

Sunday School 100th Anniversary	November	1953
Centennial Jubilee of Church	November	1953
Seventy-fifth Anniversary of present Church	3rd-5th December	1960
Y.M.B.C. 75th Jubilee	July	1964

SPECIAL EVENTS:

Free Church of Scotland petitioned to send Minister to Wellington, 15th November, 1851 and congregation was formally established	17th November	1853
Sunday School opened		1853
Mt. Cook branch Sunday School, Francis Place		1872
Mission started at Newtown, now St. James, under Mr. Robert Hopkirk		1874
First Service at Wadestown by Rev. James Paterson		1879
Church Organ installed		1886
Bible Class movement started by Sir George Troup		1888
Services started at Brooklyn by Mr. John Reith		1904
Stained glass windows at South end, given by the Hon. J.G.W. Aitken, in memory of St. John's B.C. men who fell in the 1914-18 war		1920
Stained glass window at north end dedicated to the memory of the Hon. J.G.W. Aitken, first layman Moderator, 1917		1923
Church Praise introduced 1884, New Church Praise 1910, and Church Hymnary		1937
Choir Gowned (first of Presbyterian Choirs in N.Z.)		1944
First Women Managers appointed		1951
Window facing the vestibule dedicated in remembrance of the devoted women, who, through 100 years, worshipped and served in St. John's		1954
Martin Window dedicated	July	1965

CHURCH NEWSPAPERS:

"The Record"		1892-1896
"The Torch Bearer"		1930-1931
"The Review"		1936-1938
"The Messenger"		1941-

PUBLICATIONS:

Jubilee Booklet of Diamond Jubilee		1913
Jubilee Booklet of Y.M.B.C. Golden Jubilee		1938
Jubilee Booklet of Church Centennial		1953

ST. JOHN'S CHURCH

Willis Street, Wellington

ANNUAL REPORT

1966 - 1967



One Hundred and Fourteenth Report

covering period

1st July 1966 to 30th June 1967

To be presented at the
Annual Congregational Meeting
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**OFFICE BEARERS OF ST. JOHN'S
KIRK SESSION**

		Inducted
Spratt, F.C., Q.C.,	69 Pitt Street, N.2.	1928
Blake, L.R.,	29 Rawhiti Terrace, W.1.	1933
Fowler, R.B.,	48 Homewood Avenue, W.3	1933
Smith, H.B.,	25 Maida Vale Road, C.4.	1941
Martin, J.S.,	91 Eden Street, S.2.	1946
Pumfrey, R.E.,	41 Puriri Street, E.4.	1946
Woods, N.S.,	38 Harrison Street, S.W.1.	1950
Marshall, Rt. Hon. J.R.,	23 Bolton Street, C.1.	1950
Wall, A.L.,	55 Madras Street, N.5.	1951
Baber, A.J.,	38 Waitoa Road, E.2.	1960
Dornan, Alford,	19a The Crescent, Roseneath, C.4.	1960
McKenzie, Stuart,	15 Hoggard Street, S.W.1.	1960
McLennan, R.A.,	26 Clifton Terrace, C.1.	1960
Van Zweeden, M.,	33 Rata Road, E.2.	1960
Anderson, K.L.,	50 The Parade, Paekakariki.	1962
Keyes, A.W.,	Flat 6D Aston Towers, Abel Smith Street, C.2.	1962
May, H.S.B.	47 Morningson Road, S.W.1.	1962
McLellan, D.,	20 Apuka Street, S.W.1.	1962
Oed, G.V.,	89 Wilton Road, N.2.	1962
Vink, J.W.,	25 Mantell Street, E.5.,	1962
Chappell, F.E.	28 Stoke Street, S.1.	1965
Thomson, J.,	101 Gordon Wilson Flats, C.1.	1965
Garratt, F.,	109 Grafton Road, C.4.	1965
Lowman, I.S.,	65 Alexandra Road, C.4.	1965
MacKenzie, Ken. Senr.,	17 Karepa Street, S.W.1.	1965
Shiels, A.,	19 Fernhill Terrace, N.2.	1965
Arnold, R.D.,	2 Maurice Terrace, C.2.	1966
Aker, F.S.	289 The Terrace, C.2.	1967
Kensit, F.J.	149 Miro Miro Road, Normandale,	1967
Strong, M.,	C/o The Bridge, Vivian Street, C.2.	1967

THE MINISTER'S LETTER

My Dear Friends,

I suppose that as one grows older time seems to pass more quickly. But it is true that when we Christians are fully occupied in our Lord's work, in this Church, we are often aware of the passage of time. So the year has sped and we stand on the threshold of new days.

Jesus once remarked; "Are there not twelve hours in the day?" Assuming that the content of each hour must be filled with loving caring service.

Our Church has had a busy year. The organisations have been outgoing and our youth activities are well led. The women's groups have had their annual meetings and all are performing a fine service in the Church. The A.P.W. is a reminder that we work as a part of a larger family in the Presbytery.

At the same time there is not one of us but is conscious of the many things we ought to have done. We have to remember that human nature always needs the grace of God to change it and the continuance of the Holy Spirit to control and subdue to His will.

We have suffered deeply by the death of some wonderful people. When God calls His saints to their reward we realise vividly how much these folk mean to us all.

It has been heartening to feel a mounting concern among our members and adherents; a concern for the coming closer together of the different branches of His Church; together with a renewed emphasis on the urgency of communication of the Gospel. It is thrilling to see more and more young people attending the Church and being welcomed by our robust Bible Classes.

May this coming year find St. John's even more involved in His world in outgoing service and evangelistic concern.

Your Friend and Minister

Kingsley Fairbairn.

COMMITTEES APPOINTED BY SESSION

CHOIR AND ORGAN: J.W.Vink (convener), R.N.Fleming, K.MacKenzie Senr., R.E.Pumfrey.

YOUTH LIAISON: A.Dorman (convener), K.L.Anderson, J.W.Vink.

TROUP HOUSE: Rev.J.K.Fairbairn, F.E.Chappell, Mrs Hughes, Rt.Hon.J.R. Marshall, N.G.Robertson, J.W.Vink, N.S.Woods

THE KIRK SESSION

An amazing change has occurred in what constitutes our congregation of St.John's. We have been inclined to think of ourselves as having a membership composed of a large student group and a high proportion of elderly and retired folk. Recently Session has revised its ideas on this and here are the figures that emphasise the change. (The figures are for communicants only). Students represent 5% of the congregation. Young people other than students who are in the under 35 age group, many of whom are young marrieds 26%. Those two figures added together make 31% of the congregation to be in the younger age group. Between the 35 and retired people we have 37.8% i.e. working people and married women. The retired or fixed income group comprise 22%. The other 9.2% are people not classified due to insufficient information and these probably are divided proportionally among the above. This knowledge makes us realise that far from being a down town church we are a real family group and as such must nurture and encourage the young people coming to us who will possibly soon move on to new or suburban areas. It is in this role of "The Mother Church" that the Session sees one of its main tasks to lie.

