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NATIONAL COMMITTEE MEETING - AGENDA

February 4th - 7th, 1969.

TUESDAY, February 4th

12:30 p.m. Lunch

2:00 Opening Worship
 Welcomes

3:30 Afternoon Tea

4:15 Session 1: Receiving of Agenda
 Appointment of Committees
 Report from Working Committee
 Financial Report

6:00 Evening Meal

7:15 Session 2: Report from State Units
 Reports from Denominational Women's Groups
 Reports from United Churches
 Report from Fellowship of the Least Coin

9:00 Evening Prayers

9:15 Supper

WEDNESDAY, February 5th

8:00 a.m. Breakfast

8:45 Bible Study

9:45 Introducing Theme - Catholicity Study

10:45 Morning Tea

11:00 Group Discussions

12:30 p.m. Lunch

2:00 Group Discussions

3:30 Afternoon Tea

4:00 Session 3: Business
 Special Days
 Winifred Kike Scholarship
 Women's World Day of Prayer

6:00 Evening Meal

7:30 Open Session: Rev. David Cox - European - Australian
 Christian Fellowship
 Mrs J. McCaughey

9:00 Evening Prayers

9:15 Supper

THURSDAY, February 6th

8:00 a.m. Breakfast

8:45 Bible Study

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NATIONAL COMMITTEE MEETING - AGENDA (cont.)

9:45	Report Back from Group Discussions
10:45	Morning Tea
11:00	Session 4: Committee on Co-operation of Men & Women in Church, Family and Society
12:30 p.m.	Lunch
2:00	Trip
6:00	Evening Meal
7:15	Discussion Groups on Issues raised
9:00	Evening Prayers
9:15	Supper

FRIDAY, February 7th

8:00 a.m.	Breakfast
8:45	Bible Study
9:45	Report back on discussion
10:45	Morning Tea
11:00	Session 5: Business Statement from Theme Discussion Recommendations to member organizations from 'Issue' Discussion Recommendations to A.C.C.
12:30 p.m.	Lunch
2:00	Session 6: Business Election of Officers Election of Working Committee Appointments to related Committees Any Other Business
3:30	Closing Prayers
4:00	Afternoon Tea.

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NATIONAL COMMITTEE

Participants

OFFICE BEARERS:

President	Deaconess C.I. Ritchie
Vice-President	Mrs T.H. Coates
Vice-President	Mrs Col. H.W. Saunders
Secretary	Mrs G.I. Duke
Treasurer	Mrs E. Stephens

STATE UNIT REPRESENTATION:

Queensland	Mrs F.C. Dennis
N.S.W.	Mrs J. O. Gilbert Mrs R.H. Dougherty
A.C.T.	Mrs P.W. Brett Mrs J. Neal-Smith
South Australia	Mrs T.R. Howie Mrs H.B. Morrow
Tasmania	Mrs G.A. Wood Mrs Captain M. Everatt
Victoria	Mrs R.A. Fairservice Mrs A.E. Smith
West Australia	Mrs M. Box

DENOMINATIONAL REPRESENTATION:

Church of England	Head Deaconess Mary Andrews
Congregational	Mrs D.W. Bailey
Churches of Christ	Mrs M.A.K. Crosby
Methodist	Mrs A.W. Pederick
Presbyterian	Mrs A. Yule
Salvation Army	Mrs Col. H.W. Saunders

SPECIAL INTEREST GROUP:

Y. W. C. A.	Mrs T.C. Rentoul
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REPRESENTATIVES FROM:

ACC Committee on Co-operation of Men &
Women in Church, Family and Society

Mrs T.H. Coates
Mrs H.T. Rogers

ACC Executive Committee

Mrs F. Ashton
Mrs L. Ackland

ACC

Mr V.K. Brown

GUEST

Miss Jackie₄ Kini

WORKING COMMITTEE:

Mrs N. Anderson
Mrs A.W. Burton
Mrs N. Faichney
Mrs J.A. Strack

OBSERVERS:

STATE UNITS:

South Australia Mrs R.W.L. Crosby
 Mrs D. Thomson

Victoria Mrs E.D. Packer
 Miss E. Dunn

Vic. State Denominational Groups:

Baptist Mrs L.E. Warner

Church of Christ

Congregational Mrs N. Anderson

Methodist Mrs J.L. Cousins

Presbyterian Mrs A. Matthews

Roman Catholic Mrs A.A. Kennedy
 Mrs F.M. Simmons

Women's World Day of Prayer Mrs P. Cheney

Girls' Brigade Mrs M.A.K. Crosby

TUESDAY 4th February:

- OPENING:** The President, Deaconess C.I. Ritchie, led the opening devotions for the National Committee Meeting for 1969 using the theme "Catholicity and the Holy Spirit" from the Uppsala Report.
- WELCOMES:** Deaconess Ritchie welcomed all members and observers to the National Committee meeting. A particular welcome was extended to Miss Jackie Kini of Port Moresby, the current Winifred Kiek Scholarship holder. Members were given the opportunity of getting to know one another and each member gave a brief introduction of herself.
- GREETINGS:** Greetings were received from Mesdames Wells, Verco, Day and Willie who had all been unable to accept nomination as representatives of A.C.C. Greetings were also received from Mrs Buschmeyer who had been invited as an observer from Church Women United of U.S.A. but who was unable to attend because of her husband's illness.
- MINUTES:** Minutes of the National Committee Meeting 13th - 16th February, 1968 were taken as read and confirmed.
- PROCEDURAL ARRANGEMENTS:** Deaconess Ritchie outlined the procedures to be followed:
1. The Agenda in the Working Documents was amended on Wednesday at 2 p.m. when a discussion on 'Issues' raised by State Units would be commenced - the issue to be that of 'Communication'. With this amendment the Agenda as set out in the Working Documents was accepted.
 2. **Elections:** Nominations for Office-Bearers to be in the hands of the Secretary by 10 p.m. Wednesday, 5th Feb. All nominations must have the consent of the nominee. Ballot papers would be distributed to all voting members at 11 a.m. on Thursday, 6th February and the ballot to close at 12:30 p.m. on Friday, 7th February. Mrs J.I. Cousins and Mrs R.W.L. Crosby, observers to the meeting, volunteered to act as Scrutineers.
 3. **Committees:** Committees were appointed as follows:
 - (a) **Special Days:** To investigate date, preparation, change of date for Fellowship Day and World Community Day, 1970. It was resolved that each State Unit nominate one representative to this Committee. The following were nominated: Mrs F. Dennis (Qld.); Mrs W. Dougherty (NSW); Mrs P. Brett (A.C.T.); Mrs M.A.K. Crosby (S.A.); Mrs G. Wood (Tas.); Mrs N. Anderson (Vic.); Mrs N. Faichney (Working Committee, Convener).
 - (b) **Location of Working Committee, 1971:** The following Committee was nominated: Mrs F. Dennis (Qld.); Mrs J. Gilbert (N.S.W.); Mrs T. Howie (S.A.); Mrs Everitt (Tas.); Mrs G. Fairgervice (Vic.); Mrs Stephens (Working Committee as Convener).
 - (c) **Report back Committee for 'Theme' Discussion - leaders and reporters of each group.**
 - (d) **Report back Committee for 'Issue' Discussion - leaders and reporters of each group.**

It was stated that Observers were free to speak on a ny matter raised but not to vote.

