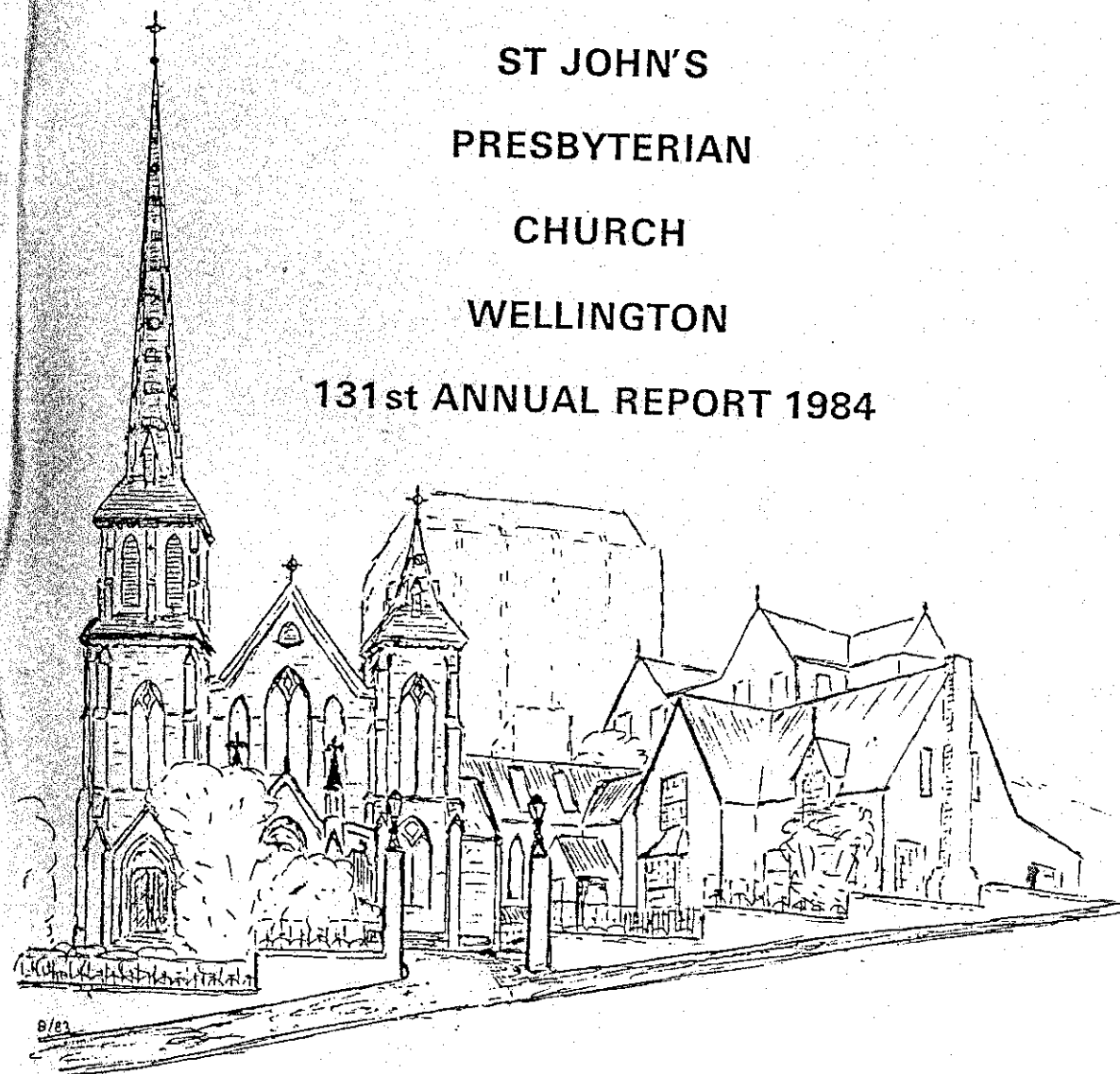


ST JOHN'S  
PRESBYTERIAN  
CHURCH

WELLINGTON

131st ANNUAL REPORT 1984



# CHURCH DIRECTORY

<u>Minister</u>	The Very Rev. David M. Steedman, M.A., B.D.	
	2 Kelburn Parade, 5	728.294
<u>Hon. Associate:</u>	The Rev. James A. Veitch, B.A. M.Th. Ph.D.	
	8 Canterbury Street, 5	769.490
<u>Session Clerk:</u>	Mr Roger T. Lloyd,	
	2 Stormont Place, 2	898.655
<u>Clerk to the Board of Managers:</u>	Miss Margaret Woods,	
	20 Barton Terrace, 1	730.033
<u>Treasurer:</u>	Mrs Mary Mortimer,	
	55 Madras Street, 4	797.023
<u>Organist and Choirmaster:</u>	Mr Raymond Wilderspin,	
	30 Raroa Road, 5	753.144

## KIRK SESSION

		Inducted
		July 1933
Fowler, R.B.	48 Homewood Avenue, 5	1941
Smith, H.B.	25 Maida Vale Road, 3	1950
Woods, N.S.	38 Harrison Street, 2	1950
Marshall, Sir John	22 Fitzroy Street, 1	1960
Dornan, Alford	65 Trelissick Crescent, 4	1962
McLellan, Dugald	20 Apuka Street, 2	1965
Shiels, A. Y.	19 Fernhill Terrace, 1	1968
Robertson, N.G.	169 Karori Road, 5	1968
Hunt, John	24 Krull Street, 2	1970
Mrs N. Owen John	35 Phillip Street, 4	1972
Miss E. M. Brodie	98 Duncan Terrace Flats, 3	1972
Gilmour, R.M.	14 Norwich Street, 4	1972
Mrs M.W.M. Mortimer	55 Madras Street, 4	1972
Mrs M.M. Piper	31 Bidwill Street, 2	1974
Ferrier, R.J.	57 Wadestown Road, 1	1974
Aickin, K.B.	20 Manuka Street, 3	1975
Darroch, Allan	50 Sefton Street, 1	1978
Mrs B.D. Harris	29 Mortimer Terrace, 2	1978
Jaquier, Errol	"Kilmara", Main Road, Makara	1978
Stanley, Major G.	14 Glen Alton Avenue, 4	1979
Mrs Noyle Brown	27 Beerehaven Road, 3	1979
Lloyd, R.T.	2 Stormont Place, 2	1979
Stewart, C.F.	117 Messines Road, 5	1979
Wright, N.P.	Homedale Schoolhouse, Wainuiomata	1979
Leggat, H.C.	9 Pitt Street, 1	1980
Aitken, P.	137 Barnard Street, 1	1980
McCay, R.D.	26 Robieson Street, 3	1980
Mrs Marilyn King	5 Vennell Street, 2	1980
Anderson, R.W.	137 The Ridgeway, 2	1981
Drees, G.H.	22 Hurman Street, 5	1981
West, J.K.	98 Upland Road, 5	1981
Dangerfield, Nick	101A Waipapa Road, 3	1981
Dunn, Andrew	4/70 Hataitai Road, 3	1981
Galt, David	64B Pembroke Road, 5	1981
Marsh, A.G.	57 Beauchamp Street, 5	1981
West, I.F.	90 Melbourne Road, 2	1983
Mrs Marion Longstaff	43 Balfour Street, 2	1983
Miss Ailsa Salt	13 Williamson Way, 5	1983
Hollister-Jones, G.	13 Colombo Street, 2	1983
Shaw, D. H.	36 Montgomery Avenue, 5	1983
Rutherford, Gordon	32 Woburn Road, 5	1983

BOARD OF MANAGERS

Mr Richard Brader	Mr Gerry Janes
Mr Alexander Burton	Mr Bruce Jenkins
Dr David Burton	Miss Margaret Krebs
Mr Bill Clarke	Mr Sandy Lawson
Mrs Alison Dangerfield	Mr Malcolm Leitch
Miss Margaret Davidson	Miss Janice McCallum
Mr Cecil Duff	Mr Trevor McDonald
Mrs Joan Dunn	Mrs Margaret Mackay
Mr Arthur Elliott	Mr Graeme Mahoney
Mr David Ensor	Mr Allan Marshall
Mrs Margaret Galt	Mr Tom Shanks
Mr Allan Gibb	Mr Gavin Sutherland
Dr John Gommans	Mrs Kath Sutherland
Mrs Ros Gommans	Mr David Turner
Mr Paul Haggett	Miss Margaret Woods
Mr Michael Horvat	

COMMITTEES

<u>FINANCE</u>	Mrs M. Mortimer (Convener), R. Brader, D. Galt, D. Turner, Mrs M. King, N.G. Robertson	
<u>PROPERTY</u>	A. Elliott (Convener), S. Lawson, G. Janes, D. Ensor	
<u>ORGAN</u>	Mrs M. Mortimer (Convener), Mrs M. Hunt, Messrs M. Leitch and R. Wilderspin	
<u>TROUP HOUSE</u>	The Minister (Convener), Miss A. Salt, Mrs P. McCay, G. Hollister-Jones, I. Littleworth (Sec.), G. Janes, G. Sutherland (Treas.) and Bruce Welsh and Robert McBeth (Wardens)	
<u>ROLLS CLERK</u>	N.G. Robertson, 169 Karori Road, 5	768.118
<u>ENVELOPE</u>	Paul Haggett, 96 Central Park Flats	859.194
<u>SECRETARIES</u>	Gordon Stanley, 14 Glen Alton Ave.	784.548
<u>LETTING OF ROOMS/HALL</u>	Mrs C. Ferrier, 57 Wadestown Road	721.985
<u>WEEKLY INTIMATIONS AND DUPLICATING</u>	Mrs R.B. Fowler, 48 Homewood Ave., 5	768.187
<u>CHURCH FLOWERS</u>	Mrs Noyle Brown, 27 Beerehaven Rd.	886.180
	Mrs Doreen Woods, 38 Harrison St.	845.351
<u>"MESSENGER"</u>	Editor: Mr Errol Jaquiery, "Kilmara" Main Rd., Makara	767.537
<u>"SATURDAY AT 2"</u>	Mrs M. Hunt, 24 Krull St.	897.976
	Mrs B. Robertson, 169 Karori Road	768.118
	Miss M. Davidson, 118 Upland Road	759.895

<u>JUNIOR CHURCH</u>	Mrs Alison Horvat 16 Richmond Ave., Karori	769.027
<u>BIBLE CLASS</u>	Alexander Burton 115 Mornington Rd., Mornington	896.541
<u>JUNIOR BIBLE CLASS</u>	Andrew Dunn 4/70 Hataitai Road, Hataitai	861.307
<u>YOUTH GROUP</u>	Gregory Hollister-Jones 13 Colombo Street, Newtown	899.676
<u>CRADLE ROLL</u> (Also Sunday Creche)	Mrs Marion Longstaff	896.516
<u>BOYS' BRIGADE</u>	Miss Harriet Johnston 213 The Terrace. 1	722.774
<u>Company</u> (Thurs. evening)		
<u>Team Section</u> (Mon. evening)		
<u>Anchor Boys</u> (Mon. afternoon)	Miss Jane Pack 11 Woodmancote Road, 5	796.584
<u>GIRLS' BRIGADE</u> (Tues. afternoon and evening)	Mrs Margaret Galt 64B Pembroke Road, 4	758.358
<u>ASSOCIATION OF PRESBYTERIAN WOMEN</u>		
<u>Linking Committee</u>		
<u>President:</u>	Mrs B. Harris	859.162
<u>Secretary:</u>	Miss J. Williams 4/83 Garden Road, 5	757.678
<u>Women's Assn</u>	Meets 4th Tuesday, 11 a.m.	
<u>Pres.</u>	Mrs L. Reeves	797.976
<u>Sec.</u>	Miss J. Williams 4/83 Garden Road, 5	757.678
<u>Evening Guild</u>		
<u>Pres.</u>	Mrs M. Longstaff	896.516
<u>Sec.</u>	Mrs G. Stevens 57 Wilberforce St., 3	882.952

Dear friends at St John's,

The story that follows is a story of a group of people who are bound together in a special way - they are a part of the church. What is written down of course only tells a small part of the story. It doesn't tell the Christian influence of the people who share in the making of our story.

Do you remember when Wesley Church, Taranaki Street had a fire which destroyed the front part of the church? Within the next few days a sign appeared over the damaged part - BUSINESS AS USUAL. But what is business as usual in the Church?

#### WHAT IS OUR BUSINESS?

A number of people could give you their answer. People write letters to the paper about the voice of the Church being silent when it should have been heard on some public issue. "Where is the voice of the Church against nuclear warfare?", others cry. Some want the Church to protest against immorality while others are concerned about the unemployed. All these and more are part of the life and witness of the Church, but our business is not any of them or all of them. IT IS THE SPREADING OF THE GOOD NEWS OF THE GOSPEL. I want to leave you a thought from Paul's letter to the Philippians, Chapter One. WE ARE PARTNERS IN THE WORK OF THE GOSPEL. I hope you can see that in the story of the different organisations of St John's.

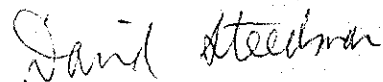
The GOOD NEWS is that God loves us and the world is His world. We can still hope and no power on earth can break the hold of God's love. God loves this world so greatly that He sent His Son and we know that He cares for the unemployed and the unjustly treated and we must care too in His name. WE ARE PARTNERS IN THE WORK OF THE GOSPEL.

Think of this as you read the reports. See how many people share in the work and how many are involved in the caring, supporting ministry of the Church. And pray for the influence of all the people from St John's and every church in the ongoing life of our city.

We proclaim in the Church - BUSINESS AS USUAL. It is God's business for we are PARTNERS with Him in the work of the gospel.

God bless you in your part in the life of our Church in the year ahead.

Yours,



David Steedman

## SESSION

Our year began in a spectacular way with the visit of the California State University Choir - a very highly trained group who used our church for a concert. They sang both religious and secular numbers, and were very well received by the large attendance.

The 6 months when the W.P. Temples looked after us ended late August, when our Minister, David, and his wife, Elaine, returned to us following their period away on moderatorial duties.

We were delighted to have the Temples with us, their unbounded enthusiasm was remarkable, with everybody appreciating their efforts, their hospitality and their Christian fellowship. Prior to their leavetaking, a congregational luncheon was held for them following morning service.

The Steedmans were warmly received back into the family of St. John's and they shared with us many of the highlights of their visits to our various Presbyterian churches and other areas of particular interest.

In August a delegate to the World Council of Churches Assembly at Vancouver was our Honorary Assistant, Jim Veitch. On his return, he shared with us many of his experiences.

We are very much indebted to the small band of helpers who achieved so much in restoring Spinks Cottage. The work performed was a credit to those involved, and we are sure will be appreciated by those fortunate to reside there.

The communicant roll stands at 300 after 22 additions, 20 disjunctions and 5 who died.

Elders - Personal: Don Shaw and Gordon Rutherford, both preparing to enter the ministry, were ordained as Elders. They were a welcome addition to Session.

Campbell Leggat was warmly received back into our midst following a 12 months' absence overseas.

The passing of Jim Thomson, a long serving and faithful Elder was felt deeply by so many of St. John's congregation. His special qualities of concern for those in his pastoral district and beyond were indicative of the man himself.

The publication of Sir John Marshall's Memoirs was an area for Session's congratulations.

Rev. D.T.W. Kinloch: The passing of 'Jock' Kinloch saddened many people throughout New Zealand as he was so very much loved and highly regarded, due not only by his pastoral ministry (St. John's 1968-75), but also by his hospital chaplaincy work and his 'Faith For Today' radio broadcasts, where he became widely known.

Miss Helen D. Clyde: Following 75 years of continuous association with St. John's, the long full life of Miss Helen Clyde came to a close in November. She will be remembered for her notable service to Christ and His Church.

Student for the Ministry: We are delighted that Ron Mills has settled in to his first year at Knox College.

Scholarship for Knox Theological College: A scholarship fund has been established, tenable to Knox College, for students going from St. John's. The support has been set for the next 3 years at \$1,000 p.a. The situation will be reviewed at the end of that period. \$1,000 has already been disbursed to Ron Mills.

Special Services: These have been varied with the customary Festival Services, various guest speakers, and a notable celebration when the Boys' Brigade celebrated their Centenary. This was a televised service in St. John's with 900 boys representing the B.B. from all over New Zealand. The P.S.S.A. celebrated 75 years' service over Queen's Birthday weekend. A Girls' Brigade service was held for those who had received the Queen's Badge.

Retirement of Session Clerk: At the end of February 1984, George Robertson retired after 10½ years of loyal, devoted service as Session Clerk. His total and absolute commitment to the endless tasks will not be forgotten. Few could possibly equal what he has given in time and energy. A presentation and a congregational luncheon was given for George and Betty Robertson following a morning service. A large attendance of wellwishers supported this special occasion.

Management of Session: There was a need to restructure Session, with the hope for a smoother operation. An Executive of 6 elders plus the Minister was formed whereby all material would be processed before submitting to Session. Responsibilities have been shared out with the result that we now have a Rolls Clerk, a Minute Secretary, a Communion Arrangements Elder, and a Session Clerk. Terms of appointment for all positions are 3 years only, but with retirements staggered.

Comprehensive Thanks: Session is very much aware of the tremendous amount of effort and work willingly given by so many members of St. John's. There are also a number who give of themselves in community organisations, and this is as it should be.

We have appreciated those within Session and the Youth Group who have conducted services. The publication of the "Messenger" is an ongoing task and we sincerely thank Errol Jaquier for all his efforts in this field. The weekly intimations are prepared by Mrs Annyl Fowler and for this we thank her.

The amount of work involved by our Treasurer, Mary Mortimer, in looking after the financial affairs is mighty; no easy or simple task. With her forthcoming retirement we thank her most

To all our leaders in the young people's departments including those in Girls' Brigade and Boys' Brigade, we extend our heartfelt thanks for loyalty and enthusiasm. The work that they do is of paramount importance. It is in their hands that the future church lies.

To David and Elaine goes our heartfelt love and gratitude for all their unbounded enthusiasm and sharing in serving our Lord in this place. We thank them for their leadership in all departments of the St. John's family.

The Future: Society now lives in a time of great change the world over, and because of this we ourselves must be alive to the changes about us, be aware of new opportunities, accept the challenges as they come, regardless of our rather conservative attitudes, and be prepared to change.

ROGER T. LLOYD,  
Session Clerk.

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IN MEMORY

OF

MEMBERS AND ADHERENTS OF ST. JOHN'S CHURCH  
WHO DIED DURING THE YEAR

<u>Name</u>	<u>Date United with St. John's</u>	<u>Date of Death</u>
HELEN DIANA CLYDE	September 1908	November 23, 1983
LAURENCE LAURENSEN	December 1931	January 21, 1984
DECIMA MEMBRY MILLS	December 1931	July 6, 1983
WILLIAM DEACON SQUIRE		November 11, 1983
EMMA ELIZABETH THOMSON	December 1964	September 16, 1983
JAMES ALEXANDER THOMSON	December 1964	April 3, 1984
WALTER STEWART THOMSON		August 3, 1983

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CHOIR

This year has been somewhat quieter in so far as our musical activities were concerned. There were only 2 Royal School of Church Music events - a choral evensong and the annual carol festival - the latter drawing the largest choir yet with St. John's well represented.

Our carols to shut-ins was again very successful and was held earlier in the day than previously. This is one of the choir activities which is always enjoyable and we are glad to be able to add a little extra joy to the hearts of those we visit.

We have been involved in several sung communions and we extend our thanks to all concerned for these opportunities of greater involvement in the services.

We were saddened by the death of our oldest honorary member, Miss Helen Clyde, last November. Miss Clyde had had a long and active involvement with St. John's choir. She will best be remembered by her children's carol "And Did You See Him Little Star".

We 'lost' two valued members of our choir at the start of 1984, in the departure for Knox College of Di and Ron Mills. Di had served as choir secretary for some 8 years and Ron was one of our tenors. We wish them both God's blessings on Ron's studies and in their parish life.

