

Members of the Order of St Stephen

Introduction

In 2005, Rev Marcia Baker wrote an article for *Touchstone* about the Order of St Stephen. She noted in the article, that the membership register had been lost, and re-constructed a list of members. Her list was published on the Methodist Church website in 2011.

It has been replaced by the list below, which is compiled from the original membership roll. This roll, part of the Methodist Department of Christian Education records, was not lost, but located in the Auckland Methodist Archives. It is now held in the Methodist Church of New Zealand Archives national repository in Christchurch.

The roll is a large bound volume and consists of a page for each person, usually with a photograph, and information about what work they undertook. Later entries are sparse, and a different format was used.

Spelling of names has been recorded as written in the register. Any additional information, compiled by Rev Marcia Baker, has been included in square brackets, or noted where the information came from. From number 124 onwards, most entries in the register consist only of a person's name.

A recent gift of research and information about the Order of St Stephen compiled by Dianne Claughton, which contains information about individuals who were members, is also available at the Methodist Archives, Christchurch in the Personal Papers and Historical Records Collection.

For further information, please contact the Methodist Church of New Zealand Archives, email: archives@methodist.org.nz or write to PO Box 931, Christchurch, NZ.

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Number	Name	Date	Home church	Type of work and area
1	Jones, Dorothea M (known as Thea)	1950-1951	Avondale Church, Auckland	Youth work, Northland District
2	Bennett, George L	1951	Te Kowhai Church	Maori work, Pukekohe
3	Hounsell, Phyllis	1952	Bryndwr Church, Christchurch	Youth work, Hutt Valley
4	Murray, John F (known as Jack)	1953	Riccarton Church, Christchurch	Carpenter, Solomon Islands
5	Dey, Gordon T	1953	St John's Church, Hamilton East	Carpente, Solomon Islands
6	Smith, Owen J	1953	Riccarton Church, Christchurch	Youth work, St John's Community Centre, Ponsonby, Auckland
7	Thomas, Gladys M	1954	Te Awamutu Church	Youth work, Waikato
8	Smith, Noeline	1954	St Peter's Church, Invercargill	Youth work, Invercargill
9	Quarrie, Lynette P	1954	Whangarei Church	Office work, Epworth Bookroom, Wellington
10	Churchill, Thelma	1955	Brooklyn Church, Wellington	Papanui Children's Home, Christchurch
11	Verity, M Grace	1955	Woodlands Street Church, Timaru	Te Rahui Maori Girls' Hostel, Hamilton
12	Peterson, David G	1956	Bunnythorpe Church	Carpenter, Solomon Islands
13	Ball, Niven G	1956	Masterton Church	Carpenter, Solomon Islands
14	Horwood, Anne	1956	St Albans Church, Christchurch	Youth worker, Henderson
15	Nelson, Betty N	1957	Thorndon Church,	Youth work, Riccarton

Number	Name	Date	Home church	Type of work and area
			Wellington	
16	Stubbs, Peter F	1958	Takapuna Church	Circuit work, Abbotsford, Dunedin
17	Nicholls, Ruth H	1958	Manurewa Church	Circuit work, Porirua
18	Sharp, Ann B	1958	Pahiatua Church	Children's home, Auckland; and pastoral work, Hamilton
19	Michie, Laurie A	1958	Woodlands Street Church, Timaru	Circuit work, Masterton and Timaru
20	Corley, Mervyn	1958	Bunnythorpe Church	Carpenter, Birkenhead
21	Hawkins, Ron	1959	Avondale Circuit	General work, Auckland Central Mission
22	Falconer, Rose	1959	Pahiatua Church	Office work, Epworth Bookroom, Wellington; Masterton Children's Home
23	Heathcote, Gordon	1959	Dargaville Church	Electrical work, churches throughout New Zealand
24	Mullan, Barbara	1959-1961	Welsey Church, Wellington	Office work, Palmerston North churches; youth work, Manawatu District
25	Ford, Judith	1959-1960	Leeston Church, Christchurch	Te Rahui Maori Girls' Hostel, Hamilton
26	Sides, Rita	1960	Lincoln Road Church, Christchurch	Circuit work, New Brighton, Christchurch
27	Miller, Elizabeth	1960	St Peter's Church, Invercargill	Circuit work, Invercargill
28	Beaumont, Pamela V	1960	Richmond Church, Christchurch	Teacher, Tonu, Bougainville; and translating St Luke's Gospel into Siwai
29	Grice, Beryl	1960	Birkenhead Church	Teacher, Tonu, Bougainville
30	Warth, Maurice W	1960	Birkenhead Church	Carpenter, camp properties, New Zealand
31	Barker, Ian	1960	Aramoho Church, Wanganui	General work, Auckland Central Mission
32	Rowe, Molly H A	1961	Stratford Church	Office work, Finance and Stewardship, and Home Mission office, Auckland
33	Freeman, Jack	1961	Dargaville Church	Carpenter, Solomon Islands
34	Preston, Beryl R	1960-1961	Hastings Church	Masterton Children's Home; Girls Life Brigade
35	Birch, Bernice	1961-1962	Trinity Church, Palmerston North	Pharmacist, Solomon Islands
36	McClennan, Gillian	1961-1962	Maeroa Church, Hamilton	Office work, Christchurch Central Mission
37	Dryden, Kathleen	1962	Waiwhetu Church, Lower Hutt	Papanui Children's Home, Christchurch
38	Jenkin, Laurie	1962	Te Awamutu Church	Teacher, Solomon Islands
39	James, Elizabeth E (known as Beth)	1962	Richmond Church, New South Wales	Circuit work, Durham Street, Christchurch
40	Skinner, Kenneth G	1962	Mt Albert Church	Carpenter, Solomon Islands
41	Penny, Alan	1962	Petone Church	Carpenter, Nipa, Papua New Guinea Highlands
42	Tulloch, John	1962	Wesley Church. Gisborne	Carpenter, camp and church buildings throughout New Zealand
43	Bowen, Lesley	1963	Blenheim	Nurse, Kekesu, Teop, Bougainville
44	Taufa, John	1963	Tongan Conference	Minister, Bougainville
45	Tiddy, Nancy	1963	Mt Maunganui Church	Teacher, Solomon Islands
46	Marshall, Judith	1963	Shirley Church, Christchurch	Teacher, Solomon Islands

