberts, Mission and Ecumenical Secretary, who is acting as a resource person for the dialogue. (Note at this stage there are to be just two representatives from each participating church).

World Council of Churches:

7. That the response to the World Council of Churches Faith and Order paper *The Nature and Mission of the Church: A Stage on the Way to a Common Statement* as set out in Appendix 1 be approved as that of the Methodist Church of New Zealand.
8. Conference affirms the suggestion of a "Living Letters" visit by leaders of the World Council of Churches to its member churches in Aotearoa New Zealand in late 2009 or early 2010.

Responding to open letter from Muslim leaders:

9. Conference welcomes the open letter addressed to Christian leaders by the Muslim leaders who met in Jordan in October 2007, and:
 - a) while acknowledging some profound differences of belief between Christians and Muslims, affirms that the two commandments to love God and neighbour constitute a common element in the faith and practice of our two religious traditions;
 - b) accepts the invitation to see Islam as not being against us but with us as we seek to realise the two commandments of love;
 - c) acknowledges the need for the two religions to work together for a meaningful peace with justice in the world;
 - d) joins with Muslims in challenging those who would promote violence and conflict for their own sake, personal gain, or for ideological ends and purposes.
 - e) encourages the promotion of justice, respect, fairness, kindness, healing, harmony and goodwill between the followers of Islam and Christianity, locally, nationally and internationally;
 - f) urges that the open letter be considered and promoted by local Councils of Christians and Muslims, Interfaith Councils, and be widely discussed within the Methodist Church of New Zealand;
 - g) encourages local congregations to enter with care and sensitivity into conversation with local Mosque or Islamic Centre communities.

Committee membership:

10. The Mission and Ecumenical Committee membership for 2009 be: Keith Hopner (convener), Margaret Donald, Hugh Dyson, Kilifi Heimuli, Keita Hotere, Barry Jones, Lana Lazarus, TeRito Peyroux, Shanti Sinnaduray, Sheila Thorne, Uesifili Unasa.

QUESTION 32(b): What are the decisions of Conference on matters relating to Christian World Service?
Report pp H13-17

DECISIONS:

1. That Conference thanks the Rev John Roberts for representing the Methodist Church on the Christian World Service Council and the Churches Agency on International Issues.
2. That Conference affirms the work of Christian World Service and encourages parishes to support the Christmas Appeal and emergency appeals.
3. That the Conference encourages all parishes to support the CWS campaign on climate change and its continued advocacy for policies to eradicate poverty.
4. That the Conference writes to the leaders of all political parties urging their support for an increase in aid spending to meet the 0.7% commitment, to help people out of poverty.
5. That Conference writes to the Minister of Disarmament, asking that the Government ratify the cluster munitions Treaty at the earliest opportunity.
6. That Conference sends a greeting to Pauline McKay on her appointment as the new Director of Christian World Service.

CONFERENCE BUSINESS COMMITTEE "I" Communications and Organisations

CONVENER: Nicola Grundy

QUESTION 33(a): What are the decisions of Conference on matters relating to the Communications Committee?
Report pp 1 1-4

DECISIONS:

1. The report is received.
2. Conference asks the Board of Administration consider designating the General Secretary as the Church's media contact person.
3. Conference approves the policy that the President and Vice President elect undertake a media and communication workshop as part of their preparation for office.
4. Conference encourages Boards, Hui Poari and Synods to discuss the following questions:
 - a. What are the issues of conscience the church needs to be addressing?
 - b. What are the issues of concern to local and national and international community?And send responses to the Communications Committee by 30th June 2009 in order that a communication template can be developed and circulated for comment to August Synods and Hui Poari 2009.
5. Conference acknowledges with gratitude the work of David Bush as convener of the Communications Committee.
6. Conference acknowledges and thanks Robyn Brown and Ruth Sandiford Phelan for their contribution to the Communications Committee.
7. Conference approves the membership of the Communications Committee for 2009 as: Nicola Grundy (Convenor), Trish Moseley, Lesley Mynet-Johnson, Bill Peddie, Shelia Thorne and at least three other people (to be approved by the President).

QUESTION 33(b): What are the decisions of Conference on matters relating to the Methodist Publishing Board?
Report pp 1 4-6

DECISIONS:

1. The report is received.
2. That conference encourages parishes and individuals to where able to contribute financially to maintain Touchstone.
3. That the Methodist Publishing Board for 2009 be: Mark Gibson (chair), the General Secretary, Jim Stuart, Paul Titus (Editor), Pieter Van der Berg (advertising), John Wilson, Chris Ambrose, Barbara Peddie and Saikolone Taufa.

QUESTION 33(c): What are the decisions of Conference on matters relating to the PAC Communications Endowment?
Report pp 1 6-7

DECISIONS:

1. The report is received.
2. The committee for 2009 is – Sheila Thorne, Brian Peterson, Lana Lazarus, Te Rito Peyroux, Trish Moseley (Convenor).

QUESTION 33(d): What are the decisions of Conference on matters relating to the Churches Broadcasting Commission?
Report p 1 7

DECISION:

1. The report is received.

CONFERENCE BUSINESS COMMITTEE "J" Social Issues

CONVENER: Lynne Frith

QUESTION 34(a): What are the decisions of Conference on matters relating to Social Issues?

Report pp J1-3

DECISIONS:

1. The report is received.
2. Conference approves the establishment of a Public Questions Network as an entity in the life of the Church.
3. Conference authorises the Public Questions Network core group to implement the proposals in this report and report progress to Conference 2009.
4. Conference requests the budget task group to reinstate a funding stream in the Connexional Budget for social justice activity.
5. Conference encourages Synods / UDCs and Hui Poari to identify a Synod Public Questions coordinator, who will be both the synod contact person on such matters and a member of the network core group.
6. Conference requests that those synods who identify a member of the coordinating group fund the travel for that person to a maximum of two meetings per year.
7. Conference welcomes and gratefully acknowledges the significant financial contribution Wesleycom has offered to enable a Public Question Network desk to be established and sustained as a full time equivalent position.
8. Conference encourages parishes and rohe to consider how they might engage with the Public Questions Network.
9. Conference thanks the implementation group for its work and requests that together with WesleyCom it proceed towards the implementation of this proposal.
10. The Convenor of the Public Questions Network core group be nominated by the Implementation Group / WesleyCom for appointment by the President.
11. After consultation with Synods and Hui Poari, membership of the interim core group to be nominated by the Implementation Group / WesleyCom and appointed by the President.

QUESTION 36(b): What are the decisions of Conference on matters relating to the Interchurch Bioethics Council?

Report p J4

DECISIONS:

1. The report is received.
2. Conference records its deep appreciation and thanks to Audrey Jarvis for her dedicated work on the Bio-ethics Council since its inception.
3. That the following be approved as Methodist members 2008-2009: Barbara Peddie, Bella Ngaha and one further to be appointed by the President.

E. Notice of Motion

That the Conference invite the New Zealand government to provide a source of community funding which is not based on lotteries or other forms of gambling.

Reason: At present Lotteries Board funding is virtually the only form of contestable community funding to community and church organisations. Since some organisations have a specific concern for mitigating the harm done by gambling it places such groups at a disadvantage when seeking community funds for legitimate projects designed for community benefit.

The moral dilemma is that there is no viable alternative for groups who feel it is hypocritical to provide tacit support for lotteries by using the profits while at the same time trying to convince the community that there are good reasons not to become involved with lotteries in the first place.

Decision:

1. To be referred to the Public Questions Network for consideration.

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