

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

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Inducted

BLAKE, J. E.	1933
FOWLER, R.	1933
SMITH, W. E.	1941
ELIZABETH, M. R.	19
MARTIN, H.	1939
PUMPHREY, R.	1946
WOODS, M. E.	1950
MARSHALL, R. E.	1950
DORRIS, A. R.	1950
WORTH, M. E.	1950
VAN ZANDT, M.	1950
KEY, R. A.	1950
MCCLELLAN, J.	1950
ODD, G. K.	1950
YOUNG, J. E.	1950
CHAPMAN, J.	1950
THOMSON, J. A.	1950
GARRATT, J. N.	1950
LOWMAN, I. S.	1950
SHIELDS, A.	1950
ARNOLD, R. D.	1950
AKER, F. G.	1950
STRONG, M.	1950
ROBERTSON, N. G.	1950
HUNT, John.	1950
BRIDGE, D. J.	1950
Dr. HARVIE, A. H.	1950
MARTIN, T. G.	1950

THE MINISTER'S LETTER

My Dear Friends,

This report sees the start of my third year in my privilege of being your Minister. Speaking for myself, and indeed for the Manse family, there is much for which to be thankful. The work is growing and prospering under the Hand of God. This last year has seen a steady growth in the attendance and enthusiasm at the weekly Bible Studies. We are a happy group and there is room for you too, if you can make the effort and join us. The Sunday School has grown in strength under Mr Rollo Arnold and Mrs Arnold and their team of teachers. The Lantern Club has not only transferred the room in which they meet, they have also established a warm fellowship together and it is a pleasure to join them on occasions after the evening service. The Bible Class is flourishing under Mr Garratt and Mr Vink. With the indefatigable energy with which we associate them, the Session Clerk and Mrs Fowler have established the Sunday lunches which are much appreciated by our own folk and many who come as visitors.

Now to go through the entire list of organisations and commend the many who have given yet another year of unselfish service would be out of place here as account is given in the separate reports. So, if your name is not mentioned, you are far from forgotten and I would like you to realise this.

In short, may I commend you ALL for your warmth, enthusiasm and the lovely atmosphere which is felt when we meet for worship or at one of the church organisations. All this is truly the work of God and it is His blessing we have harvested and will, by His grace continue to harvest, as we continue in His free service.

What a fine sight it is to see the choir in strength and what a contribution they make to the worship. Our new organist, Ray Wilderspin, is doing a fine job and we hope he will be long with us.

The financial position has improved and the overdraft almost liquidated: another sign that when God gets the heart the money comes too.

We have added to our number during the year and have welcomed several new Communicants into full membership of St. John's. How lovely it is to see the young people coming forward to confess Christ before the Congregation. And speaking of congregations I have been encouraged and delighted at the considerable turn-out at the several pre-Communion Services.

It might interest you to know the organisations on which I serve as your representative and that of the Presbytery:-

Scots College Board of Governors
The Boys' Institute as Hon. President
Victoria House Women's Hostel Committee
National Society on Alcoholism
International Relations Committee
Inner City Committee
amongst others.

It has been my pleasure to speak to Youth for Christ and at the Baptist Hostel on more than one occasion. The folks at Porirua Hospital enjoy a showing of slides from time to time. Since the last report there have been around thirtyfive weddings in St. John's amongst whom I am glad to record were Barbara and Bruce Kinloch.

This is beginning to sound like Hebrews 11: 32 so I shall close now with just a final word of thanks and encouragement.

A very big "thank you" for the new heating in the Manse and for the countless little acts of kindness which have made the past year a precious and a memorable one.

And a final word of encouragement. Keep up the good work; there are so many people looking for a word of welcome, a smile and a helping hand, and above all for the good news of the Gospel of God revealed in Jesus Christ our Lord and Saviour.

I thank God for you all and look forward to another year as

Your Minister and Friend,

Jack Kinloch

The Kirk Session

Our Presbyterian Book of Order states "An Annual Meeting of the Congregation is held to receive a financial report from the Managers for the past year, and also to transact such other business as may be regularly brought before it. At such a meeting the Session also reports, for information, on the spiritual work of the Congregation for the year.

The minutes are embodied in the records of the Session, extract minutes of matters relating to finance being forwarded to the Board of Managers"

So each year we come together to take stock and to share in the joys, the sorrows, the hopes, the mistakes and the inspiration of our work together.

We rejoice in the evidence of new spiritual energy as shown in increased church attendance, in the young people coming forward to profess their faith and in active Bible Study and Prayer Groups

We have been greatly blessed in our Minister whose sincere, practical and thought provoking sermons have benefited each one of us.

Special mention should be made of the Family Services on the first Sunday of each month to which old and young alike look forward.

Both Mr and Mrs Kinloch never spare themselves in their visitation of the sick, the lonely and all in need and in the general hospitality they so generously extend to everyone.

The Communion Roll stands at 430. There have been fiftythree new members; ten being by Profession of Faith: with thirtythree disjunctions whose names were removed from the roll through death or transfer. There were ten baptisms.

Three of our Elders have left. Mr Ken Anderson returned to England. Mr Kensit, who has been ill for some time, is unable to drive his car to St John's and has joined a nearby church. Mr Cuthbertson has returned to his old church.

Mr Noel Woods received a C.B.E. from the Queen at the Investiture held at the Town Hall, for his service in the labour field and to the community; not the least of which has been his fine contribution in Church Affairs.

Mr Garratt and Mr Thomson have taken services for us on the occasions when Mr Kinloch had to be away and this was a good contribution which we appreciated.

Our Elders representing us at Presbytery have been Messrs. Rollo Arnold and Frank Garratt and Sister Nessie Morgan also represents us on the Maori Liaison Committee.

Special Services held were: in August the Scots and Queen Margaret; in November Mr Greenslade preached during the visit of the Methodist Conference. On November 16th Doug Stout was licensed. We also had services attended by the Metropolitan Fire Brigade Band, Toc H, the Bible Society, the Rev. Henry Hahn, the Pacific Islanders and we have joined with St Andrew's for 8 a.m. Communion.

On the 28th of February a one-day retreat was held, attended by Elders, Managers and Leaders of all our Groups. The guest speaker was Mr Norman Perry. His theme 'Renewal'. This retreat was worthwhile for although no decisions are ever made by such a group the effect of sharing thoughts and ideas acts like a pebble thrown into the pond.

Session spent considerable time considering the various remits sent down from the General Assembly, and has forwarded their replies and opinions at the request of Presbytery, concerning such diverse topics as the age of retirement for ministers; certain aspects of the plan for union and the composition of Assembly representation.

Under the lead of Mr Arnold the Sunday School has strengthened and it is with regret that we lose him as Superintendent because he is working on a thesis and must devote time to this. He has been more than generous with his time, thought and the preparation he has given to this work and the Sunday School has been well launched into the New Curriculum of the Christian Education Department.

New ventures have been established of the 'Lantern', a group for young people, and the provision of dinners after the morning service. Both are providing valuable centres of fellowship for our own members and for visitors.

Roy Tankersley, our organist, left to further his studies in Christchurch. He was an enthusiastic and devoted musician who pointed out to us the need to establish an organ maintenance fund and he himself organised several recitals to establish this

We were most fortunate in securing Ray Wilderspin to replace Roy and both his playing and conducting of the Choir are very much appreciated.

The congregational life has been encouraged by the friendly atmosphere of all groups and by joint ventures shared: by the bonds that unite us in our sorrow at the death of some very fine members, our concern for the sick among our number and our joy in the engagements, weddings and births that all go to make up that very real fellowship of the family of St John's.

COMMITTEES OF SESSION

Youth Liaison: A.Dornan (convener), F.N.Garratt, J.W.Vink
Troup House: Rev.D.T.W.Kinloch (chairman), F.E.Chappell, Mrs P.G.Hughes, Rt.Hon.J.R.Marshall, J.W.Vink, N.S.Woods, N.G.Robertson (treasurer), R.B.Fowler (secretary)
Choir and Organ: J.W.Vink (convener), R.N.Fleming and Mrs Mary Mortimer.

The Board of Managers

COMMITTEES

Property: J.Hunt (convener), D.J.Bridge, F.E.Chappell, J.R.Don, R.N.Fleming, R.Gilmour, S.McKenzie, Mrs H.W.Piper, N.G.Robertson, N.S.Woods.
Envelopes: Dr.David Burton (convener), Mrs Mortimer and Mrs Wall
Rolls: Mrs Hughes and R.B.Fowler.
Historical Records: Miss H.D.Clyde, 90 Kelburn Parade, 5.
Rooms: Miss P Lees, Home Tel.552.363; Business 555.809
Projector: Messrs.D.J.Bridge and R.N.Fleming

(The Session Clerk and Clerk of the Board of Managers are ex-officio members of all committees)

Beggs, David	89 Karepa Street, Brooklyn, 2
Brodie, Miss E.M.	54 Roxburgh Street, Mt. Victoria, 1.
Burton, Dr. David	16 Motueka Street, Ngaio, 4
Clachan, Miss M.C.	No. 5 Flat, P.S.S.A. Private Bag, Woburn.
De Vries, John A.	36 Bruce Avenue, Brooklyn, 2
Don, J.R.	13 Dorking Road, Brooklyn, 2
Fleming, R.N.	9 Oban Street, Wadestown, 1.
Garratt, Ian	170 Cecil Road, Wadestown, 1.
Gilmour, Robert	The Cottage, Troup House, 176 Willis Street,
Goss, Murray	The Cottage, Troup House, 176 Willis Street,
Hughes, Mrs Gladstone	160 Oriental Parade, 1.
Johnston, Miss J.S.	Flat 4, Evan Park Court, 29 Kilbirnie Rd. 3
Kraft, Wm. H.	135 Kelburn Parade, 5.
Lees, Miss P.	Central Park Flats 132, 21 Brooklyn Rd. 2.
MacKenzie, Miss M.I.	60 Kelburn Parade, 5.
Milkop, A.H.	14 Franklyn Road, Tawa.
Mortimer, Mrs M	55 Madras Street, Khandallah, 1.
Penney, A.T.	10 Rewa Road, Hataitai, 3.
Piper, Mrs H.W.	31 Bidwell Street, 2.
Roberts, Ian	C/- 28 Mortimer Terrace, 2.
Roberts, Wm.	213 Cuba Street, 1.

New Managers appointed at the Annual Meeting were Messrs. H. Baber, J.A. de Vries, R. Gilmour, M. Goss, J.L. Morrison, W. Roberts.

Three Managers resigned on leaving Wellington: Messrs. H. Baber, I. Brown, and J.L. Morrison. Mr Keith Caldwell, who had been first appointed to the Board in May 1960 and had been a faithful steward and regular attender, died on the 4th. of November 1969.

The property has been maintained in good order and condition and thanks for this are due to the Property Committee and those who accepted responsibility for keeping the grounds tidy.

Items of work carried out were the erection of two notice boards in the vestibule, the complete renovation of the piano in the Fellowship Room, the repair of the projector and the church amplifier system.

We had some generous anonymous donors and this enabled us to carry out two major projects. Firstly: the Fellowship Room was painted and this with the recently redecorated kitchen has made conditions for working and meeting warm, friendly and refreshing. Secondly: the cushioning of the pews on the lower level of the

level of the Church was completed by the donation of the final twenty-eight cushions. Messrs. James Smith Ltd. also helped in this contribution by a generous discount. This addition to the beauty of the interior helps create that spirit of worship which is engendered as we walk into St John's.

The Manse also received attention by the installation of insulation and additional heating. Arrangements are currently under way for the painting of the Manse in some months time.

As an act of outreach the Board undertook the preparation of publicity material for distribution among the nearby hotels and motels so that guests may be kept informed of our Services and other church activities.

No special appeal has been necessary because the regular giving especially from the envelope contributors, the accrued interest from the endowment fund and the generosity of our women's organisations have enabled us to close the year's accounts with the small overdraft of \$20.53

The Choir

PRESIDENT: The Rev. D.T.W. Kinloch

ORGANIST & CHOIRMASTER: Mr Ray Wilderspin

SECRETARY: Mrs M Mortimer, 55 Madras Street, Khandallah

TREASURER: Miss Patsy Wilson

LIFE VICE PRESIDENT: Miss H.D. Clyde

LIFE MEMBERS: Misses E.M. Brodie, D Chappell, P Lees, M.I. MacKenzie, Mr Pumfrey, Mr and Mrs F.A. Strong.

Mr Roy Tankersley was farewelled as our organist and choir-master in December. He had been with us for two years and during that time we learned much new music and his different approach to church music was interesting. We thank him and wish him and his Wife every success in their future.