Members were issued with additional reports from W.A. State Unit; Salvation Army Southern Territory; Darwin United Church Ladies' Guild; Nightcliff United Church

Women's Fellowship; Tennant Creek.

Conference information including the groups for the discussions on the Theme and Issues was also distributed to members.

REPORT FROM WORKING COMMITTEE:

The Report as shown in the Working Documents was presented by the Secretary (Report attached). The Report was adopted. Questions arising from the report included the request for a list of people to whom the Minutes of the Working Committee were sent. It was resolved that the matter of those receiving Minutes be referred to the group discussion at 2 p.m. on Wednesday, 5th. The Secretary to provide each group with such a list for consideration.

It was resolved that a Minute of appreciation be recorded of the work of Mrs N. Anderson who had handled the Publications for the Working Committee.

It was resolved that a letter of appreciation be forwarded to Mrs E.L. Williams for her work as Assistant Treasurer during the absence of Mrs Stephens overseas.

FINANCIAL REPORT:

The Financial Statement was presented by the Treasurer, Mrs Stephens, and a Financial report was received. It was moved that Mrs Stephens' verbal report be printed in the Minutes of this meeting. (Copy attached).

The Financial Report was adopted with the correction of the figure on line 1 in the Working Document to read \$16.10.

It was resolved that a letter be sent annually directing State Treasurers where monies should be sent. A sub-committee consisting of Mesdames Bailey, Coates, Treasurer and President to consider this.

On the recommendation of the Working Committee it was resolved to make the following payments:

\$/2,200 to Geneva for the Fellowship of the Least Coin
\$50 to be retained for the Administration of the Fellowship of the Least Coin.
\$200 to the Winifred Kiek Scholarship Fund from the Fellowship Day Offering.
\$200 to Inter Church Aid from the World Community Day Offering.

Appreciation was expressed to Mrs Stephens for her work as Treasurer.

REPORTS FROM STATE UNITS:

A representative from each State Unit spoke briefly to the report which appeared in the Working Documents. Speakers, who commented on the highlights of the reports were: Queensland, Mrs F. Dennis; New South Wales, Mrs W. Dougherty; Tasmania, Mrs M. Everitt; Canberra, Mrs P. Brett; South Australia, Mrs T. Howie; Victoria, Mrs G. Fairservice.
The Reports were received.

FEDERAL DENOMINATIONAL WOMEN'S REPORTS:

A representative from each Federal Denominational Women's group spoke briefly to the report which appeared in the Working Documents. Speakers were: Mrs D. Bailey, Congregational; Mrs A. Yule, Presbyterian; Methodist, Mrs A. Federick; Churches of Christ, Mrs M.A.K. Crosby; Salvation Army, Southern Territory, Mrs Col. H. Saunders. Mrs Saunders also tabled a report from the Eastern Territory of the Salvation Army.
The reports were received.

REPORTS FROM THE UNITED CHURCHES of NORTHERN AUSTRALIA:

Deaconess Frances McKechnie of the Australia Inland Mission was present at the Meeting acting as an observer for the United Church at Darwin. Deaconess McKechnie spoke concerning the difficulties of the United Church work in North Australia with the great turnover of population and the rapid growth of places such as Darwin, Nighto cliff and the new areas opening up in the north west of W.A. Thanks were expressed to Deaconess McKechnie for the information given.

The reports as presented in the Working Documents were received. It is hoped that Mrs Faichney, who has been acring for these United Churches in particular, may visit these areas during 1969.

FELLOWSHIP OF THE LEAST COIN:

Mrs J.A. Strack in opening her report commended the State Conveners for their enthusiasm and hard work during the past year. These conveners included Mrs C. Butler (N.S.W.); Mrs F. Downes (Vic.); Mrs D. Thomson (S.A.); Mrs G. Wood (Tas.).

1450 copies of the Circle of Prayer Volume III had been ordered for Australia and more would be needed before Volume IV was published. A new list of palces which had received grants from the Fellowship of the Least Coin had just been printed covering the period 1958-1968. This list was available and members were urged to obtain copies for information. During the year a grant of \$1,000 U.S. had been received for the work of the European-Australian Christian Fellowship. More would be heard of this work at the Session on Wednesday evening.

It was possible that a book by Sue Fletcher would be available for promotional work of the Fellowship of the Least Coin.

During the year the Working Committee had made contact with Mrs Ranee Eleiser, a sister of Mrs Rathie Selveratnam and a contributor to Circle of Prayer Volume III.

Tapes of the address of Mrs Shanti Solomon were still available at S/1.

Mrs Yule suggested that it might be possible to make a film strip to be used for promotion of the Fellowship of the Least Coin. S

The report was received. Mrs Strack was thanked for interest and enthusiasm for the work in promoting the Fellowship of the Least Coin.

The evening session closed with devotions led by Mrs T.R. Howie of South Australia.

WEDNESDAY 5th February, 1969.

Deaconess C.I. Ritchie led the Bible Study which was based on Colossians Chapter 1 verses 1 to 14.

The morning session was chaired by Mrs T.H. Coates who introduced the speaker the Rt. Rev. N. Faichney, President of A.C.C. and the Moderator-General of the Presbyterian Church of Australia, and a delegate to the W.C.C. meeting at Uppsala. The Theme which was introduced by the Rt. Rev. Mr Faichney was 'The Holy Spirit and the Catholicity of the Church'.

Mr Faichney outlined the thought behind the report which had been presented from Uppsala and emphasised the quest for oneness, the quest for diversity, the quest for continuity, the quest for the unity of the whole church and the quest for the unity of mankind.

The second half of this session was devoted to the discussion of questions posed by Mr Faichney. (See list attached). Members divided into groups to consider the questions and leaders and reporters formed a Committee to collate the discussion from groups.

On behalf of the members present Mrs Coates extended the thanks of the meeting to Mr Faichney for his presentation of the theme for discussion and his thought-provoking questions.

