

A. An Audio Visual for Australian Church Women in New South Wales,  
prepared from photographs, (with extracts from recorded music at  
Australian Church Women events,) with commentary.

1. Reoppe at tea. On 6th Nov. 1978, just 40 years after the commencement of the organization known as the N.S.W. Women's Inter-Church Council, about 60 ladies gathered for a buffet tea.
2. Group of Pres. Some were Presidents of the past, and the doxology was sung, as eight of them gathered round the
3. Group of Pres. celebration cake, as it was cut by the earliest President among them, Mrs. Edris Manefield.
4. Butting Cake. A brief history had been prepared and copies were made available at this event. Mention was made how "Wybalena" Hostel at Burwood, for country girls and students, had been the project in the early years for the group. Eventually in 1977 the name of the organization was changed to Australian Church Women N.S.W. State Unit, as it was working in conjunction with other states and the National Working Committee of that name.
5. Pres. and 3 speakers At the Forum following the tea, from the right, Mrs. Majjory Verco who recalled events of the '60's.
6. Pres. and 3 speakers, then Mrs. Lt. Col. Edna Baker spoke of the present, and Deaconess Mary Andrews gave a challenge for the future. The President, Mrs. Marie McCann presided at this function.
7. Executive members in Newspaper, photo. Executive members took part at the Installation Service in 1978 at Chatswood, when Mrs. Marie McCann became the first Roman Catholic President.
8. Bible Handed. The President's Bible is handed to the new President now for a two year term. Refreshments followed the Service.
9. Scene at luncheon. The Lane Cove Longueville Inter-Church Choir added greatly to the atmosphere of the occasion.
10. Wesley Chapel This background music is this ecumenical choir, which contributed greatly to occasion of a Prayer Rally in Wesley Chapel, at which women leaders of the various denominations took part.
11. Eight leaders As this was 1979, the International Year of the Child was observed at the Service, and it was followed by a Forum with three speakers from Child Caring Organizations.
12. two at table The National Meeting, which is held biennially, takes place in various capital cities, and in 1977 Perth was the venue, with the Rev. Dorothy Wacker as President, and delegates attended from all states. One Afternoon a tour of the city was arranged.
13. bus trip In this group the Rev. Elizabeth Paul, Deaconess Mary Andrews, Mrs. Rachel Cocks, National President 1979-81, and Mrs. Rathie Selveratnam, the first President of the Asian Church Women's Conference.
14. bus trip The Winifred Kiek Scholarship is one of the organizations projects. It was a privilege to have the 1978 scholar studying in N.S.W.
15. group of 4. Sister Barkat Dass from Pakistan is really using the training she received in Australia to further Christianity in her own country. A taped message and letters from Barkat were received on her return home, expressing her appreciation.
16. Board W.K.S. The 1979 Scholar, Captain Elite Boiva, had to return to her family earlier than intended in Papua New Guinea.
17. Barkat Dass On a limited scholarship in 1980 Rev. Mary Au, who while travelling to New Zealand to study, passed through Sydney and lunched with some of the Executive and past Working Committee members.
18. Elite Boiva With her was the Rev. Jane Hwong, the first Anglican ordained Hong Kong woman minister, Mary being the fourth.
19. Mary Au
20. Mary Au
21. luncheon
22. luncheon.