We thank those interested members of the congregation for their support and also to Ray Wilderspin we say thank you for your hard work and your magnificent organ playing.

JOHN BUCHANAN.

Chairperson

FELLOWSHIP GROUPS

A number of small Fellowship Groups meet weekly in homes and at the Manse for study, prayer, and sharing.

CRADLE ROLL

30 babies and small children are currently in our care.

Creche operates in the Fellowship Room during the Sunday morning service, when a happy little group play, or just watch or sleep.

We thank members of the congregation who take a regular turn on our roster, and those who help care for the little ones when we meet mid-week.

Regular opportunities to share fellowship continue, and this year the latter part of our 10 a.m. to 11.30 gatherings is spent learning crafts (2nd Tuesday of each month) and in group study/discussion (4th Thursday of each month).

Happenings over the past year included - our Easter Study, November party, pre-Christmas creche, a talk on safety in the home from an A.C.C. speaker, a beginning-of-the-year picnic with the Sunday School, and another to try kit-flying, a look at toys of interest from all around the world, and a visit from someone special at the congregational barbecue. We completed our major fund raising effort for the new hall - 1,020 recipe books sold for a profit of \$3,068.38, donations included.

Members of our group are most appreciative of the continuing caring and loving support of the Steedmans.

MARION LONGSTAFF

Convener

JUNIOR CHURCH

Junior Church is alive and well at St. John's. We now have a roll of 29 children, many of whom are very regular attenders.

As well as our usual classroom activities we have had several "extras" this year. The highlights were - a family picnic at the Dell, kite flying in Kelburn, a games afternoon in the Hall and, most recently, individual class trips to MacDonalds. We have also tried to take more part in the morning services and have enjoyed our opportunities of singing to you.

Many thanks to the other teachers, Mrs Carolyn Ferrier, Mrs Kathryn Smith and Mr Dick Burgess; our relief teacher, Miss Kathy Stobbs; Mrs Steedman and Mrs Irvine for their holiday programme and, of course, all the parents for their support.

We look forward with prayer to a year of further growth and fun.

Alison Horvat



## BOARD OF MANAGERS

With the completion of the new Hall managers would have been forgiven if they had thought that the 83/84 year was to be a quiet one. But this was not to be so and there has been a lot of activity. The contribution of all managers has been appreciated. The new year saw the departure of John Buchanan from the Board. John had served as Clerk to the Board for 6 years and his work was much appreciated. The Board would take this opportunity to thank him for his excellent work over the 6 year period which he served. The new year also meant a number of new faces on the Board. The following people were appointed to the Board at the annual meeting: Margaret Davidson, David Ensor, John Gommans, Bruce Jenkins, Janice McCallum, Margaret Mackay, Ros Stewart, and Margaret Woods. Margaret Woods was appointed to the position of Clerk of the Board.

### 1. Church Hall

The Hall complex has now been in use for over a year and after a few teething problems things have settled down and the complex is used every day of the week. A number of outside organisations use the facilities for meetings and this provides a useful income in donations.

A number of modifications were required to the hall complex, these included:

- a. Strengthening of the Fellowship Room roof. This was required to compensate for the rattle that was apparent when the hall was being used.
- b. Additional hot water heating in Hall kitchen: a large zip was installed to meet the additional need for hot water when catering for large groups. The cost was met from trust funds, namely the W. Kraft Estate and 125th Account.
- c. Gas Heating in the Hall: the electrical heating in the hall proved to be inadequate and very vulnerable to damage and this necessitated its replacement. Managers decided that gas heating would best meet the needs and a contract for the installation of gas heating has been let at the time of writing. Two generous gifts, one from the estate of W.S. Thomson and another from the H.D. Clyde estate, enable the cost of the installation to be met. The Board would like to thank Arthur Elliott for all the work he has put into this project.

2. Vacant Lot: The Board had entered into negotiations with the Parks and Recreation Department of the City Council to have a park put in on the vacant lot. Financial considerations have meant that this plan cannot go ahead. The Board now propose to use the land as a parking lot, which will be leased out during the week and made available to church members in the weekend.

3. Spinks Cottage: Work has continued on the restoration of the Spinks Cottage. An open day was held in February and tenants have moved in. The Board wish to thank again those people involved in the restoration of the Cottage. The Spinks Cottage can now be looked on with an element of pride for all those involved in its restoration.
4. Security: As reported last year a new keying system has been introduced, with new locks being installed throughout the complex. Very few problems have been experienced since the change over. The Board, would, however, take this opportunity to remind users of the complex that it is their responsibility to check that all doors are locked prior to departure.
5. Envelope System: There are 216 people in the envelope system. During the year 13 people left and 11 people joined the system. If you wish to join please ring:  
Paul Haggett, Tele. 859.194  
The Board wishes to thank Paul Haggett for his continuing efforts in administering the envelope system.
6. Finances: This has been a difficult financial year, but in retrospect, no more difficult than previous ones. We started the year with a credit balance of \$1,231.98 and a budget deficit of \$4,000. The credit balance soon disappeared and it looked as if the budget deficit of \$4,000 would be a reality. The credit balance for this year is indeed gratifying and managers sincerely thank you all for such a splendid effort.  
Receipts for the year showd an increase over budgeted amount in envelope and plate giving of \$1,000, donations for the use of rooms of \$1,500 and endowment fund of \$700. Budgeted expenditure was decreased by minimal amounts in many areas by careful spending, but the main saving was in Church and Manse maintenance and repairs. We saved \$2,000 here. Manager's policy has been to hold maintenance in these areas during the time of the building appeal. Our property com. advises that the much overdue repairs to the front porch of the church is included in their budget of \$5,500 for the new financial year. We can give ourselves a pat on the back for a small credit balance to start the new year, but we have a hard year in front of us and the rate of giving must be increased to meet our foreseeable commitments. We do not know what the country's economic situation holds for us, but we do know the 'extra mile' giving in our church life has to be faced. Thank you all for the 1983/84 effort.
7. Building Finances: You will see from the Building Fund statement that we owe \$14,868.85 to complete the building programme. This is made up of \$2,868.85 still owing to our Repair Account, and the \$10,000 interest free loan made to the Building Fund in its early stages, and the estimated \$2,000 for the installation of the gas heaters. We have \$4,242.86 in the Trust Account, leaving us a cash balance of \$10,625.99 to raise. Basically we still have the \$10,000 interest free loan to repay and this we must start working on. What a marvellous achievement to have our lovely building being so constantly in use for such a variety of events - our \$400,000 project and only \$10,000 left to raise. Can we do it by this time next year?

GENERAL:

The Board extends its appreciation to all who assisted in the upkeep and operation of the church. Your work is noticed and all thank you for your efforts.

MARGARET WOODS,  
Clerk to the Board

ST. PETER'S PANTRY

For over a year now many of the congregation have been making regular weekly food and money contributions towards the much needed help for the unemployed in the inner city area.

This project was initiated by members of our neighbouring parish of St. Peter's. The organisation of distribution of food parcels to people struggling to make ends meet and provide for their families is a big and continuing job, but one which has given tremendous support to families in real stress in our present economic situation.

Our box in the church porch receives regular donations from many of us and our St. Peter's friends are very grateful for the contributions we have made for 18 months now. Unemployment and the lack of money to buy ample food for families unfortunately seems to be here to stay, and our continuing support of a project that is well organised and of tremendous value to families within our parish area is essential.

MARY MORTIMER

RENTAL ACCOUNTRECEIPTS:

5281	Tenants' Rents	6,757.52	
-	Keys	28.00	6,785.52

LESS PAYMENTS:

(332)	Overdrawn BNZ Account 1.7.83	331.72	
2228	Rates	2,538.78	
179	Cleaning	289.76	
	Electricity (after deduction of refunds)	250.21	
117	Insurance	1,082.11	
777	Bank charges (less interest)	39	
23	Repairs	392.16	4,892.13

2000	Transfer to Rental account - PCNZ		1,893.39
			1,500.00

(332)	<u>BALANCE AT BANK NEW ZEALAND:</u>		<u>\$393.39</u>
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RENTAL ACCOUNT AT CHURCH OFFICE:

53149	Balance at 1.7.83		38,183.15
8432	Plus: Interest	527.51	
22278	" Building Appeal credits	11,184.93	
-	" Direct transfer to repaint account	533.73	12,246.17
85860			50,429.32
47677	Less Withdrawals to BNZ account	44,090.47	
	" Interest on loan	259.13	
	" Loan Repayment	2,033.73	46,383.33

38183	<u>BALANCE IN RENTAL ACCOUNT:</u>		4,045.99
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(332)	<u>BALANCE IN BANK NEW ZEALAND:</u>		393.39
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37831	<u>TOTAL CASH BALANCE:</u>		<u>\$4,439.38</u>
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ST JOHN'S PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH  
FINANCIAL STATEMENT OF GENERAL ACCOUNT  
1ST JULY 1983 - 30TH JUNE 1984

RECEIPTS

982-83			
2769	Balance at Bank of New Zealand as at 1.7.83		1,231.98
	<u>CONGREGATIONAL GIVING:</u>		
10117	Plate	11,537.06	
48135	Envelopes	<u>49,874.68</u>	61,411.74
	<u>DONATIONS:</u>		
264	Use of Rooms		1,780.00
1162	General	430.00	
100	Evening Guild	140.00	
200	Youth Group	<u>200.00</u>	770.00
153	Organ	119.60	
50383	Building Appeal	9,702.18	
695	Gifts	888.75	
-	Hall Refurnishing	50.00	
-	Legacies - to Build. Ap.	<u>2,000.00</u>	12,760.53
-	Wider Work Appeal	301.50	
	<u>Missions:</u>		
1100	Womens' Association	900.00	
41	Evening Guild	42.45	
6	Junior Church	<u>3.53</u>	1,247.48
	<u>PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH OF NEW ZEALAND</u>		
2388	Repaint Account	8,155.44	
47677	Rental Account	<u>44,090.47</u>	52,245.91
	<u>Sundry Trusts:</u>		
40	Benevolent Fund	74.00	
	J.C. Trusts	73.26	
	Hall Furnishing	<u>3,137.94</u>	
	Pianos	228.00	
	Camp Balance	103.57	
	125th Account	326.92	
	Kraft Estate	<u>348.38</u>	4,494.07
3413	Insurance	<u>3,455.51</u>	60,195.49
	<u>OUTREACH:</u>		
1283	NCC Christmas Appeal	1,634.43	
129	PSS Harvest	98.25	
	Southland Flood Relief	<u>604.35</u>	
	Knox Students' Fund	<u>1,810.00</u>	4,147.03
	<u>INTEREST:</u>		
80	Bank of New Zealand	13.13	
47	E.J. Lockie Estate	26.61	
3300	Endowment Fund	<u>2,900.00</u>	2,939.74
	<u>GENERAL:</u>		
163	Outlook		112.00
			<u>\$146,595.99</u>

ST JOHN'S PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH  
FINANCIAL STATEMENT OF GENERAL ACCOUNT  
1ST JULY 1983 - 30TH JUNE 1984  
PAYMENTS

1982-83			
	<u>STIPENDS:</u>		
	D.N. Steedman:		
	Salary	17,243.35	
	Car Allowance less		
	refunds	<u>2,950.60</u>	
20625	Expenses	<u>676.00</u>	20,869.95
	J.A. Veitch:		
	Honourarium	249.92	
1250	Expenses	<u>1,000.00</u>	1,249.92
	R.J. Wilderspin:		
	Salary	585.03	
1040	Expenses	<u>468.00</u>	1,053.03
	V.P. Temple:		
	Salary	1655.56	
	Car	357.60	
	Expenses	<u>75.12</u>	2,088.28
	Leas Assembly refund	<u>1,730.68</u>	357.60
150	Organ Supply	220.00	
190	Accident Compensation Levy	120.50	
2313	Beneficiary Fund Assessment	2,585.88	
995	Seniority Allowance	<u>1,151.25</u>	4,077.63
	<u>OUTREACH:</u>		
18190	Wider Work	18,900.50	
1263	NCC Christmas Appeal	1,634.43	
129	PSS Harvest	98.25	
75	Chaplaincy Trust Board	150.00	
1084	Gifts	654.70	
-	St Enoch's, Tauranga	100.00	
-	P.I. Student Fares	66.80	
-	R. & D. Mills	427.00	
-	Knox Students' Fund	1,810.00	
-	Southland Flood Relief	<u>604.35</u>	24,446.03
	<u>PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH OF NEW ZEALAND:</u>		
	J.C. Trusts	47.56	
4133	Repaint Account	4,133.73	
3000	Insurance Provision	3,300.00	
3600	Reroof Account	3,600.00	
50383	Building Appeal - transfers to		
	Rental Account	<u>11,184.93</u>	
200	Organ account	200.00	
	Furnishing account	<u>50.00</u>	22,516.22
	<u>NEW HALL:</u>		
8712	Architect	2,088.00	
6288	Paint etc	2,015.31	
249894	Builder	26,127.00	
	Fire Service Connection fee	198.00	
	Locks	1,607.46	
2475	Scaffolding	2,863.00	
	Cottage	7,573.50	
1243	Sundries	426.73	
	Furnishing	3,137.94	
36938	Sprinklers	9,293.00	
	Zip	<u>826.52</u>	56,228.46
	<u>PROPERTY:</u>		
1561	Cleaning and Rubbish	2,340.04	
514	Organ	426.06	
576	Manso General Repairs	379.19	
288	Church General Repairs	257.46	
1780	Rates	1,661.28	
516	Electricity	972.95	
42	Toilet equipment	150.87	
16	Fire Equipment and Servicing	165.30	
3723	Insurance	3,455.51	
272	Gestetner	126.50	
	Piano Tunings	<u>228.00</u>	10,163.16
	<u>ADMINISTRATION:</u>		
297	Manso telephone and tolls	301.74	
773	Stationery, Printing, postage	243.80	
1459	Advertising	1,599.80	
184	Outlook	112.00	
20	Bank charges	57.64	
274	Messenger	284.35	
467	Presbytery Expenses	307.00	
86	Cradle roll, J.C., Brigades	409.30	
55	Communion Wine	26.76	
60	Benevolent Fund	74.00	
41	APW fees	40.00	
	Camp Balance to Mission 184	<u>105.57</u>	3,561.96
			<u>\$144,523.96</u>
1232	<u>BALANCE AT BANK OF NEW ZEALAND:</u>		2,072.03
			<u>\$146,595.99</u>

TRUST ACCOUNTS FOR YEAR ENDED 30TH JUNE 1984

	<u>Balance</u> <u>30.6.83</u>	<u>Interest</u>	<u>Receipts</u>	<u>Withdrawals</u>	<u>Balance</u>
Benevolent	275.44	39.94		74.00	241.38
Centennial	640.73	92.91			733.64
Chairs	429.00	62.21			491.21
Hymn Books	2,105.61	352.58			2,458.19
Church Rebuilding	1,915.96	277.96			2,194.92
Hall Furnishing	3,158.11	126.70	50.00	3,137.94	196.87
Organ	1,593.71	231.09	200.00		2,024.80
W. Kraft Estate	304.26	44.12		348.38	-
125th Account	460.19	66.73		526.92	-
Insurance Claim	46.27	1.73		48.00	-
Piano Repairs	344.82	30.38		228.00	147.20
Camp Balance	92.20	13.37		105.57	-
Sir A. Gillies	527.50	76.49			603.99
J.C. Trusts	77.18	8.09	101.68	25.70	161.25
	<u>11,971.98</u>	<u>1,424.30</u>	<u>351.68</u>	<u>4,494.51</u>	<u>9,253.45</u>
Endowment	20,000.00	2,900.00		2,900.00	20,000.00
Reroof account	3,889.02	730.92	3,600.00		8,219.94
Lockie Estate	380.00	26.61		26.61	380.00
Repaint Account	26,789.54	4,196.12	5,633.73	8,155.44	28,463.95
Insurance Prov.	-	246.35	3,503.68	3,611.19	138.84
Knox College Stud.	-	9.91	810.00		819.91
	<u>\$63,030.54</u>	<u>\$9,534.21</u>	<u>\$13,899.09</u>	<u>\$19,187.75</u>	<u>\$67,276.09</u>

I report to members of St John's Church, Wellington, that I have examined the Church books of account and records for the year ended 30th June 1984, and that I have received all the information and explanations that I have required. In my view the General and Rental Receipts and Payments Accounts are a correct record of the transactions which have taken place during the year ended 30th June 1984, and the schedule of Trust and Special Accounts correctly records the balances held in these accounts as at the 30th June 1984. However, in some cases it was not possible to verify cash receipts beyond what is shown in the books of account.

J.B. CRAVEN, A.C.A.  
AUDITOR

BUILDING FUND

Balance in hand as at 31.8.83		6,216.11
Receipts to 30.6.84	9,168.45	
Plus Troup House Refund	533.73	
Plus Thomson and Clyde Estates	2,000.00	
Plus Interest on Rental Account to 30.6.84	<u>527.51</u>	12,229.69
Furnishing Account	50.00	
Plus Interest to 31.6.84	<u>126.70</u>	176.70
Balance of loan from Repaint Account		<u>2,868.85</u>
		21,491.35
Less Building Payments 1.7.83 - 30.6.84		<u>17,248.49</u>
Balance in hand		<u><u>\$4,242.86</u></u>
Cash available from:		
Rental Account	4,045.99	
Refurnishing account	<u>196.87</u>	
		<u><u>\$4,242.86</u></u>

ESTIMATED FURTHER PAYMENTS REQUIRED:

Repayment of loans		12,868.85
Installation of Gas heaters		<u>2,000.00</u>
Cash available	4,242.86	
To be raised	<u>10,625.99</u>	
		<u><u>\$14,868.85</u></u> <u><u>\$14,868.85</u></u>

BUILDING APPEAL LOANS AS AT  
30TH JUNE 1984

Interest free loans	10,200.00	
Less forgiven	<u>200.00</u>	10,000.
Loan from Repaint Account	4,902.53	
Less repaid to date	<u>2,033.73</u>	2,868.80
LOANS OUTSTANDING 30.6.84:		<u><u>\$12,868.85</u></u>

### "SATURDAY AT TWO"

Throughout the years, "Saturday at Two" has developed a neighbourhood spirit which breaks over denominational lines. It cares for those who are in need of companionship. As a congregation many have participated in this outreach. Many, many of you have shared your talents in music, song, and photography, you have baked delicious cookies, given time and the miracle ingredient of listening. These are very much appreciated by the folk who so thoroughly enjoy their Saturday afternoons spent in our attractive new Fellowship Room. Their donations have enabled extra amenities to be bought for the church kitchens, e.g. trays and a contribution towards the blue tablecloths.

Special thanks to Ros Stewart who led the programme for part of the year, and in particular to Elaine and David Steedman who are always there sharing their time and talents and giving encouragement to everyone.

BETTY ROBERTSON

### BIBLE CLASS

The Bible Class have had a successful year. The Church has been fortunate to have had youth leaders of the calibre of Robert and Dayle Anderson, who stood down after five years of successful leadership of the group. We are very grateful for their tremendous input over the years and thank them for their continued concern for the youth at St. John's.

At the end of 1983 we began to adjust our programme, integrating more often with the Youth Group study programme, as well as maintaining our own group identity with studies and social activities of our own. We have had an enjoyable time together this year and look forward to another successful year ahead.

ALEX BURTON

### YOUTH GROUP

Within the last year attendances at our Sunday morning meetings have almost halved with the current average attendance being between thirty and forty.

In the last few years the average age of those in the youth group has increased as those who joined the group in the late 1970's have remained and grown older, without there being a significant influx of younger people. Many of these "older" people have married and some are having families which means that "youth group" no longer adequately caters for their needs. However, a significant number of these people remain in the youth group because they feel there is nowhere else in our church for them to go. By the same token, I believe student age people have not been joining our ranks because they see a group consisting of people in their mid to late twenties and decide it is not for them.

It is imperative that St John's realises that it must meet the needs of singles and marrieds in the twenty five to thirty five age group who feel the need for more freedom and worship, and more intimate fellowship than is at present possible in our Sunday services. We ignore this group to our peril. otherwise St John's will lose a generation.