The Afternoon session was devoted to the discussion of the 'issue' Communication. Members divided into groups and matters raised by the State Units of New South Wales, South Australia and Victoria and the Congregational Women's Fellowship concerning Communication were discussed. As previously decided groups received a record of those receiving Minutes of the Working Committee meetings. Leaders and reporters were reminded of their responsibility of condensing this material and reporting back on Friday morning.

SPECIAL DAYS:

Mrs Brett reported the findings of the Committee which had been appointed to investigate the Special Days for 1970. The report included the suggestions that times of meetings be left unchanged i.e. Fellowship Day late June or early July; World Community Day in October. It was suggested that consideration be given to the following re the programme:

1. Revise format of programmes: Simplicity of phrasing, not too verbose. Greater participation by congregation without using repetitive response.
Length of service - no more than 5 pages with 50 lines to page.
Questions for discussion - wider variety. Use of a questionnaire where people would be involved in thinking first - groups asking 'why' and 'wherefore'.
2. New form altogether:
 - a. Set theme - introduction of theme as short address or printed introduction which could be read.
 - b. Questions on theme.
 - c. Closing devotions (readings, hymns etc.)
 - d. State Secretaries to receive programmes 3 or 4 months before Special Days. Perhaps programmes could be distributed locally beforehand.

The report was received.

The following resolutions were passed.

1. Time of Services: No precise date to be specified on programme but suggestion that Fellowship Day be held in July. World Community Day to be observed as close as possible to United Nations Day which is 24th October.

2. **THEME:** It was resolved that the Theme for Fellowship Day 1970 be 'Communication' (If possible a more 'eye-catching' title to be used), and that the programme be prepared by a State Unit. It was resolved that the theme for World Community Day, 1970 be 'It's a Small World' and that the programme be prepared by a Denominational group.
It was suggested that women be asked to prepare the programmes themselves and not hand over to a theologian.
3. **Type of Programme:**
It was resolved that the suggestions of the sub-committee be sent on to the groups preparing the programmes and that direction be given that the format of the World Community Day programme be changed.
The Working Committee was authorised to send back a programme to the group preparing it if alterations were necessary.
The Project for the offering of World Community Day to be decided by the Working Committee.

WINIFRED KIEK SCHOLARSHIP:

The Report as presented in the Working Documents was commented on by the Convener of the Scholarship Committee, Head Deaconess Mary Andrews. Deaconess Andrews pointed out that Jackie Kini herself was the best report that could be given. Thanks were expressed to the members of the Girls' Brigade who had given so much help to Jackie and the Winifred Kiek Scholarship Fund. Appreciation was expressed to Mrs M.A.C. Crosby who was attending the National Committee Meeting as an observer from the Girls' Brigade. Deaconess Andrews reported that the Committee had no recommendation to make concerning a Scholarship Holder for 1969. The report was received.

After careful consideration by the Working Committee of the future of the Winifred Kiek Scholarship Committee the following recommendations were presented and carried.
The Working Committee has considered the present working arrangements for the operation of the Winifred Kiek Scholarship and after discussion would recommend:

1. That the Winifred Kiek Scholarship Committee be located in the same State as the Working Committee.
2. That the Convener of the Winifred Kiek Scholarship Committee be a member of the Working Committee to provide a direct link between the two bodies.
3. That the Convener be appointed at each National Committee Meeting.
4. That at the first meeting of the Working Committee after the National Committee Meeting one other member of the Working Committee be appointed to the Winifred Kiek Scholarship Committee.
5. That the other members of the Winifred Kiek Scholarship Committee be appointed from the same State as the Working Committee as representatives of the following Mission Boards and Fraternal bodies: Anglican, B.B.M., C.M.S.; Congregational, C.C.W.M.; Churches of Christ; Methodist, M.O.M.; Presbyterian, A.P.B.M.; Salvation Army, and the Division of Inter-Church Aid and Y.W.C.A. of Australia, with power to co-opt.
6. That members representing these Christian Groups, working in Asian and Pacific countries be invited to make nominations of candidates through their appropriate agency and the Committee select the most suitable candidate.
7. That each State Unit be asked to appoint a Liaison Officer with power to co-opt, to deal with matters of State promotion and concern.

It was resolved that we record our appreciation of the work done by the Winifred Kiek Scholarship Committee since its inception and in particular to Deaconess Mary Andrews for her work as Convener. Appreciation was also expressed for the contribution made to the Scholarship holders during their residence in Deaconess House.

Because of lack of time the greeting from the Women's World Day of Prayer observer, Mrs P. Cheney, was deferred.

The evening session was chaired by Mrs Col. H.W. Saunders. As this was an open meeting Mrs Saunders welcomed a large number of visitors. The speakers for this session were the Rev. David Cox from the European-Australian Christian Fellowship and Mrs J.D. McCaughey. Mr Cox spoke of his work with Southern European migrants and the difficulties which faced these people as they made a home in a new country. Much of his work is done in the streets and espresso bars where contact is made with young people who are in urgent need of help and counselling. A grant of \$1,000 U.S. has been made by the Fellowship of the Least Coin during 1968. Mr Cox also emphasised the needs of migrant women many of whom are unable to speak English when they arrive. More must be done to understand their needs and to make friendly contact with them.

Mrs McCaughey spoke about the Poverty Survey which had revealed the desperate straits of many migrants. Attention was drawn to the lack of available finance for housing and hospital and medical benefits for migrants on their arrival in our country. Serious illness can permanently cripple a migrant family. The survey had shown that despite second jobs, all members of the family working and real care in saving it was almost impossible for the family to save enough to buy a home. This posed the question concerning our responsibility to our migrants. Members were urged to do something constructive about these problems.

Appreciation was expressed for the two speakers as Mrs Saunders extended the thanks of members to them.

The evening closed with a greeting from Miss Jackie Kini who then led the closing devotions.

Nominations for Office-Bearers and Working Committee closed with the Secretary at 10:30 p.m.

THURSDAY 6th February, 1969

The Bible Study, Colossians 1: 15-29 was led by Deaconess Ritchie. Members contributed to the study and considered the implications of these verses to each person.

A report was given by Mrs Howie on the group discussions of the questions raised by the Rev. N. Faichney after his introductory address on the 'Catholicity of the Church and the Holy Spirit'. The report was received. (A summary of this report appears in the Attachments).

It was resolved that the report be committed to the South Australia Unit who would be asked to prepare the Fellowship Day programme for 1970 on the theme 'Communication' using this report as a basis.

Authority was given to Mrs T. Coates, Mrs Yule, Mrs T. Howie and the President to reduce the report to the form of a statement with the intention of referring it to A.C.C. (The statement as prepared is attached).

Authority was given to Mrs T. Coates to show the full statement to Mr V. Hinton, Secretary for Public Relations, A.C.C. The statement to be used as opportunity arises.

