

NEW SOUTH WALES WOMEN'S INTER-CHURCH

ANNUAL SERVICE OF DEDICATION

and

INSTALLATION OF THE PRESIDENT

MRS. LT.COLONEL (EDNA) BAKER.

THE SALVATION ARMY - CHATSWOOD.

Monday, 24th May, 1976

10.30 a.m.

ORDER OF SERVICE

CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader Acclaim the Lord, all men on earth

All Worship the Lord in gladness, enter His Presence with songs of exultation.

Leader Know that the Lord is God; He has made us and we are His own, His people; the flock which He shepherds.

All Enter His gates with thanksgiving and His courts with praise. Give thanks to Him and bless His name.

Unison For the Lord is good and His love is everlasting, His constancy endures to all generations. Psalm 100 NEB.

HYMN No.1. "O WORDHIP THE KING" T.B. 329

OPENING PRAYER

All The Lord's Prayer

Leader WELCOME

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 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.

ITEM BY THE SINGERS OF JOY

"Faith Turns the Night into the Day"

"I Know He Cares for Me"

SCRIPTURE READING: 1 Cor. 12. v. 4-12, 27, 28. L.B.

HYMN No. 2 "TO GOD BE THE GLORY" T.B. 686

OFFERING
PRAYER

ORGAN & PIANO.

The congregation will stand for the INSTALLATION
of the President

Retiring President; In an act of commitment, we reaffirm
the aims of the New South Wales
Women's Inter-Church Council.

To promote fellowship and co-operation between
women of all branches of the Christian Church; and
To provide an avenue whereby Christian women, as
directed and used by God, may unitedly strive to
establish His Kingdom on earth by the application of
the teachings of Christ to community, National and
International relationships.

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 forever. Amen.

It is a brief year 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 in 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 office, and who will, on behalf of the N.S.W.
Women's Inter-Church Council, 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 to me. Grant to 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 Council, for the next twelve months 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 Almighty God, whose children we are.

President

I receive this Bible as an expression of my acceptance of responsibility as President of this Council. Recognizing that I have a special charge to keep, acknowledging my complete dependence on God's Grace and His Word, I offer to Him my solemn promise of the best that I can bring in willing service for the fulfilment of His purposes.

ALL Consecrate to Your Service, O Lord, all members of this Inter-Church Council, with their offerings of personality, character, talent and ability, that the lives so dedicated may be channels through which the Council will be used to bring blessing to Christian women throughout this 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. However 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 direction may be theirs as they need. Amen

VOCAL SOLOS "God's Love to Me is Wonderful"
"Shepherd Hear My Prayer"
Mrs. Elaine Abrahams.

ADDRESS The President

Closing Hymn: No. 3 "CHRIST IS OUR CORNER STONE" T.B.142

Closing Prayer

BENEDICTION "THE SINGERS OF JOY"

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Warm thanks are expressed to those who shared with us
in this Service. Mrs. Commissioner L. Pindred

President: The S.W. Territorial Women's Organisations

Retiring President Mrs. Gladys Bent

Reading: Honorary Secretary: Miss D. M. Mitchell

Opening Prayer Head/Deaconess M. Andrews

Closing Prayer Mrs. Ritchie - President Methodist

The Singers of Joy Conductor Mrs. Lt. Col. Niemann Women's Federation

Soloist Mrs. Elaine Abrahams.

Pianist & Organist Brigadier Ruth Smith
Mrs. Lt. Col. Niemann

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At the conclusion of the Service all are invited to
share light refreshments in the adjoining Community
Youth Centre (First Floor)

We extend our sincere thanks to Major & Mrs. I. Rees
for making their Citadel available for today, and
the Home League Ladies for their hospitality.

HYMN No 1.

"O WORSHIP THE KING"

O Worship the King, all glorious above;
O gratefully sing His power and His love;
Our shield and defender, the Ancient of days,
Pavilioned in splendour and grided with praise.

Thy bountiful care what tongue can recite?
It breathes in the air, it shines in the light,
It streams from the hills, it descends to the plain,
And sweetly distils in the dew and the rain,

Frail children of dust and feeble as frail,
In Thee do we trust, nor find Thee to fail;
Thy mercies how tender, how firm to the end,
Our Maker, Defender, Redeemer and Friend.

O measureless Might! Ineffable Love!
While angels delight to hymn Thee above,
The humbler creation, though feeble their lays,
~~While~~ true adoration shall sing to Thy praise.
with

HYMN No 2.

"TO GOD BE THE GLORY"

To God be the glory, great things He hath done!
So loved He the world that He gave us His Son;
Who yielded His life an atonement for sin,
And opened the Life gate that all may go in.

Praise the Lord! Praise the Lord!
Let the earth hear His voice!
Praise the Lord! Praise the Lord!
Let the people rejoice!
O come to the Father through Jesus the Son,
And give Him the glory, great things He hath done!

O perfect redemption, the purchase of Blood!
To every believer the promise of God;
The vilest offender who truly believes,
The moment from Jesus a pardon receives,

HYMN No.2. continued

Great things He hath taught us, great things He hath done,
 And great our rejoicing through Jesus, the Son;
 But purer and higher and greater will be,
 Our wonder, our rapture, when Jesus we see.

HYMN No 3."CHRIST IS OUR CORNER STONE"

Christ is our corner-stone,
 On Him alone we build;
 With His true saints alone
 The courts of Heaven are filled.
 Our hopes we place on His great love
 For present grace and joys above.

O then with songs of praise
 Make earth and Heaven ring;
 Our voices we will raise
 The Three in One to sing;
 In joyful song we will proclaim
 Both loud and long that glorious name.

Here, gracious God, do Thou
 For evermore draw nigh;
 Accept each faithful vow,
 And mark each suppliant sigh;
 On all who pray, in copious shower
 Thy wonder-working blessings pour.