During January Mrs Snelgrove and Mr Wilderspin supplied for us and he has now been appointed our Church Organist. We thank him for the very easy way in which he has taken his place among

us and with unobtrusive efficiency has set about his task of organist and choirmaster and for his worshipful attitude to his task.

Towards the end of last year our membership was discouraging but as 1970 has gone on we are building up in numbers and this is most encouraging.

We do appreciate the faithful and regular attendance given by our choir members so many of whom are 'twicers' and this fact, together with regular attendance at choir practice, gives a much greater stability to our work and makes for greater efficiency in our important task of leading the worship each Sunday.

We are blessed by life members who take an interest in us: Miss Clyde and Miss Chappell, both regular worshippers, are always aware of our activities and show an active interest. Mr and Mrs Strong welcome us annually for our picnic, very often attend our annual meeting, and it was a joy to see them worshipping with us on the night of our Easter music; and, of course, Mr Pumfrey's interest never wavers and throughout his long time in hospital he loved to hear of our doings and our carol singing to him last Christmas was an immense happiness to him. How lovely to see him in Church occasionally.

Christmas and Easter were marked with appropriate meditations, with singing and readings. In September we sang the choral work written by Mr Tankersley "Four Meditations on the Life of Christ".

We assisted at three weddings: Miss Faye Ellis to Mr Ian Roberts, Miss Barbara Kinloch to Mr Tony Harrison and Miss Helen Woods to Mr Zane Kidd.

Of our special occasions we sang to assist the prison chaplain at one of his services and we sang carols both at the railway station and to our elderly and shut-in members. After carols we had tea at the home of our secretary and in June choir practice turned into social when we said farewell to Mr Noel Thompson at the home of the Misses MacKenzie. We are sorry to lose Noel. He has been with us for three years and we thank him for his loyal and friendly support.

To Mr and Mrs Kinloch as they go untiringly about their work of leading and serving the St John's family we owe a very deep debt of gratitude.

Assoen Presbyterian Women

LINKING COMMITTEE: Mrs D.J. Bridge (secretary), together with the Presidents, Vice-presidents, Secretaries and Treasurers of the Women's Groups. Also the following conveners:-

CONVENERS: Miss E Ward (M.B.G.), Miss D Chappell (Harvest Field), Mrs Allan (Stamps), Miss E.M. Brodie (Prayer & Study), Mrs Fowler (Supper Groups), Mrs Kirkwood (Mission Boxes), Mrs McMillan (Coupons), Mrs Bridge (Corso), Misses E.M. Brodie and M.I. MacKenzie (Flowers), Mrs Van Zweeken (Creche), Mrs Roberts and Miss M Johnston (P.S.S.A.).

All the women's organisations have had a busy year and have continued the task of uniting our women in fellowship through service in the family of the church and beyond.

Mrs Kinloch represented St John's at the A.P.W. meeting in Dunedin and gave a very able report on the remits and recommendations on her return.

There have been many efforts of special interest including:- Running three stalls at the P.S.S.A. Fair in the Town Hall: the White Elephant, Candle and Bookstall, housekeeping duty at Deaconess House and supplying weekly baking and replenishing for their cupboard during September. Attending Auxiliary meetings and supplying sales staff at the Cuba Street shop. We have also supplied and arranged food for the Congregational Lunch and for the Pacific Islanders' Service. The After-Church and Pre-Communion suppers have also been our responsibility.

A large group met in the Fellowship Room to assist with the distribution of newsletters for the Bible Society and several of our church families accepted the responsibility of billeting the McGhee children during the Christmas holidays and their birthdays are remembered with a parcel.

Both of our organisations have kept in touch with our Own Missionary, Sister Margaret Bear, in India. Different members write each month and for Christmas we sent a tape recording of our Christmas Family Service.

The Mission Boxes brought in \$66.50 and the Tea Coupons raised \$21.78. These amounts were contributed to the church budget.

Our special thanks go to Miss Jean Hanchet who is retiring from the Secretaryship of the Maori Mission Birthday League after twenty-six years of efficient faithful service. Members now total 135 and the contributions amounted to \$143.25 for the year.

The name has now been changed to Mission Birthday Gift.

Loving thoughts have gone to our Stamp Secretary, Mrs Mary Allan, who received serious injuries in a car accident, and we are glad to hear that she is making progress toward recovery. We are grateful to Mr Allan who has continued the work and the amount raised is approximately \$70.00.

Miss Dorothy Chappell, our 'Harvest Field' secretary reports four new subscribers bringing the total to fifty.

The Flower Conveners thank all who have assisted in the flower arrangements both in the Church and for various functions. A flower fund has been built up by donations from bridal parties who ask the conveners to arrange their wedding flowers. This has helped to make us independent of church funds.

The Harvest Thanksgiving Service brought a generous response with bottled fruit and groceries and those who gave in cash donated \$20.00 in the pumpkin.

The special work project set by the A.P.W. this year was 'Quilts for Korea' and the St John's yeoman effort produced 108 quilts. At a special ceremony in Wellington, Mrs Grant, the Dominion President of A.P.W. received them and commended the efforts of all branches. The total sent in was 20,000 quilts.

Afternoon Women's Assoc'n

Our monthly meetings have been rich in fellowship and there has been an increase in membership which is now forty-four. There has been a keen readiness to co-operate in any extra activity.

On several occasions Mr Kinloch has added inspiration to our meetings with helpful meditations which have stressed the need to be renewed and refreshed daily in prayer. We are thankful for all that our Minister and his Wife so willingly do: their hospitality, their visiting and their full support in all the various undertakings

Members have appreciated and enjoyed meeting and working in the freshly painted Fellowship Room and the redecorated kitchen to which the Guild contributed \$80.00 toward the cost.

A wide variety of speakers gave us information on such subjects as New Hebridean Mission Work; the daily life of a Missionary's Wife in Tokyo and hospital administration in New Guinea. There were other topics which widened our horizons as well as giving enjoyment.

Sewing days were held in homes to stitch blankets for Korea and on two occasions members gathered in the Fellowship Room to prepare for the pre-Christmas 'Bring and Buy' and to pack boxes of sweets for the residents and staff of Te Hopai Home. In May we visited there to serve afternoon tea and provide entertainment.

A stall was held at the Church gate on a very damp August morning and \$30.00 from the proceeds were allocated to the White Elephant P.S.S.A. stall. The 'bring and buy' in November was a busy and profitable day.

Our balance sheet reveals an increase in all giving and the generosity of members and so many other men and women has been outstanding because many calls have been made for stalls and the P.S.S.A. Fair. The monthly trading stall arranged by Mrs Roberts and Mrs Button amounted to \$20.91. The Afternoon Guild were able to help financially with a few projects other than those mentioned in this report. Among these we gave \$10.00 to the Sunday School for new hymn books; \$36.00 toward new trestle tables and \$20.00 to the Centennial Thanksgiving Gift for Onesua High School.

Special thanks go to our treasurer, Miss H Wilson, whose meticulous book keeping is an example to each of us. We were sad when she met with an accident just before the annual meeting and were impressed to find all her accounts in perfect order.

To our retiring President, Mrs Hughes, we express our gratitude. She has served the Guild as President for three terms, giving in all sixteen and a half years of Leadership. Her wide knowledge of Missions and Church affairs and her gift of friendship have all added to the happy fellowship in the Guild. We thank her for the gracious thought and interest she has given to each one of us.

As we move into another year let us place at the top of our priorities the grateful, reverent worship of God.

Evening Guild

The membership for the year was sixtytwo and the average attendance throughout was fortyone.

Most meetings concluded with a simple supper; members being asked to make a contribution to the Freedom from Hunger Fund. This has enabled us to send \$10.04 to Corso.

We have written monthly letters to Sister Margaret Bear, Sister Margaret McKenzie, Miss Minka Hanskamp, Miss Ruth Loan and to Yvonne in Porirua Hospital.

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

We also sent parcels to the St John's students in Dunedin and every recipient replied with a sincere 'thank you' to our members for their kindness.

In May the 'Bring and Buy' proceeds amounted to \$51.54.

Our programmes have been varied and included speakers on Mission Work in Sumatra, the Bible Society, work among leprosy sufferers and we also had some social evenings.

We thank members for their loyal support in all Guild activities and a special thank you to Mrs Don, our retiring treasurer, who has looked after our financial affairs for the last three years.

To our President, Mrs Betty Harris, we express our sincere and grateful thanks for the time and thought she so willingly gives in carrying out her duties.

Our appreciation goes to Mr and Mrs Kinloch for their continuing interest and assistance throughout all the year.

As we go forward we pray that God may guide us in the planning of our activities, leading us into new fields of service.

EXECUTIVE OF AFTERNOON GUILD: President: Miss E.M. Brodie,
Secretary: Mrs N.G. Robertson, Treasurer: Miss H Wilson,
Vice Presidents: Mesdames Piper & Mortimer, Life Vice Presidents:
Mrs P.G. Hughes; Misses Clyde, Hanchet, J. Johnston and Millar.

EXECUTIVE OF EVENING GUILD: President: Mrs B.D. Harris,
Secretary: Miss J Williams, Treasurer: Miss M Fowler.

Cradle Roll

CONVENER: Mrs Van Zweeden

We celebrated our 60th Anniversary on our mid-winter coffee morning. It was a very happy gathering and, although our roll has this year dropped to twentytwo, except for one or two flu' cases all the mothers and babies were there to enjoy the party with us.

The past conveners and helpers were also invited and after Mr Kinloch had opened with devotions Mrs Van Zweeden welcomed everybody and Mrs Kinloch presented the retiring members of the committee with sprays.

The committee members who were honoured after many years of service were: Misses Elsie & Jean MacKenzie and Dorothy Chappell who had been conveners. Misses Dalziel and Hanchet had long been committee members.

A nicely decorated birthday cake was cut by Miss Dorothy Chappell and our oldest church member Miss Wyn Millar.

We now have a new committee which includes several younger Mothers and we look forward to a very happy association with them.

The creche opens in the Fellowship Room every Sunday to look after very small children and babies so that their parents may attend the morning service.

The Sunday School

We have had a happy year of Christian Fellowship, Worship and Learning. Our roll has settled at around sixty with an average attendance of about thirtyseven.

Our pattern was continued of joining the congregation for a Family Service on the first Sunday of each month; with a Church

parade for opening worship on the last Sunday of the month.

For our Anniversary Service on the 7th of December we occupied the choir stalls and shared some of our new songs in worship with the congregation and with Sister Nessie teaching the congregation our round 'Good News'. The presentation of prizes followed and Miss Helen Clyde carried out this duty most graciously. The Hopkirk prize was won by Ian McLellan and the Anne Scott prize by Margaret Arnold.

The Managers have continued to care for our every physical need and we are also grateful to Murray Goss and his team who set up and put away the chairs used for the Sunday School Assembly. The visits by members of Session have also been appreciated.

We thank those teachers who have retired for their work with us: Miss E Marshall, Sister Nessie, Mrs R Arnold, Miss L Mumme and Mr K Aickin.

THE SUNDAY SCHOOL EXECUTIVE: Superintendent: Mr R.D. Arnold,
Teachers: Miss G Baxter and Mr D Butel (Intermediate Dept.)
Miss Helen Mortimer and Mr Rod McKenzie (Junior Dept.)
Misses J Garratt and A McPhail, Mr M Yates (Primary Dept.)
Mesdames Rush and Butel (Kindergarten Department)

The Bible Class

Miss L Treffers and Mr Ian Roberts, under the guidance of Mr Frank Garratt, have led the Bible Class until Mr Roberts left on teacher transfer and Miss Treffers left to marry. Mr Vink stepped in and together with Mr Garratt they are leading the Bible Class at present.

Attendances at the beginning of the year were not promising, with only nine members, but today the regular roll is at fifteen and increasing. Over the past few weeks each member has been making an individual effort to increase our numbers.

Members took part in a youth service earlier in the year and this was a success. Several more have been planned with visiting singing groups to take part.

We have held a dance-social, a progressive dinner combined with all attending the Youth for Christ rallies in the Town

Hall and several very enjoyable teas at Van Zweeden's, the Vinks and the Parkinsons.

Curtains are now ready to be put up in our rooms and this will make them more attractive and useful. The rooms are not only enjoyed by the Bible Class but also by all those who attend the Sunday Evening Lantern gatherings which are organised by the Young Adult Group.

We owe thanks to many for their encouragement and help, and in particular Mr Kinloch who took a series of lessons for us last year. We thank, too, our leaders and friends who have shown an active interest in the Class.