COMMITTEE on CO-OPERATION of MEN & WOMEN in CHURCH, FAMILY and SOCIETY

The Convener of the Committee on Co-operation, Mrs T.H. Coates, introduced the Chairman for the meeting, the Rev. Lloyd Phillips, Director of the Marriage Guidance Council of Victoria. The Rev. Mr Phillips introduced the first speaker, the Rev. Bruce Reddrop, Director of the Church of England Marriage Guidance Council of Victoria. Mr Reddrop told members of the Institute of Marriage and Family Counselling at Bangkok which he had attended during 1968. This was organized by the E.A.C.C. and gave opportunity for delegates from Asian countries to share their experiences in this work. Each delegate was a national of his own country and a number of case studies was presented for consideration. The outstanding feature was the similarity in problems presented. The main issues facing those attending the Institute included the use of power and the definition of responsibility. It was evident that members attending the Institute would benefit from further training and ways of obtaining this were being examined by the Committee. An approach had been made concerning the possibility of a grant from the Fellowship of the Least Coin and the Winifred Kiek Scholarship had been suggested as a possible avenue for training.

The second speaker for this session was Mrs Ilma Rogers of Blackburn, Victoria who told members of the Family Life Centre which had been established by The Avenue church of Blackburn. This Centre which was controlled by a Committee was interested in such areas as Family Education; (Seminars on Adolescence; the needs of the aged in the community; Partnerless Parents; in fact all stages of family development. Concern was expressed that many church members had not been able to acknowledge that they too need help.

The Chairman, Mr Phillips, thanked the speakers for the insights they had given in two such different situations. Questions were invited from the members and ably answered by the two speakers.

Mrs Coates extended the thanks of the meeting to the Rev. Lloyd Phillips for chairing the session. Members were reminded of the leaflet for study which had been printed by the Committee on Co-operation "Parents and the Teenage Revolution". Copies of the leaflet were given to members and further supplies were available from Mrs Coates at the cost of 10cents each

Voting members of National Committee were reminded that the Ballot for President closed at 12:30 p.m.

The afternoon was devoted to a trip to the National Art Gallery followed by afternoon tea in the Botannical Gardens. Thirty two members enjoyed this opportunity of fellowship and relaxation.

Deaconess Ritchie announced the result of the Ballot for Mrs F.R. Ashton had been elected as President and on behalf of all members Deaconess Ritchie extended best wishes for her term of office. Mrs Ashton was to leave for Nauru the next day. Ballot papers for the election of Vice President were distributed and members reminded that the Ballot closed at 10 p.m.

The evening session was given to discussion in groups of the remaining 'Issues' raised by member organizations.

Closing devotions were led by Mrs Rentoul, representative of the Y.W.C.A.

FRIDAY, 7th February, 1969.

The final Bible Study was led by Deaconess Ritchie from Colossians and members were again reminded that the resolution of all conflicts could be found in the Cross of Jesus Christ. The Christian has freedom in Christ and we must have an awareness of the Lordship of Christ in every aspect of our life.

Deaconess Andrews presented the report on the first discussion on 'Issues' that of 'Communication'. A summary of the report is attached to the Minutes. The Report was received.

It was resolved that the list for distribution of Working Committee Minutes be reviewed by the Working Committee and that 2 copies of the Minutes be sent to each State Unit but that up to 10 extra copies be provided if requested and if costs for postage etc. were met.

2. It was resolved that Minutes be circulated as soon as possible.
3. It was resolved that each State Unit be asked to appoint a Publicity or Link Officer to disseminate information to and from the Working Committee. Publicity to be released simultaneously seeking the co-operation of daily papers.
4. It was resolved that each member Church of the State Unit be asked to appoint a Liaison officer who could relay information to her own denomination.

A brief discussion took place on the aspect of the overall task of communicating the Gospel and of the purpose in doing this.

It was resolved that each State should study the report as attached to the Minutes concerning (a) Newssheet and Liaison Officer and that the Working Committee adopt the basic suggestions and be responsible for their implementation.

The suggestion was made that though should be given to preparing a film strip on the work of A.C.W.

The Report on the remaining 'Issues' raised was given by Mrs M.A.K. Crosby. (See attachment to Minutes). The Report was received.

Cigarettes and tobacco

It was resolved that a letter condemning the advertising of cigarettes and tobacco on radio, T.V. and in the cinema be sent to the Federal Minister for Health; ; and letters of appreciation for their stand be sent to Anti-Chavez Council, A.N.C.W. and the grc responsible for the report prepared by Monash University on the harmful content in cigarettes.

The Secretary was instructed to send a telegram of support to the Opposition Leader of the Victorian Government on his attack on the apathy of the Government to cigarette advertising. This report was in the morning papers.

The Secretary and President were also asked to prepare and forward a letter commending the stand taken by Mr Holding, to the 'Age' and the 'Australian'. Mrs Coates was asked to get in touch with the Publicity Officer of the A.B.C. to acquaint them of the following resolution which was passed: "That the National Committee of A.C.W. urge that the advertising of cigarettes and tobacco should be banned on radio and T.V. and in the cinema and that packets of cigarettes should carry on the outside of the packet the tar and nicotine content and a warning of the health risk".

Alcohol and Drugs

It was resolved that "taking into account the National Conference on Alcoholism which has just taken place, we recommend to our constituent members that individuals should press for up-dated anti-alcohol programmes".

It was resolved that the Working Committee be asked to consider ways in which information on alcohol and drug-takers could be passed on at the National Committee meeting.

Co-operation of Men and Women

The suggestions from the report that Units encourage the participation of men and women in Special Days were referred to the Working Committee.

Finance

It was resolved that a Travel Pool Fund be established. All profits from the sale of Ball Point Pens to go to A.C.W. to commence this fund.

It was resolved that an Ad Hoc Committee be asked to consider the implementation of the Travel Pool and make recommendations to the Working Committee of practical schemes for working within the framework of A.C.W.

It was resolved that State Units and Federal Denominational Groups be asked to pay an administration levy to A.C.W.

It was resolved that the principle of future National Committee Meetings of A.C.W. be considered by the Working Committee in the light of A.C.C. decisions and in the light of the National Committee discussions.

Opportunity was given to Mrs P. Cheney, observer for the Women's World Day of Prayer, to bring a greeting and brief report to the meeting. Deaconess Ritchie thanked Mrs Cheney for her greetings and asked her to convey greeting from the A.C.W. to her Committee. Regret was expressed that Mrs Bailey, President of the Victorian W.W.D.P. Committee had been unable to attend through illness. The greetings of the meeting were sent to Mrs Bailey.