- 23 Group outside Since 1965 14 women from Asia, Africa and the Pacific have benefited from the training received as an extension to their own qualifications.
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- 26 Kalpana Airan Kalpana Airan, from India, the 1973 scholar has done much in her own country establishing the Namada Education Academy, on her return home. The offerings taken at the Fellowship Day Service in July throughout Australia support this fund.
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27. Church Service. The Fellowship Day Service at Willoughby in 1979 featured a choir from the primary school, who also delighted the congregation by singing the theme song for the International Year of the Child.
28. Church Service. The theme of the Service was "The Community Plans for its children."
29. Choir children. About 12 city and 14 country branches participate, and the number of centres is growing, as more people become aware of the opportunities of this ecumenical expression of Christian witness.
30. Order of Service. Following the luncheon questions as printed in the order of Service were greatly appreciated by those participating in the discussion.
- 30A. Choir children
31. Flutes speakers. The World Community Day Service, held in Oct. also focused on the International Year of the Child. Representatives of local churches took part in this Service, also organized by Australian Church Women Chatswood-Willoughby Branch.
- 31E City Service
- 31C City Service
- 31D. E. and F. Lane Cove Service.
- 32 Luncheon Willby.
- 33 Luncheon Willby.
34. Group in Service.
35. State Unit officers. The Orders of Service are supplied by the State Unit. The seven major denominations are affiliated at the State level, represented by 8 members each, also 2 members from the Young Women's Christian Association The Girls Brigade, and the Woman's Christian Temperance Union. The President is nominated by each denomination in turn.
36. Members of Unit
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38. F.L.C. Cross and World. At World Community Day Service each year, a special project is chosen to receive the Australia-wide offerings, many overseas countries have been supported in various ways. Representatives also bring the yearly offerings for the Fellowship of the Least Coin, the organizations other project, and present them at the service for dedication.
39. Shanti Solomon This world wide movement was envisaged by an Indian woman, Mrs. Shanti Solomon, in 1956, and is inter-denominational and interracial. It gives all women, rich and poor, educated and illiterate, without discrimination of nationality, or culture, the opportunity to meet in equality, as sisters in Christ.
40. Shanti with Deaconess Each woman involved each month gives the least coin of the currency of her country, with a prayer for peace and reconciliation.
41. Leaflet This movement has grown among individuals, churches and countries. Devotional thoughts and prayers to be used when making the offerings to the Fellowship of the Least Coin are prepared by women from many countries, and compiled in a booklet 'Circle of Prayer.' Vol. 7 is now in use.
42. Coins and print
- 42A Label.
43. Circle of Prayer. Book.
- 43A Vol. 7 C. of P.
44. Symbol circle The symbol with its circle with six sets of praying hands, significant of the six continents, is a reminder that the fellowship is a spiritual movement. Its purpose is not mainly to raise money, but a considerable amount comes to the fund and is used to give grants for projects all over the world. The Bible school for underprivileged girls in Taiwan, and for relief work in Vietnam.
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45. Project Bible School.
46. Relief work Vietnam.

