

*For the diary 2013:*

July: (generally the last Friday, in local areas)  
**FELLOWSHIP DAY: *Love Never Fails***  
- supports the Winifred Kiek Scholarship

September 16: **SPIRITUAL ENRICHMENT DAY**  
*Remember to show hospitality to strangers,  
for some have entertained angels unawares*

October 7-11: **NATIONAL CONFERENCE PERTH W.A.**  
*Our Choice is Love*

October: (generally the last Friday, in local areas)  
**WORLD COMMUNITY DAY:**  
*Love is for Sharing*  
- supports Fellowship of the Least Coin,  
Asian Church Women's Conference, and  
Project Samaritan for trafficked women



Australian Church Women  
NSW State Unit Inc.

## Annual Service of Dedication

*We, being many, are one in the Lord*

Uniting Church Hamilton  
Monday 20 May 2013  
11.30 am

*75<sup>TH</sup> ANNIVERSARY  
1938—2013*

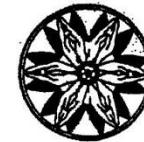
of Australian Church Women NSW State Unit Inc. and  
its predecessor the NSW Women's Inter-Church Council

Australian Church Women brings together women from the  
Anglican, Baptist, Catholic, Churches of Christ, Presbyterian,  
Salvation Army and Uniting Churches. Two Special Days are  
held each year in support of the following:



**Winifred Kiek Scholarship**

Provides funds for a year of study  
for a Christian woman from Asia,  
Pacific or multi-cultural Australia,  
mainly in preparation for work  
among women and children



**Fellowship of the Least Coin**

Through prayer and least coins works  
for Reconciliation, Peace and Justice  
for the marginalised of the world.



**Asian Church Women's Conference**

Brings together Christian women  
from many Asian countries—and  
Includes Australia and New Zealand.

**Organ Prelude**

**Welcome to Hamilton Wesley Uniting Church and  
Acknowledgment of Awabakal People** Mrs Carole Brookfield

**Greetings and Call to Worship** Mrs Isabel Hewitt  
Sing to the Lord, all the world! Worship the Lord with joy;  
come before him with happy songs!

Acknowledge that the Lord is God. He made us, and we belong to him;  
we are his people, we are his flock.

Enter the temple gates with thanksgiving, go into its courts with praise  
Give thanks to him and praise him.

The Lord is good; his love is eternal  
and his faithfulness lasts for ever.

**Hymn: 153** God is love, let heaven adore him

**Prayer of Adoration and Confession:** Mrs Shirley Mitchell

**Hymn : 661** Woman in the night **Cantor:** Rev Amelia Koh-Butler

**Scripture: Galatians 3: 23-29** Miss Heather Reid

Now before faith came, we were imprisoned and guarded under the law until faith would be revealed. Therefore the law was our disciplinarian until Christ came, so that we might be justified by faith. But now that faith has come, we are no longer subject to a disciplinarian, for in Christ Jesus you are all children of God through faith. As many of you as were baptized into Christ have clothed yourselves with Christ. There is no longer Jew or Greek, there is no longer slave or free, there is no longer male and female; for all of you are one in Christ Jesus. And if you belong to Christ, then you are Abraham's offspring, heirs according to the promise.

**Message: Mrs Katalina Tahaafe-Williams**

**Hymn: 650** Brother, sister let me serve you

**Introduction of Executive & Presentation of Badges  
Dedication (Congregation to stand)**

*All: We believe that there is One God, Father, Son and Holy Spirit, One God, Three in One. We believe that Scripture teaches that salvation is only through faith in the atoning death and resurrection of Jesus Christ, God's only Son.*

*We affirm the aims of Australian Church Women, to unite Christian women in their allegiance to their Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ. To promote cooperation and understanding and reconciliation between men and women in the 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 God together.*

*To encourage fellowship and service and understanding nationally and internationally.*

**Prayer of Dedication**

**President:** Lord, as we dedicate members of ACW NSW State Unit to you, help us, guided by your grace, to work together in harmony and bring glory to Your Name. Give us wisdom to know how best to use our gifts, and the resolve to make a difference for the good of all. In Jesus' name we pray. Amen

**ACW Theme Chorus:** In Christ We Are One

We, being many, are one in the Lord  
Each one is different, but we're trusting in His Word  
For we are part of God's family  
Thru' Jesus Christ His Son....  
Tho' we are many, yet in Christ we are one....  
We being many, in Christ we are one.  
(Repeat) *Lucelle King*

**Announcements:** Mrs Pamela Freeman

**Offering & Offertory Prayer** Mrs Helen Richardson

**Prayer of Thanksgiving and Intercession**

Mrs Carmel Keys

God our friend and supporter in times past, we celebrate with great thanksgiving 75 years of the NSW Women’s Inter-Church Council and Australian Church Women in NSW .