ELECTION of OFFICE BEARERS:

The scrutineers conveyed the following results of the election:

President: Mrs F.R. Ashton
Vice-President: Mrs T.H. Coates
" " Mrs Col. H.W. Saunders
Secretary: Mrs G.I. Duke
Treasurer: Mrs E. Stephens

WORKING COMMITTEE:

Above Office-Bearers: +

Mrs A.W. Burton
Mrs N. Faichney
Deaconess F. McKechnie
Mrs H.T. Rogers
Mrs J.A. Strack.

Appreciation was expressed to two retiring members of the Working Committee who had not been available for re-appointment - Mrs N. Anderson, who has handled Publications and Mrs E.L. Williams. These ladies were thanked for their contribution to the Working Committee.

RELATED COMMITTEE:

Mrs E. Stephens was appointed to the Committee on Co-operation as an A.C.W. representative and the Working Committee was asked to appoint an additional representative to this committee. Thanks was expressed to Mrs J. Strack who was unable to continue as a representative.

Endorsement was given to the appointment of Deaconess C.I. Ritchie as A.C.W. Consultant to the Annual Meeting of A.C.C.

Committee on next Location of Working Committee

Mrs Stehens reported that Queensland was willing and able to accept the responsibility for the Working Committee. It was resolved that the Working Committee of A.C.W. move to Queensland for 1971-72.

Mrs Bailey presented the report on directions to be sent to State Units at the beginning of each year.

It was resolved that an annual request be sent to State Units to the effect that - monies from Fellowship Day and World Community Day should be handled in the following way:

The State Unit is entitled to retain a proportion of this money for administrative costs. The balance should be forwarded to the Treasurer of A.C.W. for allocation at the National Committee, after recommendation by the Working Committee. All money given through the Fellowship of the Least Coin should be channelled through the Treasurer of the A.C.W. from the State Units, the only deduction being for Fellowship of the Least Coin promotion expenses.

It was resolved that Mrs A.W. Burton be appointed Convener of the Winifred Kiek Scholarship Committee (subject to her acceptance of this position).

It was recommended that the Working Committee consider any necessary changes to the Constitution for the appointment of a Convener of the Winifred Kiek Scholarship Committee.

It was resolved that South Australia be asked to appoint an Ad Hoc Committee of three with power to add to consider ways of implementing the Travel Pool scheme and report to the Working Committee.

It was resolved that the amount of \$4 be recommended as the annual administrative levy to be contributed by member organizations.

Asian Women's Conference

It was resolved that information regarding the E.A.W.C. be included as news items to all States and that States be asked to submit names for representatives and observers when available representation is known.

ANY OTHER BUSINESS:

It was resolved that a letter be sent to the Minister of Immigration concerning the lack of available money for Housing and the meeting of Hospital and Medical expenses of migrants who have newly arrived in this country. Mrs Faichney offered to draft a letter which would be shown to Mrs McCaughey for approval.

Mrs Coates raised the matter of a possible visit of Miss Brigalia Bam to Australia and to the Pacific Conference to be held in 1971. The Working Committee was asked to examine this matter when further details are known. At present it is not clear where money could come from to finance this visit.

THANKS:

Deaconess C.I. Ritchie expressed the appreciation of all members for the opportunity of meeting at St Hilda's College. The Principal, Mrs Smart had been thanked, during the luncheon period, for the help and co-operation given by herself and Miss Peters, the Bursar.

On behalf of the members present, Mrs Col. H.W. Saunders thanked Deaconess Ritchie for her Bible Studies, Her chairmanship of the National Committee Meeting and her inspiring leadership during her term as President of the Working Committee.

CLOSING: Deaconess led the closing devotions gathering together our thinking on the 'Catholicity of the Church and the Holy Spirit'.

CONFIRMATION:

DATE:

TREASURER'S REPORT

I have pleasure in presenting, on behalf of the Working Committee, the Financial Statement duly audited for the year ended 31st Dec. 1968. We record a period which compares favourably with the previous year's Statement. I trust that you have all studied the Statement.

Donations to the Fellowship of the Least Coin have been well maintained with receipts to the value of £2373.76. The demand for the Circle of Prayer, Volume III shows that this helpful booklet is being used widely.

The expenditure connected with the Winifred Kiek Scholarship holder is not complete as accounts for fares and further accommodation costs as well as some out of pocket expenses have yet to be received. We are grateful to the Girls' Brigade for the assistance given to the present holder Jackie Kini in supplying clothes and finance, £150 having been donated to the Winifred Kiek Scholarship through N.S.W. Inter Church Council.

Both Fellowship Day and World Community Day Offerings are down but I feel that these are incomplete. Unfortunately, because of incorrect direction being given to a new Office Bearer for Victoria Inter Church Council of Women an amount of £375.45 from the World Community Day offerings was forwarded direct to Inter Church Aid Victoria Division - I might add, at this point that as a National Committee the money received by the Working Committee is forwarded through the Australian Council of Churches and not to a State Committee.

Last week I received from the W.A. Unit of A.C.W. an amount of \$17.65 as the offering from the World Community Day as well as a donation to the Fellowship of the Least Coin. These amounts will be included in next year's statement. There is a need to forward money as early as possible, following both of the Special services, otherwise the allocation to the various projects is delayed.

Our new venture in embarking in the sale of Scribal Ball point pens brings, very definitely, before us the need to make returns quickly. The Working Committee must meet the costs involved and this is a charge against the General Fund. The outlay for the pens to date is \$452.79 with returns standing at \$255.60. There appears to be a number of pens being held by some state units, which, as Treasurer I feel that consideration should be given to the need for payment on receipt of the order - or at the latest within the month. Another consideration here is whether the A.C.W. should be responsible for the postage of orders, or whether this should be met by the State Units. At present only one State very helpfully meets this outlay.

The Bank Interest of \$60.34 is added to the General Fund while interest on the Special Bonds, amounting to \$14 has been added to the Winifred Kiek Scholarship Fund.

The Overseas Travel Fund remains at \$132.02.

At the meeting of the Working Committee held last month allocations were considered and later will come as recommendations to this Annual Meeting.

My thanks has been extended to the Working Committee for granting me leave of absence for six months during which time I was a delegate to an Overseas Conference in London, and I take this opportunity of expressing my sincere thanks and appreciation to Mrs E.L. Williams who carried out the work of Treasurer so faithfully during my absence. My thanks are also extended to our President and Secretary and all members of the committee for their ready help at all times and to that other very important person - Mrs Allison our auditor for her meticulous care in examining our books. Madam President before moving that the Statement and Report be adopted - there may be some questions which I will endeavour to answer.

ENID STEPHENS (Hon. Treas.)