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47	Maelagi, George	1963	Vella Lavella Methodist Church	Teacher, Solomon Islands
48	McKerras, Bruce A	1963	Papatoetoe Church, Auckland	Carpenter, camp and church buildings throughout New Zealand
49	Lavelle, Margaret	1963	From England	Nurse, Solomon Islands
50	Craig-Parker, Vivienne	1964	Otorohanga Church	Porirua circuit; manager Epworth bookshop, Hamilton
51	Ropete, Sakiri	1964	Roviana Circuit	Teacher, Solomon Islands
52	Gege, Jonah	1964	Choiseul	Carpenter, Solomon Islands
53	Rutter, Allan	1964	Roviana Circuit	Teacher, Solomon Islands
54	McCutcheon, Diane	1964	Hastings Church	Office work, National Council of Churches, Christchurch
55	Ringer, Averil S	1964	Matangi Church, Hamilton East	Pastoral work, Shirley Church, Christchurch
56	Woodley, Keith	1964	Hokitika, Petone, and Wesley Church, Wellington	Teacher, Tonu, Bougainville
57	Shaw, Kathleen	1964	Teop, Bougainville	Teacher, Bougainville
58	Pugh, Bernice	1964	Shirley Church, Christchurch	General work, Papatoetoe Circuit
59	Jackson, Noel	1964	Pitt Street Church, Auckland	Carpenter, Papua New Guinea Highlands
60	Law, Colin	1965	Miramar	Broadcasting, Western Samoa
61	Paterson, Gerald	1965	--	General work, Napier Circuit
62	Jenkin, Bryan	1965	Woodville Church	Builder, Solomon Islands
63	Dick, David	1965	St John's Church, Bryndwr, Christchurch	Electrician, Solomon Islands
64	Bameina, Epli Epiova (known as Epiova)	1965	Kieta Circuit, Solomon Islands	Teacher, Solomon Islands
65	Pope, Hilary	1965	Riverton, Southland	Maori work, Waikato Circuit
66	Jack, Desmond V	1965	St John's Church, Hamilton	Carpenter, Papua New Guinea Highlands
67	Wakelin, Evelyn M	1966	Bank Street Church, Whangarei	Office work, Masterton Circuit
68	Hapa, Matthew	1966	Roviana Circuit	Teacher, Solomon Islands
69	Kameru, Enoch	1966	Kieta Circuit	Pastor, Solomon Islands
70	Salmon, Heather	1966	Epsom Church	Secretarial, Munda, Solomon Islands; Papua New Guinea Highlands
71	Rushton, Dianne	1966	Morrinsville Circuit	Teacher, Fiji
72	Tabuteau, Miriam	1966	Takapuna Church	General work, Takapuna Circuit
73	Shaw, Ann	1967	Silverdale Church	Bacteriologist, Solomon Islands
74	Harney, Eric	1967	Methodist Central Mission, Auckland	Mechanic, Solomon Islands
75	Harney, Sally	1967	Methodist Central Mission, Auckland	Teacher, Solomon Islands
76	Schnell, Janette E	1967	Ashhurst Church	Dental nurse, Lelean High School, Fiji
77	Schick, Eileen F	1967	Dargaville Church	Teacher Kihili Girls School, Solomon Islands
78	Zale, Jean K	1967	Buin Circuit	Teacher, Kihili High School, Solomon Islands
79	Daniell, Leonard G	1967	Te Awamutu Church	Carpenter, Papua New Guinea
80	Layton, Judith	1967	St John's Church,	Nurse, Arnhem Land, Australia