Because of our small number we will just have an informal annual general meeting this year; preceding the Bible Class on Sunday the 9th of August.

THE BIBLE CLASS EXECUTIVE: Donald Sharp (chairman), Alan Vink (secretary), Miss L Treffers (treasurer), Miss M Van Zweeden (social convener).

The LANTERN

The "Lantern" was started in February to provide the Young Adults of St John's with a place to meet for fellowship, discussions and the like, and to enable them to get to know each other. Also to welcome young newcomers and visitors into the family of St John's.

Other activities: social as well as service; such as, visiting young people in hospital, are also included in our group.

Youth services, a barbeque and a ski trip have been undertaken and much enjoyed.

The "Lantern" is now on its feet and settled down well over the winter with an average attendance on Sunday evenings of about twenty people.

We look forward to further consolidation and expansion, both in numbers and in activities, in the coming year.

The Boys' Brigade

COMPANY SECTION

Membership has declined over the last twelve months and our average is from twelve to fifteen boys but there are not so many older boys.

There have been a number of comings and goings in staff. Trevor Hosking and Gerald Hampton have left. They were two good general hands. Alan Bright has joined and in him we have gained an enthusiastic and capable P.T. instructor.

Badge classes have included First Aid, Fencing, Expedition, Wildlife, Arts and Crafts. The lack of numbers in the various groups sometimes makes it difficult to justify using outside instructors.

A valiant attempt was made at holding a weekend Company Camp under canvas last October but after a day of torrential rain we packed up and left for home and dry clothing.

A working party of older boys spent a day wielding gorse slashers at the Battalion's Wainuiomata Camp Site. Some of their energy was also expended around the new caretaker's house which was built from the result of the TREK from Upper Hutt in which most of our boys also took part.

We thank each of those who have shown an interest in our activities, whether financially as in B.B. Week or in other ways.

THE TEAM SECTION

Since our last report we have dropped a little in numbers and have at present eleven boys on the roll with two Lieutenants and one helper.

At the beginning of the session we were pleased to promote six boys into the Company Section which left us with six boys and we built up to the present number.

We have been unlucky in losing a number of officers. After a great effort and tremendous dedication we lost Miss Heather Tilbury and Mr Bob Cuthbertson. Miss Harriett Johnston then took up the Leadership until she went overseas.

On behalf of the Officers and boys of the Company Team Section I would like to thank those Officers for their outstanding service

to the Movement. We have missed them.

However, we still have a happy core of Leaders. Mr Bill Clark has been assisting while study has prevented Clive McGovern from taking his usual place and we thank Bill for his generous offer.

The highlight of the year was, of course, the B.B. Trek in which all our boys finished within the first thirty. With one of our boys finishing third in his age.

Although we have not, for a variety of reasons, taken a more active part in the wider field of Battalion activities, we still have a very enthusiastic group of boys attending regularly to participate in the achievement scheme, which is proving interesting and fruitful.

We would like to thank the Sunday School for the job they do in complementing our Monday nights work; and indeed to all those who have assisted in any way the Team Section throughout the past year.

If you know of any boy between eight and twelve years and who would like to join the Team Section please tell him that we meet in the Hall at 6.30 p.m. every Monday.

CAPTAIN OF THE COMPANY SECTION: Mr David Beggs

LEADER IN CHARGE OF THE TEAM SECTION: Mr Mark Hanton

8th Wellington Girl's Brigade

Our numbers have dropped in both Brigade and Junior Sections due mainly to girls moving out of town and in the Juniors to the change of meeting day from Saturday morning to 5 p.m. Wednesday.

The total membership is now eleven but we are endeavouring to build up again.

Miss Lillian Mumme now takes the younger group and they have been aiming for awards in cooking, knitting, music, skipping and rhythmic movement. This is a happy little group and each member works hard.

Brigaders have had a varied year with a camp at the end of 1969, a play and a gym display for our final night, a walk to Red Rocks to see the seals, a walk to Johnson's Hill one very misty afternoon after church and a visit to the theatre by the seniors to see a Shakespearian play.

As a break from badge work we have had two evening meals: one cooked by a Chinese woman and the other by an Indian woman: two delicious meals.

1970's badge work has enveloped Feminine Charm with demonstrations of make-up and hair care, Basketwork, Bush Life and Sister Nessie spoke to us on Maori Mission Work. Miss Patterson gave a talk on Indian Missionary Work.

We intend to do Campers and My Friend the Aged to complete a cycle.

The Girls have supported Corso by door to door collecting this term and a stall is to be held on the 4th of September in an endeavour to boost regional funds.

At a recent parents meeting Mrs Papp very generously donated a treadle sewing machine to the Company so that girls will be able to do sewing on Company Nights. We thank the Papp family sincerely.

Our thanks also go to Miss Mumme, who so ably takes the Juniors, and Miss Constable who helps in the Brigader Section. To Mrs McMillan also we give our thanks for her willing support.

CAPTAIN OF THE 8th. WELLINGTON COMPANY: Miss A Carley

Saturday at Two

Saturday at Two started in June of last year to provide a meeting place for lonely elderly folk and we meet every second Saturday in the Fellowship Room. The attendance hovers around twenty, amongst whom we have some loyal folk who come in rain or shine, for there is a warm friendliness and a welcome afternoon tea.

We run the Club on simple lines. There is no actual membership, no fees, no office-bearers. The people insist on putting a coin into the saucer at every meeting and this money has been used to effect an overhaul of the church cine projector which cost \$19. We also hope to make a contribution for the use of the room and the electricity. The balance will be used for a Christmas party complete with cake; as we did last year.

The programme consists largely of showing interesting films which we get from the office of the British High Commission. They have lent us many fine and instructive films, as has also the National Film Library. At times the Minister has shown some of his slides and for variety we have been indebted to the Hurt family and their friends for musical afternoons which are always much appreciated. Mr and Mrs Hunt together with Mr and Mrs Bridge help my husband and myself with the running of the Club and we are grateful to them for their kindness on several occasions.

We have devotions at each meeting and when there are weddings at the Church the Club forms an interested spectator group from their vantage-point in the Fellowship Room. The numbers are not large but the Club is established and there is room for any who would like to share in our friendly atmosphere at Saturday-at-Two.

CONVENERS OF SATURDAY AT TWO: The Rev. and Mrs Kinloch

Badminton Club

Last season the membership stood at thirtytwo, slightly down on the previous year. Club nights were not as well attended especially towards the end.

Players from St Giles joined us in the hall on the 11th July, and although their number was small we all enjoyed the competition and the excellent supper provided by the ladies.

A team was entered in "C" grade of the Wellington Association Interclub Competitions but met with little success. However, to date this season the Club team has won all fixtures. The only other church club being represented is St. Giles, Kilbirnie.

Anyone interested in playing badminton will be most welcome in the hall on Mondays and Fridays.

SECRETARY: Mr Richard Wells - Telephone 556.455

TROUP HOUSE

This residence comprises "The Cottage" with room for eight and the original Troup House which accomodates four. The aim is to provide a Christian home for young men working or studying in the city and this has certainly been achieved with the fine group we have in occupation for they have enriched the family life of our church.

Amongst them two are Managers, two take the Team Section of our Boy's Brigade, most are active in the 'Lantern' and all are willing and helpful in numerous activities.

The carpet on the stairs and on the upstairs landing has been renewed, both washing machines have been completely overhauled, some additional cutlery was purchased to replace some lost and all this has added to their comfort.

Members of the committee spring clean, launder the blankets and generally check the equipment, during the Christmas vacation, to ensure that all is satisfactory.

Several applications have already been received for 1971 and conditions of entry include regular Church attendance.

The boys look after themselves and share housekeeping expenses. The cost of their board is \$3.75 for a single room and \$3.25 for a share room of two beds. This includes heating, lighting and power for cooking. All household equipment is supplied except sheets, pillowcases and towels.

SUNDAY DINNERS

The third Sunday in September 1969 saw the commencement of this experiment.

The purpose of the venture was to provide a meal for both members and visitors who might find this a convenience and also to have a centre of fellowship.

The Managers advanced \$25 towards cutlery and crockery and in a very short time it was evident that this project was worthwhile.

Following the Christmas holiday break the service was begun again in March and will continue until November.

This is not intended as a profit making concern and the 45 cents charged for the meal, with half price for children, usually covers costs. It is hoped to have a small amount over; probably about \$10 for the year and this will be used to buy more cutlery. The \$25 lent by the Board of Managers has been repaid mainly from donations from wedding fees.

The average number coming is thirty and there is always a friendly and cheerful atmosphere.

There have been visitors from Canada, U.S.A., Australia and many parts of New Zealand as well as a wide cross section of our own congregation. Some of the overseas visitors have written from their homes expressing their thanks.

We have found this dining together interesting and enjoyable

AUDITOR'S CERTIFICATES

Due to the earlier publication of the Annual Report this year, and to enable the Elders to deliver it when calling, the Auditor's Certificate has not been waited for in each case. Any slight adjustments that may occur, by request of the Auditor, will be notified later.

The main accounts are being audited by Mr G.C. Hughes. The Sunday School and Troup House accounts have been 'Examined and Found Correct' by Mr. R.N. Fleming. The Evening Guild statement is marked 'Audited and Certified Correct' by Mr. G.V. Oed. The Choir statement is certified 'Examined' by Miss E.M. Brodie. Mr N.G. Robertson audited the Afternoon Guild accounts and also the Sponsorship Fund.

FINANCIAL STATEMENT OF ORDINARY ACCOUNT

YEAR ENDING 30th. JUNE 1970

	Receipts	
Offertories, Plate	4210.03	
Envelopes	<u>6970.81</u>	11180.84
Donations:-		
Use of rooms	224.70	
Pew Rents	4.00	
Organ Practice	98.38	
General	270.57	
Piano Repair	52.50	
New Tables	54.00	
Projector Repair	15.34	
Troup House	20.00	
Hopkirk Family for Manse Heating	<u>100.00</u>	839.49
Bank Interest	40.75	
Endowment Fund Income	364.29	
Lockie Bequest Interest	39.30	
Saturday at Two	<u>10.00</u>	953.34
Budget contributions:-		
Afternoon Guild	400.00	
Evening Guild	65.40	
Bible Class	60.00	
Sunday School	<u>90.00</u>	615.40
Contributions for other purposes:-		
Onesua	113.50	
S. Pacific College	110.00	
N.C.C.	134.41	
Bible Society	147.60	
P.S.S.A.	<u>20.80</u>	526.31
Donation, Evening Guild for Manse repaint	20.00	20.00
Overdraft		<u>20.53</u>
		<u>\$14156.91</u>

	Payments	
The Rev.D.T.W.Kinloch, Stipend	2676.24	
Car Allowance	409.24	
Expenses Allowance	<u>200.00</u>	3285.48
Organist		495.43
Supply Fees		142.00
Heat and Light		143.63
Printing & Stationery		326.25
Maintenance		89.50
Manse Site Rent		274.00
Organ Maintenance		85.80
Cleaning		1329.00
Provision for Repainting		150.00
Budget		3620.00
Manse Telephone		66.64
Session Expenses		60.22
Increment Levy		102.50
Beneficiary Fund		361.26
Presbytery Expenses		34.50
Repair & Tune Piano		85.25
Eight folding Tables		156.41
Rates		275.24
Insurance		435.63
Manse Heaters & Insulation		351.70
P.S.S.A.		20.80
N.C.C.		134.41
Sunday School Supplies		70.00
Onesua High School		113.50
Bible Society		147.60
Pacific Islands College		110.00
A.P.W.		16.00
Money for Manse Repaint Retained		20.00
Transfer to Organ Fund		250.00
Misc. expenses		56.25
Overdraft at 1.7.69		<u>1347.91</u>
		<u>\$14156.91</u>

TRUST ACCOUNT FOR YEAR ENDING 30th JUNE 1970

<u>Receipts</u>	
Balances at 1st July 1969:-	
Benevolent Fund	250.56
Centennial Collection	179.70
Chairs for Hall	166.40
Crockery Replacement	8.99
Hall Rebuilding	11987.84
Hymn Book Replacement	768.70
Organ Renovation	1412.56
Church Rebuilding	537.82
Endowment Fund	19711.19
Interest in Lockie Beq.	380.00
Provision for Repaint	943.46
	<u>\$36347.22</u>
Interest:-	
Benevolent Fund	14.66
Centennial	10.30
Chairs	9.60
Crockery	53
Hall	679.16
Hymn Books	46.30
Organ	82.63
Church Rebuilding	31.46
Endowment Fund	1153.10
Provision for Repainting	94.10
	<u>\$2121.84</u>
Deposits:-	
Hall Reb.from E.Guild	5.00
Organ Fund	250.00
Provision for Repaint	150.00
	<u>\$405.00</u>
	<u>\$38874.06</u>

