

REPORT OF MEETING WITH REV. BERNIE CLARKE
Wednesday 5 August 1992

PRESENT: National President, Mrs. L. Davis; National W.K.S. Convener, Miss B. Brown and Winifred Kiek Trustees Sister M. Knagge, Mrs. J. Morrow, Mrs. D. Wright and Mrs. D. Haensel. An apology was received from Mrs. J. Gifford.

PURPOSE OF MEETING: This meeting was arranged in response to a report from the Trustees to National Executive of a conversation between Rev. Bernie Clarke, Consultant on Aboriginal Ministry, in the UCA, S.A. Synod, and Dorothy Haensel regarding the best approach we could take in awarding the scholarship to an Aboriginal woman as proposed at the 1991 Biennial Conference of ACW. (Copy of letter to National Executive attached)

It was considered appropriate for the two members of National Executive and the Trustees to meet with Bernie while they were together, and so the meeting followed the selection meeting for the 1993 W.K. Scholar.

Bernie outlined his suggestion for the way to approach this matter. He believes that the setting up of a consultation nationally - bringing together Aboriginal and white women, would be of great benefit to us all.

The Agenda should be open - to allow sharing, and not be issue based.

The consultation should not be large.
Suggested number 20-30 max.
Say 15 Aboriginal 12 European

Venue - Alice Springs ?

Suggested topics
Creating relationship
Pilgrimage together
Grass roots issues
What is the Hope ?

All present felt this to be an exciting concept. Far removed from the suggestion of the 1991 Conference, but with a vision for the future.

There are currently some monies set aside
for an Aboriginal Scholarship - \$2,500
remaining from Operation Understanding - \$ 2164