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			Masterton	
81	Wall, Patricia	1967	Waipawa Church	Assistant Matron, Astley House, Auckland
82	Siana, John	1968	Solomon Islands	Carpenter, Solomon Islands
83	Masters, Keith	1968	Melville Church, Hamilton	General work, Bougainville
84	Masters, Valerie	1968	Melville Church, Hamilton	Teacher, Solomon Islands
85	McKenzie, Gladys E	1968	Waimate Church	Pastoral and secretarial work, Lower Hutt Church
86	Elliott, Keith G	1968	Alexandra Church, Otago	Builder, Solomon Islands
87	Powell, Esther	1968	Picton	Teacher, Solomon Islands
88	Baker, Beverley A	1968	Turua	Nurse, Papua New Guinea Highlands
89	Oates, Colin E	1968	Te Awamutu Church	Mechanic, Papua New Guinea Highlands
90	Qilanoba, Ula	1969	Choiseul	Pastoral work, Solomon Islands
91	Crabtree, Carol G	1969	Tauranga	Nurse, Solomon Islands
92	Bellamy, Diane M	1969	St Paul's Church, Hamilton	Teacher, Papua New Guinea
93	Brown, Julie (nee Bradley)	1969	Gisborne	Teacher, Solomon Islands
94	Vaughan, Warren S	1969	St John's Church, Masterton	General maintenance, Solomon Islands. [General Maintenance at Manggai High School, New Ireland, Papua New Guinea. Information emailed by Anne Olson nee Vaughan 28 April 2017]
95	Olsen, Anne	1969	St John's Church, Masterton	Teacher, New Ireland Teacher at Manggai High School, New Ireland, Papua New Guinea. Information emailed by Anne Olson nee Vaughan 28 April 2017]
96	Lowe, Christine	1968-1970	St Paul's Church, Hamilton	Teacher Papua New Guinea Highlands
97	Small, Murray	1970	Mt Albert Christian Youth Movement Methodist	Builder, Solomon Islands
98	Russell, Beverley Annette	1969-1970	St Paul's Church, Palmerston North	Family care, Dunedin Central Mission
99	Lloyd, Dianne Muriel	1970	Central Mission, Christchurch	Teacher, Papua New Guinea
100	Pearce, Jillian Mary	1971	Aldred, St Albans, Christchurch	Nurse, Masterton Children's Home
101	Wharfe, Margaret Frances	1971-1972	Pukekohe Circuit	Secretary, Gaulim Teachers' College, Papua New Guinea (2 years)
102	Guest, Justine Elizabeth	1973	Shirley Church, Christchurch	Nurse, Papua New Guinea
103	Cheeseman, Leicester	1974	Spreydon Circuit, Christchurch	Engineer, Bougainville
104	Tindling, Robert	1974	Foxton Union Parish	Director of Christian Education, Foxton Union Parish
105	Zurcher, Bertha M	1975	Longburn Church, Palmerston North	Home support, Palmerston North. First member to give post-retirement service
106	White, Graeme R	1969	Caversham, Dunedin	Pastoral work, Henderson; camp worker,