QUESTIONS POSED by the RT. REV. N. FAICHNEY following his address on 'The Holy Spirit and the Catholicity of the Church'.

1. What kind of educational program does the Church require to make clear the relation between CATHOLICITY and the HOLY SPIRIT?
2. How can the quest for diversity be made relevant in Union discussions? - is it through Bible Study, Common Worship, Ecumenical Offerings?
3. What should our denominational churches do to manifest their transitional nature - leading to a fuller form of common life?
4. How does the Church express a new openness to the world?

AUSTRALIAN CHURCH WOMEN STUDY UPPSALA REPORT

Section I - The Holy Spirit and the Catholicity of the Church.

"What should our denominational Churches do to manifest their transitional nature - leading to a fuller form of common life?"

The question was posed by the President of the A.C.C. (the Rt. Rev. N. Faichney) who addressed the A.C.W. National Committee Meeting on the Uppsala Report, Section I - The Holy Spirit and the Catholicity of the Church.

Discussing this and other issues raised by the speaker we realised our need of an educational programme for all ages. We realised that our closed minds and complacency are a block to the Holy Spirit, who reveals himself in many different ways, often through the unchurched. There is need for us to learn from members of denominations other than our own - to listen to them - to try to understand their insights and gifts.

More of our educational programmes should be related to outreach, and to action through practical service; and we should accept as Christian service, that work which is done by Christians in such fields as education, local politics, trade unions and with service groups. The privileges and responsibilities of becoming a professing Christian should be given greater significance.

Unity is not uniformity; and our discussion also included the quest for diversity in union conversations. Common worship, Bible Study and Ecumenical action are three avenues through which this diversity can be expressed.

Shared experience, willingness to learn, acceptance of what others have to offer, common worship made meaningful by more flexible structure, become relevant in common action.

The transitional nature of our denominations is neither readily understood, nor manifest. There is in fact a kind of idolatry of denomination or organization which is a real threat to fuller common life. This should be recognized for what it is as a sin of divisiveness and, confessed and repented, in order that not only may we engage in common worship but also together receive the sacrament.

Under the guidance of the Holy Spirit we should unite in service programmes and projects (e.g. geriatric, child care, family welfare, meals on wheels etc.) and in so doing should be prepared to launch into areas (especially short term projects) even at the risk of failure.

We are a pilgrim people. We do not have infallible answers. We realise that future generations are likely to accept without question issues which seem insurmountable to us.

We are a questing people.- We must be prepared to seek the guidance of the Holy Spirit, to listen and OBEY. In the words of the Uppsala Report - we must with a single voice pray "Come, creator Spirit".

SUMMARY OF THE REPORT FROM THE DISCUSSIONS ON 'ISSUES'
RAISED BY MEMBER UNITS.

COMMUNICATIONS

1. Administrative:

i. National Committee Minutes (Working Committee)

List of those at present receiving minutes to be reviewed by the Working Committee.

Recommend that each State Unit receive 2 copies, but extra copies (up to 10) if requested could be sent to the State Secretary for circulation and postage and cost paid. Minutes of Working Committee be sent to State Units as soon as possible and carry the address of the A.C.W. Working Committee Secretary.

2. Publicity:

i. Newsheet

Suggested that the Publicity Officer (or possibly a Link Secretary) from the Working Committee be responsible to disseminate information to and from State Units and to and from International connections. (What other International links do we have apart from East Asian Women's Conference?) This information to go out 3 times a year with the minutes. Availability will depend on the co-operation of States in sending on news. Publicity about A.C.W. year (i.e. Annual Meeting, Fellowship Day, World Community Day) should be released to all Federal and State Denominational papers simultaneously.

The press receive these and will pick up this sort of communication. Women's Weekly and Melbourne Herald have Christian staff members who could help with publicity. As this will involve much extra work is the time ripe to appoint a Minute Secretary to the Working Committee?

ii. Liaison Officer

Suggest that on the State level each denomination and interest group appoint a liaison officer to channel information back. Are states aware of facilities for publicity available from Council of Churches (films, slides, posters etc.)? There is a need to contact Orthodox women but be aware of social and cultural differences in our outlook.

Practical Suggestions:

1. Area birthday parties
2. Christmas and Easter are good times for imaginative interdenominational services.

The purpose of communication for Christians is to share in God's plan to make known His secret, the rich and glorious secret which He has for all peoples and the secret is - Christ is in you, which means that you will share the glory of God. So preach Christ to all men. Warn and teach every one with all possible wisdom, to bring each one into God's presence as a mature individual in union with Christ.

In seeking to communicate constantly remember - not by might nor by power, but by MY spirit saith the Lord. In union with Him all things have their proper place and find their fulfilment.

Communication of the Gospel through service.

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T.V. ADVERTISING of TOBACCO & CIGARETTES

Individuals must be aware of the insidious nature of advertising. Urge all State Units to be well informed re regulations in regard to T.V. Advertising (Broadcasting Control Board).

Subliminal advertising is unethical.

Recommend that the National Committee

1. Urges that advertising of cigarettes and tobacco on radio, and T.V. and on the cinema should be banned, and that packages of cigarettes should carry on the outside a statement of the tar and nicotine content and a warning of health risk.
2. Similar letter to the A.M.C.W. requesting their support in this matter.
3. Letter to the Anti-Cancer Council commending their work and seeking ways in which we can help with promotion.
4. Letter of commendation be sent to Monash University for its survey and study in regard to cigarette smoking.

Christian women must accept the responsibility of higher taxes in view of Government subsidy being paid to the tobacco industry and also decline in excise.
Individuals must accept personal responsibility to contact appropriate authorities with letters and more letters! These should also commend when practicable.

ALCOHOL AND DRUGS

1. Alcoholic content of all drinks should be clearly stated on labels.
2. State units could study some aspect of alcoholism during year. Possibly a speaker on this subject at next A.C.W. Conference?
3. Who are the drug takers? Need for study on reasons for drug taking and the dangers of the 'minor drugs' - Relaxa tablets, Aspro etc.
4. Up date anti-alcohol programmes.
5. Commend Alcoholics Anonymous; C.A.M.E.R.A.; Vic. W.C.T.U. etc.

CO-OPERATION BETWEEN MEN & WOMEN

1. Possibly a joint committee to organize meetings.
- 1a. State Units strive to involve men in World Community Day observances.
2. Get together on public questions
marriage guidance
lay evangelism
3. Go out - don't expect men to be drawn into present organizations - be imaginative with something entirely new!
4. Family education could lessen the bias against women. Mother's responsibility.
5. Church should look at its programmes and not perpetuate divisive organizations (separate groups for sexes).

