

The NSW State Unit Inc invites you to the State Conference Day
at Scots Kirk, Margaret Street Sydney [near Wynyard Station]
on Monday 20th September, 2010
Registration at 9.30am First Session commencing at 10.00am

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Asian Church Women's Conference
invites you to
a Multicultural Concert of Praise
at The Salvation Army, 23 Anglo Road,
CAMPSIE
on Sunday 31st October 2010, 2.30pm.
Afternoon Tea will follow.

Let there be

Light

Fellowship Day 2010
Australian Church Women Inc



The offerings received today go to the Winifred Kiek Scholarship Fund.
This scholarship, awarded annually, is to honour Winifred Kiek
who was one of those instrumental in bringing
Australian Church Women together in worship and witness.

The scholarship is offered to Christian women of member countries of the
Asian Church Women's Conference [ACWC]
multicultural Australia and
Pacific Island nations,
and is used for supplementary training and further studies
in the applicant's chosen ministry.

In 2010 the scholars are:

Ruth Marsipal [married with two children] from Papua New Guinea, and
Tonu Rigamoto Fakraufon from Fiji.

They will be studying Preaching, Evangelism, Peace Building, Christian Counselling
and Women's Empowerment at the Alan Walker College of Evangelism
in New South Wales.

This course will consist of 'Distance Education' using the internet and emails
for six months, after which the scholars will 'live in' at the college,
graduating in December 2010.

Your support is greatly appreciated as you give today
for this scholarship fund which gives further opportunities for ministry.

MISSION STATEMENT OF ACW INC

Australian Church Women seeks to unite Christian women across
denominational boundaries, to promote peace, understanding and unity
through faith and love in one God, Father, Son and Holy Spirit

ACW Inc Website : www.acwnational.org.au

Winifred Kiek Fellowship Day Service 2010

WELCOMES and GREETINGS:

CALL to WORSHIP

Light 1st candle

First Voice: Hear the first creative words from Genesis 1 verse 3
And God said, "Let there be light," and there was light"

Light 2nd candle

Second Voice: Isaiah 9 v 2 "The people walking in darkness have seen a great light;
on those living in the land of death a light has dawned."

Light 3rd candle

Third Voice:

John 1 verse 9 "The true light that enlightens everyone was coming
into the world" (NRSV)

HYMN/SONG:

Light of the world you stepped down into darkness
1406 TS Book 3

OR *Lord, your almighty word* TIS 447 AHB 61

PRAYERS of PRAISE

[Locally prepared, or as outlined in ideas sheet]

First Voice: Prayer of praise for God, Creator of Light

Second Voice: Prayer of adoration for God who is the giver of light for those
in darkness

Third Voice: Prayer of thanksgiving for the Light who has come into the world

We pray together the LORD'S PRAYER

Our Father in Heaven, hallowed be your name; your kingdom come, your will be done,
on earth as in heaven. Give us today our daily bread. Forgive us our sins as we forgive
those who sin against us. Save us from the time of trial, and deliver us from evil.
For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours now and forever. Amen

[Ecumenical Version]

HYMN/SONG:

Sing praise and thanksgiving TIS 107 AHB 25

OR *Christ be our light* Bernadette Farrell from *Gather Australia* [Catholic]

BRIEF REPORT on WINFRED KIEK SCHOLARS

THE OFFERING will now be received for the Winifred Kiek Scholarship Fund

PRAYER for the WINIFRED KIEK SCHOLARSHIP TRUST and SCHOLARS

Father we give thanks for the love and financial support given by women throughout our land as we gather in many locations to celebrate Fellowship Day. We pray for those responsible for administering these funds who, under your guidance, select the recipients each year to undertake further training.

We would especially remember individual scholars from the past, and those who at present are involved in using their gifts and talents in meeting the needs of others. Some former scholars find themselves in areas where they struggle with the depth of their faith, as life brings them to situations that are unsought and unwelcome. May they be conscious of the ongoing support of Australian Church Women, which does not cease after their studies are completed.