The attendances at the quarterly Communion were: September 305, December 324, March 358, June 278. At Easter 156, World Communion Sunday 189 and Home Communion was taken to several of our elder members and those in Woburn Home.

There were 17 baptisms and our Communicant Roll now stands at 470 there having been 21 admitted by profession of faith and 55 by certificate. 34 disjunctions were issued and 47 names were removed through death and purging of the roll.

Mr Fairbairn has had a particularly busy year because as well as his untiring efforts for us he has been Moderator of Presbytery. His special gift for upholding those in sickness, need or distress

are known to all and both he and Mrs Fairbairn have been an example to each of us in their concern for others.

Miss Margaret Bear, St John's Own Missionary, has continued her work as Tutor Sister in Jagadhri Hospital and we have upheld her in our prayers. We look forward to seeing her shortly when she comes on furlough

Mr E Darroch, who had been an elder with us since 1942, moved to Hastings. He was a faithful member of Session and before our last Communion together the Minister paid tribute to him and invited him to serve on his right hand.

Mr L.D.Stout, who was also our treasurer, began theological training in Dunedin. The members of his district in Kelburn combined with the Session to say goodbye to him and gave him a cheque towards his books.

Four new elders have been inducted: Messrs.R.D.Arnold, F.S.Aker, F.J.Kensit and M.Strong. Some elders districts have been reorganised and we have tried to bring before the congregation the mutual help that can be derived through the Christian Fellowship of the elder with those in his district; in this, our church magazine "The Messenger", has helped and we thank Miss D Feakins who so ably edited it until April when Miss E Andrews took over this considerable task.

Mr Garratt has continued to lead the Adult Study Group each Sunday morning and this has proved of incalculable value to many.

The combined Lenten Studies were supported by only a small proportion of members but the benefit of sharing with other Communion was realised even though many found the study material disappointing.

An inspiring service was conducted by the British and Foreign Bible Society at which Dr Coggan, the Archbishop of York, brought before us the urgency of constantly revising our Bible reading.

The General Assembly was held within St John's from the 2nd to the 8th of November when over 100 of our members assisted in various ways in ensuring that every facility was available to delegates. The Sunday telecast service was a memorable one.

We receive a message and spiritual uplift from varying sources; the light slanting through the church windows and highlighting the lovely flowers has brought its own thoughts. This must be rewarding to the conveners, the Misses E.M.Brodie and M.I.MacKenzie, and those who have helped them in the care of the church flowers. And sometimes as the choir has sung we have been carried with them into heights unknown. Their selfless devotion to practice and praise under the fine guidance of Mr Ken MacKenzie makes us feel humble.

We have said we are a family and as such we have experienced the joys, the frustrations, the gladness and the sorrows of family life.

Some of our members have been ill and we miss them.

St John's has lost some members by death and we give thanks for their Christian Witness while remembering their dear ones.

IN MEMORIAM - extracted from the minutes of the Kirk Session:

Henry Glover, elder of this church since 1921, died in his 90th year on the 26th. of May 1967. He rendered to St John's a lifetime of service for which we give thanks to God.

It may be that his early training as a stonemason helped to build into his nature the strength of character and unshakable faith that his whole life testified.

A man of kindly disposition with a quiet humour; his generosity was abundant.

Many were the works he carried out on our behalf and when convener of the property committee he was largely responsible for the change from gas to electricity. He also planned and built the strong room where our records are stored.

He was a keen athlete and on many occasions the youth of our church were entertained at the Glover home

In all his work he was lovingly supported by Mrs Glover and our thoughts are with her and their family.

IN MEMORIAM .. from the minutes of the Women's Association:

On June the 24th. 1967 St. John's Church lost one of its most lovable members. Miss Mary McMillin Chappell was a woman of rare gifts - gifts which were dedicated to the service of her Lord during her long span of years. Strength and tenderness, wisdom and courage, love and sympathy and a delightful sense of humour radiated from her. Her administrative qualities were of a high order and she held many offices both in the church and in community affairs. Her lifelong interest in the Bible Class was honoured by a life membership.

She will be remembered with deep affection by all who knew her for her life was an inspiration.

"For such a life, so dear and great and true,
We thank the Lord of all who deigns to send
Interpreters to show His ways to men."

THE BOARD OF MANAGERS

Bell, G.R.D.	47 Fraser Avenue, Johnsonville
Brodie, Miss E.M.	143 The Terrace, C.1
Caldow, K.	23 Williams Street, E.2
Clackan, Miss M.C.	22 Ohiro Road, C.2
Clyde, Miss H.D.	90 Kelburn Parade, W.1
Don, J.R.	13 Donking Street, SW.1
Fleming, R.N.	9 Oban Street, N.2
Hughes, Mrs Gladstone	160 Oriental Parade, C.4
Hunt, J.	24 Krull Street, SW.1
Johnston, Miss J.S.	33 Central Terrace, W.1
Jones, P.D.	90 Wexford Road, E.4
Kraft, W.H.	135 Kelburn Parade, W.1
Lees, Miss P.	47 Upland Road, W.1
MacKenzie, Miss M.I.	60 Kelburn Parade, W.1
McLeod, G.	C/o Box 498, Wellington
Penney, A.T.	10 Rewa Road, E.2
Piper, Mrs H.W.	31 Bidwell Street, S.1
Roberts, I.	28 Mortimer Terrace, C.2
Robertson, N.G.	169 Karori Road, W.3
Yule, A.C.	C/o Wellington College.

GENERAL COMMITTEES

PROPERTY & FINANCE: J. Hunt (convener), L.R. Blake, F.E. Chappell, R.N. Fleming, S. McKenzie, R.A. McLennan, G.V. Oed, N.G. Robertson, A.L. Wall, N.S. Woods.

ENVELOPES: Miss E.M. Brodie (convener), Mrs Mortimer, Mrs Wall.

ROLLS: Mrs Hughes and R.B. Fowler.

ROOMS: Miss P. Lees, C/O P.S.S.A. and Home number 27.182

NEW BUILDING: J. Hunt (convener), L.R. Blake, R.N. Fleming, A.L. Wall and Mrs H.W. Piper.

(The Session Clerk & Clerk to Board are ex officio members of all committees)

At the last annual meeting four managers who retired at the end of their three year period were re-elected namely: Misses Brodie and Johnston, Messrs, Caldow and Fleming. Messrs, A.T. Penney and I. Roberts were elected as new members. Messrs, A. Cameron and J. Weatherup resigned

on their departure from Wellington and Messrs Aker and Kensit were ordained as elders. Mr L.D. Stout, our treasurer, resigned this position in February on his going to Knox College to undertake theological training. Mr Penney was appointed treasurer in his place. He has been greatly helped in taking over the books by Mr George Robertson whose expert knowledge has been invaluable.