We do not wish to convey the impression that Session are ignoring this problem because they have not. For instance. Session have agreed that people in the twenty five to thirty five age bracket are to be more involved in the evening services. This problem has been given such emphasis in our report because we believe it is of the utmost importance to the future youth work of St John's that the whole congregation should understand the nature of this problem.

In order to adapt to the changing nature of the youth group, the structure of the youth group committee changed at the end of last year. Instead of one committee which met weekly to organise everything there is now an administrative committee which meets every two weeks and is responsible for finances, social events, and organisational matters together with a studies committee which meets about once a month and consists of three elders who are involved in the youth group (one of whom is chairman of the youth group committee) and a studies co-ordinator. This change has worked well.

At the same time, we have attempted to incorporate the senior bible class into the group by creating a student age section of the youth group. For many reasons, especially the problem discussed above, this has not been successful.

During the year there have been some excellent studies with a series on the sermon on the mount. "Knowing God" (including prayer) "Striving for God" (including the use of our gifts and abilities), apologetic topics.

We have also had two worthwhile camps, one on inter-personal relationships and the other on whole-heartedness.

The social highlight of our year remains the mid-winter dance which was well attended and of an excellent standard. Other social activities have included a snow trip, the Hardie progressive dinner, barbecues and a car rally.

We wish to sincerely thank Mr and Mrs Steedman for their continued support. They were camp parents at our March camp which is symbolic of the high esteem in which the youth group holds them.

Despite the current problems of identity we remain convinced of the uniqueness the youth group has to play in imparting a vital faith to students and newcomers to Wellington.

GREG HOLLISTER-JONES  
Chairperson

RECEIPTS & PAYMENTS ACCOUNT OF ST JOHN'S PRESBYTERIAN YOUTH GROUP

for the year ending 30 June 1984

RECEIPTS		PAYMENTS	
<u>Opening Balance</u>	384.45	<u>Mission from the Church</u>	
<u>Offerings</u>	6,204.54	Boys Brigade	200.00
<u>Gifts to Organisations &amp; Individuals</u>		Girls Brigade	250.00
Anastasis - Craig & Isabel Boyes	777.90	St. John's Scholarship Fund	100.00
<u>Camps</u>		Use of hall	275.00
Kiwi Ranch	1,053.50	Upgrade of hall	53.28
Forest Lakes	963.00	Youth services	29.53
Waikanae Christian Centre (retreat)	37.00	Flowers for church	15.00
	2,053.50	Seminar manual	68.40
<u>Social Activities</u>		Sundry Youth Group expenses	158.57
Sweat shirts	638.90		1,145.78
Larry Norman Concert	126.00	<u>Gifts to Organisations &amp; Individuals</u>	
Silverwind Concert	304.40	Bible Society of N.Z.	200.00
Maymakers Ball	475.22	EMMF International (NZ)	250.00
Tom Howard Concert	123.50	Radio Rhema	1,482.75
Winter Waltz	577.14	Tertiary Students Christian Fellowship - General Fund	100.00
	2,245.16	Wycliffe Bible Translators - James Family	1,000.00
<u>Miscellaneous</u>		Youth for Christ - General Fund	700.00
St. John's Youth Group		Anastasis - Ross & Stephanie Eridson	600.00
Deposit Account	1,300.36	Anastasis - Craig & Isabel Boyes	1,702.90
Bank Interest	23.65	Rev. Duncan Graham	60.00
	1,324.01	Mark Johnston	200.00
	12,605.11	Wayne Kirkland - Youth for Christ	100.00
		Malcolm Leuthwaite - TSCF	250.00
		Tom Marshall	100.00
		Ann MacKey - TSCF	50.00
		Gavin McIntosh - TSCF	7.90
		Rev. John Niven	155.00
		Mr & Mrs Patterson	100.00
		Mr & Mrs Robertson	23.25
			7,081.80
		<u>Camps</u>	
		Kiwi Ranch	994.00
		Forest Lakes	939.50
		Waikanae Christian Centre(deposit)	40.00
			1,973.50
		<u>Social Activities</u>	
		Sweat shirts	638.80
		Games afternoon	21.50
		Silverwind concert	306.25
		Maymakers Ball expenses	241.66
		Tom Howard concert	123.50
		Winter Waltz expenses	366.37
		Ski trip deposit - 1984	100.00
			1,798.08
			12,003.16
		Closing balance	986.40
			\$ 12,989.56
			\$ 12,989.56

Jane L. Hobbie B.E., A.  
Treasurer

**Strength:** The Brigade is in 3 sections -  
 Anchor Boys Age 6-7 years 10 Boys  
 Team Section " 8-11 " 36 "  
 Company Sec. "12-18 " 25 71 Boys

This is a good number for an inner city company and it is perhaps the most cosmopolitan in the country. The boys are Maori, Tongan, Fijian, Samoan, Greek, Malaysian, Vietnamese, Kampuchean, Nuisean, Chinese as well as Pakaha.

**Outreach:** The Brigade is the main outreach of St. John's church and gives the 71 Boys some spiritual teaching on a week night as well as in a special B.B. class on a Sunday where there's an attendance of around 16 Boys.

**Programme:** The weekly programme for each Section is balanced with physical, spiritual, social, and educational activities and the badge work is based on St. Luke 2: verse 52.

**Queen's Men:** It was a proud moment this year when 2 Boy gained their Queen's Badge - Corporal Stephen Nicholls and Corporal Tom Etuata. Tom is just the 7th Nuie Islander to receive this Award. An ex 2nd Wellington Boy, now living in Palmerston North, Raymond Bell, also received the Queen's Badge.

**Drill Competition:** Two squads were entered in the Battalion Competition - a Novice grade and an 'A' grade. After competing in the western zone both squads went forward to the finals. Competition was keen and the Boys did well to come 4th and 5th out of a total of 26 Companies.

**Boys:** There are 4 18-year old Boys in the Company Section and naturally they are the N.C.O.'s. Special mention must be made of Sergeant Stefan Tiefenbacher who has been in St. John's B.B. for 10 years. He's a young man of outstanding leadership ability and has done much to hold our Company together in 1984.

#### **Leadership:**

##### **Anchor Boys:**

Jane Pack  
Gordon Rutherford

##### **Team Section**

Arthur Carter  
Craig Dawson  
Meredith Etuata  
Peter Hazelwood  
Harriet Johnston  
Roger Miller  
Michael Sinclair

##### **Company Section**

Charles Anson  
Andrew Dunn  
Harriet Johnston  
Michael Sinclair

**Parents' Night:** For the first time ever the three sections of the Brigade joined together and 54 Boys were on parade. It was a beautiful sight. The Boys were inspected by the Chaplain and the Session Clerk and the Chaplain presented the Awards.

**Conclusion:** It is a privilege to help to advance Christ's Kingdom among the Boys in Wellington's inner city.

HARRIET JOHNSTON  
Captain

## 8th WELLINGTON GIRLS' BRIGADE

The Girls' Brigade has had another year of activities on Tuesday nights and the occasional Saturday. We wish to thank the leaders, all of whom have put in many hours of dedicated effort into making the programme interesting and appealing to all the girls. We were sorry to lose Mrs Raewyn Nazif, Mrs Ruth Stoddart and Mrs Cheryl Wye from the leadership last year; but have been very pleased to welcome Mrs Stephanie Bridson, Miss Christine Simpson, Miss Ann Arnold, Miss Margaret McKay, and Mrs Burgess to the team. Mrs Fiona Bayliss, Miss Rhonda Leslie, Miss Kristen Hammerich, and myself have continued on for another year.

The end of last year saw six girls transfer from the Juniors to the Seniors, and four more transferred up at the Parents Night in mid-year. This has brought the number of Seniors to 19 girls, but naturally has depleted the number of Juniors. Both sections run their programme on Tuesday, the Juniors from 4.30 to 6 o'clock; and the Seniors from 6 o'clock till 8. In both cases the programme is based on the "four square" principle of equal quantities of physical, social, educational, and spiritual activities, as is suggested by Jesus's development as a boy in Luke 2: 52. We have covered a wide range of topics as this list below suggests:

	<u>Seniors</u>	<u>Juniors</u>
<u>Spiritual</u>	The Bible "Healthy Attitudes"	God's Book
<u>Physical</u>	Scottish Country Dance Jazzercise	Singing Games
<u>Social</u>	Cooking	Saturday at 2 Cooking Samoan Culture
<u>Educational</u>	Acting Macrame	Acting Fun with Flowers Care of Pets

The Senior section especially wish to thank Mrs Pat McCay, Ms Ros Stewart, and Miss Julie Baird, who have come in to teach the girls various skills. We also wish to thank the ladies of the Church who have sewn the uniforms, and especially Mrs Janet Hayden who organised the sewing for the Brigade. This year has not been as hectic as last, but the growth in the Senior section has meant that ten new uniforms have been required. We value very highly the support we receive from the members of the congregation. We see the Girls' Brigade as an outreach of our church, as it brings us into contact with girls and their families who have no other link to Christ. We ask that you continue to support us with your prayers.

MARGARET GALT  
Captain

During the last 12 months, Linking Committee (chaired by Mrs. Betty Harris) has met 5 times, the objective being to plan various activities and to unite the women of the congregation in fellowship.

Some of the special functions during the year have been :-

#### 1983

6th August Market Day, proceeds going to the Building Fund.  
 14th " Women's Service with a congregational tea at 5 p.m.  
 28th " Congregational lunch to farewell Mr. and Mrs. Temple.  
 4th September Congregational lunch to welcome home Mr. and Mrs. Steedman, together with the Church Annual Meeting.  
 4th December Christmas Barbecue lunch.  
 18th " Congregational tea.

#### 1984

30th March Gate Stall  
 17th April Programme for the Easter Meditation.

Every second Saturday afternoon, tea and entertainment is provided for "Saturday at 2", Home Hospitality is also arranged for visitors after morning service, and food parcels are collected every Sunday for the Inner City Mission.

This year a Catering Committee was formed to organise catering for outside functions; with many willing helpers this has proved very successful and a very good contribution has been made to the Building Fund, together with the purchase of equipment for the Hall.

In March Mrs. Pat McCay was elected our representative on the Troup House Committee.

#### FLOWERS:

We were sorry to hear of the illness of Mrs. Doreen Woods, who with Mrs. Noyle Brown convenes the Flower Roster. But we are pleased that she is making good progress towards recovery. We are grateful that Mrs. Brown will continue as Convenor and thanks go to her and the ladies on the Roster who arrange the flowers in the Church each week.

#### A.P.W.

The Regional Conference was held in Masterton on 6th/8th April and St. John's was represented by Mrs. Margaret MacKay and Miss Helena Taylor.

#### P.S.S.A

Mrs. Harris and Miss Williams attend the Auxiliary Meetings once a month, the purpose of these meetings being to liaise with the congregations and keep them informed of what the PSSA is doing. Arrangements are being made for the 75th Jubilee in June, the service on Sunday to be held at St. John's. In October a Fair was held in the Town Hall and St. John's were convenors of the Cake Stall. Members are helping in the Shop and Lounge and grateful thanks are extended to all who have helped so willingly during the year.

#### LEPER MISSION:

Mrs. Stewart, the Convenor, reports that \$230 has been collected.

#### MISSIONS:

The Mission Convenor, Mrs. Sandra Ensor, reports as follows :-

For the past 12 months the Mission Department of APW designated as a special project REHABILIM. We have received newsletters and material publicising the work of Colin McLennan which were handed out during this time. A slide show of the work in Indonesia was shown at an Evening Guild Meeting on May 21st. We have been able to give \$500 towards the REHABILIM Project. I am presently distributing 20 copies of the "Mission Together" magazine, and would be pleased to arrange a copy for any-one interested in reading of the work overseas. We continue to write to a group in Vanuatu, but as the correspondence is one way, it is not a very rewarding contact. However, we now have the address of an Associate Missionary, thanks to Mrs. Veitch. We look forward to news from Di Caldwell, teaching in Lahore, Pakistan.

Members of St. John's supported the Mission Budget through the following :-

Sale of Tea Coupons	\$16.44	(Convenor Miss Greig)
" Used Stamps	205.24	" Mrs. Allan
Mission Birthday Gift	458.47	" Mrs. West
Mission Boxes	221.75	" Mrs. Harris.

J. WILLIAMS

Secretary  
 Linking Committee

#### PRAYER CHAIN

The prayer chain provides a channel through which people can request special prayers in times of need for themselves, their family and friends.

Requests for prayers should be telephoned to Mavis Johnston, Tel. 856.403 (evenings), or Pearl Brodie, Tel. 879.158. Persons desiring to share in this ministry of intercession may contact Mrs Johnston.

EVENING GUILD

We wish to record that monthly meetings have been well attended throughout the year. Membership, while having declined over previous years, seems to have stabilised. Efforts have been made to recruit younger members and throughout the year new faces have appeared frequently.

We were deeply grieved this year by the death of Em Thomson, a devoted member of the Guild, and one who was a dearly loved friend of all who knew her.

Our programme included:-

A social evening when we took time to say farewell to Mrs Temple, and shared memories of 'Roots'.  
 'Following the Rainbow' with Mrs Elaine Steedman giving us insights varied and colourful from her recent travels.  
 Mrs Pat McCay's Ikebana demonstration, and Miss Julie Baird's talk on Nutrition expanded and revised our knowledge of these subjects.  
 The Christmas party - fellowship, music, and items, thought provoking and otherwise.  
 An open tea meeting - Ross and Stephanie Bridson, "The Anastasia".  
 Learning from Mrs Joan Gibson of new work at the Presbyterian Support Services' Centre in Cuba Street, and from Mrs Sandra Ensor, our Missions Convener, of the Rehabilim project in Indonesia.

Members have assisted Linking Committee endeavours, and joined in the wider work of A.P.W.

We thank committee members for their work, and record our appreciation of the dedication of Miss Margaret Krebs and Miss Josie Williams who are retiring from the committee.

We express our loving appreciation to our Minister, the Very Rev. Steedman and Mrs Steedman for their interest and assistance.

In concluding this report we give thanks to God for His guidance, and ask His blessing for the years to come.

GAIL STEVENS,  
 Secretary.

President's note: To Gail Stevens, our secretary for the past three years, we extend our grateful thanks. To her secretarial duties Gail has added enthusiasm and a breadth of ideas, and already made valued contributions to our guild.

Marion Longstaff, President

WOMEN'S ASSOCIATION

Meetings have continued to be held every 4th Tuesday in the month, commencing at 11 a.m., followed by a shared lunch which has proved most successful.

Programmes during the year have been as follows:-

Mrs Julia Buck	Bread making demonstration
Mrs Jan Bromley	Unemployment in our city and the distribution of food parcels to the needy.
Mrs Miriam Armstrong	"The Peoples of Southern Africa"
Mr and Mrs Steedman	"Reflections on the year as Moderator
Christmas Programme with Heather Morris entertaining on the violin and flute, and Jean Abbie accompanying on the piano.	
Lunch at Mrs Mortimer's home. Opportunity was taken to welcome home Mrs Lily Reeves	
Mrs Fiona Thomas	"Living at ground zero and loving it"
Easter Meditation followed by lunch	
Miss Erica Brodie	"Welfare in our cities today"

We are grateful to these speakers who have helped to make our meetings interesting and informative.

It is with regret that we record the passing of 2 Life Vice Presidents - Miss Helen Clyde and Miss Hannah Wilson, and also Mrs Em Thomson who had been a very active member of Women's Association. We express our loving sympathy to their families.

Women's Association has given its full support to all the activities in the Linking Committee report which covers the many ways in which all the women have worked together.

We have provided and served afternoon tea at "Saturday at 2", and at Christmastime sent gifts and cards to the residents and staff of Te Hopai Home. In March, with Evening Guild, a Gate Stall was held. We helped with contributions to the stall at the PSSA Fair and also with goods contributed each Sunday for St. Peters Pantry. Everyone has willingly helped with congregational lunches, teas etc. and with the catering for outside functions.

We thank our Minister and Mrs Steedman for all they have done for us through another year, and to Mrs Mary Mortimer and Mrs Betty Robertson our grateful thanks for agreeing to lead our meetings on alternate months until a President is elected.

J. WILLIAMS  
 Secretary.

## ST. JOHN'S WOMEN'S ASSOCIATION

## STATEMENT OF ACCOUNTS - 1983/84

## Receipts

Brought Fwd. 1,387.27

Allocated at Annual

Meeting 1983:

Mission Budget 1,100.00

Boys' Brigade 25.00

Team Section 25.00

Anchor Boys 25.00

Girls' Brigade 25.00

APW Project 50.00

1,250.00

137.27

Mission Birthday Gift 458.47

Mission Boxes 221.75

Tea Coupons 16.44

Sales Table and

Collections 42.10

Membership 30.00

Harvest Field subs. 118.80

Donations 76.50

Stall at Gate 240.00

P.O.S.B. Interest 10.29

Donation from family

of the late J.

Thomson 200.00

"Rehabilitim Collection"

- ArW Project 436.33

Used Stamps 205.24

Leper Mission 230.00

\$ 2,423.19

## Payments:

## Subscriptions -

Soc. for Promotion

of Community 10.00

Standards

"Friends of Turakina" 5.00

Annual Meeting Exps. 10.00

APW - Wgtn. Presbyterian

Special Purposes Fund 2.00

Annual Reports 3.00

"Harvest Field" 121.00

Gifts and Flowers 30.00

Evening Guild - share

of Gate Stall 120.00

share of donation

from the family of

late J. Thomson 100.00

Used Stamps 205.24

Leper Mission 230.00

836.24

Balance at P.O.S.B. 1,586.95

\$2,423.19

M. M. PIPER  
Hon. TreasurerAudited and found correct  
M.D. King  
21/6/84.

For your interest the allocation at the 1984 Annual Meeting was -

Mission Budget \$900.00

Boys' Brigade 25.00

Team Section 25.00

Anchor Boys 25.00

Girls' Brigade 25.00

A.P.W. Project -

"Rehabilitim" 500.00

\$1,500 00

## HISTORIC RECORD

## MINISTERS OF ST. JOHN'S

Rev. John Moir

Very Rev. James Paterson (Moderator in 1902)

Very Rev. James Gibb, D.D. (Moderator in 1901)

Very Rev. Dr. J.R. Blanchard, B.A.

Rev. P. Gladstone Hughes, B.A.

Rev. Wm. P. Temple, M.A., B.D.

Rev. F.H. Liffiton, B.A. (Assistant)

Rev. J. Kingsley Fairbairn, M.B.E., B.A.

