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New South Wales Women's Inter Church Council

incoming

Welcome and Invitation

Mrs. Dorothy Martin
(Secretary)

SERVICE OF CELEBRATION AND DEDICATION. 1973

Call to Worship:

(Mrs. R.W. Stanhope
Convenor, Fellowship
Of The Least Coin)

Leader: Draw near to God and He will draw near to you (Pause)
He is not far from any one of us.

ALL: LET US WORSHIP HIM IN SPIRIT AND IN TRUTH... AMEN

The Choir:

Breathe on me, Breath of God, Fill me with life anew
That I may love what Thou dost love, and do what Thou wouldst do.
Breathe on me, Breath of God, until my heart is pure;
Until with Thee, I will one will, to do and to endure.

Leader: This service is of special significance today. It brings to a conclusion another year of service as we members of this Council, sent from our respective Churches, have endeavoured to interpret its aims in all our thoughts, prayers and outreach.

It is therefore a THANKSGIVING SERVICE.

It also marks, at the one time, the end of the term of office of one President and the official commencement in office for twelve months of another - hence it is for COMMITMENT AND DEDICATION. It provides us, again, with an opportunity for public WORSHIP OF OUR GOD, Who, being able for all things, supplies every need. LET US PRAISE HIM!

RESPONSORIAL PSALM: (Psalms 65 and 68)

(Mrs. Lt. Col. Carpenter,
(Past President))

Leader: We owe You praise, O God.

ALL: You hear prayer, vows shall be paid to You.

Leader: You are girded with strength and by your might you fix mountains in their places.

ALL: You make morning and evening sing aloud in triumph:
You visit the earth and give it abundance,
Watering its furrows, levelling its ridges,
Softening it with showers and blessing its growth.

Leader: You crown the year with your good gifts -
The hills are wreathed in happiness
and the valleys are mantled in corn,
so that they shout, they break into song!

ALL: Therefore we will sing the praises of God:
We will raise a psalm to His name:
We will be joyful and exult before Him!

HYMN 604 (Tune Lloyd A.T. 29-C.M.)

"Fill Thou my life, O Lord my God,
In every part with praise
That my whole being may proclaim
Thy being and Thy ways."

PRAYER:

Leader: The Lord be with you.

ALL: AND WITH THY SPIRIT.

Leader: Let us pray.

(Mrs. J. Curtin, Publicity
Officer)

O God, Our Father, we praise and thank you for the countless blessings of the year that is ending,
For Your constant availability to us;
For the sharing together in meetings and for the knowledge that we have always sought to act at your direction.
We thank you that we are called together by a love which passes our understanding.
Open our hearts to receive your Holy Spirit.
Henceforth may both our lips and our lives praise you -