<u>Payments</u>	
Withdrawals:-	
Benevolent Fund	15.00
Endowment Fund	864.29
	<u>\$879.29</u>
Balances:-	
Benevolent Fund	250.22
Centennial Fund	190.00
Chair Fund	176.00
Crockery Fund	9.52
Hall Fund	12672.00
Hymn Book Fund	815.00
Organ Fund	1745.19
Church Rebuilding	569.28
Endowment Fund	20000.00
Lockie Bequest	380.00
Provision for repaint	1187.56
	<u>\$37994.77</u>
	<u>\$38874.06</u>

RENTAL ACCOUNT FOR YEAR ENDING 30th JUNE 1970

Receipts

Balance at 1.7.69:	
Bank of N.Z.	2282.92
Church Office	8085.47
Bldg. Society	576.86
Shares	<u>10945.25</u>
Rents	2010.38
Sundry Receipts	13.82
Interest	492.20
Interest, Shares	56.82
	<u>2573.22</u>

Payments

Cleaning	102.00
Rates	279.64
Insurance	150.00
Misc.	3.17
	<u>534.81</u>
Deposit, Church Office	11889.54
Deposit, Bank of N.Z.	462.31
Shares	631.81
	<u>12983.66</u>

ST. JOHN'S AFTERNOON GUILD STATEMENT OF ACCOUNTS 1969/70

Receipts		Payments	
B/forward 1.6.69	\$574.78	Subscription	
Less allocated at		"Nursing Mirror for	
Annual Meeting 556.00	18.78	Miss M Bear	\$10.70
Part of allocation not		Onesua High School	
now required	30.00	Appeal	20.00
Bring & Buy - Aug 102.40		P.S.S.A.	30.00
" " Nov 215.47	317.87	Service Project, A.P.W.	1.00
Sales Table	20.98	Used Stamps	70.00
Donations & Collections	7.13	"Harvest Field"	17.50
Membership Fees	7.20	Contribution delegates	
Half surplus from Church		exs. National Meeting	10.00
Annual Meeting Lunch	1.85	Secretary's expenses	3.00
Harvest Field subs.	17.50	"Friends of Turakina"	1.50
P.O.S.B. interest	8.34	Cash in Bank	612.55
Mission Birthday Gift	143.25		
Mission Boxes	66.57		
Tea Coupons	21.78		
Stamps - A.P.W.	70.00		
Scott Trust - Maori Miss'n	25.00		
" " General	20.00		
	<u>\$776.25</u>		<u>\$776.25</u>

ST. JOHN'S PRESBYTERIAN SUNDAY SCHOOL ACCOUNTS 1969/70

Receipts		Payments	
B/forward 1.7.69	86.16	Supplies & material	
Bank interest	3.21	for New Curriculum	133.25
Interest on bequests	18.87	Prizes	18.90
Grants from Church Funds	70.00	Christmas party	15.30
Sunday School Collections	90.00	Collections paid to	
		Church Treasurer	90.00
		General expenses	3.53
		Balance 30.6.1970	7.26
	<u>\$268.24</u>		<u>\$268.24</u>

ST. JOHN'S EVENING GUILD STATEMENT OF ACCOUNTS 1969/70

Receipts		Payments	
Balance B/forward from 1969	158.48	Allocation of 1969 funds:	
Direct Giving	36.00	Church Budget	100.00
Donations	2.85	Repairs, kitchen	20.00
Bazaar	5.15	Cost of table	18.00
Half Profit, Lunch Annual Meeting	1.85	Sister Bear, parcel	10.79
Put and Purchase	5.00	Direct Giving	36.00
Subscriptions (49)	14.40	Delegates exs. to Assembly	10.00
Freedom from Hunger	12.13	Supper expenses	99
Bring and Buy Stall	51.54	Freedom from Hunger, biscuits	2.09
Rev. Jamieson, Leper Secy,	9.04	" " Corso	10.04
Mrs Desmond Smith, Bible Socy,		Secretary's expenses	1.00
Contribution	22.50	Balance, P.O.S.B.	78.49
		Rev. Jamieson, Leper Secy.	
		Contribution	9.04
		Mrs Desmond Smith, Bible	
		Socy. Contribution	22.50
			<u>\$318.94</u>

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

Balance Sheet at 30th. June 1970

Depreciation Reserve	2449.64	Cash at Bank	402.84
Repainting Reserve	410.98	Deposit, Church Office	2129.67
Interior Renov'n Res.	559.93	Building at Cost	9280.47
Furn. Replace Res.	861.43	Furniture at Cost	2380.66
Income & Expend. a/c.	1159.15		
Accumulated Funds	8752.51		
	<u>\$14193.64</u>		<u>\$14193.64</u>

INCOME & EXPENDITURE A/C. FOR YEAR ENDING 30th. JUNE 1970

Electricity	529.91	Board	1555.85
Gas	56.57	Interest	16.53
Telephones	93.40		
Rates	300.57		
Insurance	27.00		
Repairs & Maint'ce	93.79		
Paint	10.06		
Laundry	15.00		
Cleaning material	32.44		
Donation to Church	20.00		
Depreciation Reserve	310.00		
Balance down	23.64		
	<u>\$1572.38</u>		<u>\$1572.38</u>
Balance at 30.6.70	1159.15	Balance 30.6.69	1135.51
	<u>\$1159.15</u>	Balance down	23.64
			<u>\$1159.15</u>

ST. JOHN'S PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH CHOIR

STATEMENT OF RECEIPTS & PAYMENTS

For the year ending 30th June 1970

Receipts		Payments	
Balance at 30.6.69	24.41	Flowers	4.45
Weekly collections	28.93	Presentation	3.50
Donations	10.00	Typewriter ribbon	1.78
Donation, St Giles Gowns	10.00	Picnic expenses	4.41
P.O.S.B. interest	88	Balance	60.08
	<u>\$74.22</u>		<u>\$74.22</u>

To Balance at P.O.S.B., 30.6.70 \$60.08

ST. JOHN'S BADMINTON CLUB FINANCIAL STATEMENT

Receipts		Payments	
P.O.S.B. Bce. B/fd.	42.17	Shuttles	67.08
Subscriptions	139.00	Church donation	30.00
Inter-Club Fees	16.00	Affiliation and	
Supper Receipts	17.21	Entry Fees	18.45
Casuals	50	Wgtn. Badminton	
P.O.S.B. interest	1.66	Assn. donation	5.00
		Inter-Club Court	
		Hire	14.00
		General	4.15
		Supper expenses	8.44
		P.O.S.B. Balance	
		C/forward	69.42
	<u>\$216.54</u>		<u>\$216.54</u>

SECOND WELLINGTON COMPANY - THE BOYS' BRIGADE

FINANCIAL STATEMENT 31st. May 1970

Receipts		Payments	
Balance B/forward	93.17	B.B.Hqrs. & B.B.Week	90.53
B.B.Week	100.00	Battalion levy	28.80
Camp deposit refund	10.00	Camp deposit	10.00
Camp profit	8.01	Equipment, tent, slot	
Stall	28.00	cars, balls etc.	31.21
Fees & Uniforms	24.95	Insurance	2.20
	264.13	General	3.31
Less cheque not presented	1.00	Balance, P.O.S.B.	31.5.70
	<u>\$263.13</u>		<u>97.08</u>
			<u>\$263.13</u>

ST. JOHN'S SPONSORSHIP FUND

15.4.69 To Donation	80.60	10.6.69 By Fee, Board	39.00
12.9.69 "	25.00	18.11.69 "	39.00
17.10.69 "	4.00	5.5.70 "	39.00
17.11.69 "	20.00	Balance	32.28
17.2.70 "	8.25		
6.4.70 "	10.00		
Interest	1.43		
	<u>\$149.28</u>		<u>\$149.28</u>

ST. JOHN'S PRESBYTERIAN BIBLE CLASS Income and Expenditure Account

Income		Expenditure	
Balance from 1968 period:		Missions	80.00
General Funds	46.70	General Funds	48.03
Missions	83.05	Building Fund	350.00
Building Fund	347.19	Coad Bequest	458.81
Coad Beq, etc	<u>559.94</u>		
Missions	1036.88	Balances at 31.12.69	
General Funds	45.79	Missions	48.84
Coad Bequest	56.72	General Fund	55.39
Building Fund	29.64	Coad Bequest	<u>130.77</u>
(all including interest)	2.81		235.00
			<u>\$1171.84</u>

IN MEMORIAM

Miss Dorothy Feakins,	29th June	1969
Mr. Robert Simpson,	4th. September	1969
Mr. Keith E. Caldow,	4th. November	1969
Mr. J.W. Roussell,	11th. May	1970
Mr. R.G. Spratt,	14th. May	1970
Mrs. W. Urquhart,	19th. July	1970
Mr. E.C. Gregory,	24th. July	1970

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)	1903-1906
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.	1957-1968
Rev. D. T. W. Kinloch	1968-

St. John's Own Missionaries:

Very Rev. George H. McNeur, of Chinese Mission Field (Moderator in 1926)	1913-1940
Sister Margaret O. Bear, India.	1953-

Deaconesses:

Miss Lillian Lang.	1905-1907
Miss Mabel Cartwright.	1909-1911
Miss Norah Dick.	1912-1915
Miss Jessie Morgan.	1945-1948 and 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 Street	1880
Second Church destroyed by fire, 9th May	1884
Sunday School building opened (Dixon Street), November	1884
Present Church opened (accommodation 900), 6th December	1885
Young Men's Bible Class Room opened	1896
Extension to Sunday School building (Macdonald Crescent)	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 Parade	1957
Repiling 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

Sunday School 100th Anniversary, November	1953
Centennial Jubilee of Church, November	1953

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
Communion Plates in memory of Mary Chappell dedicated	1970

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

1970-1971



One Hundred and Eighteenth Report

covering period

1st July, 1970 to 30th June, 1971.

to be presented at the

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on

WEDNESDAY, 4th AUGUST, 1971

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Church Treasurer:
R. N. FLEMING, 9 Opan Street, 1.

Tel: 40-195

OFFICE BEARERS OF ST. JOHN'S

WELSH SERVICE

		Inducted
1933		1933
1933	48 Homewood Avenue, 5.	1933
1941	65 Alexandra Road, 3.	1941
1945	48 Homewood Avenue, 5.	1945
1946	65 Alexandra Road, 3.	1946
1950	65 Alexandra Road, 3.	1950
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FROM OUR MINISTER

My Dear Friends,

Looking back over the past twelve months we can but say we have had a good year together. The Church stands and grows as God has promised, despite much talk in these days of declining numbers and influence. Would that we consult God for His verdict rather than listening to those who neither love nor support the Church.

I have been particularly encouraged during the year in the increased attendance at both morning and evening worship, as also at the Pre-Communion Services. This declares clearly to me that not only have we received blessing but we have come to give thanks - and that is how it should be. Thanksgiving is the highest form of prayer.

We owe a debt of gratitude to those who in past years had the foresight to place St. John's in the heart of the city, for that is where the Church of Jesus Christ belongs - right at the heart of the life of the world. This privilege of being where we are in the city implies a responsibility to the city. The Church stands for the liberating freedom of the Gospel, and we who are the Church are commissioned by Christ our Head to take His gospel out into the daily round and the common task. As has been said, 'The holiest moment of the church service is the moment when God's people - strengthened by preaching and sacrament - go out of the church door into the world to BE THE CHURCH. We don't go to church; we ARE the church'.

Thus we look back with gratitude and forward to the continuing task. What does God will for St. John's this year? A good question. The other churches in the inner city are also asking what is the mission of the Church in the inner city. The answer is with God for it is His will we seek, not some idea of our own. Let us make it our business this year to be earnest in our seeking from God the answer to this important question, that we may be sure of doing His will in all things.

In order that we may do this we might identify with these lines from Henry van Dyke:

These are the gifts I ask
Of Thee, Spirit serene:
Strength for the daily task,
Courage to face the road,
Good cheer to help me bear the traveller's load,
And, for the hours that come between,
An inward joy in all things heard and seen.

These are the sins I fain
Would have Thee take away:
Malice, and cold disdain,
Hot anger, sullen hate,
Scorn of the lowly, envy of the great,
And discontent that casts a shadow gray
On all the brightness of the common day.