Rev. D.T.W. Kinloch

Very Rev. D.M. Steedman, M.A., B.D. (Moderator in 1982)

Rev. Dr. J.A. Veitch, B.A. M.Th. Ph.D. (Hon. Assistant)

## ST. JOHN'S OWN MISSIONARIES:

Very Rev. George H. McNeur, of Chinese Mission Field,  
(Moderator in 1926)

Sister Margaret O. Bear, India

## DEACONESSES:

Miss Lillian Lang

Miss Mabel Cartwright

Miss Norah Dick

Miss Nessie Morgan

1945-1948 and

## BUILDINGS:

First Church opened (accommodation 200) "Willis Street  
Presbyterian Church" 31 AugustSecond Church opened (accommodation 600),  
"St. John's", 12 December

First Manse erected, Woolcombe Street

Second Church destroyed by fire 9 May

Sunday School building opened (Dixon Street) November

Present Church opened (accommodation 900) 6 December

Young Men's Bible Class Room opened

Extension to Sunday School building (McDonald Crescent)

St. John's Memorial Hostel for Men

Manse, 9 Wai-te-ata Road, erected

Troup House erected

Manse sold, new Manse purchased at 2 Kelburn Parade

Repiling of Church completed

Church repainted and interior decorated

Cottage renovated and made extension of Troup House

Cottage moved to Dixon Street frontage and restored

Sunday School building demolished for "recycling"

New Church Hall, recycled from old timbers

opened 22 May

## JUBILEES:

Diamond Jubilee of Church, November

Women's Association Golden Jubilee, August

Y.M.B.C. Golden Jubilee

Y.W.B.C. Golden Jubilee

Sunday School 100th Anniversary,

November

Centennial Jubilee of Church, November		1953
75th Anniversary of present Church,	3-5 December	1960
Y.M.B.C. 75th Jubilee,	July	1964
125th Celebrations of Church	November	1978

#### SPECIAL EVENTS:

Free Church of Scotland petitioned to send Minister to Wellington, 15 November 1851, and congregation was formally established,	17 November	1853
Sunday School opened		1853
Mt. Cook branch Sunday School, Francis Place		1872
First Service at Wadestown, by Rev. James Paterson		1874
Mission started at Newtown, now St. James, under Mr Robert Hopkirk		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 dedicated to the memory of St. John's B.C. men who fell in the 1914-18 War, given by the Hon. J.G.W. Aitken		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 Churches in N.Z.)		1944
First Women Managers appointed		1951
Window facing the vestibule dedicated in remembrance of the devoted women, who, through 100 years, worshipped and served in St. John's		1954
Martin Window dedicated, July		1965
First Women Elder inducted		1968
Communion Plates in memory of Mary Chappell dedicated		1970
Church Organ rebuilt		1975
Marshall Room (choir room redecorated)		1980

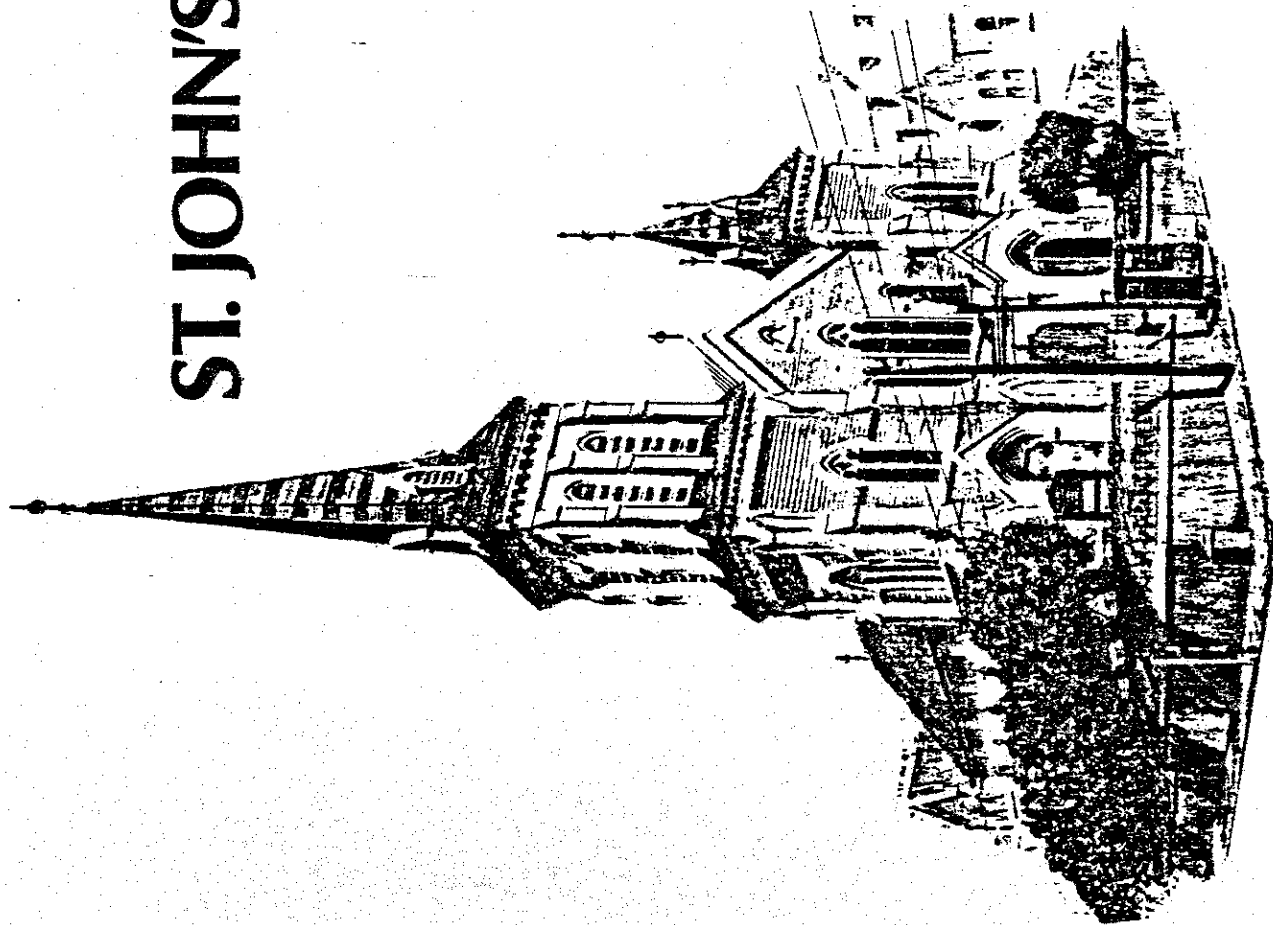
#### CHURCH NEWSPAPERS:

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

#### PUBLICATIONS:

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

# ST. JOHN'S



# CHURCH DIRECTORY

<u>Interim Moderator:</u>	The Rev. Craig Kilgour 33 Firth Tee. Karori	767-051
<u>Hon. Associate:</u>	The Rev. James A. Veitch, BA M.Th. 8 Canterbury Street, 5	769-490
<u>Session Clerk:</u>	Mr Roger T. Lloyd 2 Stormont Place, 2	898-655
<u>Clerk to the Board of Managers:</u>	Miss Margaret Woods 20 Barton Terrace, 1	730-033
<u>Treasurer:</u>	Mr David Smith 48B Barnard St. Wadestown	727-170
<u>Organist and Choirmaster:</u>	Mr Raymond Wilderspin 30 Raroa Road 5	753-144

## KIRK SESSION

		Inducted
Fowler, R.B.	48 Homewood Ave. 5	July 1933
Smith, H.B.	25 Maide Vale Road, 3	1941
Woods, N.S.	38 Harrison Street, 2	1950
Marshall, Sir John	22 Fitzroy Street 1	1950
Dornan, Alford	65 Trellissick Cres. 4	1960
McNeill, Dugald	20 Apuka Street, 2	1962
Shiels, A.V.	19 Fernhill Tce. 1	1965
Robertson, N.G.	169 Karori Road, 5	1968
Hunt, John	24 Krull Street 2	1968
Mrs N. Owen John	35 Phillip Street, 4	1970
Miss E.M. Brodie	98 Duncan Terrace Flats, 3	1972
Gilmour, R.M.	14 Norwich Street, 4	1972
Mrs M.W.M. Mortimer	55 Madras Street, 4	1972
Mrs M.M. Piper	31 Bidwill Street 2	1972
Ferrier, R.J.	57 Wadestown Road 1	1974
Aickin, K.B.	20 Manuka Street, 3	1974
Darroch, Allan	50 Sefton Street, 1	1975
Mrs B.D. Harris	29 Mortimer Terrace, 2	1978
Jaquiery, Errol	"Kilmara", Main Rd. Makara	1978
Stanley, Major G.	14 Glen Alton Ave. 4	1978
Mrs Noyle Brown	27 Beerehaven Road, 3	1979
Lloyd R.T.	2 Stormont Place, 2	1979
Stewart, C.P.	117 Messinas Road 5	1979
Wright, N.E.	Homadale Schoolhouse, Wainuiomata	1979
Leggat, H.C.	9 Pitt Street, 1	1979
Aitken, P.	137 Barnard Street, 1	1980
McCay, R.D.	26 Robieson Street, 3	1980
Mrs Marilyn King	5 Vennell Street, 2	1980
Anderson, R.W.	137 The Ridgeway, 2	1980
Dress, G.H.	22 Human Street, 3	1981
West, J.K.	98 Upland Road, 5	1981
Dangerfield, Nick	101A Waipapa Road, 3	1981
Dunn, Andrew	170 Halsall Road, 3	1981
Galt, David	64B Pambroke Road, 5	1981
Marsh, A.G.	57 Beauchamp Street, 5	1981
West, J.E.	90 Melbourne Road, 2	1981
Mrs Marion Longstaff	23 Ballour Street, 2	1983
Miss Aileen Salt	13 Hamilton Way, 3	1983
Shaw, D.H.	10 Montgomery Ave. 5	1983
Runnells, Gordon	32 Hoburn Road, 5	1983

## BOARD OF MANAGERS

Mr Richard Brader	Mr Philip Carew
Mrs Alison Dangerfield	Miss Margaret Davidson
Mr Cecil Duff	Mr David Ensor
Mr Andrew Farmer	Mr Paul Haggett
Mr Mike Hayden	Mr Gerry Janes
Mr Bruce Jenkins	Miss Margaret Krebs
Mr Sandy Lawson	Mr Malcolm Leitch
Mr John McKinlay	Mr Trevor McDonald
Mr Allan Marshall	Mr Tom Shanks
Mr David Smith	Mr Gavin Sutherland
Mrs Katherine Sutherland	Mr David Turner
Clerk to the Board: Miss Margaret Woods	
Chairperson: Miss Ailsa Salt.	

## COMMITTEES

FINANCE: David Smith (Treasurer), Mary Mortimer, David Ensor, Richard Brader, David Turner, Margaret Woods, George Robertson, Philip Carew.

PROPERTY: David Ensor (Convenor), Sandy Lawson, Tom Shanks, Mike Horvat, Mike Hayden, Malcolm Leitch, Bruce Jenkins, Margaret Davidson, Trevor MacDonald, Andrew Farmer.

GROUNDS: John McKinley, Paul Haggett, Cecil Duff.

MANAGERS DUTY ROSTER: Margaret Krebs.

ENVELOPE SECRETARIES: Paul Haggett (859194), Gordon Stanley (784548).

LETTING OF HALLS: Mrs C Ferrier, 57 Wadestown Rd. (721985).

INTIMATIONS/DUPLICATING: Mrs R B Fowler, 48 Homewood Ave. 5. (768187).

CHURCH FLOWERS: Mrs Noyle Brown (886180), Mrs Joyce Darroch (724727).

MESSENGER: Editor; Errol Jaquiery, "Kilmara", Main Rd, Makara. (767537)

TROUP HOUSE: Ailsa Salt (Convenor), Roger Miller (Secretary), Gavin Sutherland (Treasurer), Pat McCay, Gerry Janes, Melanie Martin, Tim Horne.

SATURDAY AT TWO: Betty Robertson (768118), Margaret Davidson (795527).

JUNIOR CHURCH: Dick Burgess, 24 Buller St, City. (848743)

BIBLE CLASS: Andrew Dunn, 4/70 Hataitai Rd. (861307)

YOUTH GROUP: Robert McBeth, 97 Te Anau Rd, Hataitai. (861802)

CRADLE ROLL: Marion Longstaff, 43 Balfour St. (896516)

BOYS BRIGADE: Anchor Boys: Renee Gilmour (720617)

Team Section: Harriet Johnston, 213 The Terrace. (722774)

Company Section: Michael Sinclair

GIRLS BRIGADE: Kathy Sutherland, (783792) Contact.

Junior Section: Fiona Lister

ASSOCIATION OF PRESBYTERIAN WOMEN:

Linking Committee: Mrs Betty Harris (859162) Convenor

Miss Josie Williams, 4/83 Garden Rd, 5. (757678) Secretary

Women's Association: (Meets 4th Tuesday at 11 a.m.)

Mrs Lily Reeves, (797976), President

Miss Josie Williams, 4/83 Garden Rd, 5. (757678) Secretary

Evening Guild: (Meets 3rd Monday at 7.30 p.m.) A Year of Celebration - Our 50th Year. Past Presidents are taking turns as Acting President.

Mrs Marion Longstaff, 43 Balfour St, 2. (896516) Secretary.

MESSAGE FROM THE INTERIM MODERATOR

Dear Parishioners,

By the time you read this Annual Report you will have received the good news that your new Minister has been named - the Rev. Maurice Brown, who is at present Minister at St Ninian's in Christchurch.

The Board of Nomination has been working quietly but effectively since the end of 1984, and the retirement of David Steedman. I want to thank you all for your patience as the Board continued in its work. I was aware of some frustration in the parish when we were unable to give much information. Negotiations of necessity needed to be conducted in strict confidence which made it difficult to give any meaningful interim reports. I believe you have been well served by your Board of Nomination and you will have one of the top parish Ministers in New Zealand as your new Minister.

With Maurice, Mary and their family not coming until the beginning of next year, I will continue until then as your Interim Moderator. I want to thank you all for your support during the vacancy and in particular thank Roger Lloyd, your Sessions Clerk, and Jim Veitch, your Honorary Associate, who have carried a great deal of the load.

Craig Kilgour

Interim Moderator.

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IN MEMORY OF MEMBERS  
OF ST JOHN'S CHURCH WHO DIED DURING THE YEAR

Mr W. Owen John	19 September 1984
Mr Hugh Gowans (In Australia)	October 1984
Mr Claude Amos	3 April 1985
Mrs Betty Elliott	13 June 1985
Mrs V Nicholls	21 June 1985
Mr Alexander Bowie	29 June 1985

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### SESSION REPORT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 1985

An early highlight of the year was "Mission 84" when we invited Rev. John Balchin to be our Missioner for a week. John proved to be an excellent and forthright speaker, expounding the gospel message in a way acceptable to all those who came to listen and learn.

January saw the retirement of our Minister, the Very Rev. David Steedman and his wife, Elaine. A Communion Service was held on their final Sunday with us and this was followed by a farewell luncheon. Selected speakers expressed their love and profound respect for the many qualities of David and Elaine. Their generous hospitality which was legend; the sound, positive leadership given by David, and the pastoral care and concern which was very real. The large farewell gathering included representatives from the city and neighbouring churches, and a cheque was presented to them on behalf of the congregation, together with best wishes for their future retirement in Kingston.

The Communion roll now stands at 285, after 22 additions, 32 disjunctions and 5 deaths.

Elders - Personal: Gordon Rutherford was appointed for 2 years by V.S.A. and left to work in Vanuatu. Greg Hollister-Jones resigned to go overseas for an extended period.

Elder Emeritus status was conferred upon Miss Pearl Brodie and Messrs B. Fowler, Dr J. Boyd, G. Stanley and H.B. Smith. Ailsa Salt became Session's Presbytery Elder.

The passing of Norah Owen-John's husband Bill was felt by many within the congregation and the community.

Graham Drees represented St. John's at the Assembly.

Memorial Plaques: A special memorial service was held in March to unveil brass plaques to commemorate the Ministries of Dr Blanchard and Rev. Jock Kinloch.

New Hymn Books: Replacement of the old hymn books was made with the purchase of "With One Voice".

Honorary Associate Minister: Dr Jim Veitch was appointed to the Council for Overseas Mission and Ecumenical Affairs. Session congratulated him on his appointment.

Assembly Remits: The following submissions were considered by special committees of Session:-

- (a) The Ministry of the Church
- (b) N.Z. a Multi-Cultural Society
- (c) The matter of In-Vitro Fertilisation

Special Services: We have been fortunate to have enjoyed a variety of services which have each appealed in their own way.

Rev. Kanape Paletoes from P.I.C. Newtown took a service supported by members of their choir.

The service held when members of the Girls Brigade had received the Queen's Badge happily coincided with Nigel Goodwin of Genesis Arts from London, who was our guest speaker.

Members of Wellington District Masonic Lodge shared in a service with Rev. Bill Gibson taking the address.

Interim Moderator: The Rev. Craig Kilgour was elected to look after St. John's during the vacancy, and we are indebted to him in accepting this task. We feel singularly fortunate and a warm and happy relationship prevails.

Board of Nomination: Of the 8 members elected to the Board from St. John's Norah Owen-John, Graham Drees, Errol Jaquiere and the Session Clerk were from the Session, while Betty Robertson, Mary Irvine, Margaret Wood and David Turner came from the congregation.

The Vacancy: Pulpit supply has been provided by both Dr Veitch and Rev. Chris Nichol helping over a period, besides the Interim-Moderator and various of our own members and the Youth Group. We are indebted to all who have helped in this special way.

Comprehensive Thanks: Session is particularly grateful to all who have led and supported the various organisations within St. John's. Their loyalty and devotion is very real and the more so during the vacancy. We appreciate the continuing commitment of Errol Jaquiere in preparing the "Messenger", Anwyl Fowler for the weekly intimation sheet, David Smith, our new Treasurer, and Ian West the Minute Secretary whose Session minutes are always comprehensively recorded.

To all leaders and teachers of our young people, a heartfelt thanks for a job well done.

The Year Ahead: Will without doubt, be one full of challenge and change as in society as a whole, so that we too must face in a positive manner what lies ahead. A new Minister will possibly dictate those changes.

With that in mind we must then work together with a purpose and a rightful spirit with God's help.

Roger T. Lloyd  
Session Clerk

### BOARD OF MANAGERS

The 1984/85 year was again a busy one for the Board with the ongoing maintenance of the property taking a considerable amount of the Manager's time. After the Annual Meeting the Board welcomed as new members Phillip Carew, Andrew Farmer, Mike Hayden, John McKinlay and David Smith. They readily took up their duties, with David Smith taking over as Treasurer from Mrs Mortimer, John McKinley, Andrew Farmer and Mike Hayden joining the Property Committee and Phillip Carew the Finance Committee.

Sadly, this was also a year of departures with Arthur Elliott, Janice McCallum, John Gommons, Ros Stewart and Gordon Rutherford standing down for various reasons. They had all made a valuable contribution to the Board's activities. Another departure was Mr Steedman who had chaired the Board meetings up until his retirement. This position has now been taken over by Miss Ailsa Salt.

Hall Complex: During the year a few minor repairs have been undertaken. The Hall complex has proved to be a valuable asset to the Church and has been in constant use.

Lantern Room: Work is still being undertaken to upgrade this room. A large cupboard has been installed to provide additional storage and eliminate the need to have free standing cabinets in the room.

Vacant Lot: In late 1984 the vacant lot on MacDonald Crescent was sealed and car parks marked on it. These have been rented on a Monday to Friday basis and are providing an income to the Church. The Board expresses thanks to Mr John Hunt for all the work he put into this project.

Church Foyer: During the year the Church foyer was renovated. Skylights were installed which greatly increased the natural light and the persistent leak during storms was stopped.

Envelope System: There are 198 members participating in the envelope system. During the year 15 people left and 9 joined. The Board is appreciative of the work of Paul Haggett and Gordon Stanley in administering this system.

Future Plans: The next major projects to be undertaken are the re-roofing and re-painting of the Church. Costs will be substantial and although the Board has reserves to cover most of the painting, there is not sufficient to cover the cost of the roof. The Board is investigating a number of possible sources for additional funds and hopes to keep the cost to the congregation to a minimum. There will also be a fundraising effort to co-incide with the 100th Anniversary of the dedication of the Church.

Sunday Door Duty: An important task of the Board is the welcoming of members and the issue of hymn books and notices at services. The Board appreciates the assistance of the congregation in this valuable outreach.

General: The Board extends its thanks to all who helped it in its work during the past year. It is only through the assistance of the Congregation that the Board can effectively achieve its tasks.

Margaret Woods, Clerk to the Board.

### CHOIR

The Scottish saying "guid gear comes in sma' bulk" could well apply to the choir these days. Several members have left the ranks over the past year, including John Buchanan to Island Bay, and Gordon Rutherford to Vanuatu on a 2 year VSA project. We do miss them but wish them well.

The introduction of the new hymn book "With One Voice" has gone smoothly and I'm sure the congregation has enjoyed singing with the choir in the hymn studies we have done to date. The Annual Carol Festival held in Wellington Cathedral under the auspices of the Royal School of Church Music is always popular with the choir and last year's evening was no exception. We also spent an enjoyable afternoon last December singing carols to the housebound and residents of eventide homes.