FINANCE

1. Recommend that Travel Pool Fund be established. All profits from sale of Ball Point Pens to go to A.C.W. to commence this fund.
2. Ad Hoc Committee to be set up to investigate relevant schemes and bring to the Working Committee recommendations and details of a practical scheme for its working in the A.C.W. framework.
3. Recommend that State Units and Federal Denominational Units and Interest Groups be asked to pay an administration levy to A.C.W.
4. Suggest that there be an Annual Meeting of Working Committee plus one state representative and that a Triennial Conference (2 delegates per state plus denominational representation) be held. Office-Bearers and Working Committee elected and policies decided at triennial Conference (It is realised that this is something for the future working of A.C.W. and must be in consultation with A.C.C.)

NOTE: This summary represents the report back after the discussions on 'Issues' raised by member organizations. It is only a report. For action to be taken refer to the Minutes.

REPORT OF WORKING COMMITTEE FOR 1968

The Committee has met regularly each month throughout the year with the exception of October, which co-incided with the Annual Church Assemblies and Conferences.

We have appreciated the use of the Board Room and its facilities at 100 Flinders Street, Melbourne and we express our gratitude to the ACCE for making these available to us. We also wish to thank the VCC staff for their co-operation and hospitality.

SPECIAL DAYS

Fellowship Day 1968:

8,500 Orders of Service distributed
Theme: "All Things New"
Prepared by Tasmanian Church Women

World Community Day 1968:

6,000 Orders of Service distributed
Theme: "Human Rights"
Prepared by Presbyterian Women's Association of Australia
Offering: For Refugee Relief through Inter-Church Aid

As requested by the National Committee Meeting Orders of Service have been prepared in advance for 1969.

Fellowship Day 1969:

Theme: "Who Is My Neighbour"
Prepared by Queensland Church Women

World Community Day 1969:

Theme: "Let There Be Bread"
Prepared by Australian Christian Women's Fellowship Federal Conference, Churches of Christ

The Working Committee expresses thanks to all groups who have prepared these Orders of Service.

FELLOWSHIP OF THE LEAST COIN

Project: Interest continues to grow

Gifts received from all States and from women's groups in United Church of North Australia.
Gift received from Fellowship of the Least Coin for European-Australian Christian Fellowship

Promotion: Volume III Circle of Prayer sent to many groups.

1270 copies distributed and more ordered.
Tape recording of Mrs Shanti Solomon's address being circulated

WINIFRED KIEK SCHOLARSHIP

Candidate: Miss Jackie Kini

22 years
of Port Moresby, Papua.
A graduate of Port Moresby Teachers' Training College
A Sunday School Teacher and Youth Worker
A member of the United Church, Port Moresby
An Officer of the Girls' Brigade

Planned Training: September-December - Sydney: Intensive English Course and experience in schools
January - Girls' Brigade camps
February 4-7 - Melbourne: National Committee Meeting, ACW
February - April - Adelaide: Girls' Brigade experience

UNITED CHURCHES

Contact: Through 6 groups who receive minutes and support
Special Days and Offerings

COMMITTEE ON CO-OPERATION

Representation: ACW has been represented by Mrs J.A. Strack
and Mrs E. Stephens

PUBLICITY and PUBLICATIONS

1. Regular News Items have been prepared for publication in 'In Unity' and Church Magazines.
2. Inscribed Ball Point Pens: The first order was placed for 168 dozen pens. Rapid sales by member organizations necessitated the placing of a second order of a similar quantity within the first month.
3. A new Brochure on ACW has been prepared.
4. A Brochure on the Winifred Kiek Scholarship holder, Miss Jackie Kini.

OVERSEAS CONTACTS

During the year the Working Committee entertained at lunch, Mrs Raneë Elieser, a contributor to Circle of Prayer Volume III, and Miss Amalia Rokotuivuna and Miss Seniloli Tora from Fiji, who were accompanied by Miss Dulcie McFarlane of Rockhampton. Miss Rokotuivuna and Miss Tora were passing through Melbourne on their way to a Y.W.C.A. Programme Planning Seminar at Bangkok.

Our Treasurer, Mrs Enid Stephens, attended the Mothers' Union World Wide Conference held in London. The opening service was held in Westminster Abbey and was attended by the Queen Mother. Mrs Stephens was a delegate for the Rockhampton Diocese.

The Working Committee expresses its appreciation to all member organizations for their co-operation and help in the tasks committed to it by the National Committee Meeting.

C.I. RITCHIE
President of Working Committee

S. DUKE
Hon. Secretary.

WINIFRED KIEK SCHOLARSHIP COMMITTEE - REPORT

MISS JACKIE KINI - a lecturer in Mathematics and Physical Education arrived at Deaconess House, Newtown from Port Moresby on 4th September, and took up residence.

We are grateful to Dr DUNSTAN KEMP, the Principal of the Sydney Teachers' College and his staff for the arrangements they made for Jackie to attend lectures at the Teachers' College in English and Mathematics Departments.

MR STERN, of the Commonwealth Education Department, made arrangements for Jackie to attend special English classes at the Centre.

MRS CARRICK AND MISS HUDDLESTON of the Girls' Life Brigade, have taken care of Jackie's clothing and living allowances, and introduced her to Girls' Brigade work in Sydney. Jackie was attached to a Girls' Brigade at Chatswood Church of Christ, and she enjoyed the experience very much.

THE GIRLS' LIFE BRIGADE has given \$150.00 to the Winifred Kiek Scholarship Fund.

We are grateful to Miss Huddleston for her personal interest in Jackie's welfare.

During December, January arrangements have been made for Jackie to attend a Group Life Laboratory and various Youth Camps.

We are grateful to all those who have arranged for Jackie's participation in these activities.

Jackie has addressed meetings in Maitland, the Central World Community Day in Sydney, and the Community Day Service in Lindfield, the Y.W.C.A. Dinner and other meetings.

Wherever she has gone she has endeared herself to the people, and she is looking forward to having new experiences and making new friends in Melbourne and Adelaide.

Mary M. ANDREWS,

Convener of the Winifred
Kiek Scholarship Committee.

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REPORT OF RELATED COMMITTEE

COMMITTEE ON CO-OPERATION OF MEN & WOMEN IN CHURCH, FAMILY AND SOCIETY

During 1968 the Committee has met six times. The first occasion was a Joint Meeting with the National Committee of A.C.W. in Sydney in February, under the chairmanship of the Rev. W.G. Coughlan. Speakers were Mrs Mabel Wyllie, on the work of the Department on Co-operation of Men and Women of the World Council of Churches, Mrs Olga Badger, on meetings in Bangkok, and Mrs Ilma Rogers, on experiments in congregational life in Blackburn, Victoria.