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				Kawarau Falls, Otago. [inadvertently omitted; 93A]
107	Smith, Heather	1975	St Stephen's Church, Otumoetai, Tauranga	Youth work and Papanui Children's Home, Christchurch
108	Gabites, Cathryn	1975-1976	Marchwiell Union Parish, Timaru	General work, Masterton Children's Home
109	Carter, Judith	1976	Manurewa, Auckland	Circuit assistant, Manurewa
110	Dawson, Jennifer	1976-1977	Henderson Anglican Parish	General work, Masterton Children's Home
111	Dolejs, Dan	1980	Hamilton	Youth work, Stoke, Nelson
112	Burrough, Stephen	1980	--	Youth work, location unstated
113	Neate, David	1980	Bordertown, South Australia	Gardening work, Dunedin and Christchurch Central Missions
114	Peach, Elizabeth	1980-1981	Christchurch	Work with elderly people, Vienna, Austria
115	Donaldson, Andrew	1982-1983	St Albans, Christchurch	Youth work Rangiora-Woodend Methodist Parish; Linwood Union Parish and Shirley Methodist Church
116	Jellyman, Keith	1982-1983	--	Youth work
117	Greening, Alison	1982-1983	Opawa Church, Christchurch	Administration Division, Methodist Church, Christchurch
118	Paine, Elizabeth (known as Liz)	1983	Rugby Street, Christchurch	Youth worker, Lower Hutt; and 2 days weekly at Education Office Wellington
119	Meredith, Dale	1983-1984	--	Planning social services, Invercargill
120	Hawkey, Jill	1984	Rugby Street, Christchurch	General work, Christchurch Central Mission
121	Sadler, Lynley	1984	Opawa Parish	Pastoral work, Christchurch
122	Vugler, Susan	1984	--	Pastoral work, Auckland
123	Muller, Reinhold	1984	Salzburg, Austria	Christchurch Central Mission; Rehua Maori Boys' Hostel
124	Capistrano, Nenette	[1986]	--	--
125	Evans, Audrey	[1986]	--	Pastoral work, Te Awamutu
126	Cree, Nik	[1987]	--	--
127	Hudson, Michelle	[1987]	--	--
128	Munroe, Meryl	[1987]	--	--
129	Dawson, Brian	[1987]	--	--
130	Holmes, Diane	[1987]	--	--
131	Mayr, Wilfried	[1988]	Vienna, Austria	Information supplied by Wilfried Mayr June 2013: "Wesley and Fairhaven Homes and Hospitals for the Aged, in the areas of nurse aiding, recreational activities and befriending the elderly. Christchurch Methodist Mission"
132	Hart, Joy	[1990]	--	--
133	Hunt, Fiona	[1991]	--	--
134	Moore, David	[1991]	St Paul's Church, Orakei	Youth work, Auckland District
135	Len, Michael	[1991]	[Durham Street Methodist Church]	[Christchurch Methodist Mission Wesley Home and Hospital and Fairhaven Home]. Information supplied by email from Dr Michael Len 17 March 2014
136	Wallis, Catherine	[1992]	--	--
137	Aufai, Beverley	[1992]	--	--

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138	Hinton, Sharon	[1993]	[Australia]	[Youth ministry, Feilding]
139	Roberts, Matthew	[1993]	[Wellington]	[Maori archives, Auckland]

Marcia Baker records two other names of people as candidates, but not received as members, were Trevor Kent from Auckland in 1991 and Troy Sugrue from Dunedin in 1990.

Transcript of brochure: Order of St Stephen [not dated]

What is the Order of St Stephen?

The Order of St Stephen is established to provide opportunity for the expression of the spirit of devotion and service on the part of young people who desire to offer their services, without remuneration, to Christ and the Church.

The Church believes that an opportunity should be provided for the sacrificial service to be offered and accepted, thus making a real contribution to its life and work. The Order shall consist of all those who have given a year of special service in one of the ways provided by the Church and approved by the Board of Christian Education. The avenues of service are to be arranged where necessary in consultation with other departments of the Church.

Conditions of the Order

- The Order of St Stephen shall consist of members of the Christian Youth Movement Methodist who have given at least one year of full-time service to the Church in an approved sphere. Admission to the Order shall be conferred by the Board in consultation with the authority concerned on completion of the term of service.
- Members of the Christian Youth Movement Methodist who have attained the age of 18 years, and who are members of the Methodist Church of New Zealand, shall be eligible to apply for service in the Order.
- All avenues and conditions of service shall be investigated thoroughly and approved by the Board. The appointments, however, shall be made and oversight exercised by the section of the Church under whose direction the service is rendered. The Board shall be kept informed concerning the work of the Candidate.
- A Dedication Service shall be arranged at the commencement of the period of service, and a ceremony of Reception into the Order when membership is conferred. The Board shall be responsible for arranging these services through the District Youth Council and that section of the Church concerned.
- The Badge of the Order shall be issued by the Board of Christian Education to each Member of the Order.
- A roll of Members shall be kept by the Board of Christian Education.
- Interested persons may secure the official Application form from the Methodist Department of Christian Education, 75 Taranaki Street, Wellington, C 3.
- If you are considering applying for service in the Order, first consult your own Minister and write to the Director, Methodist Department of Christian Education, 75 Taranaki Street, Wellington, C 3.

Spheres of Service

Youth Work

A year's service with one of our local churches, assisting with organisation of youth work such as Bible Classes, Sunday School, Youth Clubs, teaching, visiting, community work, district organising.

Circuit Work

General assistance to Circuit Minister including secretarial and youth work and perhaps some visiting.

Work Projects

Enterprises which may be sponsored giving opportunity for use of special gifts, eg a qualified carpenter giving a year travelling to directed Churches, doing maintenance and other work; organizing groups of workers for work projects.

Church Institutions and City Missions

Work on staff of Church Schools, Children's or Eventide Homes, Trinity College, Hostels, or in one of the Church offices, will provide a field of opportunity for many different types of service to be rendered. Domestic help, gardeners, farmers, tradesmen, nurses, typists, stenographers, and others are sometimes required.

Other Fields of Service

These may from time to time open up and will be made known to the Church and its youth.