Sunday by Sunday we are motivated by Ray Wilderspin - his boundless enthusiasm, especially in these lean times, is an inspiration to us all. If you have been seriously thinking about joining the choir, the time is certainly ripe - a chair, hymn book and blue gown awaits you. Please help us to "sing to the Lord a (louder) joyful song".

Margaret Davidson, Chairman.

### CRADLE ROLL

Thirtythree babies and small children are currently in our care. We have welcomed 8 new families in the past year. Regular opportunities for families to meet others within the group continue. These have taken the form of coffee mornings, regular study or craft mornings preceded by a coffee/tea half hour, our annual party, a picnic shared with the Junior Church families, and our pre-Christmas congregational barbecue.

The committee thank all who have assisted the group in any way, and particularly those members of the congregation who take a regular turn caring in the Sunday morning creche and who enjoy meeting the little ones and their parents at this time. We would like to record our appreciation of the Steedman's love and caring support over the past nine years.

Marion Longstaff, Convenor.

TROUP HOUSE COMMITTEE

1. PROPERTY:

a) Spinks Cottage Restoration: Restoration has now been completed. Major items finished during the year include the laying of carpet throughout the building, painting of the verandah, installation of a second-hand tumble drier and jackpoints for the telephone. Installation of an intruder alarm system and building of the front steps are planned. Ex-Cottage resident and architecture graduate Bruce Welsh is working on a design for the steps, which will be subject to Historic Places Trust approval. A social evening was held in September 1984 at the Cottage for those who contributed to the restoration project.

b) Troup House Redecorating and Maintenance: With the Cottage restoration largely finished, attention was turned to redecorating Troup House. This work has now nearly been completed with painting and papering in the hall, bedrooms, bathroom and kitchen; laying of lino in the kitchen and bathroom; installation of two expelair fans; provision of lampshades, bedspreads and curtains and a second-hand vacuum cleaner.

2. FINANCE

Expenditure for the year to 30 June 1985 has been \$3 863 on Spinks Cottage restoration and \$2,017 on redecorating Troup House. The lino for Troup House is still to be paid for. The advance of \$1 500 from the Church Re-building Fund has been repaid. Funds have been sufficient with the assistance of the bequest from Miss C Troup - the balance of this (\$5000), being received in December 1984. Surplus funds are invested with the Presbyterian Church Office. With the relocation of the Hall and Spinks Cottage, City Council rates for Troup House and the Cottage have been revised. Land valuers for the two properties are now set at \$24 150 and \$71 450 respectively.

3. TENANTS

A revised set of rules was developed and adopted by the Committee last year. Vacancies were advertised in the Outlook and at the Victoria University Accommodation Bureau, with applications closing on 31 October 1984. There were several temporary residents over the Christmas holiday period. It was decided to operate Troup House as a two bedroom flat, with the third room being used as a lounge. The Cottage is currently operating as a four person flat. There have been some changes in residents during the year, but vacancies have been filled promptly. Residents have been happy with arrangements and the redecoration and maintenance, and consider it a privilege to have such pleasant accommodation.

4. COMMITTEE The present Committee is as follows:

Session Reps. Miss Ailsa Salt (Convenor), Mr Alan Marsh  
Board Reps. Mr Gavin Sutherland (Treas.), Mr Gerry Janes  
Linking Committee Rep. Mrs Pat McCay  
Youth Group Rep. Mr Roger Miller (Secretary)  
Troup House/Cottage Rep. Miss Melanie Martin, Mr Tim Horne.

TROUP HOUSE  
INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT  
for year ended 30 June 1985

EXPENDITURE:

Insurance	155.94
Rates	1683.33
Telephone	679.52
Electricity	671.09
Less Refunds	361.39
Gas	53.31
Bank Fees	3.10
Advertising	14.11
Cottage Maintenance	142.80
Troup House Maintenance	
Painting	1251.11
Curtains, Locks etc.	309.60
Vacuum Cleaner	120.00
Fans & Installation	335.86

Excess Income over  
Expenditure

2864.16

\$7922.54

INCOME:

Rents	7110.00
Interest	
BNZ	25.36
PCNZ	787.18
	812.54

\$7922.54

TROUP HOUSE  
BALANCE SHEET AS AT 30 JUNE 1985

ACCUMULATED FUNDS

at 30.6.84	3876.67
Plus:	
Miss Troup's Bequest	5000
Excess Income for	
current year	2864.16
	<u>11740.83</u>

Deposit BNZ 804.92

Deposit PCNZ 7214.91

Less:

Restoration exes. on  
Cottage for current year 3721.00

ACCUMULATED FUNDS 30.6.85 \$8019.03

\$8019.83

To Members of St John's Church:

I have examined the accounts of the Troup House Committee for the year ended 30 June 1985. I am of the opinion that the accounts are a true and correct record of the transactions for the year ended 30 June 1985.

M.D. King

Hon. Auditor. 27 July 1985.

# ST JOHN'S EVENING GUILD

This is the 49th Annual Report and in presenting it we are sad to record that once again membership has declined as many older members can no longer attend meetings at night. The time has come for us to take a look at our structure and aims.

Throughout the past year, however, our President Mrs Marion Longstaff and her committee have worked extremely hard organising meetings and endeavouring to keep the members involved in various activities. Our sincere thanks.

This years programme included:

- July - Di Caldwell our Associate Missionary on her work with the Bible Medical Missionary Society.
- August - Fiona Bruce on the use and abuse of computers. Ros Gommans on exercise for well-being.
- September - Bible Study prepared by the APW.
- October - Mrs Maisie Hebley on Friends at Court. Mrs Doris Scanelan on exchange from the USA. Mrs Ruth Lane on Prisoners Aid.
- November - Christmas Party.
- February - Open Tea Meeting. Speaker was Philip Liner.
- March - Two speakers from the Women's Refuge.
- April - Ben and Winsome Webster on the African Inland Mission.
- May - Esther Hewitt, the Bible Society's recently appointed youth worker.

Supper has been provided at the conclusion of each meeting, and members have continued to contribute to the Special Purposes Fund. Various Church activities have been supported by the Evening Guild and we would like to thank all members who have helped.

Evening Guild joins with all the women of the Church in recording their gratitude for the work on our National Executive of APW done by Mrs Jan Veitch as Vice President and Mrs Lauris Shaw as Treasurer. To our past Minister, the Very Rev. David Steedman, to our honorary assistant the Rev. Jim Veitch, and Elaine and Jan we express a very warm thankyou for their love and support.

We realise this has been a testing time for each one of us with the retirement of our minister. We seek God's heavenly guidance as we try to make better provision for our present members' needs and also those of a wider representation of the congregation.

Gail Stevens, Acting Secretary.

[President's Note: We express our thanks to Gail Stevens and Elaine Pearse for their contributions to our group, particularly their secretarial and committee work over the past four years.]

## TRUST ACCOUNTS FOR YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 1985

	Balance	Interest	Receipts	Withdrawals	Balance
	@ 30/6/84				@ 30/6/85
Benevolent	241.38	32.73			274.11
Centennial	733.64	36.68		770.32	-
Chairs	491.21	66.61			557.82
Hymn Books	2458.19	92.18		2550.37	-
Church Rebuilding	2194.92	164.62		2359.54	-
Hall Furnishing	196.87	26.70			223.57
Organ	2024.80	274.57	200.00		2499.37
Piano Repairs	147.20	19.96		35.00	132.16
Sir A Gillies	603.99	22.65		626.64	-
J.C. Trusts	161.25	21.87	51.41		234.53
Manse Refurbishing	-		1620.00		1620.00
Church Cushions	-		500.00		500.00
Shifting	-		1000.00		1000.00
	9253.45	758.57	3371.41	6341.87	7041.56
Endowment	20000.00	3134.00		3134.00	20000.00
Reroof Account	8219.94	1570.12	4600.00		14390.06
Lockie Estate	380.00	45.33		45.33	380.00
Repaint Account	28463.95	5239.50	6468.85		40172.30
Insurance Provision	138.84	280.31	3300.00	3377.67	341.48
Knox College Students	819.91	113.60		350.00	583.51
	67276.09	11141.43	17740.26	13248.87	82908.91

## AUDITOR'S REPORT

I report to members of St John's Church, Wellington, that I have examined the Church books of account and records for the year ended 30th June 1985, and that I have received all the information and explanations that I have required. In my view the General and Rental Receipts and Payments Accounts are a correct record of the transactions which have taken place during the year ended 30th June 1985, and the schedule of Trust and Special Accounts correctly records the balances held in these accounts as at 30th June 1985. However, in some cases it was not possible to verify cash receipts beyond what is shown in the books of account.

ST JOHN'S PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH - RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS ACCOUNT FOR YEAR ENDED 30TH JUNE 1985.

Balance at BNZ at 1/7/84		2072.03	
CONGREGATIONAL GIVING:			
Plate	12469.89		
Envelopes	<u>50348.44</u>	62818.33	
DONATIONS:			
Use of Rooms	1501.63		
General	1191.00		
Evening Guild	100.00		
Youth Group - Leighton Ford Appeal	250.00		
Organ/Piano Use	108.00		
Building Appeal	1405.58		
Foyer Appeal	787.20		
Gifts	2856.40		
Fairs	1519.14		
Mission	119.75		
Life and Works	150.00		
Legacies - to Foyer Appeal	1000.00		
Wider Work Appeal	40.00		
Missions - Women's Association	700.00		
- Junior Church	<u>.60</u>	11729.30	
PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH OF NEW ZEALAND:			
Knox Students	350.00		
Sundry Trusts:			
Church Rebuilding (Foyer Repair)	2359.54		
Centennial Acct. (Foyer Repair)	770.32		
Hymn Books	2550.37		
Sir Alexander Gillies (Hymn Books)	626.64		
Piano Repairs	<u>35.00</u>	6691.87	
OUTREACH:			
NCC Christmas Appeal	1930.49		
PSS Harvest Pumpkin	106.39		
Knox Students' Fund	850.00		
African Drought Appeal	1790.29		
Southland Flood Appeal	177.50		
Support to Kay Wilkinson	147.12		
South Pacific Hurricane Appeal	318.33		
Bangladesh Flood Appeal	942.60	6262.72	
RENTALS AND INTEREST:			
Car Park Rent	5650.00		
Manse Rent	1620.00		
Bank of New Zealand Interest	15.25		
Endowment Fund Interest	3134.00		
E J Lockie Estate Interest	45.33	10464.58	
GENERAL:			
Outlook	142.40		
St Enochs, Tauranga - Refund Fire Dn.	100.00		
Hymnbooks	281.50	523.90	
			100562.73

STIPENDS:			
D M Steedman:	Salary	11700.64	
	Expenses	469.39	
	Car Allowance	2267.40	14437.43
J A Vietch:	Honararium	249.96	
	Expenses	1024.98	1274.94
R J Wilderspin:	Salary	624.00	
	Expenses	488.64	1112.64
	Pulpit Supply	327.86	
	Organ Supply	220.00	
	ACC	74.23	
	Beneficiary Fund	2662.83	
	Seniority Allowance	1170.00	4454.92
			21279.93
OUTREACH:			
Wider Work	19688.00		
NCC Christmas	1930.49		
PSS Harvest	106.39		
Knox Students' Fund	1200.00		
Africa Drought	1790.29		
Southland Flood	177.50		
Kay Wilkinson	147.12		
Hurricane	318.33		
Bangladesh	942.60		
Leighton Ford Campaign	1000.00		
Gifts	<u>2946.40</u>	30247.12	
PRESB. CHURCH OF NZ:			
Repaint Acct	3600.00		
Reroof Acct	4600.00		
Insurance Provision	3300.00		
Building Appeal	2924.72		
Organ	200.00		
Manse Refurbishing	1620.00		
Church Cushions	500.00		
Relocation Provision	<u>1000.00</u>	17744.72	
CAPITAL EXP:			
Hymnbooks	3778.91		
Car Park	3031.64		
Foyer	5030.51		
Memorial Plaques	<u>571.59</u>	12412.65	
PROPERTY:			
Cleaning and Rubbish	2533.75		
Organ	337.07		
Piano Tuning	35.00		
General Repairs	971.05		
Rates	5414.71		
Electricity and Gas	859.95		
Fire Equipment and Servicing	<u>607.50</u>	10759.03	
ADMINISTRATION:			
Manse Phone	296.55		
Stationery and Printing	343.35		
Advertising	1884.87		
Outlook	142.40		
Bank Charges	50.46		
Messenger	318.80		
Presbytery Expenses	600.00		
JC, Grade Roll	462.15		
Communion Wine	40.23		
Mission Expenses	564.79		
APW Fees	50.00		
Life & Work - Films etc	427.05		
Catering	130.00		
Call Expenses	<u>168.00</u>	5478.65	
			97922.10
			<u>2640.63</u>
BALANCE AT BANK OF NZ 30/6/85			100562.72

# RENTAL ACCOUNT

## RECEIPTS

Balance @ BNZ Account 1/7/84	393.39	
Tenants' Rent	7710.97	
Electricity		
(surplus of refunds over payments)	136.85	
Bank Interest	33.98	7881.80
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		8275.19

## LESS PAYMENTS

Cleaning	299.00	
Rates	3853.56	
Maintenance	1249.60	
Hall Cupboard	719.44	
Toilet Equipment	41.00	
Insurance	1045.20	7207.80
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BALANCE AT BANK OF NEW ZEALAND 1067.39

## RENTAL ACCOUNT AT CHURCH OFFICE

Balance @ 1/7/84	4545.99	
Plus: Interest	407.75	
Troup House Loan Repayment	1500.00	
Building Appeal credits	2924.72	4832.47
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		9378.46

Less: Withdrawals for Hall Heaters	2116.00	
Loan Repayments	2868.85	
Interest on Loan	215.16	5200.01
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BALANCE IN RENTAL ACCOUNT 4178.45

BALANCE IN BANK OF NEW ZEALAND 1067.39

TOTAL CASH BALANCE 5245.84

# BUILDING FUND

Balance in Hand as at 1/7/84	4242.86
Loans Outstanding 1/7/84	12868.85
Less Loan Forgiven	10000.00
	2868.85
Plus Interest	215.16
Total Loans Outstanding	3084.01
Less Repayment of above outstanding	
Loan from Repaint Account	3084.01
	1158.85
Donations Received 1984/85	1405.58
Repayment of Loan to Troup House	1500.00
Less Installation of Hall Heaters	2116.00
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Surplus Available in Rental Account	\$1948.43

## ST JOHN'S WOMEN'S ASSOCIATION STATEMENT OF ACCOUNTS 1984/85

### RECEIPTS

Balance at POSB	1586.95
Mission Birthday Gifts	512.00
Mission Boxes	140.74
Tea Coupons	28.20
Sales Table & Collect.	53.53
Membership Subs.	25.00
Harvest Field Subs.	140.40
Donations	33.90
Stall at Gate	244.00
POSB Interest	11.20
New Building Fund	20.00
Even. Guild Rehabilim	
Contribution	60.00
Donation Rehabilim.	3.67
Sudan Inland Mission Don.	28.00
Evening Guild Share of	
Presb. Catering	2.50
Used Stamps	215.98
Leper Mission Boxes	401.67

### PAYMENTS

Donations:	
Mission Budget	900.00
Boy's Brigade	25.00
Team Section	25.00
Anchor Boys	25.00
Girl's Brigade	25.00
APW Project Rehabilim	500.00
New Building Fund	20.00
Sudan Inland Mission	28.00
Leper Mission	401.67
Used Stamp Appeal	215.98
Total Donations	2165.65
Other Payments:	
Society Promotion of	
Community Stand. Sub.	10.00
Friends Turakina Sub.	5.00
AGM Expenses	17.80
Harvest Field Subs.	143.00
MBG Postal Exes.	20.00
Gifts and Flowers	20.00
Presbyterial Catering	5.00
Evening Guild - half	
proceed stall	122.00
Cheque Book	1.50

Balance in POSB 997.79

\$3507.74

\$3507.74

### ST. JOHN'S WOMEN'S ASSOCIATION

It is with pleasure that Women's Association presents its Annual Report for the year 1st June 1984 to 31st May 1985. Attendances at the monthly meetings, which are held every fourth Tuesday commencing at 11 a.m., have been good. Our activities this year have been varied and we thank all the speakers who have made our meetings interesting and informative. The programmes have been:-

July - Mrs J King and Miss A Broome, Sudan Interior Mission  
August - Mr and Mrs Hart - Mission work in Nepal  
September - Mrs Jackie Curtis - The work of the Red Cross  
October - Miss Ann Arnold - Visit to Great Barrier Island as a home visitor from the Correspondence School  
November - Christmas programme entitled "DAZZLE OF STARS" together with songs by Mrs Steedman and recitations by Mrs Aitken  
February - A picnic in the Dell at the Lady Norwood Rose Gardens  
March - Rev. Dorothy Harvey - In Geneva with the WCC.  
April - Mrs Joyce Lake - PSS and the Opportunity Shop  
May - Miss Dorothy Comley - A Career as an Electrical Engineer

Women's Association has fully supported the activities in the Linking Committee Report, which covers the many ways in which all the women have worked together, and has also arranged:

Christmas Gifts for residents and staff at Te Hopai Home.  
Packed and delivered home-made sweets for elderly and shut-ins at Christmas time.  
Arranged a Lentern Service and lunch in Easter week.  
Provided afternoon tea and a programme for "Saturday at 2".  
Together with Evening Guild, arranged a Gate Stall on 3rd May when \$244 was raised.

We wish to record here our grateful thanks to Mrs Steedman for all her support and concern for the work of Women's Association, and in particular for her music. We wish both Mr and Mrs Steedman a very long and happy retirement.

To our President Mrs Lily Reeves, we give thanks for her fine leadership which makes our meetings so warm and friendly. Thanks also to all officers, convenors, and to all members for their support.

J. Williams  
Secretary

### ST. JOHN'S LINKING COMMITTEE ANNUAL REPORT - 31 MAY 1985

Linking Committee, which comprises representatives of all the women's groups in the Church, held 8 meetings during the year, chaired by Mrs Harris. The object of these meetings is to plan various functions and to unite the women of the congregation in fellowship.

Events of special interest were:-

Aug. 12 Cluster lunches arranged at homes of church members.  
Sept. 2 Congregational lunch before the Church Annual Meeting.  
" 16 Women's church service.  
Nov. 3 Market Day - proceeds going to the Building Fund.  
Dec. 2 Christmas Barbecue lunch.  
" 16 Christmas Congregation tea.  
Jan. 27 Buffet lunch to farewell Mr. and Mrs. Steedman.  
Apr. 28 Congregational Lunch

A Committee has arranged catering for many church and outside functions and a very worthwhile contribution has been made to the church funds, together with the purchase of new equipment. Afternoon tea and entertainment is provided every two weeks for "Saturday at 2". Home Hospitality is extended to visitors after morning service. Food parcels are collected every Sunday for the Inter City Mission. Flowers in the church are arranged each week and special thanks goes to Convenor, Mrs Brown, and her roster of willing assistants.

A.P.W. The Annual Business Meeting and Conference was held in Lower Hutt on 15th/18th April and St. John's was represented by Mrs B Robertson.

PRESBYTERIAN SUPPORT SERVICES Mrs Harris and Miss Williams attend the Auxilliary meetings once a month and inform the Groups about the activities of PSS. A Street Day Collection was held in June 1984 and there were many willing helpers from St. John's. The Opportunity Shop continues to be a wonderful source of revenue and thanks go to all helpers at both the Shop and the Lounge.

MISSIONS Mrs S. Ensor, the Mission Convenor, reports as follows:-

The Churches' new mission structure, the Council for Mission and Ecumenical Co-operation began operation on July 1st 1984. This brought an end to the Joint Board for Mission Overseas and the monthly posting of the "Mission Together" magazine. Publicity material is now received from the Secretary of the Council for Mission in Wellington. The new "Mission Together" will be issued 5 times a year, with copies being sent direct to each Parish Minister.