The Rev. L.W. Yolton was the speaker at the March Meeting, on Communication in the Electronic Age, especially communication with youth. The May and July meetings concentrated on the draft of the pamphlet, "Parents and the Teen-Age Revolution". The Rev. Bruce Reddrop reported to the September meeting on the Institute on Marriage and Family Counselling, arranged by the E.A.C.C. in July in Bangkok, and recommendations arising from this Institute were considered at the final meeting in November.

The first edition of "Eve Where Art Thou?" sold out quickly, and a further edition of 1,000 copies was printed.

Mrs Ilma Rogers was appointed as our representative to the United Nations Association Status of Women Committee.

Some contact has been made with Roman Catholics. At the March meeting Sister Marie Callistus, of Our Lady of Sion Convent, Box Hill, was a guest of the Committee, and in September, following contact made at the V.C.C. - R.C.C. Dialogue in August, two Catholic lay women attended our meeting. They were both members of the Grail, a lay movement for Catholic women, founded in Holland in 1921.

MAIN EMPHASES

The work of the Committee in 1968 has been concentrated on two main projects, both linked with the East Asia Christian Conference.

I. PUBLICATION OF STUDY LEAFLET

Question Paper Number 1: "Parents and the Teen-Age Revolution".

This leaflet, which crystallises the thinking of the Committee over recent years has been written by the Convener and carefully considered by the Committee. It is now in the hands of the printers, and should be available before the end of 1968. It is addressed primarily to parents, and the central question is, "How can we help our teen-agers to cope with sex?". The cost of publication will be met from a grant of \$US 150 received from the E.A.C.C., and it is hoped that the sale of copies will make further Question Papers possible.

The leaflet is divided into three sections, each followed by a set of questions for discussion. The Committee hopes that the leaflet will be widely used -

- in parents' groups
- in women's groups
- in adult groups in local congregations
- in inter-church groups of men and women,

and that it will make some small contribution to the large problem raised by the last Annual Meeting: "In what ways should the Committee or the Churches participate in the forming of opinions or attitudes in the present crises of sex morality? In particular how can we keep contact alive between the generations in this sphere?"

COMMITTEE ON CO-OPERATION (cont.)

II. INSTITUTE ON MARRIAGE AND FAMILY COUNSELLING, BANGKOK,
JULY, 1968.

This Institute was organized by the E.A.C.C., and led by the Dr and Mrs S. Southard of the United States. It was attended by nationals of twelve Asian countries, including Australia and New Zealand, and the work was based on discussions, case histories and verbatim reports of interviews. This process gave insight into the various Asian situations, and revealed basic world-wide similarities in family relationships, as well as cultural differences. The Australian representative was the Rev. Bruce Reddrop, Chairman of the Committee, and Director of the Church of England Marriage and Guidance Council in Victoria. The Institute produced a set of Recommendations. They aim at the establishment of local counselling centres "where there is both interest and possibility of development". These centres could eventually serve as training centres, and could be supported by a skilled person or persons who could give oversight and guidance. Other recommendations cover the establishment of a central library, the extension of research, and the inclusion of courses in pastoral counselling with emphasis on marriage and family in all theological seminaries.

J.G. COATES,
Convener,
Committee on Co-operation.

STATEMENT OF RECEIPTS AND EXPENDITURE FROM 1st JANUARY,
1968 to 31st DECEMBER, 1968

RECEIPTS

Fellowship of the Least Coin

By Bt. forward	2128.63	
Donations	2373.76	
Circle of Prayer Vol. III	214.05	
" " " Leaflets	5.00	4721.44

Winifred Kiek Scholarship Fund

By Bt. forward	775.38	
Donations	683.93	
Interest on Special Bonds	14.00	1473.31

Fellowship Day

By Orders of Service	241.65	
Offerings	338.54	580.19

World Community Day

By Orders of Service	150.20	
Offerings	265.79	415.99

Literature

18.60	18.60
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Sundries (General Fund)

Bt. forward	341.87	
Scribal Ball Point Pens	255.60	
Donations	33.66	631. 3

Overseas Travel Fund

132.02	132.02
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Bank Interest

60.34	60.34
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£ 8033.02

I report having examined the Receipt books, Vouchers and Books of Account of the Australian Church Women for the year ended 31st December, 1968 and am of the opinion that the above Statement is a true and correct presentation of the transactions of the Australian Church Women for the period according to the information made available to me

A.E. ALLISON, A.A.S.A., L.C.A.

(Hon. Auditor) 11th January, 1969

STATEMENT OF RECEIPTS AND EXPENDITURE FROM 1st JANUARY,
1968 to 31st December, 1968.

EXPENDITURE

<u>Fellowship of the Least Coin Fund</u>	2000.00	2000.00	
<u>Circle of Prayer Vol. III</u>	<u>138.65</u>	138.65	
		2138.65	2138.65
Winifred Kiek Scholarship Fund			
8,000 Leaflets		54.00	
Ship Holder's Accommodation (12 weeks)		<u>150.00</u>	
			204.00
Fellowship Day			
10,000 Orders of Service		130.00	
			130.00
World Community Day			
6,000 Orders of Service		94.00	
			94.00
Literature			
Taize Reports		9.88	
			9.88
Scribal Ball Point Pens		452.79	
Sundries		23.63	
			476.42
Administration			
Secretarial expenses		136.28	
Petty Cash		33.00	
Reimbursement towards President's fares		45.00	
			214.28
Balance 31st December, 1968		4765.79	
			4765.79

£ 8033.02

ENID G. STEPHENS

Hon. Treasurer.

FELLOWSHIP DAY OFFERINGS January 1st - December 31st, 1968

Women's Inter-Church Council of Victoria (Hawthorn)	16.10
" " " " of Queensland	38.24
" " " Group of Ararat	16.30
" " " Council of Tasmania	36.18
United Church - Darwin	10.00
Canberra Church Women	20.00
N.S.W. Women's Inter-Church Council	179.01
United Church Women's Fellowship of N. Aust.	22.71

\$ 338.54

WORLD COMMUNITY DAY

Women's Inter-Church Council of South Aust.	25.00
Darwin United Church Ladies' Guild	11.27
Hawthorn Women's Inter-Church Council	21.00
Women's Inter-Church Council of Queensland	25.79
N.S.W. Women's Inter-Church Council	147.73
Women's Inter-Church Council of Tasmania	20.00
Canberra Church Women	15.00

\$ 265.79

FINANCIAL SUMMARY

Balance includes the following:-

Fellowship of the Least Coin Fund	\$ 2502.39
Winifred Kiek Scholarship Fund	1269.31
Overseas Travel Fund	132.02
Administration or General Fund	861.87

\$ 4765.59