The church officer, Mr C.W. Morgan, resigned in November and was not replaced. The cleaning of the building was let to commercial cleaners and the church cottage was passed over to the Troup House Committee for development as an extension of the young men's hostel.

Work undertaken and completed included the fitting of new church doors and the sealing of the side paths. The southern courtyard was upgraded and sealed by the New Zealand Educational Institute in return for the use they had of it whilst their building was being erected and as a part of a common access to their new premises and our church.

Thanks are due to Mr John Hunt for marking out seven car parking spaces, for taking care of the church grounds and for the many other jobs he has done for us. We thank Mr Fred Chappell and his assistants for repainting the floor of the church, also Mrs Hughes for covering all the Bibles and the Boys' Brigade for painting the ante-room of the hall prior to Assembly.

A contract was let for the painting of the church and buildings. Overdraft facilities were arranged for this; repayment of which has to be made within five years. This work has been delayed by bad weather and is still in progress.

The Presbytery notified their approval of the rebuilding project and commended St John's members "For the courage and foresight shown in embarking on this major scheme". Miss H.D. Clyde was appointed to compile a list of past members who could be approached for assistance in raising a portion of the finance needed for such a building.

A legacy was received from the estate of Mrs Isabella Wilson for the sum of £250 to be used for general purposes.

As the financial year drew to a close it became evident that a special effort was necessary and Mr John Hunt, convener of the Finance committee ably put before us the state of affairs and our members generously rose to the occasion as can be seen in the financial statement.

The meticulous care with which our buildings are maintained by the supervision and help of so many members has preserved what is officially recorded as one of Wellington's historic churches.

THE CHOIR

PRESIDENT: The Rev. J. Kingsley Fairbairn, M.B.E., B.A.

ORGANIST AND CHOIRMASTER: Mr. Ken. MacKenzie, M.Sc.

LIFE VICE PRESIDENT: Miss H.D. Clyde.

LIFE MEMBERS: Misses E.M. Brodie, D. Chappell, P. Lees, M.I. MacKenzie,

Mr. and Mrs. F.A. Strong, Messrs. R.E. Pumfrey and A.L. Wall.

SECRETARY: Mrs. M. Mortimer, 55 Madras Street, N.5. Tel. 37.023

We have had an average membership of 29 with a steady attendance of 25. We were sorry to say goodbye to Mrs Weatherup, Miss Anne McBride and Mrs Bennie Thomson.

Just before Easter we were grieved to hear of the death of Edward Speirs, for, during his time with us his quiet and friendly manner had endeared him to all. Another link with the choir was broken by the death of Mrs Kerry, once a choir member and wife of a former organist.

Both Christmas and Easter music took the form of meditations. Mr William Austin read most sympathetically the verse for the Christmas one and it is always a pleasure to listen to his reading.

At Assembly time we took our part and the telecast service required a high standard of singing, discipline and effort of practice.

On three occasions we have assisted with the service at Mount Crawford and on New Year's Day their choir paid us a return visit.

At Christmas time we toured around our elderly and shut-in people to sing carols which we also sang at the railway station.

On the 27th of June we led the singing for the funeral service of Miss Mary Chappell and five of our old members joined us to honour her.

Highlights of the year were the picnic and the wedding of our Choirmaster to the Minister's Daughter.

We have many friends who encourage and help and we thank them all; including Miss Lees for her duplicating of words for special occasions which is so important in helping the interest of the congregation, Miss Speirs for her work as librarian and our wardrobe mistresses for keeping us looking so smart. And not the least our Choirmaster and Organist who in spite of our shortcomings carries on with his outstanding ability and good humour.

We are aware that we fall short of what we are trying to achieve but our aim is to serve our Master in song and to His Glory.

THE SUNDAY SCHOOL

SUPERINTENDENT: Mr A.J. Baber, 38 Waitoa Road, E.2

TEACHERS: Misses F. Ellis, J. Garratt, G. Higgs, E. Marshall, L. Mumme, T. Trachsel. Messrs. J. Mumme and C. Smith

The Sunday School has enjoyed a successful year with an increase in the number of pupils particularly in the Primary Department.

The Misses L. and N. Button and Glennis Jefferies left when they went touring in Australia. We were sorry to lose their assistance as all had given long and faithful service. We were happy to welcome Miss Elizabeth Marshall as a teacher in the Primary Department.

The principle prizes won were the Hopkirk Memorial Prize: Wondy Noall and Donald Sharp; the R. Bruce Fowler Prize: Giselle Pickard and Maryke Van Zweedon; Scott Memorial Prize: Alan Vink.

Miss Margaret Bear has written thanking us for the money which the children have given for Samuel and which is being used to help him receive a Christian education.

Other projects supported have been the collecting of used stamps and Torch Bearer activities.

The children have taken part in some special services; the Sunday School Anniversary and the Youth Service. They were trained in their singing by Miss Joy Garratt. They have also been present at the baptismal services and helped in the November telecast.

We thank the parents for the help they have given and we have been encouraged by their interest.

THE BIBLE CLASSES

EXECUTIVE: Chairman: Miss Adrienne Woods; Secretary: Miss V.E. Speirs;

Treasurer: Mr H. Baber; Members of Committee: Miss T. Bennet

H. Mortimer; Messrs. A. Milkop, I. Bayliss and Rowan Bilton.

LEADERS: Miss E. Andrews, Mrs J. Ellis, Miss Helen Woods, Mr J. Vink, and Mr John Marshall.

In 1966 we raised £145 by selling tickets for the Ngaio Revue Club's performance of Brigadoon. The £60 profit from this was given to Operation 21.

Other activities included a debate with St Andrew's, a hike and barbecue and a Youth Service taken by members.

The serving of coffee in Troup House Lounge on Sunday evenings has enabled us to welcome new people to the Bible Class and the scavenger hunt and progressive dinner also gave us the opportunity to get to know newcomers. We are grateful to the members of the congregation who fed over forty hungry wanderers.

Among our special efforts is the raising of funds towards the rebuilding scheme and this will be included in next year's report.

A camp at Reikorangi was ably led by the Rev. Ross Pilkinton and the 7 a.m. Prayer Service recently held was well attended.

We were invited to the "Official Opening" of the new Troup House quarters "The Cottage". This commenced with ice skating followed by an excellent dinner.

Among the many who have shown their interest and given help we thank especially Mr and Mrs Fairbairn and our Class Leaders.

TROUP HOUSE

COMMITTEE: The Rev. J.K. Fairbairn, Mrs Hughes, Messrs. F.E. Chappell, N.G. Robertson, J. Vink, N.S. Woods and the Rt. Hon. J.R. Marshall.

The extension of the committee's responsibility to include the caretaker's cottage has provided expansion from four residents to a maximum of twelve. Over 120 church members and friends helped in the renovating and equipping of the cottage. Alterations were made to increase toilet facilities and to provide fire protection. This work was paid for from the funds of Troup House as was the new bedding and the gaylene put down on the floors of all main rooms. As can be seen from the financial statement there are still some funds in hand for future requirements.