For our 2010 scholars, Ruth and Tonu, we ask your special blessing. Direct their thoughts as they pursue their callings and endeavour to refine and expand their skills. In the times when they feel frustrated, remind them that they are where you have placed them and that it is your work, not theirs.

As they come to Australia to complete the studies, be their comfort in the days when many cultural differences impact on them. Guide them in the future days as their ministry bears fruit for your kingdom, while they seek to bring your Light into the darkness. Amen.

ITEM: As arranged locally **

SCRIPTURE READING: 2 Corinthians 4 verses 1-6.

PRAYERS of INTERCESSION +

Bless those who are sad, those on whose dearest the chill wind of death has blown,
and comfort those whom no one else can comfort.

Bless those who have had some great disappointment;

those who have found a friend untrue

those who have found a lover faithless;

those who have failed in something for which they toiled;

those to whom life has refused something on which they set their hearts

Response: Lord, let your light shine in the darkness

Bless those who are worried;

those who are worried about their health;

those who have an insoluble problem which needs resolution;

those who have a difficult decision which must be taken;

those who know that they must meet their testing time;

those who are tempted and who fear that they may fall.

Response: Lord, let your light shine in the darkness.

Bless those who are ill; be especially near to those who will never be well again;

and ease the pain of those whose pain is beyond the skill of human help.

Response: Lord, let your light shine in the darkness

O God our Father, we remember all this world's unfortunate ones;

refugees without a home and without a state;

those who are persecuted for their faith;

those who are suffering for their loyalty to some principle

which is dearer to them than comfort and than life.

Response: Lord, we pause to bring these petitions to you.

Let your light shine in the darkness.

HYMN/SONG: *Christ whose glory fills the sky*

TIS 212 or AHB 140

NB It is preferred that this be sung to the tune

Dix TIS 314 or AHB 239

OR

The light has come – Chick Yuill

The Salvation Army – Hallelujah Choruses – Book 1, Song 10

SPEAKER: LET THERE BE LIGHT!

AFFIRMATION : # FROM DARKNESS INTO LIGHT

Solo Voice: If I can teach and lead, serve and encourage, care and visit
and plan and create

Response: Help me turn darkness into light

Solo Voice: If I can make a visit to the sick, the elderly, the lonely, or welcome the
newcomer to my neighbourhood,

Response: Help me to turn darkness into light

Solo Voice: If I can show concern for the security and well-being of the family next
door,

Response: Help me turn darkness into light

Solo Voice: If I can make home a place of love, communication and helpfulness,
Response: **Help me turn darkness into light**

Solo Voice: If I can be part of a prayer team for the salvation of sinners and the growth of the Church,
Response: **Help me turn darkness into light**

Solo Voice: If I can help to lead my community to be loyal to our nation's highest ideals of freedom and justice,
Response: **Help me turn darkness into light**

Solo Voice: If I can live by my needs, and not my wants, so that others will not be denied Christ's gospel,
Response: **Help me turn darkness into light**

Solo Voice: If I can be exemplary, honest and trustworthy in our world today,
Response: **Help me turn darkness into light**

Solo Voice: If I can work for peace and friendship and impede division and violence in our society,
Response: **Help me turn darkness into light**

Solo Voice: If I can show the spirit of Christ as I walk through the doors of opportunity that open to me,
Response: **Lord help me turn darkness into light.**

HYMN/SONG: Shine, Jesus, shine TIS 675 or TS 335 Book 1

BENEDICTION: **The light of God surrounds us,
 The love of God enfolds us,
 The power of God protects us,
 The presence of God watches over us.
 Wherever we are, God is, and all is well.**

Abbreviations:

AHB Australian Hymn Book
TIS Together in Song
TS The Source

Scripture version preferred is NIV

** for local input see suggestions page

+ Prayers of Intercession – William Barclay – *Epilogues and Prayers*

Affirmation [adapted] Virginia Talmadge - *Exploring Worship*
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Let There Be Light

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come under the theme of

Turning Darkness Into Light

as discerned by the National Executive.