In conclusion - a most sincere 'thank you' to you all for
your love and friendship, you surely have ours as we go
forward together.

The Lord bless you and keep you always,

Your Minister and Friend,

Jock Lindsay

The Kirk Session

"The Presbytery having heard the report of the Committee appointed to visit St. John's Parish notes with pleasure that under the imaginative leadership of the Minister, the Office-bearers and others in posts of responsibility, the Congregation continues to be a strong family unit and to maintain the witness which has marked its life for 118 years.

It is a tribute to the zeal and devotion of a large number of committed people that many of the difficulties confronting inner city parishes have not been allowed to weaken the effectiveness of the fellowship and spirit which is so evident at St. John's."

In reading these words from the 'Finding' of the quinquennial visit by the Presbytery, and also the reports which now follow, we may feel encouraged in the ceaseless endeavour and constant work which has been required of every member to maintain and extend the witness of our Church in the City. We need to carry with us the words of St. Paul: "I can do all things through Christ which strengtheneth me."

Our Communion roll now stands at 441. There have been 71 new members of whom 14 were received by Profession of Faith. Sixty names have been removed from the roll through death, disjunction or transfer.

The attendances at Communion were: September 329, December 338, March 403, and June 444.

A Service of deep significance to many was the September Communion when Miss Wyn Millar presented a set of twelve Plates, on behalf of the Afternoon Guild, in memory of Mary McMillin Chappell. Two more memorial plates were also dedicated at this time. It was at this Service that we had the pleasure of receiving Mrs W Owen John and the Reverend Roy McKenzie through their Induction onto the Session.

The special services have been the annual Scots and Queen Margaret, the Boys' Brigade Parade, the Assembly Sunday when the Moderator, the Right Reverend George Falloon, preached and

the Service was televised. Our other TV Service was shared with St. Andrew's

It was at the September Communion that Our Own Missionary was, once again, introduced to the Congregation and she then went to the Sunday School to talk to them.

In October/November the General Assembly was held in our Church and many St John's members, together with friends from some other churches, worked hard to ensure the smooth running. Special mention must be made of the capable lunch arrangements made by the women under the leadership of Mrs Robertson.

Other services observed were the Communion shared in St. Andrew's at 8 a.m. on the first Sunday of those months when our own quarterly Communion were not being held. The special Christmas Day Family Service; one on Christmas Eve and also a Watchnight Service at New Year. The Easter Communion was attended by sixtyone people.

Sunday evening Youth Services have been augmented by singing groups from Youth for Christ and many of our own Young People have taken part.

Of visiting Ministers, the Rev. Bob Paterson of Melbourne spoke of the work in Melbourne Parishes; Bishop Rayu Henoa told us of the United Church of Papua; Mr Ken Vavis, General Secretary of the Wycliffe Bible Translators spoke at the April Youth Service. On the 23rd of May Miss Iris Wood, who is a Christian Education Director in Papua, gave a most interesting talk about her work at an after church meeting. St John's Ambulance Brigade were given permission to hold an afternoon service and Toe H joined with us at the June Communion.

We have been grateful to both Mrs W Owen John, the Rev. Roy McKenzie and Mr Frank Garratt for their able leading of our services when it has been necessary for Mr Kinloch to attend elsewhere when acting as Interim Moderator. It was also gratifying to have the St. Andrew's people again sharing the evening services during January and to have the Very Rev. S.C. Read preach.

Membership of Session remains steady. Our Senior Elder, Mr. Les Blake, has moved to Auckland to be near his daughter and we miss his loyal presence. Mr Ian Lowman represented St John's at Assembly; Messrs. N.S. Woods and Frank Garratt are our Presbytery Elders. Sister Nessie and Mrs Owen John also serve on Presbytery Committees.

We regret the loss of two Elders by death and pay tribute to them in this report.

A vote was taken to ascertain the mind of the Congregation regarding times of morning services and this resulted in the status quo being maintained.

Our Sunday School Superintendent, Mr George Leitch, found it necessary to resign on account of ill health. We thank him for the good work he put into this task. Mr Van Zweeden was appointed during April and we are grateful to him for undertaking this,

It is always worthwhile to endeavour to bring the 'man in the street' into our church and two interesting experiments were made. These were the invitations to come and share in fellowship whilst eating lunch and the other was the monthly social/film evenings.

The Girls' Brigade Company, attached here, has gone into recess because of the lack of numbers and the one or two who remained have been transferred to other companies. Captain Carley worked hard to keep the group together and we have appreciated just what a struggle it was.

Particular mention must be made of the healthy growth of the Bible Class under the Leadership of Messrs Vink and Garratt. Much credit for this also needs to go to Mrs Vink who has been so generous with hospitality.

The increased attendances at our normal Services underlines the ability of our Minister to reach out to people and to explain to us the Faith. Both he and Mrs Kinloch are never-tiring in the friendship and help they offer to all.

Our worship is enriched by the sympathetic playing of our Organist, Mr Raymond Wilderspin, and by the loyal attendance and tuneful singing of our Choir members.

We could continue in the naming of those who have served to make this a good year but the full reports which follow will bring many of them to your attention.

The Session want you, the individual member, to know that it is only through you that the work of the Kingdom is maintained here in this Church.

IN MEMORIAM

Richard Edgar Pumfrey joined St. John's in 1931, became a Manager in 1941 and an Elder in 1964.

He was a most loyal member and seldom missed a Church Service or meeting of Session.

He served in the Choir where he dedicated much of his considerable musical ability as a tenor. And, on many occasions he trained the Sunday School children for their anniversaries.

During the illness of his latter years he showed a fortitude and inner strength that stemmed from his sincere faith and he was encouraged by the selfless care given him by Miss Morgan and Mrs Woodall.

Stuart McKenzie came to St John's in 1959, as an Elder, from Blenheim and was Inducted to St. John's Session the following year.

During his eleven years with us he gave very faithful service and was always willing to help with any task for the order or maintenance of this his loved Church.

For many years he prepared the Wine for the Communion Services. And, too, he was a familiar figure at the Church door on Communion Sunday when he ably recorded details of members who had information to give regarding change of address or other pertinent matters.

Not least of his helpful actions was the mowing of the lawns each week and it was whilst on his way to do this task that he died.

Stuart's love for his Church, the Minister and its people was always his first consideration.

We have lost a valued Elder and to his Wife, his Mother and his Family we extend our deep sympathy.

COMMITTEES OF SESSION

Youth Liaison: A.Dornan (convener), F.N.Garratt, J.W.Vink.

Troup House: The Rev.D.T.W.Kinloch (chairman), Mrs Hughes, Rt.Hon.J.R.Marshall, J.W.Vink, N.S.Woods, N.G.Robertson (treasurer), R.B.Fowler (Secretary)

Choir and Organ: J.W.Vink (convener), R.N.Fleming, Mrs Mortimer.

The Board of Managers

(As at date of this report)

Beggs, David	89 Karepa Street, Brooklyn, 2.
Brodie, Miss E.M.	54a Roxburgh Street, Mt.Victoria, 1.
Burton, Dr.David	16 Motueka Street, Ngaio, 4
Don, J.R.	13 Dorking Road, Brooklyn, 2
Fleming, R.N.	9 Oban Street, Wadestown, 1.
Garratt, Ian	170 Cecil Road, Wadestown, 1.
Gilmour, Robert	70 Mortimer Terrace, Brooklyn, 2.
Goss, Murray	70 Mortimer Terrace, Brooklyn, 2.
Hughes, Mrs Gladstone	160 Oriental Parade, 1.
Johnston, Miss J.S.	Flat 4, Evan Park Court, Kilbirnie, 3.
Kraft, Wm.H.	135 Kelburn Parade, 5.
Lees, Miss P.	Central Park Flats 132, Brooklyn Rd. 2
MacKenzie, Miss M.I.	60 Kelburn Parade, 5.
Milkop, A.H.	14 Franklyn Road, Tawa.
Mortimer, Mrs M.	55 Madras Street, Khandallah, 4.
Parkinson, Neil	Flat 3, 10 Mataroa Ave. Northland, 5
Penney, A.T.	10 Rewa Road, Hataitai, 3
Piper, Mrs H.W.	31 Bidwell Street, Brooklyn, 2.
Rush, P.A.	90 Washington Avenue, Brooklyn, 2.
Steer, J.M.	45 Matai Road, Hataitai, 3
Yule, A.C.	9 Upland Road, Kelburn, 5.

New Managers appointed at the last Annual Meeting were Messrs M.Hanton, C.McGovern, N.Parkinson, P.Rush and M.Steer. Two of these, Mark Hanton and Clive McGovern resigned when transferred away from Wellington.

In addition; Messrs D.Beggs and N.Parkinson were granted leave of absence while journeying for extended periods overseas.

Miss M.C.Clachan, first appointed to the Board in 1962 and a very long term, and highly respected, member of the Church, passed away in April.

Mr.A.T.Penney resigned as Church Treasurer and Mr.R.N.Fleming, in association with Mr.Andre Milkop, undertook the duty.

There were two events of outstanding interest involving our Church during the year. The General Assembly met in the precincts during the week 3rd October to 6th November. The Church, other buildings and grounds were fully occupied. The accommodation provided and other arrangements drew much favourable comment from those attending. One of our members, Mr.R.N.Fleming, was appointed as a Church Property Trustee by the Assembly.

Secondly: Presbytery representatives conducted a Quinquennial Visit on 14th April and reported back with the Presbytery Finding on 16th June. A main feature of this visitation was the emphasis given to the changing trends within the church at large and to the Wellington inner city situation. St.John's was asked to contribute more financially and to re-appraise its rebuilding schemes.

On advice from the Property Committee that re-roofing of the Sunday School building would become necessary within several years the Board had authorised that an approach be made to the Fletcher Trust concerning an appraisal of the viability of a re-building scheme in the St.John's situation.

Prior to the meeting of the General Assembly the interior of the Sunday School Hall and a toilet were painted throughout. Swing doors were fitted at the bottom of the stairs leading to the upper floors. The rooms and fittings were extensively cleaned and the grounds tidied by voluntary labour. A movable ramp, to give wheel-chair access, was constructed.

Shortly after completion of the General Assembly the exterior of the Manse was painted.

When the St.John's Missionary, Miss Margaret Bear, returned to India after furlough, the Board provided her with the means to purchase a tape recorder. This has been useful for her work

It will also enable her to interchange greetings on tape with her friends in New Zealand.

As in previous years the Church is indebted to the voluntary workers who have kept our grounds in such good order.

Bequests: C.J.F.Irons -- \$200 for general funds.

Miss M.C.Clachan -- \$200 for Church re-building fund.

Donation: Anonymous -- \$100 towards repainting of the hall.

COMMITTEES

Property: J.Hunt (convener), D.J.Bridge, J.R.Don, R.N.Fleming, R.Gilmour, Mrs H.W.Piper, N.G.Robertson, N.S.Woods.

Envelopes: Dr.David Burton (convener), Mrs Mortimer, Mrs Wall.

Rolls: Mrs Hughes and R.B.Fowler

Historical Records: Miss H.D.Clyde, 90 Kelburn Parade, 5

Rooms: Miss P.Lees, Home tel.552.363. Business 555.809

Projector: Messrs. D.J.Bridge and R.N.Fleming

(The Session Clerk and Clerk of the Board of Managers are ex-officio members of all committees).

Assoc'n. Presbyterian Women

(Secretary of Linking committee Mrs D.J.Bridge)

This has again been a busy year for the members of our Women's organisations, who have continued their task of uniting our women in prayer, fellowship and service; and in widening our awareness of the many needs of the wider community.

We were very ably represented at the A.P.W. Annual Meeting in Napier by Mrs Betty Robertson, who gave a vivid report on the business proceedings and of the many outstanding personalities who took part.

Two of our members serve on Session, six on the Board of Managers, and one on an Assembly Committee.

Events of special interest:

Housekeeping duties at the Wellington South P.S.S.A. and supplying weekly baking, and filling the cupboards during September.

Supplying staff at the Cuba Street shop.

Arranging and serving supper after the University Service.

Taking responsibility for the After-Church and Pre-Communion suppers.

Packing clothes at the Corso rooms.

Helping prepare and serve the lunches for General Assembly.

Missions:

During Sister Margaret Bear's furlough in September she was welcomed by the Congregation and the Sunday School. Mrs Robertson held an evening in her home, where Margaret showed slides and attractive arts and crafts articles. The Board of Managers, on behalf of the Congregation, made a gift of a Cassette Tape Recorder, which has proved useful in her work.