In February a Sales Table raised funds (together with the profit from the meal at Philip Liner's talk) for the Cyclone Relief Vanuatu fund. The damage was extensive, destroying most of the buildings at Tangoa Bible College. No students will be accepted for the Bible College in 1985.

Our Associate Missionary has now begun study in Amman, Jordan, learning Arabic, after travelling through Pakistan after her stay in New Zealand. News of Di Caldwell is included in BMMF International (NZ) and in the Di's Diary Newsletter.

The Mission Budget was supported by St. John's through the following:-

Sale of Tea Coupons	\$28.20	Convenor Miss I. Greig
Sale of Used Stamps	\$215.98	" Miss M. Krebs
Mission Birthday Gift	\$512.00	" Mrs A.F. Robertson
Mission Boxes	\$140.74	" Mrs E. Harris

HARVEST FIELD: Miss Chappell reports that there are 56 subscribers to this very fine monthly magazine.

J. Williams, Secretary

#### ST PETER'S PANTRY

It's now over 2 years since we started contributing to St Peter's Pantry and the organisers are most grateful for our continuing support with food, cash, and latterly, clothes and most welcome blankets. One of our ladies has been very busy with her machine and clothes, made from left over pieces of new material, and patchwork blankets have been received very gratefully.

In the first 6 months of 1984, 184 parcels have been distributed, plus supplies for community workers emergency stores. Last year an average of 12 parcels per fortnight were delivered; this year the number is between 16 to 18, a 50% increase.

You can see this is a continuing need and our grateful thanks to those who have given so faithfully since we decided to help. If you are not a regular contributor, or haven't thought about it, perhaps you could remember to buy one extra item when you do your weekly shopping. Every contribution helps those who are finding the present economic situation so hard to deal with, especially where there are children and elderly involved.

#### THE BOY'S BRIGADE

##### THE TEAM SECTION:

###### BOYS:

What is a Boy?

A Boy is a composite -  
he has the appetite of a horse,  
the digestion of a sword swallower,  
the energy of a pocket size atomic bomb,  
the curiosity of a cat,  
the lungs of a dictator,  
the shyness of a violet,  
the audacity of a steel trap,  
the enthusiasm of a fire cracker,  
and when he makes something, he has five thumbs.  
A Boy is Truth with dirt on his face,  
Beauty with a cut on his finger,  
Wisdom with chewing gum in his hair,  
And the hope of the future with a frog in his pocket.

The Team Section has 36 boys just like that! They are Samoan, Fijian, Tongan, Maori, Chinese and Pakeha. There is a floating population in the general area where these boys live and it is sad when some of the boys move. The two Vai boys have gone to Porirua, the French boy to Auckland, the Malaysian boy back home and the Cambodian boy to Khandallah. Whilst they were with us they added a quality to the Team Section and we are the richer from knowing them.

Leadership: We are blessed in having the fine quality of leadership of Peter Hazlewood, Arthur Carter and Roger Miller, and appreciation of their service is recorded. The current shortage of 3 Officers will happily be rectified soon.

Programme: The weekly programme is based on Luke 2:52, and a balance is kept between activities of spiritual, social, physical and educational natures.

Activities: A 'sleep-in' in the hall one Saturday night in May was highly successful. As usual the boys did well in the 7 aside soccer competition. In March they took part in a Trek, and raised over \$500 for the B.B. Battalion Campsite.

B.B. Sunday School: There are 15 on the roll and attendance is rarely below 10. Up to 30 June, some boys had attended 14 times this year. The hour's games before Sunday School starts is a great encouragement!

Harriet Johnston, Lt. In Charge.

### 8TH WELLINGTON GIRLS' BRIGADE ANNUAL REPORT 1984 - 85

This year we have expanded our Girls' Brigade Company from two sections to three sections. The new group has been started to cater for our older girls, that is those girls aged 14 years and over. It is very small at present with only 4 girls, but it marks a milestone in our history as we now have a complete Brigade. The new group is called the Pioneers, and has been led by Miss Ann Arnold.

The Junior and Senior sections have continued to do the same kinds of activities as in previous years. We work on a four-point programme of spiritual, physical, social and educational activities, following the pattern outlined in Luke 2:52. We have done cooking, sewing, artwork, gymnastics, plays, singing, using Post Officer services, baby care, first aid, soccer and badminton, as part of this badge work. We wish to thank various members of the congregation who have come in to assist us with these different activities.

The number of girls attending the Brigade has stabilised this year at Juniors 17, Seniors 8, and Pioneers 4. We hope the senior and pioneer sections will expand as the junior section feeds into them. The leadership team for 1985 is Mrs Margaret Galt (Captain), Miss Ann Arnold, Mrs Marilla Rankin, Mrs Fiona Bayliss, Miss Kristen Hammerich and Miss Diane Leith. At the end of last year a number of leaders were forced to give up Brigade work: we wish to thank Miss Rhonda Leslie, Miss Christine Simpson, Miss Margaret Mackay, Mrs Burgess, and Miss Christine McCay for their good work. Miss Christine McCay has remained our Treasurer.

All the leaders have become involved in Girls' Brigade as a response to God's call for us to be involved in outreach. It is exciting and challenging for us to share our faith in this manner, and we find the girls do sometimes respond to the Christian message. This is going to be my last year as Captain of the Brigade, but I trust that the outreach will continue as it is central to our purpose as a Church. I ask, therefore, that you pray for Session as they look for a new Captain and leaders for next year.

Margaret Galt, Captain, 8th Wellington Girls' Brigade.

### YOUTH GROUP ANNUAL REPORT

In the last Annual Report, the then Chairman of the Youth Group commented on the problems being faced by the group. Many of the 'older' members were leaving. However, since then, the group has again picked up with many dedicated Christian people content to worship our Lord in St Johns. There are still a number of people who feel that they have 'outgrown' the group but have not got an alternative and I believe the Church must look carefully at their needs. This is not to say that a welcome would not be forthcoming from the Youth Group to anyone interested - indeed we would encourage a greater participation in our social events and Sunday meetings by all members of the Church.

At our September 84 camp at Forest Lakes Homestead we had time discussing the future role of the Youth Group in St. Johns. It was a searching time. From that meeting a number of changes were instigated, the most obvious being the change of time of our meetings from 9.30 a.m. to 5.30 p.m. on Sundays. While we will review this decision again shortly, it looks as though this is a more popular time to meet.

A new committee was elected shortly after the September camp. It consists of Graeme Mahoney, Johnathon Bayliss, Roger Miller, Gail Mahoney, Heather Morris, Andrew Farmer and myself. Each member of the committee has a specific portfolio, but the committee has essentially worked as one unit.

The Youth Group has had an active year. It was Andrew's ambition to have a social activity every Saturday and these have ranged from dances to snow trips to Pooh Parties and water fights. House groups, although getting off to a slow start are now meeting all over the city at various times. A successful camp was held in March on 'Commitment'. The speaker was Gordon Jaquiere. Over 70 people attended which was open to all members of the Church. In June a series of 'Relationship' seminars were organised.

As can be seen, members of the Youth Group are an active lot. In this time without a Minister we have had much pleasure in and blessings from organising and participating in a number of evening services. Much of the leading of the group has come, this year, from within its members. We have found many gifted worship leaders and teachers. Many thanks to Graeme who, without the same resources as in previous years, has managed to arrange some inspiring study times. Special thanks also to Heather Morris our music co-ordinator.

I believe that the Youth Group plays an important role in our Church of St John's. May our Lord Jesus Christ be glorified through the group and the Church.

Robert MacBeth, Chairman.

ST JOHN'S YOUTH GROUP RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS ACCOUNT

for year ended 30 June 1985

RECEIPTS:

Opening Balance	986.40
Offerings	4929.68
Camps:	
Forest Lakes	529.00
Forest Lakes	<u>1127.00</u>
	1656.00
Miscellaneous:	
Bookshop	590.40
Ski Trip	<u>933.45</u>
	1523.85

PAYMENTS:

Mission from the Church:	
Screen	293.00
Transparen.	108.51
Letters to	
Parishes	162.80
St John's.	250.00
Bookshop	567.95
Sundry Exes.	<u>79.38</u>

1461.64

Gifts:

Alison McKay	180.00
TSCT	100.00
Radio Rhema	1800.25
Robertsons	46.90
Steedmans	23.50
Bridsons	23.95
Carol Flett	23.95
SIMI- A.Cope	520.00
TEAR Fund	500.00
K Wilkinson	90.00
Mrs Hunter	15.00
G. Jaquiere	75.00
D. Caldwell	200.00
YFC	<u>550.00</u>

4148.55

Camps:

Forest Lakes	613.50
" "	1315.50
" "	<u>50.00</u>

1979.00

Social:

Ski Trip	745.06
Dance Exes.	<u>20.00</u>

765.06

8354.25

Closing Balance

741.68

\$9095.93

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Treasurer: I.M. Littleworth

Audited as Correct: J.L. Hibble ACA, 18 August 1985.

SATURDAY AT TWO

Saturday at Two continues to meet in the Fellowship Room every fortnight. Thanks to the willing participation of organisations within St Johns, the programmes are very much enjoyed. These include musical entertainment, comedy items and film shows, as well as the usual friendly chat over the teacups. Highlights have been a meeting with Naomi Trigg from 'Credo', and a 'regal' drive around the bays in a fleet of Rolls Royce cars. Financial contributions over the past year have helped to donate \$50 to African Relief and \$120 towards the new microphone system in the Church. The continuing support of St Johns to this happy and worthwhile group is appreciated.

Margaret Davidson, Margaret Hunt and Betty Robertson.

THE BIBLE CLASS

The Bible Class has met in Troup House Lounge, which is partly decorated with home made posters and a carpet to make the room look quite civilised. The group members are a lively bunch, namely -

Diana Burton  
Katherine Irvine  
David Irvine  
Emma Long  
Philip Carew

Philippa Smith  
Richard Smith  
Katie Veitch  
Tanya Veitch  
Andrew Dunn.

The 'Living Faith' material is used as a basis for lessons, but we freely digress to related topics as they arise. The group support in prayer and by letter, Di Caldwell, (associate missionary of St Johns), in Jordan. Social activities include a pancake tea, ESTV video, and YFC concerts. We rejoice in being a part of St Johns fellowship and appreciate the care and support of our 'family'.

Philip Carew and Andrew Dunn.

JUNIOR CHURCH

The Junior Church started 1985 with 5 age groups and a roll of 38 children. Mary Irvine joined four teachers from the previous year - Caroline Ferrier, Cathy Smith, Alison Horvat and Dick Burgess. Teachers, children and parents enjoyed the Sunday outings at the Botanical Gardens, on the Southern Walkway and a barbecue afternoon at the Rankin's home. Teachers appreciated the support and encouragement of Errol Jacquiere and his successor Ian West as elders with responsibility for Junior Church. The 1985 programme has included joint sessions with the Boy's Brigade Sunday School group and contributions to morning worship from the Junior Church's Living Faith syllabus, using the all-ages-together material.

# HISTORIC RECORD

## MINISTERS OF ST. JOHN'S

Rev. John Moir	1853-1867
Very Rev. James Paterson (Moderator in 1902)	1868-1903
Very Rev. James Gibb, D.D. (Moderator in 1901)	1903-1926
Very Rev. Dr. 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. Kingsley Fairbairn, M.B.E., B.A.	1957-1968
Rev. D.T.W. Kinloch	1968-1975
Very Rev. D.M. Steedman, M.A., B.D. (Moderator in 1982)	1976-1985
Rev. Dr. J.A. Veitch, B.A. M.Th. Ph.D (Hon. Assistant)	1978-1985

## ST. JOHN'S OWN MISSIONARIES:

Very Rev. George H. McNeur, of Chinese Mission Field (Moderator in 1926)	1913-1940
Sister Margaret O. Bear, India	1958-1979

## DEACONESSSES:

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"	31 August	1856
Second Church opened (accommodation 600), "St John's"	12 December	1875
First Manse erected, Woolcombe Street		1880
Second Church destroyed by fire	9 May	1884
Sunday School building opened (Dixon St)	November	1884
Present Church opened (accommodation 900)	6 December	1885
Young Men's Bible Class Room opened		1896
Extension to Sunday School building (McDonald Cres)		1902
St. John's Memorial Hostel for Men		1919-1937
Manse, 9 Wai-te-ata Road, erected		1928
Troup House erected		1956
Manse sold, new Manse purchased at 2 Kelburn Parade		1957
Repiling of Church completed		1958
Church repainted and interior decorated		1959
Cottage renovated and made extension of Troup House		1967
Cottage moved to Dixon Street frontage and restored		1982-1983
Sunday School building demolished for "recycling"		1982
New Church Hall, recycled from old timbers, opened	22 May	1983
Church foyer, cathedral ceiling and skylights installed		1984

## 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	November	1953

Centennial Jubilee of Church, November		1953
75th Anniversary of present Church,	3-5 December	1960
Y.M.B.C. 75th Jubilee	July	1964
125th Celebrations of Church	November	1978

## SPECIAL EVENTS

Free Church of Scotland petitioned to send Minister to Wellington, 15 Nov. 1851, and congregation was formally established,	17 November	1853
Sunday School opened		1853
Mt Cook Branch Sunday School, Francis Place		1872
First Service at Wadestown by Rev. James Paterson		1874
Mission started at Newtown, now St. James under Mr Robert Hopkirk		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 dedicated to the memory of St. John's B.C. men who fell in the 1914-18 War, given by the Hon. J.G.W. Aitken		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 Churches in NZ)		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
First Woman Elder inducted		1968
Communion Plates in memory of Mary Chappell dedicated		1970
Church Organ rebuilt		1975
Marshall Room (choir room redecorated)		1980

## CHURCH NEWSPAPERS:

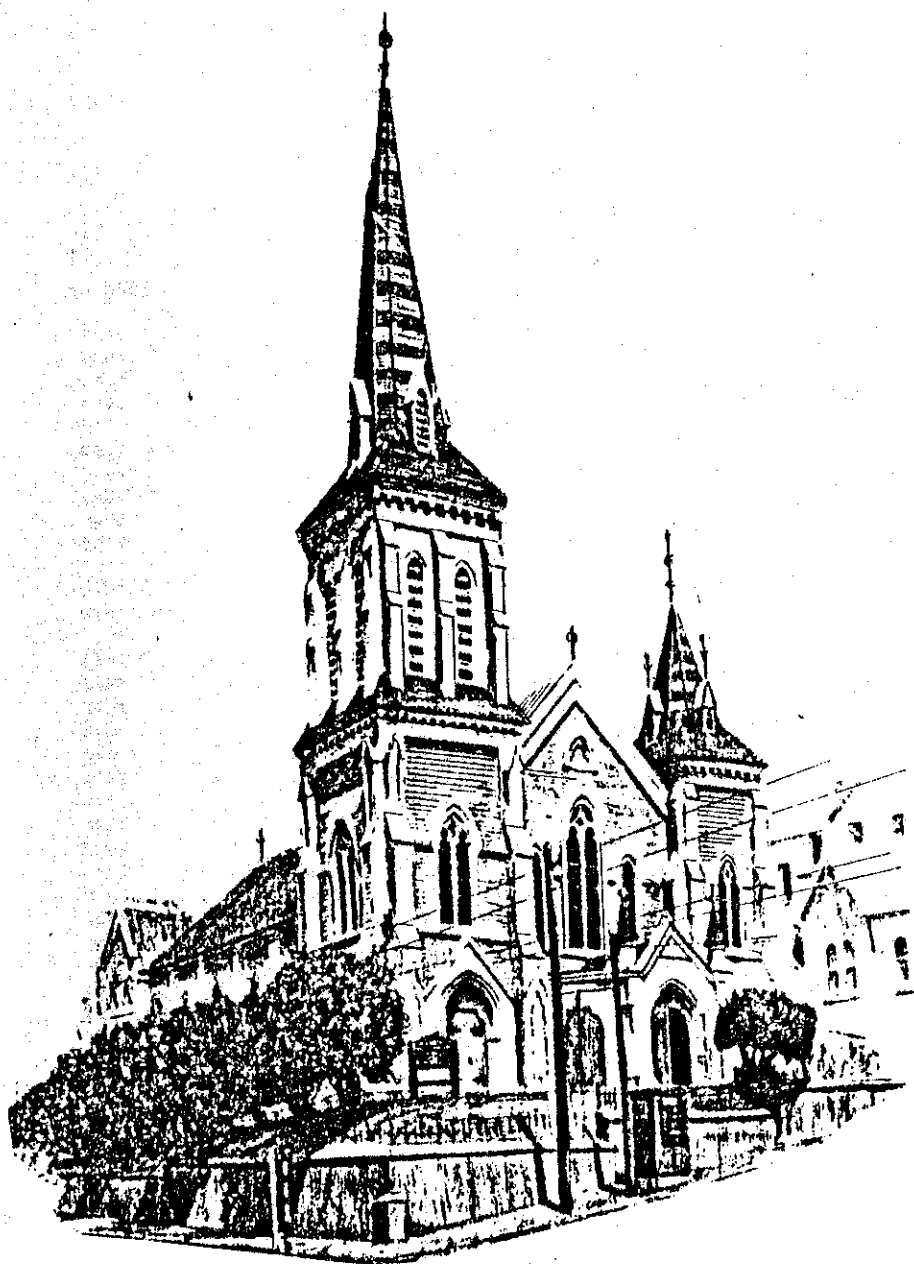
"The Record"	1892 - 1896
"The Torch Bearer"	1930 - 1931
"The Review"	1936 - 1938
"The Messenger"	1941 -

## PUBLICATIONS:

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

ST JOHN'S PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH, WILLIS STREET, WELLINGTON

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# CHURCH DIRECTORY

<b>Minister:</b>	Rev. Maurice A. Brown 32 Ngatoto Street, Khandallah	792-041
<b>Session Clerk:</b>	Mr. Roger T. Lloyd 2 Stormont Place, Kingston Heights	898-655
<b>Chairperson, Board of Managers:</b>	Miss Ailsa Salt 19 Williamson Way, Karori	768-103
<b>Treasurer:</b>	Mr. David Smith 49B Barnard Street, Wadestown	727-170
<b>Organist and Choirmaster:</b>	Mr. Raymond Wilderapin 30 Raroa Road, Kelburn	753-144

## KIRK SESSION

### Inducted

Fowler, R.B.	48 Homewood Avenue, 5	1933
Smith, H.B.	25 Maide Vale Road, 3	1941
Woods, N.B.	35 Harrison Street, 2	1950
Marshall, Sir John	22 Fitzroy Street, 1	1950
Dornan, A.	66 Trellick Crescent, 4	1960
McLellan, D.	20 Apuka Street, 2	1962
Shiels, A.Y.	18 Fernhill Terrace, 1	1965
Robertson, N.D.	169 Karori Road, 5	1968
Hunt, J.	24 Krull Street, 2	1968
Owen John, Mrs. N.	38 Phillip Street, 4	1970
Brodie, Miss E.M.	98 Duncan Terrace Flats, 3	1972
Gilmour, R.W.	14 Norwich Street, 4	1972
Mortimer, Mrs. M.W.M.	55 Madras Street, 4	1972
Piper, Mrs. M.M.	31 Midwell Street, 2	1972
Ferrier, R.J.	57 Wadestown Road, 1	1974
Aikin, K.B.	20 Manuka Street, 3	1974
Darroch, A.	60 Sefton Street, 1	1975
Harris, Mrs. B.D.	29 Mortimer Terrace, 2	1978
Jaquetry, E.	"Kilmara", Main Road, Makara	1978
Stanley, Major G.	14 Glen Alton Avenue, 4	1978
Brown, Mrs. N.	27 Beershaven Road, 3	1979
Lloyd, R.T.	2 Stormont Place, 2	1979
Stewart, C.F.	117 Messines Road, 5	1979
Wright, N.P.	Homedale Schoolhouse, Wainuiomata	1979
Leggat, H.C.	9 Pitt Street, 1	1979
Aitken, P.	187 Barnard Street, 1	1980
McCay, R.D.	26 Robleson Street, 3	1980
King, Mrs. M.	5 Vennell Street, 2	1980
Anderson, R.W.	187 The Ridgeway, 2	1980
Drees, G.H.	28 Human Street, 5	1981
Dangerfield, N.	101A Waipapa Road, 3	1981
Dunn, A.	4/70 Hataitai Road, 3	1981
Galt, D.	20 Pembroke Road, 2	1981
Marsh, A.G.	57 Beauchamp Street, 5	1981
West, I.P.	427 Karama Bay Road, 3	1981
Longstaff, Mrs. M.	50A Monaghan Avenue, 5	1983
Salt, Miss A.	13 Williamson Way, 5	1983
Shaw, D.H.	58 Montgomery Avenue, 4	1984
Rutherford, G.	32 Woburn Road, 5	1984

## BOARD OF MANAGERS

Mr Richard Brader	Mr Philip Carew
Miss Margaret Davidson	Mr Cecil Duff
Mr Andrew Farmer	Mr Paul Haggett
Mr Gerry Janes	Miss Margaret Krebs
Mr Sandy Lawson	Mr Colin Lewis
Ms Christine McCay	Mr Trevor McDonald
Mr John McKinlay	Mr Allan Marshall
Mr Ross Milner	Mr Tom Shanks
Mr David Smith	Mr Gavin Sutherland
Mrs Katherine Sutherland	Mr David Turner
Mr Bruce Welsh	Miss Margaret Woods
Mrs Gillian Woodward	Chairperson: Miss Ailsa Salt

## COMMITTEES

**FINANCE:** David Smith (Treasurer), Richard Brader, Philip Carew, Christine McCay, Mary Mortimer, David Turner, Margaret Woods.