47. A.C.W.C. Members. In 1958, during its meeting in Hong Kong, the first Conference of Asian Church Women launched the Fellowship of the Least Coin for a four year trial period.
48. A.C.W.C. Members. At the second Asian Church Women's Conference in 1962 in Thailand it was enthusiastically voted to continue this fellowship. Australia had an observer at this Conference, and Australian Church Women has sent delegates since 1966.
49. *(hold)* Tahiti. Unexpectedly in 1963 Australia received a grant to assist Aboriginal women, other grants have been given to a Hostel in Tahiti, for the rehabilitation of young girls.
50. Home Fiji St. Christopher's Multiracial home for children in Fiji
51. Blind girl. and for a braille Bible being read by a young girl in U.S.A.
- 1980-81 is the Silver Jubilee of the F.L.C. and the theme for the celebration at a Conference in Manila, Philippines, is "Prayer-Partnership-Peace."
52. *J. Wagner (hold)* Aust. women Many organizations were represented at a reception in early 1979 when Mrs Dorothy Wagner from Church Women United, U.S.A. and Executive Secretary of the Women's World Day of Prayer, visited Sydney as a forerunner to her leadership of a 'Pacific Causeway', when 22 members from Church Women United visited Australia, New Zealand and Fiji in September 1979.
- 52A Reception
- 52B Reception
- 52C Reception
53. ~~Dorothy Wagner~~ Australian Church Women received a grant from the Fellowship of the Least Coin to assist in a 'Consultation' with the American group and five leaders from the Women's Committee of the New Zealand Council of Churches.
- 53A Working Committee An introduction to our country by the National round table. Working Committee based in Sydney, was given in a meeting with informed people, and in a visit to the National Capital.
- 54 Choir Sal Army A service in Scots Church Margaret St. Sydney was
- 54A Choir 54A opened by Salvation Army Choristers, and was attended by a large gathering and led by Mrs. Win Dougherty, the President of A.C.W. The speaker at the Service was Mrs. Thelma Adair, of Church Women United.
- 55 W.D. in pulpit
- 56 Thelma Adair
- 57 People in pulpit
- 58 Participants Music - Choir.
- 59 Congregation
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- 61 Afternoon Tea. A.C.W. N.S.W. Unit then served afternoon tea, when a time of fellowship was experienced. The overseas visitors then joined with 68 representatives from Australian States and Territories at the National Committee Meeting and Consultation.
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- 67 Caritas Christi The five days of meetings, held at the Caritas Christi Conference Centre, Whareonga, with the Theme "The Family, its Faith and its Future" proved an extremely valuable time, with women from diverse denominational and cultural backgrounds.
- 67A Theme Book
- 68 Group
- 69 People
- 70 People
- 71 People
- 71 A.B.C. and D And so Australian Church Women hosted this International Conference as a climax for the '70's. With the National Committee located in Tasmania, we in N.S.W. accept the challenges the '80's present in a changing world, to fulfil the aims of the organization and doing all to the glory of God.
- 72 Dorothy Wagner
73. 74 75. To unite Australian Church Women in their allegiance to their Lord and Saviour, Jesus Christ.
- Groups. To promote co-operation of men and women in the church family and society.
76. Banner Win D. To help Christian women to make a more effective place in the total life and mission of the church.
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- 76A + B + C To provide opportunities for Christian women of different denominations to worship, study and serve together.
- 78 Banner To encourage fellowship and service across national boundaries.



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And so we move into the '80s. Another Winifred Kiek Scholar arrives, from Indonesia, and N.S.W. found Dien a charming smiling girl, who delighted all who met her. She studied to improve her English, before commencing a difficult course in clinical pastoral care in Melbourne. This hymn opened the Service for the Installation of the new President at Northside Baptist Church Crows Nest in May. Mrs. Glad West was supported by Executive members, luncheon and speeches followed, and her own ladies providing the refreshments. Fellowship Day Service in July "People of the Kingdom" in keeping with the theme "Your Kingdom Come" of the Melbourne Conference, was an excellent service, and discussion took place following. This rendition of the Hallalujah Chorus was a fitting climax to conclude the Service at Willoughby.

In 1980 new branches began springing into being, and we see members hearing of the work at Grantham Heights, and the election of officers by our President, with the local Branch President. At Caringbah ladies take an interest in the information supplied, as they prepare to hold Fellowship Day Service, enlarging their branch to cover Sutherland Shire June '80, and 5 N.S.W. ladies and some from other states visited U.S.A. and joined with 3000 in the Ecumenical Assembly in Los Angeles. There they met with those who had visited Sydney in their Pacific Causeway. They also shared with women from many countries, including the members of the Asian Church Women's Conference, Mrs. Shanti Solomon of India, and Mrs. Gloria Santos, from the Philippines. World Community Day with its theme "With Hope in Our Hearts" with the year's offering for the Fellowship of the Least Coin being dedicated holds more significance in 1980 with the Silver Jubilee event, and five of our number attending the Celebration in Manila with others of many countries.

So we are privileged to share with Christian women of other countries of all denominations in a truly wonderful way, as we in our global village attempt great things for God in the decade that lies ahead.

To Him who is able to keep you from falling, and to bring you faultless and joyful before His glorious presence, to the only God our Saviour, through Jesus Christ Our Lord, be glory, majesty, might and authority, from all ages past, and now and for ever and ever. A MEN.

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