We had also agreed to adopt Sister Elizabeth Sutton of Tongoa, New Hebrides, as our Associate Missionary, and this has proved a happy association. Parcels of bandages, food, etc. have been sent to both Margaret and Elizabeth.

Miss Iris Woods, on furlough from Papua, was a welcome visitor in May. She was well informed and gave a fluent talk on aspects of Papuan life.

A.P.W. Projects:

These have been well supported and the one ahead will appeal to everyone as it is for linen for our hospitals in India, Papua and the New Hebrides.

Church Flowers:

A 'teach-in' on larger flower arrangements met with good response and the result has been that several more members are taking part in the arranging of Church Flowers. All who have helped or have provided flowers are thanked. The Palms for Palm Sunday were again supplied by a generous friend.

Harvest Festival:

There was the usual good response in cash and kind. Preserves, groceries, vegetable and the sum of \$27.78 was given.

P.S.S.A.

We congratulate Miss Margaret Johnston on her election to the presidency of the Women's Auxiliary. Our members are regular workers at the Cuba Street shop and are also working for the Fair in October.

Mission Boxes:

The convener, Mrs Kirkwood, reports that there are twenty four subscribers and the amount received \$71.42.

Tea Coupons:

These produced \$28.72 from 2311 coupons and we congratulate Mrs McMillan on this excellent result which is a record.

Stamps:

Mrs Allan reports a successful year and approximately \$111 was received. A special thank you to Miss Clyde and Miss Dalziel, who clean and sort huge amounts. Mrs Allan appeals for more stamps in good condition as there are willing hands waiting to clean and sort them.

Harvest Field:

The convener, Miss Chappell, reports that there are fifty subscribers.

Mission Birthday Gift:

With deep regret we record the death of Miss Nell Ward shortly before the end of her first year in office. Her faithful and efficient service was carried out with the 'extra' of a personal greeting to each member on their birthday. The number of contributors for the year was 116 and the amount given \$150.55.

Porirua Hospital Cafeteria:

We have supplied ten teams to make and serve afternoon tea and we are happy that our young people have taken their turn at this worthwhile service.

Early Communion Service:

We have been enriched by sharing in this with St. Andrew's and in so strengthening the fellowship between Congregations. We also took our turn supplying and serving breakfast there.

Afternoon Women's Ass'n

This is the 84th Annual Report of the Afternoon Guild and our attendances have been good; the roll numbering fortyseven.

Three of our loved members have died. Mrs Catherine Hunter has been an interested Associate Member for the past sixteen years, since ill health prevented her from active work with us when she was a loyal attender at P.W.M.U. and the Guild.

Miss Mary Clachan, a Communicant Member of our Church for sixtyfour years, enriched St. John's with her journalistic talent during her term as Editor of the Messenger. She served on the Board of Managers, and Guild Members will cherish the memory of how she shared so generously her musical gifts as pianist and accompanist.

Miss Nell Ward's calling was nursing and many of our church families have been grateful for her nursing care. She had been interested in the Guild for many years but only been able to attend regularly during the last four years. Quietly and efficiently she has helped with the care of the fabric of the Church and buildings and acted as the Bible Society Collector. Also, during this past year she undertook the convenorship of the Mission Birthday Gift.

At the Communion Service in September a set of twelve silver Communion Plates was presented by the Afternoon Guild and others in memory of a loved member, Miss Mary Chappell. It was fitting that Miss Wyn Millar, her life-long friend, our Vice President, and a Communicant Member for seventyone years, should hand over the gift for dedication to the glory and praise of God.

We have appreciated the added interest given to our meetings by the many speakers who have inspired and informed us.

The variety of work days yielded a good response. Warm quilts were sent to Algeria. The B.B.C. in a TV programme, recently thanked Corso for the wonderful gift. This was really implemented for them by the N.Z. Presbyterian Women.

Pew cushions were mended. Hymn books repaired. The church and buildings given an extra shine. All in readiness for the meeting of the General Assembly. And, a team effort prepared and served lunches for them during the five days they were here.

Many women of the Congregation assisted either with the order slips from the Assembly Members, baking, supplying sandwich fillings or general preparation. This was a happy, busy and successful venture.

Other work was the wrapping of gifts and sending individual Christmas Cards to the residents and staff of the Te Hopai Home.

Bandages were rolled and sent to Sister Sutton in the New Hebrides.

Our present project is the making of cotton quilts and other hospital linen for our Mission Stations. Also, we are preparing goods for the P.S.S.A. Fair.

This has been a year of generous support. All conveners have returned 'record' results. Our treasurer, Miss Wilson, had the misfortune to be in hospital for many weeks and we thank Mrs Piper for sitting in the receipt of custom for that period.

We record our grateful thanks to the Scott Family for the \$100 received from the Scott Trust for Mission Work. The Late Mr George Scott established this in 1944 and since that date our Association has received an annual distribution toward their Mission Funds.

Trading days brought in \$256.37 in spite of damp, windy and otherwise bad weather on both sale days. The goods displayed attracted compliments from the passerbys and readily sold.

The stalls at our monthly meetings, arranged by Mesdames Roberts and Button, have been appreciated and sales amounted to \$19.57.

It was through these efforts that the Guild was able to give the Memorial Communion Plate and to send \$10 to the Khandallah A.P.W. towards the replacement of their fire damaged hall. \$3 to the Society for Promotion of Community Standards. \$1.50 to the 'Friends of Turakina'. \$12 subscription to the N.Z. Nursing Journal for Sister Bear in India and \$8 to the Leprosy Mission.

Our warm thanks are given to Our President, Miss E.M. Brodie, for her wise and gracious leadership, to Our Minister and his Wife, who have endeared themselves to everyone. To our Conveners and to every member for their loyal support in so many ways.

EXECUTIVE OF AFTERNOON GUILD:

President: Miss E.M. Brodie, Secretary: Mrs N.G. Robertson,
Treasurer: Miss H. Wilson, Vice Presidents: Mesdames. Piper
and Mortimer, Life Vice Presidents: Misses Clyde, Hanchet,
J. Johnston, Millar and Mrs. P.G. Hughes.

The Evening Guild

The total membership is sixtythree and the average attendance has been thirtytwo.

The provision of flowers and the serving of supper by the Committee, together with the leading of devotions by various members, has helped to make the meetings inspiring, happy and friendly.

The opportunity is given to all to contribute to the Mission Budget through the Direct Giving Envelopes. These are received and dedicated at the annual meeting.

Our major work for others has been the sending of Christmas Gifts to the families of the Maori Synod. Parcels were sent to thirteen families; in all fiftyfive children. Also included in this project were the four McGhee children.

Monthly letters have been written by the Group on supper duty to Sister Margaret Bear, Miss Minka Hanskamp, Miss Ruth Loan, Miss Elizabeth Sutton and to Yvonne in Porirua Hospital. Also, book tokens were sent to the two St. John's students at Knox,

The Bring and Buy sale held on Friday the 30th of April brought in \$46.10

We extend thanks to our speakers and to all who assisted in making our evenings interesting and enjoyable and also to our pianist, Sister Nessie Morgan.

We were deeply grieved in May by the death of Miss Nell Ward, who was a devoted member and one who was loved friend of all who knew her.

Our thanks are due to Mr and Mrs Kinloch for their interest and assistance throughout the year. And to our President, Mrs Betty Harris, for her thoughtful choice of speakers and for her leadership.

EXECUTIVE OF EVENING GUILD:

President: Mrs B.D. Harris, Secretary: Mrs Jim Thomson,
Treasurer: Miss M. Fowler.

The Cradle Roll

CONVENER: Mrs Van Zweeden

We have a roll of twentyone babies and small children and the Creche is well used each Sunday morning.

The half-yearly duty roster list ensures many willing helpers from members of the Congregation and so it all works smoothly.

Our Christmas gathering was different and we decided not to give toys but to make presents of books. This was well accepted.

Another change has been to commence a Nursery Home Roll which is a new way to help the Mothers and Fathers teach the little ones. It also means that the Cradle Roll Committee Members can have better and more regular contact with the families concerned.

The Choir

The Choir Family reports continuing activity with regular practice on Thursday nights and faithful attendance at both Services each Sunday. It is very rare that we have not sufficient members present at Services to carry out the Choirmaster's schedule. We have't great things to record so far as big achievement is concerned, but we have a happy relationship, ably and thoughtfully led by our Organist and Choirmaster, Mr Raymond Wilderspin.

Our membership is constantly on the move and we gain much from those with us even for a short time; we are most grateful to the loyal band of regulars on whom we depend and receive so much from.

A large choir gathered to pay its last respects to Mr Pumfrey. His death was the end of a long and trying period of pain and disability so triumphantly born and we give thanks for his courage and example. He joined the Choir in 1929 and both he and his Wife were made Life Members in 1954. In 1969 we honoured his forty years in the Choir and presented him with a music hymn book - we are happy to know that this book has been given to Bob Gilmour, who was so good to Mr Pumfrey in his latter days, and who, we feel, is taking Mr Pumfrey's place in the Choir as a regular and faithful tenor.

Miss Clyde, Miss Chappell, Mr and Mrs Strong are, as always, interested and sympathetic Life Members, who encourage along our way. Misses Brodie, Lees and MacKenzie are faithful 'twicers' on whom we rely tremendously.

Christmas and Easter were marked with appropriate choral meditations. We sang carols at the station and travelled far and wide to sing carols to our elderly and shut-in members. This brought obvious pleasure to them and we were so pleased to have help from several members of the Congregation; they also enjoyed the experience even though we kept them until 9 p.m. for their tea! A very happy meal at the MacKenzie's rounded off a most exhausting but rewarding afternoon and evening. We also helped once with the service at the prison.

It has been good to have Dr. Ken McKenzie supply at the Organ on the occasions when Mr Wilderspin has been away and we welcome Ken, Aileen and Kirsty back to Wellington.

Two television services have taken place. The first in November, on Assembly Sunday, and the second in May, when we were joined by St. Andrew's. Pleasing reports of both these services have been received.

Our main social function was the picnic, again held at the home of Mr and Mrs Strong, at Raumati. It was a beautiful day and very happy outing.

We owe our thanks to Mrs Kinloch and Miss Lees for their efficient job of keeping our gowns in good repair; and to Mr Gilmour for his attention to the books.

As a Choir we have much to be thankful for and we do give thanks to God for all His goodness and the way He has led us. For the continuing caring ministry of our Minister so lovingly supported by his Wife; and for their concern for Choir matters, and for their hospitality.

To the Session we say thank you for your support and encouragement; to the Congregation for its understanding interest. To our Organist and Choirmaster we say a particularly big and sincere thank you. What we have been able to achieve is in no small way due to his worshipful approach and wise guidance, and as a Choir we look forward to another year in which to 'Serve the Lord with gladness and come before His presence with singing'.

EXECUTIVE OF THE CHOIR:

President: The Rev. D.F.W. Kinloch,

Organist and Choirmaster: Mr Raymond Wilderspin,

Secretary: Mrs M. Mortimer, 55 Madras Street, Khandallah.

Treasurer: Miss Patsy Wilson

Life Vice President: Miss H.D. Clyde.

Life Members: Misses E.M. Brodie, D. Chappell, F. Lees, M.I. MacKenzie, Mr and Mrs F.A. Strong.

The Bible Class

This has been a year of interest and change and membership has increased to a total of fortythree members. We have been well led by Messrs. Frank Garratt and John Vink. Our thanks go to these two men and to those who have taken particular studies for us.

The change of time for our studies, from 11 a.m. to 10 a.m. has not affected attendances but has enabled members to attend the morning service. Additional fortnightly senior and junior studies have also been introduced and been well attended.

It is with pleasure that we are able to record that six of our members joined the Church in full Communion.

The Bible Class Camp held at Waikanae in February was well supported and the speaker was Mr Eric Sherburd. It was a thought provoking experience and successful in that it resulted in increased Bible Class attendance.

Other social activities included several dinners preceeding Youth for Christ Rallies, a barbecue, a camp reunion, swimming and skating outings. Recently we held a type of 'mini-camp', which included a hike, progressive dinner, a 'sleep-in' at the Class rooms, a study with the Rev. Ross Pilkinton, and the taking part in a service at Porirua Hospital Chapel. Earlier in the year we took part in a service at Wellington Hospital Chapel.

We thank all those people who have had the Bible Class to their homes and provided meals and entertainment. Their hospitality has been greatly appreciated. Thanks are also due to those who have provided transport both to Bible Class every Sunday and to Bible Class outings. These have filled a very great need.

