



AUSTRALIAN CHURCH WOMEN

(N.S.W. STATE UNIT)

ANNUAL SERVICE OF DEDICATION

and

INSTALLATION OF THE PRESIDENT

MRS MAJOR JOAN TONG

at

THE SALVATION ARMY, CHATSWOOD

on

MONDAY MAY 21, 1990 at 10.30 a.m.

ORDER OF SERVICE

Opening Song and Greeting

Mrs Major Pam Alley
Corps Officer, Chatswood

Song 3. All people that on earth do dwell. Tune 38

Call to Worship

Mrs Marjory Baker
~~Retiring President~~

Today's service is one of special significance, as we conclude another year of service, during which the members of this council having been sent by their respective churches, have endeavoured to interpret its aims in service.

It also marks, at one and the same time, the end of the term of office of one president, and the official commencement in office for two years of another. Hence it is a service of thanksgiving, of commitment, and of dedication.

We extend a warm welcome to you all from your many churches and organisations, and praise God for this opportunity of worshipping together in His name.

Responsive Reading - Psalm 100.

Leader: Sing to the Lord all the world!

All: Worship the Lord with joy!
Come before Him with happy songs!

Leader: Never forget that the Lord is God.

All: He made us and we belong to Him.
We are His people, we are His flock.

Leader: Enter the temple gates with thanksgiving,
Go into its courts with praise.

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All: Give thanks to Him and praise Him.

Leader: The Lord is good.

All: His love is eternal and His faithfulness lasts forever.

AMEN!

Prayer of Adoration

Mrs Peg Blake
Promotions Convenor

The Lord's Prayer

Song 324. I believe that God the Father. Tune 429
Brigadier Mabel Ward
Vice-President, National Executive
Membership Secretary, NSW State Unit

Scripture Readings

Mrs Edith Ridge
Secretary NSW State Unit

From Holy Scripture we have taken a selection of passages, praying that these will bring a specific challenge to each one of us to participate with unity of spirit, in the selfless sharing of our lives for the good of the whole body of Christ - the Church, as well as for the whole world that is God's - the people.

In every generation, it is required that God's people demonstrate His ways with all mankind. The sanity and balance of every generation rest just here.

Jeremiah 32:37-41

The call to restoration and regeneration.

A new heart and a new spirit are gifts bestowed by the Holy Spirit to seeking repentant souls. May we all be able to share in the prayer, 'Spirit of the living God, fall afresh on me.'

Ezekiel 36:24-28

The call to renewal and reinstatement.

Mrs Marie Majoor
Secretary, Newsette

A spiritual organic unity will convince the world of the mission of the Church. Our call to unity is the prayer Jesus makes for us all, inviting us, in this unity to share in His glory.

John 17:20-26

The call to unity.

Mrs Beryl McLaughlin
Editor, Newsette

Christians must take their stand on God's revealed truth, and on the power of the Holy Spirit within them to fulfil the good purpose of God in human lives which are consecrated to Him.

Ephesians 4:1-6

The call to consecration.

Miss Shirley Wells
Denominational Representative

Our highest thoughts and aspirations do not strain the resources of God, He works far beyond the hopes and imaginings of any heart.

Ephesians 3:14-21

The call to fulfillment.

Mrs Edith Ridge

Prayer for Unity

Miss Jeanne Sutherland
Publicity Convenor

Solo

'The Wonder of His Grace'

Mrs Captain Shelley Soper
Corps Officer, Enfield

OFFERING

Music for worship

Mrs Carolynn Everett
Chatswood Corps

Prayer of Dedication

Mrs Dorothy Lumb
Treasurer, NSW State Unit

GREETING - GENERAL EVA BURROWS (LONDON)
Presented by
MRS COMMISSIONER VIDA BATH
(Territorial President Women's Organisations)

GREETING - MRS MARIE McCANN
(President National Executive Australian Church Women)

INSTALLATION SERVICE

(The congregation will stand for the Installation of the President)

Retiring President and all Council Members:

In an act of commitment, we affirm the aims of Australian Church Women, New South Wales State Unit.