We are grateful for the friends who have shared in meetings, sustaining us in prayer and helping us to embrace something of the greatness of your Church beyond our denominational limitations. **God of history, we praise and give thanks.**

For leaders who have given of themselves, as Presidents, Secretaries, Treasurers and Conveners; for all who have been representatives of their churches and shared their witness, friendship and fellowship, those still living, and all who have gone to their eternal rest. **God of community, we praise and give thanks.**

As we have been blessed in the past, so we ask your blessing on the NSW State Unit of Australian Church Women, as we continue into the future. We pray for our current National Executive, and for the National Executive Elect from NSW, and for all State and Territory Units. **God of all time, we praise and give thanks.**

We pray not for ourselves alone. We commend to you the work of the Fellowship of the Least Coin as it seeks to empower women through prayer and micro financial support. We also commend the women, recipients of the Winifred Kiek Scholarship over the last 48 years, who have been enabled to work in their home communities or beyond. **God of love for all people, we praise and give thanks.**

We pray too for the women of Asian Church Women’s Conference who share in partnership with Australian Church Women. Especially we remember the women of Mongolia and East Timor, our prayer partners for this quadrennial.

**We praise and give thanks to you, God of the past, and the present, and the future. We commit ourselves again to your work in the name of Jesus Christ, the Prince of Peace. Amen**

**Hymn: 411 Filled with the Spirit’s power**

**Grace and Benediction**

**Hymn: 779 May the feet of God walk with you**

**Grace and Benediction:** May God who blessed the holy women of old, who blessed Mary in the birth of her Son, who watches over us as a mother with children, be with us now and for ever.

Go into the world in the power of the Spirit, remembering that Christ is with us; let us make our lives our worship to the praise and glory of God. Amen

**Special thanks** to all who have helped make today possible:

- Hamilton Wesley Uniting Church for use of their church and hall
- all who have taken part in the service
- to all who have helped with catering
- Rev. Amelia Koh-Butler– cantor
- Mrs Heather Wingate—organist
- Mr Peter Flanagan—sound

We trust that all, including our invited guests, have enjoyed this time of fellowship and thank everyone for coming. Please stay if you are able and share food with us.

Acknowledgement and thanks to Rev. Lee Edwards (WA) for permission to adapt the Prayer of Thanksgiving and Intercession.

**Office Bearers 2013—14**

President:	Mrs Isabel Hewitt
Past President:	Mrs Nola Dickson
Secretary:	Mrs Pamela Freeman
Treasurer:	Mrs Helen Richardson
Fellowship of the Least Coin:	Major Lillian Hodges
Winifred Kiek Scholarship :	Mrs Judith Cayzer
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Dear Isabel and Pamela, Seventy five years of working together as a unit is a real cause for celebration. I am sure that at your dedication service on Monday you will be thanking God for his guidance and support over those years and for all that you have been able to contribute , as a unit, to Australian Church Women.

May I offer my congratulations on all that has been achieved and my thoughts and prayers for Monday, and for the future work of the NSW Unit.

Blessings.

Laurel Pearce  
National President.  
Australian Church Women Inc.

Dear Isabel

We understand from your NSW Unit Annual Report that Monday's Dedication Service will be a very special celebration as this is part of the 75th Anniversary Celebrations for the NSW Unit of Australian Church Women.

On behalf of all members of National Executive, and I am sure ACW members all over Australia, I send you all our congratulations and very best wishes as you celebrate this wonderful milestone.

May God continue to guide, sustain and bless you all as you make such an outstanding contribution to the work of Australian Church Women and to the wider cause of ecumenism.

Our thoughts and prayers will be with you all on Monday.

Peace and blessings to you all

***Margaret***

**National Secretary**

**Australian Church Women Inc**