In April our Social Convener, Alan Vink, resigned to teach in Sunday School. He was greatly missed, however, his place was capably filled by Morag Thomson.

We have a lot to be thankful for, in that our Bible Class is in good strength and high spirits, and we look forward to another year of Christian Fellowship.

EXECUTIVE OF THE BIBLE CLASS:

Chairman: Paul Vink, Secretary: Dayle Hunt,
Treasurer: Mr J.W.Vink, Social Convener: Morag Thomson.

The Lantern

The Lantern has been held each Sunday after the evening service with an average attendance of thirtyfive. And, the aim is to provide the young adults of the congregation an opportunity to continue the fellowship of the evening services and to welcome visitors into the St. John's family. It also provides opportunities for discussion on faith and Christian life.

We have had a programme of discussions, speakers, films and music. Other activities have included a weekend camp at Ngatiawa, roller-skating and a car rally.

When Mark Hanton moved to Wanganui we lost a valuable member of our team. We thank him sincerely for all his good work and wish him well in his new job.

We congratulate Wayne Saxton on his success in winning a U.E.B. design award. It was Wayne who designed and painted our room mural while he was living in 'The Cottage'.

We take this opportunity of thanking the many people who have helped and supported us, including those who have come along after church and taken part with us. Special thanks to Andre and Trixie Milkop, and David and Helen Beggs for running the Lantern over the Christmas holiday period to give the committee a rest. This was much appreciated.

All young adults are warmly invited to join us at the Lantern after each evening service and also for Bible Study each Sunday morning at 9.45 a.m. We also have a Prayer Meeting at 6.20 p.m. each Sunday; come and join in this too.

LANTERN COMMITTEE:

Chairman and Treasurer: Murray Goss, Secretary: Robert Gilmour,
Committee Members: Alyson McPhail, Helen Mortimer, Lesley Muir,
Fiona Robertson, Peter Bristow, Bill Clark,
Bruce Cumming, Malcolm Hogg, Bill Horton.

The Boy's Brigade

COMPANY SECTION:

Our Company continues to play an important part in the Christian training of the youth of our Church and community. Our strength, although not as high as we would like, is being maintained steadily. Some fourteen boys are attending regularly on Thursday evenings and four new recruits joined this session.

The Captain, David Beggs, has been in Australia for several months. He has been missed but his place has been ably taken by Mr Alan Bright. Mr Alford Dornan has been assisting as time

permits and a new Staff-Sergeant, Keith Taylor, from New Plymouth, is giving valued service. Our Chaplain, the Rev.D.T.W.Kinloch, has been most helpful and his devotional talks have been very much appreciated.

The Boys have enjoyed, and reached a commendable standard in various Battalion events including athletics, drill, table tennis and handball. Classes in arts and crafts, scripture knowledge, physical training, mats and vaulting, are in the curriculum. Plans are in hand for more outdoor activities.

We express thanks to the parents and members of the congregation who assist and encourage us in various ways. We believe the boys are deriving much benefit from their instruction, friendship and fellowship in the Company.

THE TEAM SECTION:

Enthusiasm is the key note of the Team Section which meets on Monday evening for the younger boys of 8 to 11 years of age.

An interesting programme based on the Achievement Scheme in social, educational, spiritual and physical projects provides exciting activity.

The competition between the three groups is very keen and the Team will be taking part in the Battalion events.

Numbers have increased and some 15 boys are now on the roll. The officer in charge, Mr Mark Hanton, was transferred to Wanganui early in the session and we missed him. The leadership was taken over by Miss Harriet Johnston, who has considerable experience in this work. Mr Bill Clark continues to assist as an officer and Miss Kethleen McNaughton, from Perthshire, who recently joined the Church, has been lending a helping hand. The excellent service of these officers is much appreciated.

We are needing someone capable of taking charge of the Team Section so that Miss Johnston may be relieved for her other commitments. If you have ability in this direction please see either her or Mr Alford Dornan. He is to be found at the Boys' Brigade Headquarters, Brougham Street, and his phone number is 50.258.

The Sunday School.

The Sunday School is in a very healthy state and first of all our thanks go to the Teachers. The congregation of St John's is very fortunate indeed to have such a fine group of young Christians, in their midst, who are prepared to give so much of their time to do this useful work.

The pattern of joining the congregation at the end of the month and to have the family service on the first Sunday of the month has been followed.

The prize-giving service was held in December and the children participated with songs, memory work and showed, on an illustrated sequence, the various activities of the year's work. The Hopkirk prize was won by Dugald McLellan and the Anne Scott prize by Colleen Hunt.

The break-up party was held on the following night and after a good feed the children's attention was held by a couple from the Child Evangelism Group.

Our sincere thanks go to Mr Leitch for his good leadership with the Sunday School during the first few months of the year. We are sorry he was forced by bad health to retire. We are now glad to have Mr Van Zweeden as our Superintendent.

EXECUTIVE OF THE SUNDAY SCHOOL:

Superintendent: Mr.M.H. van Zweeden, Teachers: Miss G.Baxter and Mr D.Butel (Intermediate Department), Miss Helen Mortimer and Mr Rod.McKenzie (Junior Department), Miss J.Garratt, Miss A.McPhail and Mr Murray Yates (Primary Department), Mrs Butel and Miss M.Lyall (Kindergarten Department)

Troup House

This hostel is again providing board for a fine group of young men and although we lost an excellent warden in Mark Hanton, when he went to his new position in Wanganui, Alistair Sherriff has capably taken over this duty.

We are indebted to these young men for the interest and care they give to our property, including the opening of the Church each morning so that anyone wishing for a quiet time inside our Church may enter and enjoy the worshipful atmosphere. It is also good to have them play a part in our church life.

The present residents are:

Alistair Sherriff (Warden) is a Law Student and the son of the

Minister at St. Andrew's, Blenheim; himself an old B.C. boy Peter Bristow, a Photogrammetrist in the Lands and Survey Dept.

He is from Hamilton and is in our Choir.

Ross Milner, a University Student is the son of the Minister at St. Mark's, Palmerston North.

Bruce Cumming is a University Student from Levin

Roger Goss is Murray's brother and is a Motor Mechanic from Napier.

Dave Parry is a Design Student and comes from Green Island Valence Dimoch has just arrived. He is from Nelson and sells typewriters etc.

Phil Wright is a Bank Clerk from South Otago.

Glen Hadden from Palmerston North is a Law Student

Pete Shearer is from Auckland and at present at Library School.

There is accommodation for eight boys in 'The Cottage' and room for four more in the older section of Troup House.

The refrigerator in the Cottage finally gave up work after giving yeoman service and so a secondhand model was purchased.

With a view to providing a home in a Christian environment, for young men starting life in Wellington, the rents are kept as low as possible but with rising costs the Committee will have to consider a slight increase

Saturday at Two

(Convener: The Rev.D.T.W.Kinloch)

Another year of good fellowship has passed; one in which we have had better attendance in numbers with an average of twenty five. Some of our own St. John's family have come to help, and some to join in the fellowship and to see the good films we have all liked.

Saturday at Two is a club with no membership, no chairman, no fees and no executive. We simply meet to chat and then watch a few good films, have tea and then go home around 4 p.m. There is plenty of room and ALL are welcome to come regardless of church affiliation.

We open each meeting with a Bible Reading and a word of prayer and claim the presence of Christ as we meet together in His Name, and we have never claimed in vain. I would not care to say the average age of those who come; rather would I say that the enthusiasm and good fellowship and the interest shown is the measure of the success of this meeting together.

To the staff of the National Film Library we are most grateful. They have chosen excellent programmes of films which have all proved interesting and instructive. We record our gratitude to them from all concerned. Also, to the Hunt Family who provided at least one afternoon of music, and to other various members of the congregation who have come; some to help and others who have sent something for afternoon tea. These tokens of friendship have been much appreciated.

One of the loveliest afternoons we have had was when the girls from Arisaig came to sing and presented a full programme of action songs etc. We hope to have them again.

We meet every second Saturday and plan to continue because we have found the sort of social gathering which suits all who come. You will be sure of a welcome if you care to come.

Sunday Dinners

These have proved their worth in the warmth of fellowship for all who come.

We continued until mid-November, when the need for a hot meal did not appear so necessary, and we restarted after Easter.

There are usually about thirtyfive dining and on one Sunday we had over fifty enjoying their meal. On this latter occasion it suited some of our Young Adults to come and eat before a committee meeting. And, we have been notified to expect thirty of them on the Sunday following this writing.

Many visitors and young people usually make up the bulk of numbers and it has been good to see newcomers getting to know others in St John's.

Willing hands help with washing-up, whilst others help with the setting of tables, serving and clearing. Special thanks are due to Mrs Crough and Mrs Hudson for their ready help and to Miss Chappell who gave jars of fruit. These were greatly appreciated.

Any small profit from the 45 cents charge is absorbed by a reduction for children of school age and providing for those under five free. Also, in addition we have purchased a little more cutlery, some sweet dishes and a few needed cooking utensils. Therefore, profits from this venture are not shown in dollars and cents but in the friendship and happy spirit engendered.

It is our intention to again close for the summer months, when the demand falls off, and people can enjoy themselves picnicking in the sunshine.

The Badminton Club

(Secretary: Mr Rod Oakley, Telephone 556.455)

Due to a considerable influx of new members and a hard working committee, the latter part of the 1970 season and the current season have been very successful. Visits to and from other clubs included St. Giles and these have become a regular feature on a very full club programme.

A progressive dinner and car rally were held during the 1970 season by the club for fund raising for extensions to Badminton Hall. These functions were thoroughly enjoyed by all participating.

A team entered in the "D" grade of the Wellington Association inter-club competition last year was successful in winning the grade championship. Teams entered in the "C" and "D" grades this year are having pleasing success.

Anyone interested in playing badminton is welcome to attend club nights in the church hall on Monday and Friday evenings.

SAVE USED STAMPS

DO YOU KNOW? - \$10 a day is added
to the Budget through the sale
of used STAMPS

The total raised by all N.Z. was \$7195.51 and Wellington was top with \$807.00. Auckland raised \$639.12, Waikato \$505.71, Ashburton \$166.85, Bay of Plenty \$232.61, Central Otago \$145.15, Clutha \$126.25, Christchurch \$503.35, Dunedin \$325.11, Gisborne \$100.47, Hutt Valley \$181.71, Hawkes Bay \$425.50, S. Canterbury \$357.49, Nelson/Marlborough \$206.41, S. Auckland \$158.56, Taranaki \$411.36, Wairarapa \$105.74, Wanganui \$228.78, Westland Buller \$183.65, Maitāwhiri \$148.97, Northland \$101.75, North Shore \$173.00, Manawatu \$98.92, Southland \$425.00, Nth. Otago \$58.20

ST. JOHN'S AFTERNOON GUILD STATEMENT OF ACCOUNTS 1970/71

Receipts		Payments	
B/fd. 1.6.70	612.55	Subscription 'Nursing Mirror'	
Less allocated at Annual Meeting		for Miss Margaret Bear	12.00
Mission Budget	400.00	Parcels to Miss Bear and Miss Sutton	6.34
Communion Plate	160.00	Delegate's regristration fee, Annual Meeting of A.P.W.	1.00
Exec's expenses	<u>15.00</u> 37.55	Donation to Khandallah Pres. Church Women, fire loss	10.00
Mission Birthday Gift	150.55	Sub, Society for Promotion of Community Standards	3.00
Sales	19.57	Service Project, A.P.W.	1.00
Collections	10.57	'Friends of Turakina'	1.50
Donations	81.10	Leprosy Mission, special collection	8.00
Tea Coupons	28.72	Advance, Assembly Lunches	50.00
Membership Fees	7.30	Gift	4.00
Scott Trust, Maori Missions	50.00	Communion Plate, engraving, silver cleaner, storage bags	
" " General Missions	50.00	\$257.80 less allocated	
Bring and Buy, two sales	256.37	\$160.00	97.80
Proceeds, Assembly Lunches and refund of advance	143.67	Used stamps, A.P.W.	111.00
Mission Boxes	71.42	Cash at Bank	<u>727.88</u>
P.O.S.B. Interest	10.70		<u>1033.52</u>
Executive exs. allocated but not used	5.00		
Used stamps	<u>111.00</u>		
	<u>\$1033.52</u>		

