

## Australian Church Women National Life Member

### MRS MARJ DREDGE - S A - 2015



Marj was born in Brisbane to Royston and Marjory Rayment Chapman. Marj had a lengthy involvement in Girls' Brigade. She trained as a Domestic Science teacher. In 1965 Maarj married Colin Dredge, and they moved to South Australia the following year. Colin served as a Minister within the Churches of Christ and Marj supported him in his ministries in various places in South Australia, Canberra and Queensland. She filled this role as well during this time as Administrator of the then Churches of Christ Retirement Services in South Australia. Marj and Colin have three sons and one daughter, as well as a number of grandchildren.

During her involvement within the Churches of Christ, Marj served as President of Church of Christ Women's Conference in South Australia. She was the first woman to be President of Conference of Churches of Christ in the state. In addition, Marj served several terms as a member of the State Board of Churches of Christ.

At the national level, Marj was a member of Churches of Christ Overseas Mission Board, served a term as President of Australian Christian Women's Fellowship and was Co-ordinator of Women's Ministries – Churches of Christ in Australia for the period 2006-12.

At international level, Marj served as President of Disciples of World Christian Women's Fellowship and Vice President of World Convention of Churches of Christ for four years at the same time. She served several terms as a Board Member of World Convention of Churches of Christ. From 2008-2012 Marj represented Australia at Disciples of Christ Global Women Connecting and at their meetings in Nashville 2008 and Goiania, Brazil in 2012.

#### **For Australian Church Women SA Unit Inc.**

Marj served as Community Concern Convenor from 1986-1990 and Unit President for the period 1990-1991. She was National President of Australian Church Women from 1999-2001. Marj has served as SA Unit representative on The Future of Australian Church Women Committee 2014/2015.

#### **World Day of Prayer**

Marj has been the ACW SA Unit delegate to the World Day of Prayer South Australia State Committee from 2007 until now.

She was President of World Day of Prayer SA Committee 2008-2009 and served as National Liaison Officer for World Day of Prayer Australia from 2011 – 2013.