**PROPERTY:** Mike Horvat (Convenor), Margaret Davidson, Andrew Farmer, Sandy Lawson, Trevor McDonald, Tom Shanks, Bruce Welsh.

**REDEVELOPMENT:** Ailsa Salt (Convenor), Maurice Brown, Michael Benge, John Comesky, John Hunt, Roger Lloyd, Andy Marshall, John Marshall, Ross Milner, David Smith, Barry Spencer, Bruce Welsh

**GROUNDS:** Colin Lewis (Co-ordinator)

**MANAGERS DUTY ROSTER:** Margaret Krebs

**ENVELOPE SECRETARY:** Rose Marsh (764174)

**ENVELOPE TREASURER:** Judi Fergusson (758-867)

**LETTING OF HALLS AND ROOMS:** Mrs C Ferrier, (721985)

**INTIMATIONS/DUPLICATING:** Mrs R B Fowler, 48 Homewood Ave, 5. (768187)

**CHURCH FLOWERS:** Mrs N Brown (886180), Mrs J Darroch (724727)

**MESSENGER:** Editor: Andrew Dunn, 28 Arawa Rd, Hataitai. (861307)

**TROUP HOUSE:** Rev. M Brown (Chairman), Roger Miller (Secretary), Gavin Sutherland (Treasurer), Pat McCay, Ailsa Salt, Alan Marsh, Gerry Janes, Malcolm Robertson, Tim Horne.

**SATURDAY AT TWO:** Betty Robertson (766118), Lily Reeves (797976).

**JUNIOR CHURCH:** Dick Burgess, 24 Buller St., City (848743)

**BIBLE CLASS:** Andrew Dunn, 28 Arawa Rd., Hataitai (861307)

FLAME GROUP: Johnathon Bayliss (898707)

THE YOUNG ONES: Katherine Brown (792431)

CRADLE ROLL: Marion Longstaff, 50A Monaghan Ave. (787102)

BOYS BRIGADE: Anchor Boys: Renee Gilmour (720617)  
Team Section: Harriet Johnston, (722774)  
Company Section: Harriet Johnston

GIRLS BRIGADE: Katherine Sutherland, (783792) Captain.

FELLOWSHIP GROUP: Adrienne Carley (767761)

ASSOCIATION OF PRESBYTERIAN WOMEN:

Linking Committee: Mrs Betty Harris (859182), Convenor  
Miss Josie Williams (757678), Secretary

Women's Association: (Meets 4th Tuesday at 11 a.m.)  
Mrs Lily Reeves (797976), President  
Miss Josie Williams (757678), Secretary

Evening Guild: (Meets 3rd Monday at 7.30 p.m.).

FORWARD

With spring in the air it is a good time to look to the future again. The Task Group set up by Session has been working all year on the material from the Parish Camp held in March, and many ideas have developed which should inject new life, encouragement and a sense of purpose in our work together for the Kingdom of God.

The Work Group on building development and Church maintenance has now been directed to bring to the congregation exciting new possibilities for St John's which should allow us a freedom in the future which did not seem possible a year ago.

I sense strongly that God is leading us into new things and that we are standing on the threshold of an exciting second century in St John's. After six months with you I believe we are starting to share the same views and it is my prayer that God will lead us together along the pilgrim way; the future is his and he has promised to go before us to the end of time.

I thank God for this challenge and responsibility as your minister.

Maurice A. Brown.

# SESSION REPORT

On 18 August a congregational meeting unanimously approved a Call to the Rev. Maurice A. Brown following a recommendation by the Selection Committee. This set in motion the various procedures culminating in the acceptance of the Call by Rev. Brown. This year's highlight was, without doubt, the Induction of our new Minister which took place on Thursday 30 January, followed by an informal gathering in the Hall. There we were able to warmly welcome into our midst Maurice and Mary and their family - Katherine, Graeme and Jennie.

Communion Roll: Now stands at 269 following 7 members who passed away, 16 additions to the Roll and 25 disjunctions.

Elders - Personal: Errol Jaquiere left in December for a term in Singapore, and together with his wife and sons, is missed; Rob McCay has indefinite leave of absence from Session due to work commitment; John West resigned from Session; and Ian West represented St Johns at Assembly.

Honorary Associate Minister: Rev. Dr. Jim Veitch's appointment ended in January. A Communion Service was held to commemorate the occasion followed by a social function and presentation of a cheque in gratitude to Jim and Jan for their services to St. Johns. Together with their three daughters we wished them well for the future, wherever their paths may lead them.

Assembly Remits: The following submissions were considered by special committees of Session:

- The Ministry of the Church
- In vitro Fertilisation
- A new Ecumenical Body
- Church Union
- Women in Church and Society
- Surrogate Motherhood (to Women's Groups)
- Representation and Participation in Church Courts and Committees.

Services: The second half of the vacancy was well served with pulpit supply. Our Interim Moderator Rev. Craig Kilgour continued to come once a month and, together with Rev. Chris Nichol who shared a number of Sundays with us, was warmly received. Rev. W.P. Temple was invited to return for the special services to celebrate the Centenary of the Church building. Various Session members conducted services, including Mrs. Morah Owen-John who is always very well received. Professor Peter Mathieson from the Theological Hall and our neighbour from Central Baptist, Rev. Tom Cadman, also addressed us. A Women's Evening Service was a highlight and much appreciated.

100th Anniversary: The Church building centenary was the climax to 1985's activities, with a day of celebration. Parishioners, past and present, shared in this happy occasion.

Church Camp Retreat: Held in mid-March in Waikanae, this was a success with those participating happy to have the opportunity of getting to know the Brown family in a more personal way. Discussion took place re the future of St Johns in the inner city.

Interim Moderator: Session greatly appreciated the services of the Rev. Craig Kilgour. He had been most helpful and co-operative over the year, and we were indebted to his patience and guidance. A cheque of appreciation was given as a token of his commitment during the vacancy.

Other Thanks: During the vacancy Session was particularly conscious of the loyalty and devotion to St Johns of many of our parishioners and office bearers. Such a period without a Minister is never easy.

The Messenger is now being prepared by Andrew Dunn and Session thanks him for all his efforts and commitment. To Annyl Fowler for the weekly intimation sheet goes our sincere thanks; to our Minute Secretary, Ian West, who does such a splendid job for Session many thanks. To all leaders and teachers - God's richest blessings for loyalty and commitment.

To our new family in residence at the Manse - our heartfelt thanks in accepting and joining us at St Johns in our capital city. May we all go forth with a new spirit together in the Lord's name for the sake of our city and its people.

Roger T Lloyd  
SESSION CLERK.

## I N M E M O R I U M

Mrs Margaret Ellen Crawford	1 December 1985
Miss Jessie Scoular Johnston	11 January 1986
Mrs Mavis Kelly	12 October 1985
Miss Charlotte Elizabeth (Elsie) MacKenzie	8 November 1985
Miss Ivy Feodore Pirie	18 September 1985
Mr Donald Alexander Shilton	18 January 1986
Mrs Margaret Peterina (Ina) Wallis	22 December 1985

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## BOARD OF MANAGERS

The Board has overseen two major projects this last year, firstly the sale and purchase of a Manse and secondly, the re-painting and re-roofing of the Church. As well as these matters, there has been substantial progress in the establishing a fund to ensure the long term maintenance of the Church complex is provided for and possible funds to undertake development of the MacDonald Crescent part of the property.

New Manse: The Board was given approval at the 1985 Congregational Annual Meeting to proceed with the sale of the then Manse at 2 Kelburn Parade, because of the problems of noise and lack of sun. Because of the downturn in the housing market however, the property was not sold until April 1986, and unfortunately this meant the Brown family had two shifts within three months. The Board is grateful for their patience over these matters. After considerable searching, a new property was found at 32 Ngatoto St., Ngalo; one which filled nearly all the criteria that the Board had listed as desirable in a Manse. We were pleased that the Brown family were able to see and approve it before purchase and that they enjoy living in it. The Board thanks all those people who helped with the shift to the new Manse; who spring cleaned 2 Kelburn Parade; who sewed curtains; who gave donations for whiteware, bookcases, a dresser, and garden plants; who helped clear up the section and get rid of rubbish. The contribution the Manse family have made to getting the garden in order is especially acknowledged - it certainly helps to get superb results when you have a landscape gardener and a team of hard workers in the family.

Repainting and reroofing of the Church: This was successfully completed over the summer months. Both were major tasks, with the repainting costing around \$50,000 and the reroofing \$25,000. The Board records its appreciation of the gift of the roofing iron from New Zealand Steel (approximately \$8000 worth), and a grant of \$6,000 from the City Council's historic building restoration fund. With these generous donations it was not necessary to borrow to cover the costs. The Board's thanks go to Mr Mike Horvat, Property Convenor, for his oversight of the work.

Ongoing Maintenance Costs: The Board of Managers has been concerned for some time that the cost of proper maintenance of the Church's property was going to prove beyond the resources of the Congregation to meet. It is necessary to put aside into reserve fund around \$20,000 a year if we are to cover only costs such as external repainting of the whole complex every 8 or 9 years, and internal every 25 to 30; do general repairs; and budget for reroofing, replumbing and rewiring say every 40 years. We also have to take into account care of the Manse, although this will be considerably less with the new property because of its minimum maintenance materials. Therefore a Committee was set up in December to look at the possibility of developing something on the McDonald Crescent site (including the old building and the car park) that would bring in sufficient income to cover ongoing maintenance. This committee has met regularly and hopes to bring very positive proposals to the Congregational meeting. The committee has been fortunate to have the advice and help of Mr John Comecky, a noted architect, with experience in the issues it was considering.

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Church Centre: Careful consideration has been given to development of an office and study for the Minister and a secretary on the Church site. A proposal was presented to the Congregation to add a small wing including two offices and meeting room to the north side of the hall, and the borrowing of up to \$30,000 to fund this.

Annual Accounts: We are pleased to report that despite all the expenses incurred during the year that the Accounts show a small credit balance. The Board places on record its appreciation of the work of the Treasurer, Mr David Smith, whose management of our accounts ensured that our cash flow difficulties earlier this year were coped with.

Membership: We welcomed Colin Lewis, Christine McCay, Ross Milner, Bruce Welsh, and Gillian Woodward as new Managers this year, but were sad to say farewell to David Ensor and Mike Hayden, who moved to Auckland, and Malcolm Leitch, through other commitments. David's contribution as Property Convenor has been recorded with gratitude.

Envelope System: Judy Fergusson has just completed her first year as Envelope Treasurer, and Paul Hagget his eighth and last as Envelope Secretary. Paul has encouraged many to join the scheme and the Board expresses to him its thanks for a job well done.

General: The Board extends its thanks to all who helped in its work during the past year. It has been a busy and productive one, and made the more so through the support of many in the congregation.

Ailsa Salt, Chairperson, Board of Managers.

## SATURDAY AT TWO

There is an amazing variety of talent within the congregation and many have willingly shared their skills at the fortnightly Saturday at Two. The programmes have been varied with music, song, films and photography, and these together with the chatter over the cup of tea all contribute to make the gatherings warm and cheery. The two Margarets (Hunt and Davidson) have been missed and all appreciated the contribution they gave so regularly. Thanks to all the St John's groups, members of the congregation and others - in particular the Onslow Male Choir and the children from Thorndon Primary School - who continue to show care and concern for those coming to Saturday at Two.

Lily Reeves and Betty Robertson.

TROUP HOUSE COMMITTEE

Apart from painting the roof of Spinks Cottage, other work included ongoing maintenance of furniture and appliances and completing the front steps which were designed and made by Bruce Welsh. An entry was submitted to the Historic Places Trust Restoration competition on the work done on the Cottage, but was not successful. Troup House work has included general maintenance and acquisition of some furniture. Rentals have remained at \$25.00 for the Cottage and \$22.50 for Troup House, rates which are comparable with similar accommodation at Everton Hall.

Vacancies for 1986 were advertised in the Forum and University Accommodation Bureau. Owing to the number of applicants it was decided to have six residents in the Cottage, three male and three female, with one in the downstairs study. Despite this, several applicants still had to be turned down.

Roger Miller - Secretary.

TROUP HOUSE ACCOUNTS

<u>EXPENDITURE</u>		<u>INCOME</u>	
Insurance and Valuations	552.33	Board	7797.50
Rates	1781.23	Interest BNZ	126.67
Telephone	686.12	Interest PCNZ	1442.98
Less Tolls	29.50		
Electricity	734.81		
Less Refunds	515.29		
Gas	56.36		
Bank Fees	1.50		
Advertising	22.78		
Maintenance Troup House	622.39		
Cottage	443.94		
NET EXPENDITURE	4356.67		
Excess Income over Expenditure	5010.48		
	\$9367.15		\$9367.15
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TROUP HOUSE COMMITTEE - BALANCE SHEET AS AT 30 JUNE 1986

Accumulated Fund 1.7.85	8019.83	Deposits Church Office	8657.89
Less Restoration Cottage 1309.99		BNZ	2186.01
Capital Payment			
Troup House	876.42		2186.42
			5833.42
Plus Surplus for 85/86 year			5010.48
	\$10843.90		\$10843.90
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RENTAL ACCOUNT

RECEIPTS

Balance at BNZ Account 1/7/86		1087.39
Tenants' Rent	9288.89	
Bank Interest	149.80	9438.69
		10506.08

LESS PAYMENTS

Cleaning	312.42	
Rates	1635.49	
Maintenance - Commercial Block	1391.22	
Maintenance - Hall	637.30	
Electricity	280.93	
Toilet Equipment	49.50	
Insurance	1316.00	
Advertising and Bank Fees	22.52	
Transfer to Account at Church Office	4800.00	10455.38

BALANCE AT BANK OF NEW ZEALAND	\$60.70
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RENTAL ACCOUNT AT CHURCH OFFICE

Balance at 1/7/85		4178.45
Transfers from BNZ Account		4800.00
Plus: Interest	823.97	
Hall Building Appeal	16.57	840.54
		9819.99
Less: To purchase of new Manse	5000.00	
Minister's Shifting Expenses	2755.61	7755.61
BALANCE IN RENTAL ACCOUNT		2063.38
BALANCE IN BANK OF NEW ZEALAND		60.70
TOTAL CASH BALANCE		\$2124.08
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## RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS ACCOUNT FOR YEAR ENDED 30TH JUNE 1986

## RECEIPTS

Balance at BNZ 1/7/85		2,640.63	
CONGREGATIONAL GIVING:			
Plate	11,969.74		
Envelopes	<u>48,592.38</u>	60,562.10	
DONATIONS:			
Use of Rooms	1,187.50		
General	661.63		
Evening Guild	150.00		
Organ/Piano	168.25		
Manse Fittings	2,500.00		
WCC Roof Grant	8,000.00		
Church 100th Jubilee	2,125.44		
Gifts	682.00		
Fairs	1512.07		
Pew Cushions	500.00		
Legacies	<u>1491.28</u>	16,978.17	
MISSIONS:			
Women's Association	700.00		
Evening Guild	<u>82.00</u>	782.00	
PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH OF NEW ZEALAND:			
Repaint Account	42,108.17		
Reroof Account	18,500.00		
Rental Account	7,755.61		
Sundry Trusts:			
Benevolent	25.00		
Hall Furnishings	173.00		
Manse Refurbishing	5,752.95		
Church Cushions	1,089.54		
Piano Repairs	150.00		
Shifting Provision	<u>1133.33</u>	76,687.60	
OUTREACH:			
NCC Christmas Appeal	393.00		
PSS Harvest Appeal	77.05		
Knox Student's Fund	1,070.00		
Wells for Botswana	555.58		
Mexico Earthquake	<u>372.20</u>	2,467.83	
RENTALS AND INTEREST:			
Car Park Rent	10,650.00		
Manse Rent	2,520.00		
Bank NZ Interest	164.91		
Endowment Fund Interest	4,000.00		
PCNZ	<u>185.60</u>	17,500.51	
GENERAL:			
Outlook	180.75		
Insurance Refund	169.00		
Sale of Paper	<u>9.00</u>	358.75	

\$177,977.59

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## PAYMENTS

STIPENDS:			
M A Brown:	Salary	8,511.45	
	Expenses	332.50	
	Car Allowance	<u>1,638.00</u>	10,481.95
J A Veitch	Honorarium	145.81	
	Expenses	641.69	787.50
R J Wilderspin	Salary	824.00	
	Expenses	<u>529.92</u>	1,153.92
Ministerial Supply		1,332.61	
Organ Supply		380.00	
ACC		21.83	
Beneficiary Fund Assessment		2,664.48	
Seniority Allowance		<u>1,225.50</u>	5,624.42
OUTREACH:			
Wider Work		22,200.00	
NCC Christmas Appeal		393.00	
PSS Harvest Appeal		77.05	
Knox Students' Fund		1,070.00	
Mexico Earthquake		372.00	
VUW Chaplaincy		142.50	
Wells for Botswana		555.58	
Benevolent Fund Payment		25.00	
Gifts		<u>802.00</u>	25,637.33
PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH OF NEW ZEALAND:			
Repaint Account		8,171.27	
Reroof Account		7,200.00	
Insurance Provision		3,734.25	
Rental Account		16.57	
Organ Fund		315.00	
Manse Refurbishing		3,964.07	
Church Cushions		500.00	
Junior Church Trusts		<u>65.60</u>	21,966.76
CAPITAL EXPENDITURE:			
Radio Microphone		774.33	
Office Equipment		392.00	
Repainting of Church		45,985.89	
Reroofing of Church		17,272.24	
New Manse		24,238.21	
Shifting Minister		4,596.00	
Pew Cushions		<u>827.48</u>	93,886.15
PROPERTY:			
Cleaning		2,128.11	
Rubbish Collection		578.92	
Organ Tuning		586.23	
Piano Tuning		288.00	
Church General Repairs		1,674.21	
Old Manse Repairs		548.93	
Rates		2,946.07	
Electricity		928.18	
Gas		105.43	
Toilet Equipment		104.83	
Fire Equipment and Servicing		<u>829.64</u>	10,716.55
ADMINISTRATION:			
Manse Phone & P O Box		70.00	
Stationery and Printing		820.70	
Advertising		2,359.85	
Outlook		180.75	
Bank Charges		88.09	
Messenger		329.82	
Presbytery Expenses		855.00	
Junior Church, Cradle Roll		718.51	
Brigades		348.00	
Communion Wine		41.75	
Mission Expenses		118.88	
APW Fees		70.00	
100th Anniversary Expenses		754.17	
Call Expenses		<u>605.00</u>	7,358.52
Balance at Bank of New Zealand			<u>364.49</u>

\$177,977.59

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# LINKING COMMITTEE

During the year 5 meetings were held, chaired by Mrs. Harris, with an average attendance of 9. All the women's groups in the Church were represented and some of the special activities during the year have been :-

June	Mid-winter lunch
August	Market Day
September	Women's Service
	Congregational lunch before the Annual General Meeting.
December	Congregational lunch and tea for the Church Centenary Celebrations, and the Christmas Tea.
January	After Church Supper to farewell Dr. Jim Veitch and family. Supper after Induction Service for Re. Maurice Brown.
April	Gate Stall

Members of Linking Committee undertook to wash the squab covers for the pews and then organised helpers to insert the new rubber. This was done in time for the Centenary celebrations. A group of women also helped with sewing and mending of the Boys Brigade uniforms.