ST. JOHN'S EVENING GUILD STATEMENT OF ACCOUNTS 1970/71

Receipts		Payments	
Balance b/fd from 1970	78.49	Allocation of 1970 Funds	40.00
Direct Giving	25.40	Church Budget	20.00
P.O.S.B. Interest	1.39	Manse, Painting Fund	5.00
Donations	2.00	Hall Building Fund	5.00
Subscriptions (46)	13.80	Direct Giving	25.40
Freedom from Hunger	9.81	Postage, World Mission Parcels	2.74
Bring and Buy Stall	46.90	Petrol Voucher to C.D. Speaker	1.00
		Gift & Postage to Margt. Bear	7.90
		Half share gift to Eliz. Sutton	2.96
		Gift to Mrs Don's Baby	1.50
		Freedom from Hunger biscuits	1.81
		" " to Corso	8.00
		Supper expenses	46
		Secretary's expenses	1.24
		Balance at P.O.S.B.	59.78
			<u>\$177.79</u>

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

INCOME & EXPENDITURE A/C. FOR YEAR ENDING 30TH. JUNE 1971

Electricity	513.62	Board	1438.00
Gas	54.14	Interest	10.37
Telephones	119.79		
Rates	362.77		
Insurance	26.43		
Donation to Church	20.00		
Sundries	7.93		
Depreciation Reserve	270.00		
Furniture Replacement Reserve	50.00		
Balance down	23.69		
	<u>\$1448.37</u>		<u>\$1448.37</u>

Balance 30.6.71	1182.84	Balance 1.7.70	1159.15
	<u>\$1182.84</u>	Balance down	23.69
			<u>\$1182.84</u>

Balance Sheet at 30th. June 1971

Depreciation Reserve	2794.27	Cash at Bank	551.73
Repainting Reserve	423.50	Deposit at Church	
Interior Renov'n Res.	576.99	Office	2260.11
Furniture Replace Res.	742.86	Building at cost	9280.47
Income & Expend. a/c.	1182.84	Furniture at cost	2380.66
Accumulated Funds	8752.51		
	<u>\$14472.97</u>		<u>\$14472.97</u>

ST. JOHN'S PRESBYTERIAN SUNDAY SCHOOL ACCOUNTS 1970/71

Receipts		Payments	
Balance b/fd. 1.7.70	7.26	Supplies & material for New Curriculum	76.25
Interest on bequests	19.20	Sundry Supplies	10.04
Bank interest	55	Prizes	21.40
Refund from C.S.S.M.		Christmas Party	11.85
Bookroom	1.98	Contribution to Budget Funds	95.53
Grants from Church Funds	105.00	Balance c/fd. 30.6.71	14.45
Offerings for Missions	<u>95.53</u>		<u>\$229.52</u>
	<u>\$229.52</u>		

ST. JOHN'S PRESBYTERIAN BIBLE CLASS ACCOUNTS 1970/71

Receipts		Payments	
To Balance as at 31.12.69		By Missions	60.00
Missions	48.84	General Fund	4.50
General Fund	58.17	Coad Bequest	18.00
Coad Bequest	<u>130.77</u>	Balance 31.12.70	
	237.78	Missions	23.10
To Missions	34.26	Coad Bequest	112.77
General Fund	18.00	General Fund	71.67
	<u>\$290.04</u>		<u>\$290.04</u>

ST. JOHN'S PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH CHOIR ACCOUNTS 1970/71

Receipts		Payments	
Balance b/fd 30.6.70	60.08	Presentations	3.45
Weekly collections	34.09	Flowers	6.00
P.O.S.B. Interest	1.87	Social Expenses	2.60
	<u>\$96.04</u>	Balance P.O.S.B.	83.99
			<u>\$96.04</u>

FINANCIAL STATEMENT OF ORDINARY ACCOUNT FOR

YEAR ENDING 30th. JUNE 1971

Receipts		
Offertories, Plate	5265.65	
Envelopes	<u>7761.00</u>	13026.65
Donations:		
Use of rooms	329.53	
Pew rents	4.00	
Organ fees	77.25	
General	<u>462.00</u>	872.78
Interest:		
Bank	28.37	
Endowment Fund	975.00	
Lockie Bequest	<u>21.79</u>	1025.16
Budget Contributions:		
Afternoon Guild	425.00	
Evening Guild	70.40	
Bible Class	40.00	
Sunday School	<u>95.53</u>	630.93
Contributions for other purposes		
Lepers	2.00	
N.C.C.	112.33	
University Service	50.00	
P.S.S.A.	29.78	
S.C.M.	12.00	
Afternoon Guild, Corso	<u>100.00</u>	306.11
Amplifier	40.00	
Manse painting	425.92	
Hall painting	<u>100.00</u>	565.92
Balance b/fd. 1.7.70		20.00

\$16447.55

Payments		
The Rev.D.T.W.Kinloch, Stipend	2750.94	
Car Allowance	437.16	
Expenses Allowance	<u>200.00</u>	3388.10
Accelerated Beneficiary Fund payment		35.76
Organist		499.83
Relief Organists		28.83
Heating and Lighting		173.80
Printing and Stationery		315.61
Maintenance and Alterations		406.37
Manse Site Rent		274.00
Organ Tuning and Maintenance		91.95
Cleaning and Rubbish removal		1086.84
Provision for periodical painting		86.00
Budget (plus additional contribution of \$1000)		5020.00
Increment levy		107.50
Beneficiary Fund (Church contribution)		371.25
Presbytery Expenses		53.52
Hall painting		525.00
Manse painting		692.00
Advertising		101.33
Sunday School expenses		105.00
Rates		365.48
Insurance		504.93
Sundry Expenses:		
Session	39.04	
Postages	29.62	
Telephone	67.95	
Misc.	<u>115.16</u>	251.77
Donations:		
Cradle Roll	20.00	
St.Andrew's	40.66	
Khandallah	25.00	
S.C.M.	10.00	
N.Z.C.C.E.	25.00	
Miss Bear	110.00	230.66
Others as per receipt	<u>306.11</u>	536.77
Debit Balance 1.7.70		20.53
Credit Balance at Bank 30.6.71		<u>1405.58</u>
		<u>\$16447.55</u>

TRUST ACCOUNT FOR YEAR ENDING 30th. JUNE 1971

Receipts	Interest	Payments
Fund Balances 1.7.70		Fund Bce. 30.6.71
Benevolent 250.22	15.33	226.70
Centennial 190.00	12.00	202.00
Chair 176.00	11.00	187.00
Crockery 9.52	58	10.10
Hall Rebuilding 12672.00	770.93	13467.93
Hymn Book 815.00	49.00	864.00
Organ Renovation 11745.19	106.89	2102.08*
Church R building 569.28	34.87	604.15
Endowment 20000.00	1225.00	20000.00
Lockie Bequest 380.00	21.79	380.00
Repainting 1187.56	99.26	1372.82
	<u>2346.65</u>	<u>39416.78</u>
Interest on above 2346.65		Gen. Reserve 212.51
Irons Legacy to Gen. Reserve 200.00		Withdrawals:
Interest on this 12.51		Ordinary a/c. Ex.
Donation, Hall Fund 25.00		Endowment int. 975.00
Provision repainting 86.00		Lockie int. 21.79
		Benev. Fund 38.85
	<u>\$40664.93</u>	<u>\$40664.93</u>

*(250 ex. Endowment Interest)

ST. JOHN'S SPONSORSHIP FUND 1971

Balance 30.5.70	32.28	
21.7.30 Donations	18.80	10.11.70 By Fee, Board 39.00
5.10.70 "	30.00	1.6.70 " " 39.00
10.11.70 "	15.00	Balance 51.01
25.5.71 "	31.51	
Interest	1.42	
	<u>\$129.01</u>	<u>\$129.01</u>

RENTAL ACCOUNT FOR THE YEAR ENDING 30th. JUNE 1971

Receipts	Payments
Balance at 1.7.70	
Bank of N.Z. 462.31	Cleaning 134.50
Church Office 11889.54	Rates 200.10
Blg. Soc. Shares 631.81	Insurance 149.17
	Sundry Expenses 71.20
Rents 1443.63	
Interest 10.56	Balances at 30.6.71
Bank 687.00	Bank of N.Z. 252.11
Church Office 88.96	Church Office 13107.40
Shares 786.52	Blg. Society 1299.33
<u>\$15213.81</u>	<u>14658.84</u>
	<u>\$15213.81</u>

ST. JOHN'S BADMINTON CLUB STATEMENT OF ACCOUNTS 1970

1969			1970
\$			\$
42.17	Balance at P.O.S.B.		69.42
	Plus Receipts		
139.00	Subscriptions	164.00	
50	Casual Fees	20.40	
16.00	Inter-Club Fees	16.00	
	Supper Receipts	22.79	
8.77	Less Expenses	14.00	8.79
	Fund Raising for Wellington Association	276.10	
	Less Expenses	101.10	
		175.00	
	Paid to Wellington Association	165.00	10.00
1.66	Interest		1.44
165.93			220.63
208.10			290.05
	Less Payments		
67.08	Shuttles	150.38	
14.00	Inter-Club Court Hire	13.00	
	Championship Entries	12.80	
	Less Received	11.20	1.60
30.00	Church Donation		40.00
5.00	Wellington Association Donation		15.00
	Te Arawa Club Donation		3.00
18.45	Wellington Association Affiliation Fees		35.50
	Stationery & Postage		11.41
4.15	General		3.10
	Lighting		5.55
	Balance at P.O.S.B.	15.3.71	278.54
138.68			41.51
69.42			

James Kingsley Fairbairn

A Memorial Service was held in St. John's at the time that the Funeral Service for the Rev. J. Kingsley Fairbairn was being held at St. David's, Khyber Pass Road, Auckland.

A large attendance in St. John's, led by a full Choir, sang the Psalms 'O Thou my soul, bless God the Lord; and, 'Ye gates, lift up your heads on high' two of Kingsley's favourites which were being sung at the same time in Auckland.

These triumphant affirmations of faith set the keynote of the Service in which Mr Kinloch said: "We do not mourn for Kingsley who would not mourn for himself and for whom all the trumpets have already sounded on the other side. How fitting that we are met in this Church, of which he was the Minister and in which he gave of his best and spoke the word of God to us".

A tribute by Miss Helen Clyde was read and now follows:

'Mr Fairbairn, the first New Zealand born Minister to accept a Call to St. John's, was inducted here on the 28th. August 1957 and remained with us for ten years, and until he undertook new duties as Secretary of the Auckland Branch of the New Zealand Bible Soc.

He graduated from Otago University, went to Edinburgh and was Ordained at Kelso, Scotland in 1935, where he ministered till 1940. He was called to Clydebank and experienced the blitz in that area. For his outstanding work there and whilst Industrial Chaplain in two of the biggest Clydeside Works he was awarded the M.B.E. He returned to New Zealand in 1947 and was called to St. Andrew's Gisborne.

Throughout his whole ministry he showed the greatest enthusiasm in all his many undertakings, not only in his Parish work but in the community, especially among the young. In other spheres such as the Boys' Institute, Toc H, the Billy Graham Mission, he took his place as Chairman or Chaplain and used his talents wisely and well. He had the courage of his convictions and did not hesitate to speak out against wrong when the occasion demanded.

IN MEMORIAM

Mr. T. Penney,	31st. August 1970
Mr. R.E. Pinfrey,	18th. October 1970
Mr. Stuart McKenzie,	26th. March 1971
Miss W.C. Clachan,	14th. April 1971
Miss Nell Ward	26th. May 1971

HISTORIC RECORD

Ministers of St. John's:

The Rev. John Moir.	1853-1867
The Very Rev. James Paterson (Moderator in 1902)	1868-1903
The Very Rev. James Gibb, D.D. (Moderator in 1901)	1903-1926
The Rev. J.R. Blanchard, B.A.	1927-1939
The Rev. P. Gladstone Hughes, B.A.	1940-1947
The Rev. Wm. P. Temple, M.A., B.D.	1948-1957
The Rev. F.H. Liffiton, B.A. (Assistant)	1954-1955
The Rev. J. Kingsley Fairbairn, M.B.E., B.A.	1957-1968
The Rev. D.T.W. Kinloch.	1968-

St. John's Own Missionaries:

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

Deaconesses:

Miss Lillian Lang.	1905-1907
Miss Mabel Cartwright.	1909-1911
Miss Norah Dick.	1912-1915
Miss Nessie Morgan.	1945-1948 and 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 Street	1880
Second Church destroyed by fire, 9th May	1884
Sunday School building opened (Dixon Street), November	1884
Present Church opened (accommodation 900), 6th December	1885
Young Men's Bible Class Room opened	1896
Extension to Sunday School building (Macdonald Crescent)	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 Parade	1957
Repiling 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