Present residents are Ian Bayliss (warden), Maurice Ellett, Alex Gosling, John McKinney, Noel Thompson; but undoubtedly next year will see a house full.

The boys would like to thank the many hard workers and generous people who have provided them with such a comfortable home, especially Mr Fred Chappell for his outstanding contribution, and they thank too the Troup House Committee for its impartial administration of their affairs.

ASSOCIATION OF PRESBYTERIAN WOMEN

LINKING COMMITTEE: Secretary; Miss Margaret Johnston.
CONVENERS: Miss J. Hanchet (M.M.B.L.), Miss D. Chappell (Harvest Field), Mrs M.S. Mumme (Stamps), Miss E.M. Brodie (Prayer & Study), Mrs R.B. Fowler (Supper Groups), Mrs D. Bridge (Corso), Mrs D.B. Kirkwood (Mission Boxes), Mrs D.H. McMillan (Coupons), Misses E.M. Brodie and M.I. MacKenzie (Flowers), Mesdames A. McArthur and N.W. Roberts, Miss M. Johnston (P.S.S.A.)

Within St. John's A.P.W. are two women's groups. One held in the afternoon the other in the evening. The object of both these groups is the same i.e. to provide an avenue for service, inspiration and fellowship in the work of the Church. And this does not mean purely a parochial limit but embraces the church's mission in the community, in new areas and abroad. Thus in the report of these two groups we find their united efforts have provided an amazing variety and depth of giving.

In St. John's the women have assisted with Church Flowers, Harvest Festival gifts, provided numberless cups of tea for many functions, acted as hostesses when Assembly met, and in fact, wherever a pair of hands was needed some of our St John's ladies could always be found.

Money for Missions has been raised in various ways: £32.5.0 from Mission Boxes, £9.2.9 through tea coupons, £16.1.11 from used stamps, £66.10.0 in M.M.B.L. envelopes.

Missionary interest has been well maintained through contact with our own missionary, Miss Margaret Bear, and by the 46 subscribers to the missionary magazine 'Harvest Field'.

Social Services are always of real concern and through parcels of clothing sent to our Maori workers, assistance with P.S.S.A. street day, special efforts and visits to Deaconess House, Te Hopai and Woburn Homes this interest has been maintained and stimulated.

Community efforts have been remembered with help for Corso in sorting and packing and in the gift of a Pulpit Bible for the Chapel of the recently opened Y.W.C.A.

Four voting delegates from St John's have been among those attending the Wellington Presbyterial of the A.P.W. and Miss J Johnston was our representative at the annual meeting held in Wellington last November.

At a gathering in August 120 St John's Women saw interesting and colourful displays of the many branches of their various works.

The special activities of the two groups now follows:-

AFTERNOON WOMEN'S ASSOCIATION

PRESIDENT: Mrs J.K. Fairbairn. SECRETARY: Mrs H.W. Piper. TREASURER: Miss H. Wilson. LIFE VICE PRESIDENTS: Mrs H. Glover, Mrs P.G. Hughes and Miss W. Millar.

The Afternoon Guild maintained a good attendance with a roll of 37. The long and helpful service of Mrs Gladstone Hughes was recognised by electing her a Life Vice President. Miss Clyde was congratulated on her hymn being accepted for publishing by the American Hymn Society.

We were happily entertained by various speakers; Mrs Hume, Mrs Jones, Mrs Judd, Mrs Howe and our own Mrs J.S. Martin, Mrs McArthur, Miss Wix and Mrs Woods.

In May we went to Te Hopai Home to entertain the residents there and at Christmas time we sent presents and cards to them.

The sales table brought in £7.2.2 and an amount of £39.5.9 held in our carpet fund was given towards carpeting "The Cottage".

Acknowledgement is gratefully given for the gifts from the Scott family toward missions, from Mrs Glover for special purposes, and from Mrs A.E. Harris for sending to Margaret Bear.

To our President, Mrs Fairbairn, we express our gratitude for her inspiration and leadership; for both she and her husband have provided that friendship and hospitality which so endears them to us.

EVENING GUILD

PRESIDENT: Mrs N.G. Robertson, SECRETARY: Miss J. Williams.
TREASURER: Mrs J. Don.

With a membership of 58 and an average attendance of 39 we have had a busy, helpful and enjoyable year.

By only having simple suppers we have been able to send £11.5.9 to the Freedom from Hunger Fund. Support has been given to our Mission Budget through thanksgiving envelopes and we have continued to keep contact with Eunice and Yvonne the two Porirua patients.

Correspondence has been maintained with many former members and sick or elderly folk all of whom are especially in our thoughts.

Some of our members meet on the first Thursday of each month for a Prayer Group and we do hope that others will share in this.

Our Christmas project was the sending of gifts to Maori families working in country areas under the Maori Synod.

Again we catered for the Church Annual Meeting and the Life Boys' suppers were our special responsibility.

The varied, bright and inspiring programmes have been in no small measure a reflection of the hard working committee and special thanks are due to Mrs Marilyn King, the retiring vice president for her kind and enthusiastic influence; to Miss Margaret Johnston who since 1962 has diligently looked after the financial affairs of the Guild and is now handing over the books; and to Miss Agnes McCracken whose exceptional ability as secretary has oiled many wheels and whose special gift of delightful humour has brought cheer to many.

In Mrs Betty Robertson, our President, we have a devoted leader who has made the Evening Guild a centre of happy fellowship.

CRADLE ROLL

CONVENER: Miss Jean MacKenzie. Tel. 26.718

Although 15 names have been added since last June the number still stands at 54 as ten children have reached Sunday School age and 5 have moved to other districts.

The Christmas Party was most popular and we were pleased that so many children came with their Mothers to share in the afternoon's enjoyment.

In June the Mothers were invited to morning coffee with the committee and this proved to be a very friendly and happy occasion.

The Creche still serves a useful purpose on Sunday mornings and the committee appreciates the help given there by others who are interested.

BOYS' BRIGADE

CAPTAIN: J.R. Don, Tel. 88.428

The Company numbers 25 boys and officers; 3 of the boys coming up from the Life Boys at the beginning of the session.

Mr Ian Roberts left us to take up a teaching position in the South Island. His influence and help is missed for he was twelve years with the Life Boys and Boy's Brigade.

Cpl. Greenfield and L/Cpl. George passed the N.C.O's proficiency examination and Staff Sergt. Brunton has been promoted to Warrant Officer

Activities have included a weekend camp in the Akatarawas, a Founders Day parade, field sports and the Battalion drill competition in which our company was placed third in the "B" grade. Six boys attended the summer camp at Wainuiomata.

At the annual display in November we were able to see the company at work and realise the value of a B.B. Company in the centre of Wellington.

LIFE BOYS

LEADER: Miss Heather Tilbury. Tel. 82.484

There has been a steady increase in membership since the recruiting programme at the beginning of the year and the current statistics show a total of 28 boys almost half of whom are new recruits.