Through 2 Wedding Receptions, 3 Dinners and Suppers, and a Luncheon for the Girls Brigade Queen's Badge holders, the Catering group was able to give a donation of \$1800 for a refrigerator and dresser to the new Manse, \$500 towards new pew cushions, and \$250 to the Morven Flood Relief. They also gave a Party for 40 boys and their leaders of the Team Section of the Boys Brigade. As well as the above activities, Home Hospitality is arranged every Sunday for visitors after the morning service, afternoon tea and entertainment is provided every fortnight for "Saturday at 2", and food parcels are collected every Sunday for the Inner City Mission.

Beautiful flowers continue to be a feature of worship at St. Johns and thanks are due to the Flower Conveners Mrs. Noyle Brown and Mrs. Joyce Darroch, and to all who arrange the flowers in the church each week.

Mrs. Harris and Miss Williams continue to represent St. Johns at the PSS Auxiliary meetings once a month. A Fair was held in October 1985 and a Street Day in March 1986, and there were many willing helpers from St. Johns at both these events. Thanks are extended to all who help at both the Opportunity Shop and the Lounge.

Miss D. Chappell, our Harvest Field Secretary, has a total of 52 subscribers to this monthly magazine. This year the project of the Mission Department of A.P.W. was "Wells for Botswana". A special collection was arranged in the church through the Linking Committee and a total amount of \$550.58 was collected. St. Johns continues to keep in touch with our Associate Missionary, Di Caldwell, in Jordan. Regular newsletters are also received from Anne and Max Cope in Nairobi.

The Mission Budget was supported through the following :-

Sale of Used Stamps	\$ 249.19	Convener	Miss M. Krebs
Sale of Tea Coupons	\$ 19.87	"	Miss I. Greig
Mission Birthday Gift	\$ 445.00	"	Mrs. A.F. Robertson
Mission Boxes	\$ 132.11	"	Mrs. B. Harris

J. Williams - Secretary

# ST. JOHN'S WOMEN'S ASSOCIATION

Meetings have continued to be held every 4th Tuesday in the month commencing at 11 a.m. and followed by lunch, which has proved very successful. Thanks are extended to our President, Mrs. Reeves, who arranged the following interesting programmes :-

July	Jill Stannard - Trade Aid
August	Rev. Peter McNeil - PSS Chaplain, Wellington Hospital
September	Slides of the Festival of Flowers
October	Mrs. Betty Robertson - Highlights of her trip to the U.K.
November	Christmas Programme entitled "Christmas is for Christians".
February	Lunch at Mrs. Reeves' home.
March	A highlight of the year was the Lenten Communion service taken by Rev. Maurice Brown. This was followed by a lunch which was shared by many members and friends.
April	Dr. Jim Veitch - Visit to South Africa
May	Mrs. Mary Brown - Work with PSS, the Unemployed and Red Cross.

It is with sadness that we recorded the death of Miss Jessie Johnston who was for many years Secretary of the Women's Association; also Miss Elsie MacKenzie who had been Secretary of PWMU and Mission Birthday Convener; and Mrs. Mavis Kelly, a very active member.

In January we shared in welcoming the new Manse family, Rev. Maurice Brown, Mrs. Mary Brown, Katie, Graham and Jennie. We were pleased to have Mary Brown as our speaker at the May meeting. Our members have willingly helped with congregational lunches, teas, and catering for outside functions. We provided afternoon tea and a programme for "Saturday at 2", and gifts and cards were sent to the residents and staff of Te Hopai at Christmas time.

This Annual Report is to be read in conjunction with the Linking Committee Report as the Women's Association has given full support to all the activities.

J. Williams - Secretary

# CRADLE ROLL

Currently in our care we have 36 babies, toddlers and pre-school children. This year the group has been meeting in the Fellowship Room on the 2nd Wednesday of each month for activities centred around the little ones, while on the 4th Wednesday activities for the mothers have alternated between craft and study. Weekly opportunities for fellowship are provided with informal gatherings in the homes of members on the remaining Wednesdays.

During the past year we have shared in our annual party, an Easter study, and have joined with the Junior Church families for a picnic.

To the congregation our most obvious function is the running of the creche on Sunday mornings. With more children in the younger age group at present, we plan to have three people always on duty. We do thank all those on the roster for their assistance.

Marion Longstaff - Convener

# ST. JOHN'S EVENING GUILD

This is the 50th Annual Report, and in presenting it we are very aware of the rich inheritance which has been created by earlier members, and built upon down through the years. We give thanks for all who have contributed, weaving many threads into the tapestry of St. John's history. Working under the umbrella of the wonderful aim of the Association of Presbyterian Women, members enjoying fellowship together, have pioneered and sustained avenues of service in St. John's in the life of our city, and have entered into the wider work of our church both in New Zealand and overseas. Our past year's programme included :-

July	A time of sharing, bringing memories, and items to show, pertaining to our family 'Roots'.
August	Working with programme material from A.P.W. sources. A role play emphasising sensitivity - "Sick visiting" - and an introductory short slide presentation on Botswana.
September	"Clever Ways with Fashion and Accessories" - Julie Thorpe and Mavis Johnson, and graciously assisted by Wendy Gould and Glenis Heir.
October	"Fine Bone China from the potteries of England" - Roger Lloyd shared with us the treasures from a life long interest.
November	Our Christmas Party. Devotions and a talk given by Norah Owen John urging our awareness with 'Conservation'. Memories from past years, with clues 'In The Bag'. Entertainment - our own performance of 'Cats'.
March	An Irish Evening - games, music, memories, dancing, jokes and some very Irish stories.
April	Slide presentation 'Bores For Botswana', our nationwide A.P.W. project.
May	Judi Fergusson demonstrated the making of a number of Christmas decorations.

We note with sadness the passing of Miss Jessie Johnston, a foundation member and secretary; Miss Elsie MacKenzie, a foundation member and secretary; and Mrs. Wallis, an earlier committee member, all very loyal members over many years.

We welcome Rev. Maurice Brown, Mary and their family, and look forward to fruitful years of sharing in their ministry in St. Johns. We record our gratitude for the support and encouragement given by our Session Clerk, Roger Lloyd, and we thank him most sincerely. Although we are not able to record an increase in membership, many aspects of our programme have appealed to others in the congregation who have shared with us as they were able. We ask God's blessing on our Guild as we go forward, praying that we will be led in taking up the challenges and providing the opportunities for greater involvement in the life of our congregation.

Marion Longstaff - Secretary

## ST JOHN'S WOMENS ASSOCIATION STATEMENT OF ACCOUNTS 1985/86

### RECEIPTS:

Balance Brought Forward	997.79
Mission Birthday Gifts	445.00
Mission Boxes	132.11
Tea Coupons	19.67
Sales Table & Collection	75.00
Membership	23.00
Harvest Field Subs	137.80
Donations	34.00
Stall at Gate	230.00
POSB Interest	13.01
APW Botswana Appeal	
Evening Guild	16.40
Envelopes	534.18
Used Stamps	249.19
Leprosy Mission	420.90

\$3328.05  
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### PAYMENTS:

Allocated at 1985 AGM	
Mission Budget	700.00
Boys' Brigade	25.00
Team Section	25.00
Anchor Boys	25.00
Girls' Brigade	25.00
Sub. Promot. Community Stand.	10.00
Sub. Friends of Turakina	10.00
AGM Expenses	14.00
Harvest Field Subs	135.20
Gifts & Flowers	7.00
Film Hire, Dunedin	10.00
Christmas Lunch Exes.	15.00
Even. Guild, half gate sale.	115.00
APW Botswana	550.58
Used Stamps	249.19
Leprosy Mission	420.90

Balance at POSB 991.18  
\$3328.05  
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## EVENING GUILD RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS ACCOUNT FOR YEAR ENDING 31 MAY 1986

### RECEIPTS:

Opening Balances:	
Trusteebank Wellington	233.28
Cash in Hand	40.88
TSB Interest to 31.3.86	7.48
Direct Giving	28.00
Subs. 18 @ 50c	9.00
Donations	8.50
Sales Table	61.85
Gate Sale	115.00
	<u>503.77</u> *****

### PAYMENTS:

Donations	
St Johns Church	100.00
African Inland Miss.	100.00
Missions Direct Giving	28.00
Gifts	20.00
Milk	.36
Balance 31.5.86	
Trusteebank Wgn.	245.41
Cash in Hand	10.00

503.77  
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### THE BOYS' BRIGADE

As standards tend to lower it is good to note that the objective of the BB has not altered since the beginning (1883) - 'The advancement of Christ's Kingdom among boys and the promotion of habits of obedience, reverence, discipline, self-respect, and all that tends towards a true Christian manliness'. Our own Company is now 37 years old and during this time it has touched the lives of several thousand boys.

**Numbers:** The total number of boys in the three sections currently stands at 85. This is one of the larger Companies in the Wellington Battalion and is exceptionally good for an inner city Church.

**Leadership:** Mrs Gilmour continues to very successfully take care of the Anchor Boys - the 6 and 7 year olds. In the Team Section (ages 8 to 11) we have Gail and Graeme Mahoney, Tim Wye, Roger Miller and Robert McBeth, as well as myself. In the Company Section (ages 12 to 17), we have Peter Harpur, and Alford Dornan, with myself as Acting Captain. Peter Hazelwood is on leave of absence for a year whilst on a scholarship in Canada.

**Activities:** There has been the usual camps, Battalion activities and outings. The Team Section was proud to win the soccer shield. Sergeant Christopher Lane and Corporal Martin Prout gained their Queen's badge. It was very worthwhile sending Sergeant Lane, L/Cpl. Adie Etuata and L/Cpl. David Adams on a leadership development course.

I should like to place on record appreciation for the hard work and dedication of the Officers and the help of the Church family.

Harriet Johnston,  
Acting Captain.

### GIRL'S BRIGADE

The Company has a strong team of leaders. We have 3 Commissioned officers and 2 adult helpers. We have commissioned the Rev. M. Brown as Company Chaplain. The Juniors are being looked after by Mrs. F. Bayliss (until July), Miss K. Hammerick and Miss A. Arnold. They have been busy doing cross-stitch embroidery and many other activities. We would welcome new girls for this group which at the moment totals 9. The Company is holding at 14 girls and they have just finished Civil Defence and will receive their Certificates at a Mayoral Reception. Their badgework is varied - Hiking, Indoor Camping, Cooking, Civil Defence, Crafts and Healthy Attitudes. The girls are joining with two other Companies in Wellington and are going to Camp which they are looking forward to very much.

We would like to thank Church members for coming in and sharing devotions with the girls. We have thought of others and a practical aspect of 'My Friend The Elderly' was to make biscuits for Mrs. Betty Robertson to take out during Meals on Wheels during the May school holidays. On behalf of the Company, I would like to thank the Church for its help and support throughout the year.

Katherine Sutherland  
1st District Commissioner

### JUNIOR CHURCH:

The roll has expanded to 32 for this year. The four classes are catering for ages 4 to 12. The classes are:

Mrs Carolyn Ferrier,	Preschool	5 children
Mrs Mary Irvine,	5 - 7 years	13 children
Mrs Alison Horvat	8 - 9 years	6 children
Dick Burgess and Ian West	10 - 12 years	8 children

In the first term Helen Irvine assisted with the 5 - 7 year group. Kathy Smith completed a valuable two years teaching at the end of 1985. Ian West started this year and Gordon Rutherford has recently started following his return from Vanuatu.

A picnic in the Dell in the first term was the opportunity for Junior Church families to meet socially with the Brown's and a holiday outing to the pictures was enjoyed by the 10 - 12 year group.

A thought provoking discussion paper put together by Alison Horvatt on issues for Junior Church work has been discussed at recent gatherings of all youth workers, together with the Christian Education Committee and the Minister.

### FELLOWSHIP GROUP

Thanks to many interested folk, this group has had a great number of 'happenings' and all have been enjoyed. We have participated in hikes, including one to Mt Egmont, Taranaki National Park, on a beautiful clear winter's day with snow capped mountains to the north and to the south. Other outings have included parties to the pictures, concerts and the opera, and trips to Soames Island and up the Rimutaka Incline with Forest and Bird people. We have also listened to a fellow Christian give his views of life in the business world. Early next year plans are afoot for a weekend trip to the Rimutakas.

A big thank you is due to Mike Horvat and John Hunt for organising our walks. They are 'professionals' and we value their help.

Adrienne Carley - Organiser

### CHOIR

Although the Choir has been small in number this last year we have enjoyed our practises and have on a number of occasions 'made a joyful sound'. Our thanks to Michael Gee who was with us last year, and to John Ramsey - it was good to have tenors giving balance to our sound and we miss them. We were pleased to have the bass's augmented by Graeme Drees and the soprano's by Janet Westermayer.

Our annual picnic was again a most enjoyable day at Te Horo with eating, bathing and beach combing the order of the day, and we also very much enjoyed our Christmas Carol singing to St John's members who are not able to attend services. Our programme at Saturday at Two produced some interesting talent, not normally seen in the choir gallery.

Ray has continued to encourage us and we thank him for this.

**Andrew Dunn.**

In June 1988 a new group called 'The Young Ones' was established. This came out of the need for a group for senior high school, university and young working people, and the age gap between the Bible Class and the Flame group. We felt that it was important that St Johns as a central Wellington Church had a group in which people who are new to Wellington, living in hostels and flats, could meet other young people. We meet on Sunday evenings at Spinks Cottage for fellowship, sharing views on issues of the day in a Christian context. Members of the congregation lead the discussions and studies.

**Katie Brown.**

Grateful thanks to all who have in the past year contributed regularly to St Peter's Pantry. Contributions of food and money have been a continual help to the organisers of this outreach effort which gives support to the unemployed and needy people within our parish bounds. This scheme is administered by our neighbouring parish of St. Peter's and Mrs Janet Bromley, the co-ordinator, is most grateful for our help and continuing support. Particular thanks are due to Mrs Noyle Brown, who from scraps of wool and materials of all sorts, has made childrens jerseys and warm blankets for the families that are helped by this scheme.

**Nary Nortimer.**

This year two major trends have shown up in the the Flame Group. The first is a drop in attendance at the Sunday morning meeting. The increasing number of junior members has been a contributing factor to this, along with a change in things to which people are committed. Once again we have seen a reduction in the number of new members, particularly students. Perhaps too, a fairly full Saturday evening social programme has contributed to the drop!

Contrasting with this there has been a rise in outreach commitment which has seen the highest financial giving for the last three years. This is very encouraging in view of the fact that our numbers are down. A look at our balance sheet will show that we have given to many groups and individuals, from our own Brigades at St. Johns to people scattered all over the world.

The other side of outreach is people, and it has been a great joy to see people from our group involved in this. By the time you read this, Janet Smith will have left to do a two year term of service with a student missionary team in Paris. Colin Lewis has been doing a training and outreach programme with Youth for Christ here in Wellington for a year, including a few weeks in the Philippines, and the Bayliss family are continuing with Radio Rhema. Flame Group people were involved with several beach missions over the summer, and we are planning to be involved in Mission Wellington. We are also getting involved in the Presbyterian Youth Outreach Ministry with Douglas Pa'u by forming a ministry team. You'll be hearing more about this.

Thanks to all those people who contributed to the Flame Group during this past year; those involved on Sunday mornings, in house groups, in social activities, and especially to the committee. God bless you all.

**Jonathan Bayliss**

**ST JOHN'S FLAME GROUP ACCOUNTS 1985/86**

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# HISTORIC RECORD

## MINISTERS OF ST. JOHN'S:

Rev. John Moir	1853-1867
Very Rev. James Paterson (Moderator in 1902)	1868-1903
Very Rev. James Gibb, D.D. (Moderator in 1901)	1903-1926
Very Rev. Dr. 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. Kingsley Fairbairn, M.B.E., B.A.	1957-1968
Rev. D.T.W. Kinloch	1968-1975
Very Rev. D.M. Steedman, M.A., B.D. (Moderator in 1982)	1976-1985
Rev. Dr. J.A. Veitch, B.A. N.Th. Ph.D. (Hon. Assistant)	1978-1985
Rev. M.A. Brown, B.A.	1986-

## ST. JOHN'S OWN MISSIONARIES:

Very Rev. George H. McNeur, of Chinese Mission Field (Moderator in 1926)	1913-1940
Sister Margaret O. Bear, India	1958-1979

## 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"	31 August	1856
Second Church opened (accommodation 600)		
"St. John's"	12 December	1875
First Manse erected, Woolcombe Street		1880
Second Church destroyed by fire	9 May	1884
Sunday School building opened (Dixon St.)	November	1884
Present Church opened (accommodation 900)	6 December	1885
Young Men's Bible Class Room opened		1896
Extension to Sunday School building (McDonald Cresc.)		1902
St. John's Memorial Hostel for Men		1919-1937
Manse, 9 Wai-te-ata Road, erected		1928
Troup House erected		1956
Manse sold, new Manse purchased at 2 Kelburn Parade		1957
Replanning of Church completed		1958
Church repainted and interior decorated		1959
Cottage renovated and made extension of Troup House		1967
Marshall Room (previously Choir Room) refurbished		1980
Cottage moved to Dixon Street frontage and restored		1982-1983
Sunday School building demolished for "recycling"		1982
New Church Hall, recycled from old hall, opened	22 May	1983
Church foyer, cathedral ceiling and skylights installed		1984
Church repainted and new roof installed		1986
Manse sold, new Manse purchased at 32 Ngatoto St., Khandallah		1986

# HISTORIC RECORD (CONTD)

## JUBILEES:

Diamond Jubilee of Church	November	1913
Women's Association Golden Jubilee	August	1937
Young Men's Bible Class Golden Jubilee		1938
Young Women's Bible Class Golden Jubilee	November	1953
Centennial Jubilee of Church,	November	1953
75th Anniversary of present Church building	3 - 5 December	1960
Young Mens Bible Class 75th Jubilee	July	1964
125th Celebrations of Church	November	1978
Centenary of present Church building	8 December	1985

## SPECIAL EVENTS:

Free Church of Scotland petitioned to send Minister to Wellington	15 Nov.	185
Congregation formally established	17 Nov.	185
Sunday school opened		1853
Mt Cook Branch Sunday School, Francis Place		1872
First Service at Wadestown by Rev. James Paterson		1874
Mission started at Newtown, now St James under Mr Robert Hopkirk		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 dedicated to the memory of St John's Bible Class men who fell in the 1914-18 War, given by the Hon. J G W Aitken		1920
Stained glass window at north end dedicated to the memory of Hon. J G W Aitken, first layman Moderator, 1917.		1923
Choir gown (first of Presbyterian Churches in NZ)		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
First Woman elder inducted		1968
Communion Plates in memory of Mary Chappell dedicated		1970
Church Organ rebuilt		1975
Church Praise introduced 1884, New Church Praise 1910		
Church Hymnary 1937, and With One Voice		1985

## CHURCH NEWSPAPERS:

'The Record'	1892 - 96
'The Torch Bearer'	1930 - 31
'The Review'	1936 - 38
'The Messenger'	1941 -

## PUBLICATIONS:

Jubilee Booklet of Diamond Jubilee	1913
Jubilee Booklet of YMBC Golden Jubilee	1938
Jubilee Booklet of Church Centennial	1953