



Australian Church Women Inc. OCCASIONAL NEWSLETTER



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Dear Units: NSW, VIC, QLD, NT, WA, SA, TAS, ACT,

We are at the lovely time of the year when summer is almost gone and autumn is upon us, when the leaves of the trees shake out golden browns, and amber ones; orange and russet, too and wear them for a while, then toss them down. Margaret and I are off to Canberra again in April for the UCAF Celebration - Canberra. April is a time when we are able to ramble through the parks and enjoy the autumn time – God's natural beauty in the trees.

"God made the hills that greet the sun, and fold the shadows deep, when the last light fades in the sky, and men and hills must sleep. God made one hill called Golgotha where Love was crucified, His son, His Own, His Best-beloved- He loves us as He died." Excerpt from a poem by Margaret L. Knauerhase (daughter of Winifred Kiek) titled "God Made the Hills"

Christine Barber, our Treasurer has been able to collate the monies received from the States and Territories for distribution to the various Secretariats. These include the offerings from the Fellowship Day, (Winifred Kiek Scholarship) World Community Day and Fellowship of the Least Coin. The amounts have been split up as under the 2009 Rules of ACW Inc as follows:

Winifred Kiek Scholarship Trust – Fellowship Day Offerings	\$9,876.20
World Community Day Offerings	
Half for 'Kairos Outside' in WA. Community Project 2009	\$4,050.00
Half for ACWC (\$4,050.00) plus donations, affiliation and Asian Newsletter	\$6,392.00
Fellowship of the Least Coin	\$40,143.00

Keep a watch for Christine's message that will cover several of the issues that came up at the Conference in September 2009 re the Public Liability

CIRCLE OF PRAYER XX

Circle of Prayer is a meditation booklet published every two years by the International Committee for the Fellowship of the Least Coin (ICFLC). The theme for Circle of Prayer Vol. XX is taken from the ICFLC Annual Meeting held at Nairobi in October 2009 "**Jesus Amongst Us: pray and act for change**".

The ICFLC has asked Australia to support this booklet by producing a meditation around 300-400 words. That the meditation material shares women's story/experience, biblical reflection and prayer from the respective country/region. Elisabeth Delmonte of Uruguay has suggested that the meditation should centre on environmental responsibility. Deadline for sending the meditation to ICFLC office email: icflcph@gmail.com is by May 30 2010.

2011 CONFERENCE: The Committee has been looking at Immanuel College, a Lutheran College with beautiful grounds and many buildings that should suit us for a Conference. It is situated on Morphett Road, Novar Gardens and is some 5 kilometres from the Glenelg beach. There is a tram, within walking distance, that will take you right to the beach. The dates will be at the beginning of October 2011. More information as it comes to hand.

FELLOWSHIP OF THE LEAST COIN: REMINDER: The closing date for the 2010 International Committee FLC Grant is 30 April 2010. If your Unit is wanting to make an application this year, please let Margaret Greenslade, Convenor, know ASAP and she will send the necessary papers.

WINIFRED KIEK SCHOLARSHIP: Applications close 31 May 2010. Seeking Christian woman aged preferably between 25-40 for 2011 the area is Asia. Further information contact Mrs Cynthia Gifford - Email: cgifford3@bigpond.com

"A Happy and Peaceful Easter to you all"
Judy Burge