Mr Weinberg was our capable Leader-in-charge until he left Wellington. The Misses H Tilbury and M. Nunn and Mr F. Watkinson have continued as loaders and have attended training courses.

Activities have included a team display, a barbecue at Queen Elizabeth Park and the celebration of the Teams 17th birthday. Area competitions in soccer, physical training and missionary knowledge have been fully entered into. The 2nd Wellington was once again the Team to contribute the highest amount towards Life Boy work in the Pacific area, with the amount of £24.11.8.

The leaders and boys appreciate the assistance given by many and thank all who have lent support.

GIRLS' BRIGADE

CAPTAIN: Miss Adrienne Carley, Flat 2, Arran Court.

All aspects of life have been remembered. Three church parades and work toward the Bible knowledge exam have given us spiritual guidance.

We have remembered others by collecting for the Intellectually Handicapped and for Corso and by working for the International Friendship Badge.

A camp at Waikanae, a barbecue, drill competitions, swimming sports and a walk to Pencarrow have helped us keep fit.

Work for Market Day and the 6d Fair in G.B. Week kept us busy and at Parents Night we helped the juniors present a Nativity Play.

JUNIOR BRIGADE

LEADER: Warrant Officer K. George. Tel. 75.520

At the end of 1966 Miss G. Jefferies resigned as leader to go overseas and we were sorry to lose such a capable officer. She was replaced by Miss K. George formerly assistant leader.

We started the year with five girls and have increased to fourteen all of whom are keen, interested and enjoying meeting every Saturday morning from 9.45 a.m. till 11 a.m.

We had expeditions to Mount Kau Kau and the Zoo, where the girls worked for their exploring points. They are also busy making poems and learning Maori action songs to earn activities points.

The help of Captain Carley and the committee ladies has been much appreciated.

INDOOR BOWLS

PRESIDENT: Mr. R. E. Pumfrey. Tel. 17.919

Sickness has hit us rather badly and our membership has fallen off also other members have been overseas and we look forward to their return soon.

We have attended several inter-club functions and other church clubs have visited us and added to the enjoyment of the bowls season. Two teams went to the Wellington district tournament at Queen Margaret and spent a very enjoyable evening.

Our Minister and his Wife come along occasionally and try their hand at getting their bowls close to the jack and we do appreciate their interest; they are always welcome.

More members are needed and will be welcome. There is a coach who will do everything to help you enjoy your bowling.

BADMINTON CLUB

SECRETARY: Mr. Richard Wells. Tel. 52506

Club membership was 16 and a team was entered in the Wellington Inter-club competitions where under the able captaincy of Percy Jones they won the "D" grade section. Several members also played in the "D" grade championships with success.

A visit was made to the Knox Club at Lower Hutt in October and was enjoyed by all who attended.

Our membership is steadily increasing and more players will be welcome. They will be sure of enjoyable evenings playing in the hall on Mondays and Fridays.

SATURDAY NIGHT AT EIGHT

ORGANISER: Mrs. N. S. Woods. Tel. 86.769

During the seventeen years of Saturday at Eight many hundreds of men and women have enjoyed the hospitality, fellowship and entertainment offered.

The success of this venture is contributed to by the many who perform so willingly, provide home made suppers and assist with transport and we thank them all.

Mr and Mrs Fairbairn take a real and practical interest in these evenings and rarely fail to attend and give a warm welcome and friendly word to all. Mr Fairbairn's message always underlines the fact that this is Christian Caring and Fellowship reaching out from St John's into the community.

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The accounts which now follow have all been audited - the main account by Mr L. W. Milne, B.Com. A.R.A.N.Z., our honorary auditor.

We express our thanks to Mr Milne and to those others who gave of their time for us.

STATEMENT OF RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS FOR THE

YEAR ENDING 30th. JUNE 1967

Receipts	
Plate offertories	2103.16.11
Envelope offertories	<u>3327. 4. 8</u>
Special Appeal 1966	44.17. -
" " 1967	705. 5. -
Donations:-	
Use of rooms	101.18. 6
Afternoon Guild	40. -.-
Evening Guild	20. -.-
Indoor Bowls Club	20. -.-
Badminton Club	10. -.-
Troup House Committee	10. -.-
From Trust a/c, Legacy	250. -.-
General	7. 4. 2
Interest, Lockie Bequest	9. 8. -
Insurance recovered	54. 3. 1
Withdrawal from Church Office	<u>425.16. 4</u>
	1698.12. 1
Contributions to Budget:-	
Afternoon Guild	200. -.-
Evening Guild	31. 7. 6
Biblo Class	80. -.-
Sunday School	41.11. 8
Miscellaneous	<u>2. -.-</u>
	355. -.-
Contributions for other purposes:-	
Turakina	54.16. 7
N.C.C.	137.16. 5
P.S.S.A.	<u>1.10. -</u>
	194. 3. -
Overdraft	49. 6.11

£ 7728. 3. 7

Payments	
Overdraft brought forward, 1/7/66	491. 1. 8
Rev. J.K. Fairbairn, stipend	1150. -.-
car allowance	200. -.-
exs. allowance	<u>50. -.-</u>
	1400. -.-
Mr. K. MacKonzie	250. -.-
Mr. C.W. Morgan	299. -.-
Pulpit & Organ Supply	50.17. -
Light, Heat & Power	161. 2. 5
Printing & Stationery	130.18. 3
General Repairs	140. 3. 7
Progress Payment, Church Repainting	720. -.-
Provisional Periodic Repainting	128. 4. -
Organ Tuning & Maintenance	39.18. 6
Rent of Manse Site	139.15. -
Rates	247. 8. 9
Telephones	50.11. 4
Beneficiary Fund Assessment	135. -.-
Wellington Presbytery Assessment	16.10. -
Cleaning, Church & Buildings	416. 3. 6
Fire & Earthquake Insurance	305. 4. 3
Annual Report	52. 7. -
Messenger	42.15. -
A .P.W. Fee	10. -.-
Session expenses	14.16. 5
Bank Charges	12. 5. -
Expenses for Manse Site Lease	15.19. 9
Fire Damage 1966	34. 4. -
General Expenses	74.15. 2
Budget	2155. -.-
Turakina	54.16. 7
N.C.C.	137.16. 5
P.S.S.A.	<u>1.10. -</u>
	<u>7728. 3. 7</u>