To unite Christian women in their allegiance to their Lord and Savior Jesus Christ;

To promote co-operation and understanding between men and women in Church, family and society;

To help Christian women to take a more effective place in the total life and mission of the Church;

To provide opportunities for Christian women of different denominations to worship, study and serve together;

To encourage fellowship and service across national boundaries.

May the love of God be shed abroad in our hearts and may His power working in us enable us to perform infinitely more than we ask or imagine.

GLORY BE TO GOD FOR EVER!

AMEN!

Retiring President:

It is just two years since I received from the hands of another, this President's Bible, which I now pass on; not O Lord, because the task is done, or even my part of it complete, but because it is an ongoing task which another in turn takes up. And now for the one who is assuming the responsibility of my office, and who will, on behalf of Australian Church Women, NSW Unit, undertake to keep alive the light of witness in unity and service, we seek a special outpouring of your Spirit in power and blessing. Enable her, through the use of the talents and abilities which you have given, and which are now dedicated to your service, to experience the joy and richness of fellowship which that service affords and has been evidenced by me. Grant her always the constant supply of your promised strength.

All:

You are able for all things, O Lord, supply we pray, her needs.

Retiring President:

Receive this Bible, the Living Word of God, in token and symbol of your acceptance of responsibility as President of this State Unit, for the next two years to ensure, by the fullest use of your abilities and talents and your willingness to serve, that the light of the Word continues to shine with ever increasing brilliance to the glory of the Almighty God, whose children we are.

President:

I receive this Bible as an expression of my acceptance of responsibility as President, of this State Unit. Recognising that I have a special charge to keep, acknowledging my complete dependance on God's grace and His word, I offer Him my solemn promise of the best that I can bring in willing service for the fulfilment of His purposes.

Badge Presentation.All:

Consecrate to Your service, O Lord, all members of this State Unit, with their offerings of personality, character, talent and ability, that the lives so dedicated may be the channels through which the Unit will be used to bring blessing to Christian women throughout the State.

Council Members:

Support us, we pray, from day to day, that we may all work together in harmonious co-operation to the end that we may glorify our Maker and Redeemer. How ever your glory may best be served, O Lord, grant to us, your servants, in that way to serve.

All:

Pour out your Spirit in full measure on each one, O God, that wisdom, strength and directions may be theirs as they need. AMEN

Prayer of Dedication

Deaconess Mary Andrews
Life Member ACW

Solo

' His Provision '

Mrs Captain Shelley Soper

MRS MAJOR JOAN TONG

Song 57. Come let us join our cheerful songs. Tune 92

BENEDICTION

Brigadier Mabel Ward

Ephesians 3:20 "Now unto Him that is able to do exceeding abundantly above all that we ask or think, according to the power that worketh in us,

Unto Him be glory in the church by Christ Jesus throughout all ages, world without end, AMEN."

COURTESIES AND PRESENTATIONS

We would like to acknowledge the presence of those attending our service today from member churches and organisations of Australian Church Women. Thank you for coming.

We would also like to acknowledge the presence of those attending from branches of the State Unit. Thank you for coming.

Special thanks to:

Soloist	Mrs Captain Shelley Soper
Pianist	Mrs Carolyn Everett
Organist	Bro. Merv Simmons
Chatswood Corps	Majors Kingsley & Pam Alley

Luncheon arrangements, thanks to:

Dee Why Home League
Chatswood Home League
Enfield Home League
Hornsby Home League
Congress Hall Home League
Dulwich Hill Home League

Presentation of badge to incoming executive member -
Miss Jeanne Sutherland

Presentation to retiring President Mrs Marjory Baker

GRACE

You are now invited to move upstairs to the auditorium for lunch. If you would like to make a small donation towards this, please place in the baskets on the luncheon tables. THANK YOU!

Today's offering assists the expenses of Australian Church Women.
(NSW Unit)

"PARTNERS" with Asian Church Women's Conference - Registration of \$1.00 may be made today. Receptacle in auditorium.