£ 7728. 3. 7

TRUST ACCOUNT FOR YEAR ENDING 30th JUNE 1967

<u>Receipts</u>		<u>Payments</u>	
Balances 1st July 1966:		Withdrawals:	
Benevolent fund	133. 8. -	Crockery replacement	35. -. -
Centennial Collection	76. 6. 7	Benevolent fund	25. -. -
Chairs for hall	70.12. 8	Shares matured	100. 6. 9
Crockery replacement	51. 3. 5	" "	425.16. 4
Hall rebuilding	4180. 7. 7	Legacy, Mrs Wilson	250. -. -
Hymn Book replace't	340. 9. 5	Meuli Bequest	156.18. 8
Organ renovation	599. 6.10		993. 1. 9
Periodic repainting	825. -. 6		
Church rebuilding	228. 4. -	Balances:	
Endowment fund	8363. 8. 2	Benevolent fund	115. 5.11
Interest, Lockie Beq't	190. -. -	Centennial collection	80. 8. 7
	<u>15058. 7. 2</u>	Chairs for hall	74. 9. 8
		Crockery replace't	18.16. 5
Interest:		Hall rebuilding	5018.19. 9
Benevolent fund	6.17.11	Hymn book replace't	359. 3. 5
Centennial Collection	4. 2. -	Meuli Bequest	90. 2. 9
Chairs for hall	3.17. -	Organ replacement	632. 6. 2
Crockery replacement	2.13. -	Periodical repaint	486.11. -
Hall rebuilding	230.12. 2	Church rebuilding	240.15. -
Hymn book replace't	18.14. -	Endowment fund	8823. 7.11
Organ renovation	32.19. 4	Interest, Lockie Beq't	190. -. -
Periodic repainting	59.13. 7		<u>16130. 6. 7</u>
Church rebuilding	12.11. -		
Endowment fund	459.19. 9		
Meuli bequest	2.13. 9		
	<u>834.13. 6</u>		
Deposits:			
Periodic repainting	128. -. -		
Mrs Wilson, Legacy	250. -. -		
Meuli Bequest	244. 7. 8		
Hall rebuilding	608. -. -		
	<u>1230. 7. 8</u>		
	£ 17123. 8. 4		£ 17123. 8. 4

AMOUNTS HELD FOR SPECIAL PURPOSES YEAR ENDING 30th JUNE 1966/67

<u>Receipts</u>		<u>Payments</u>	
Bce.@ 30/6/66		Payments:	
Coad Bequest	204.13.10	Pew Cushions	24.17. 4
Samuel	71.19. 8	Samuel	50. -. -
Women's Windows	13.11. 5		
Pew Cushions	24.17. 4	Bce.@ 30/6/67:	
		Coad Bequest	204.13.10
Receipts;		Samuel	53. 4. 8
Samuel	31. 5. -	Windows	13.11. 5
Periodical repaint	100. 6. 9	Period'l repaint	100. 6. 9
	<u>446.14. -</u>		<u>446.14. -</u>

RENTAL ACCOUNT FOR YEAR ENDING 30th JUNE 1967

<u>Receipts</u>		<u>Payments</u>	
Bce.@ 30/6/66		Rates	
Rents	2794. 9. -	Insurance	59.11. 3
Interest	778. -. -	Electricity	44. 1. 2
	153. -. -	Miscellaneous	5.15. 2
		Bce C/fwd.	16. 3. -
	<u>3725.19. -</u>		<u>3615.15. 2</u>
			<u>3725.19. -</u>

INDOOR BOWLS CLUB ACCOUNTS 1966/67

<u>Receipts</u>		<u>Payments</u>	
B/forward	13. 9	Suppar expenses	6.19.10
Subscriptions	10. -. -	Prizes & compet'n	1. 5. 3
Supper subs.	23. 1. 3	Christmas part & Pr'z	1.18. 3
Contributions to:		Christmas supper	1.13. 5
supper & prizes	14. -	Receipt book	4. -
Christmas party	1.18. 3	Secretary exs.	1.11. 8
Interest P.O.S.B.	6. 6	Flowers	12. 3
		Church Treasurer	20. -. -
		Bce @ P.O.S.B.	16. 4
		Timing Clock	4.12. 9
	<u>36.13. 9</u>		<u>36.13. 9</u>

ST. JOHN'S WOMEN'S ASSOCIATION STATEMENT OF ACCOUNTS 1966/67

<u>Receipts</u>		<u>Payments</u>	
Brought forward 1/6/66:		Paper for Annual Rpt.	10. -
Women's Assn.	206.15. 6	Secretary Exs.	2. - -
Less allocations	<u>195. 8. -</u>	Flowers - special fund	2. 7. -
	11. 7. 6	Bus to Kilmarnoch	3.10. -
Carpet Fund	39. 5. 9	Sub for M Bear	3.18. -
Allocated Linking c'ttee		Gift for M. Bear	5. - -
not availed of	2. - -	Parcel for M. Bear	1.19. -
Bring & Buy	93.16. 6	Bible, Y.W.C.A.	12. - -
Sales Table	7. 2. 2	Speaker's exs	5. -
M.M.B.L.	66.10. -	Transfor, carpet fund	39. 5. 9
Mission Boxes	32. 5. -	Friends of Turakina	5. -
Tea Coupons	9. 2. 9	A.P.W. Stamp sales	16. 1.11
Stamps	16. 1.11	Harvest Field	8. 1. -
Collection	1.17. -	Service Project	10. -
Membership Fees	2.14. -	Balance	267. 3. 2
Donation	4. -		
Harvest Field	8. 1. -		
Bank Interest	4.18. 3		
Scott Trust:			
For Maori Missions	25. - -		
For General Missions	20. - -		
Donations:			
Bible for Y.W.C.A.	9. - -		
Special Flowers etc	5. - -		
For Miss Bear	5. - -		
Bus fare - Kilmarnoch	3.10. -		
	<u>362.15.10</u>		<u>362.15.10</u>

ST. JOHN'S PRESBYTERIAN SUNDAY SCHOOL ACCOUNTS 1966/67

<u>Income</u>		<u>EXPENDITURE</u>	
Balance B/fwd.	188.17. 7	Supplies & Prizes	33.19. -
Bank Interest	5. 4. 7	Christmas Party	6.12.10
Interest, bequest fund	8.12. 2	Mid-year party	6. 8. 6
Prize Day Offertory	8. 4. 6	Church Treasurer	72.16. 8
General Offertories	41.11. 8	Balance C/fwd.	163.18. 6
Samuel Offertory	31. 5. -		
	<u>283.15. 6</u>		<u>283.15. 6</u>

ST. JOHN'S EVENING GUILD ACCOUNTS FOR YEAR ENDING 30th. JUNE 1967

<u>Receipts</u>		<u>Payments</u>	
Balance B/fwd.	23. 3. 2	Allocation 1966 funds:	
Subs. 58 @ 2/6	7. 5. -	Church treasurer	16. - -
Missions:		Linking committee	2. - -
Direct giving	29. 4. 6	Prison Chaplain	2. - -
Donations	1.10. -	Budget (church)	29. 4. 6
Supper collections-		Freedom from Hunger	11. 5. 9
Freed'm from Hunger	12. 3. -	Corso Christmas cards	10.16. -
Corso Christmas cards	10.16. -	Gift Margaret Bear	3. 3. 9
Proceeds Bring & Buy	21.11. -	Contribution to Bible	
Interest P.O.S.B.	6. 5	for Y.W.C.A.	3. - -
		Supper exs.	1.15. 5
		Secretary exs.	17. 4
		Sundry exs.	1.15. -
		Balance P.O.S.B.-	
		Unallocated	21. 6. 2
		Missions	1.10. -
		Parcel, M Bear	1. 5. 2
	<u>105.19. 1</u>		<u>105.19. 1</u>

ST. JOHN'S PRESBYTERIAN BIBLE CLASS ACCOUNTS FOR 1966/67

<u>Income</u>		<u>Expenditure</u>	
Balance B/fwd:		Operation 21	145.13. 4
Hopkirk donation	50. - -	Biscuits	1.10. -
Operation 21	145.13. 4	Young Presb'n sub.	5. 6
General funds	12.10. 7	Flowers	1.10. -
Mission offertories	52.13. 2	Cheque book	10. -
Donation to flowers	1.10. -	Balance:-	
Bank interest	2. 9. 9	Hopkirk donation	50. - -
		Missions	52.13. 2
		General fund	12.14.10
	<u>264.16.10</u>		<u>264.16.10</u>

2nd. WELLINGTON COMPANY - THE BOY'S BRIGADE - STATEMENT 1966/67

Receipts		Payments	
Balance b/fd 1966:-		B.B. Council:-	
B.B. COUNCIL	38. 5. 9	B.B. Week	34. 12. -
B.B. Week	130. 19. 6	Equipment	23. 9. 6
Uniforms	9. 15. 6	Pacific Offering	2. -. -
Donation A/Guild	2. 2. -	Weekend camp	13. 12. 6
Contra cheque	4. 10. -	Battalion levy	2. 12. 6
P.O.S.B. interest	2. 5. 5	Annual display	11. 10. -
		Bereavements	4. 17. -
		Insurance	11. -
		Contra cheque	4. 10. -
		Stationery	2. 12. 9
		Petty cash & stamps	10. -. -
		Engraving cups	1. 6. 6
		Life Boy equipment	15. -. -
		New footballs	2. 19. 9
		Repairs	2. 10. -
		Cheque book	2. 6
		P.O.S.B. Bce 1967	55. 12. 2
	<u>187. 18. 2</u>		<u>187. 18. 2</u>

ST. JOHN'S BADMINTON CLUB ACCOUNTS FOR YEAR ENDING 30th JUNE 1967

Receipts		Payments	
Balance, P.O.S.B.	29. 11. 8	Church donation	20. -. -
Cash	3. 19. 2	Shuttles	11. 3. 9
Subs & fees	33. -. -	Interclub Court hire	4. 10. -
Interclub fees	6. -. -	Affiliation fees	6. 5. -
Supper takings	5. 18. 1	General	6. 3. -
P.O.S.B. interest	15. 3	Supper exs.	3. 2. -
		Bce at P.O.S.B.	21. 18. 2
		Cash	6. 2. 3
	<u>79. 4. 2</u>		<u>79. 4. 2</u>

ST. JOHN'S BIBLE CLASS INSTITUTE "TROUP HOUSE"

Balance Sheet

Sundry creditors	171. 12. 6	Cash at bank	101. 4. 1
Depreciation reserve	711. 4. 10	Deposit, church office	715. -. 1
Repainting reserve	174. 7. 4	Building @ cost	4630. 12. 6
Interior renov'tn res.	211. 16. 8	Furniture @ cost	
Furniture replac't res	351. 4. 5	£1135. 14. 8	
Income & expend a/c	546. 14. 9	Less B.C. carpet donation	
Accumulated funds	4376. 5. 1	£39. 5. 9	1096. 8. 11
	<u>6543. 5. 7</u>		<u>6543. 5. 7</u>

INCOME & EXPENDITURE A/C. FOR YEAR ENDING 30th JUNE 1967

Electricity	42. 7. 11	Board	254. 17. 9
Gas	11. 17. 10	Interest received	15. 15. 11
Telephone	25. 1. 10		
W.C.C. Rates	39. 13. -		
Insurance	11. 10. 6		
Sundries	4. 5. 8		
Donation to church	10. - -		
Deprecation reserve	60 - -		
Repainting reserve	20 - -		
Interior renov. res.	20 - -		
Furniture replac. res.	20 - -		
Balance	5. 16. 11		
	<u>270. 13. 8</u>		<u>270. 13. 8</u>
Balance 30/6/67	546. 14. 9	Balance 30/6/66	540. 17. 10
	<u>546. 14. 9</u>	Balance brought down	5. 16. 11
			<u>546. 14. 9</u>

ST. JOHN'S PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH CHOIR, STATEMENT OF ACCOUNTS 66/67

Receipts		Payments	
By bca P.O.S.B.	16. 12. 7	Presentations	5. 3. -
Weekly collections	18. 1. 9	Bce. in P.O.S.B.	30. 1. 10
P.O.S.B. Interest	10. 6		
	<u>35. 4. 10</u>		<u>35. 4. 10</u>
By Balance 30/6/67	30. 1. 10		

HISTORIC RECORD

MINISTERS OF ST. JOHN'S:

Rev. John Moir	1853-1867
Very Rev. James Paterson (Moderator in 1902)	1868-1903
Very Rev. James Gibb, D.D., (Moderator in 1901)	1903-1926
Rev. J.R. Blanchard, B.A.,	1927-1939
Rev. P. Gladstone Hughes, B.A.,	1940-1947
Rev. Wm. P. Temple, M.A., B.D.,	1948-1957
Rev. F.H. Liffiton, B.A., (Assistant)	1954-1955
Rev. J. Kingsley Fairbairn, M.B.E., B.A.	1957-

ST. JOHN'S OWN MISSIONARIES:

Very Rev. George H. McNeur, of Chinese Mission Field (Moderator in 1926)	1913-1940
Sister Margaret O Bear, Jagadhri, India	1958-

DEACONESSES:

Miss Lillian Lang	1905-1907
Miss Mabel Cartwright	1909-1911
Miss Norah Dick	1912-1915
Miss Nessie Morgan	1945-1948 & 1951-1959

BUILDINGS:

First Church opened (accommodation 200) "Willis Street, Presbyterian Church" 31st August	1856
Second Church opened (accommodation 600), "St. John's" 12th December	1875
First Manse erected, Woolcombe Stree	1880
Second Church destroyed by fire 9th May	1884
Sunday School building opened (Dixon Street) Nov.	1884
Present Church opened (accommodation 900) 6th December.	1896
Young Men's Bible Class Room opened	1896
Extension to Sunday School building (Macdonald Cres.)	1902
St. John's Memorial Hostel for Men	1919-1937
Manse, 9 Wai-te-ata Road erected	1928
St. John's Bible Class Institute erected "Troup House"	1956
Manse sold, new Manse purchased at 2 Kelburn Pde. 1957	1957
Re-piling of Church completed	1958
Church repainted and interior decorated	1959
The Cottage renovated and made extension of Troup House	1967

JUBILEES:

Diamond Jubilee of Church	November,	1913
Women's Association Golden Jubilee	August,	1937
Y.M.B.C., Golden Jubilee		1938
Y.W.B.C., Golden Jubilee	October,	1942

IN MEMORIAM

Mr E.J. Blyth
Miss Mary Chappell
Baby Clark
Mr Henry Glover
Mrs C. Sieveuright
Mr Edward Speirs

Sunday School 100th Anniversary, November	1953
Centennial Jubilee of Church, November	1953
Seventy-fifth Anniversary of present Church, 3rd to 5th Dec.	1960
Y.M.B.C. Seventy-fifth Jubilee, July	1964

Special Events:

Free Church of Scotland petitioned to send Minister to Wellington, 15th November, 1851, and congregation was formally established, 17th November	1853
Sunday School opened	1853
Mt. Cook branch Sunday School, Francis Place	1872
Mission started at Newtown, now St. James, under Mr. Robert Hopkirk	1874
First Service at Wadestown, by Rev. James Paterson	1879
Church Organ installed	1886
Bible Class movement started by Sir George Troup	1888
Services started at Brooklyn by Mr. John Reith	1904
Stained glass windows at South end, given by the Hon. J. G. W. Aitken, in memory of St. John's B.C. men who fell in the 1914-18 war	1920
Stained glass window at north end dedicated to the memory of the Hon. J. G. W. Aitken, first layman Moderator, 1917	1923
Church Praise introduced 1884, New Church Praise 1910, and Church Hymnary	1937
Choir Gowned (first of Presbyterian Choirs in New Zealand)	1944
First Women Managers appointed	1951
Window facing the vestibule dedicated in remembrance of the devoted women, who, through 100 years, worshipped and served in St. John's	1954
Martin Window dedicated, July	1965

Church Newspapers:

<i>The Record</i>	1892-1896
<i>The Torch Bearer</i>	1930-1931
<i>The Review</i>	1936-1938
<i>The Messenger</i>	1941-

Publications:

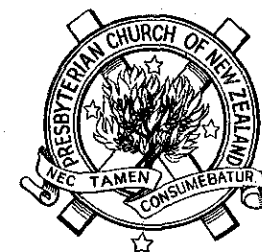
Jubilee Booklet of Diamond Jubilee	1913
Jubilee Booklet of Y.M.B.C. Golden Jubilee	1938
Jubilee Booklet of Church Centennial	1953

ST. JOHN'S CHURCH

Willis Street, Wellington

ANNUAL REPORT

1967 - 1968



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on

WEDNESDAY, 7th AUGUST, 1968, at 7.45 p.m.

Minister:

REV. D. T. W. KINLOCH, The Manse, 2 Kelburn Pde., W.1. Tel. 46-492.

Session Clerk:

R. BRUCE FOWLER, 48 Homewood Avenue, W.3. Telephone 78-777.

Clerk to the Board of Managers:

I. S. LOWMAN, 65 Alexandra Road, C.4. Telephone 81-608.

Church Treasurer:

A. T. PENNEY, 10 Rewa Road, E.2. Telephone 81-591.

Organist and Choirmaster:

ROY TANKERSLEY, Troup House. Telephone 54-261.

**OFFICE BEARERS OF ST. JOHN'S
KIRK SESSION**

Inducted

Spratt, F. C., Q.C., 69 Pitt Street, N.2.	1928
Blake, L. R., 29 Rawhiti Terrace, W.1.	1933
Fowler, R. B., 48 Homewood Avenue, W.3.	1933
Smith, H. B., 25 Maida Vale Road, C.4.	1941
Martin, J. S., 91 Eden Street, S.2.	1946
Pumfrey, R. E., 41 Puriri Street, E.4.	1946
Woods, N. S., 38 Harrison Street, S.W.1.	1950
Marshall, Rt. Hon. J. R., 23 Bolton Street, C.1.	1950
Wall, A. L., 55 Madras Street, N.5.	1951
Baber, A. J., 38 Waitoa Road, E.2.	1960
Dornan, Alford, 19a The Crescent, Roseneath, C.4.	1960
McKenzie, Stuart, 15 Hoggard Street, S.W.1.	1960
Van Zweeden, M., 33 Rata Road, E.2.	1960
Anderson, K. L., 50 The Parade, Paekakariki.	1962
Keyes, A. W., Flat 6D Aston Towers, Abel Smith Street, C.2.	1962
May, H. S. B., 47 Mornington Road, S.W.1.	1962
McLellan, D., 20 Apuka Street, S.W.1.	1962
Oed, G. V., 89 Wilton Road, N.2.	1962
Vink, J. W., 25 Mantell Street, E.5.	1962
Chappell, F. E., 28 Stoke Street, S.1.	1965
Thomson, J., 101 Gordon Wilson Flats, C.1.	1965
Garratt, F., 109 Grafton Road, C.4.	1965
Lowman, I. S., 65 Alexandra Road, C.4.	1965
Shiels, A., 19 Fernhill Terrace, N.2.	1966
Arnold, R. D., 2 Maurice Terrace, C.2.	1966
Aker, F. S., 289 The Terrace, C.2.	1967
Kensit, F. J., 149 Miro Miro Road, Normandale.	1967
Strong, M., C/o The Bridge, Vivian Street, C.2.	1967

THE MINISTER'S LETTER

Dear Friends,

How lovely to head this 'The Minister's Letter' and to be writing this, my first parish letter, to you all.

My first desire, on behalf of my Wife, myself and Kay, is to thank you all for the warmth of your welcome to us from the very start and for all your kindness in so many ways. All this has resulted in our feeling truly at home in Wellington, in St John's and in the manse.

It is not possible for me to speak knowledgeably about the year which has passed so I shall content myself with speaking about the future. Paul in writing to the people at Philippi said "This one thing I do, forgetting those things which are behind, and reaching forth unto those things which are before, I press toward the mark for the prize of the high calling of God in Christ Jesus." Great words, and I would make bold to change the word 'I' for the word 'We', for we are a family in St John's and I have rejoiced in the deep family loyalty so evident amongst you. God has brought us together and that for a purpose - the extension of His Kingdom here in Wellington and He will enable us and equip us for the task.

I have spoken of the love shown to us by you all and how much we have appreciated it. We hear a lot these days about 'Freedom from Hunger' and this is good and a deep concern to us all. Hunger is a scourge that kills millions every year. Hunger for love is an even more terrible and devastating thing which destroys so many human lives. Let us resolve this year to spread abroad the gospel - the good news - of the love of God to all with whom we come into contact. Thus others feeling and knowing our love for them, will be brought to a knowledge of God's love, revealed in Jesus Christ His Son whom He sent to bring us back into friendship with Himself.

Let us press on then together as a family in His service which is perfect freedom, in the assurance that we can do all things through Christ who strengthens us.

God bless, keep and prosper you all,

Your friend and minister,

Jock Kinloch