

Australian Church Women National Life Member

MRS AILSA SKIPPEN - QUEENSLAND - 1997



Ailsa Skippen was born on 20th September 1924. She is married to Jim. They have been married for 52 years and have three children and six grandchildren.

Ailsa has been a member of St James Anglican Church, Kelvin Grove for 73 years. During that time she has served in many positions and in various ways in youth work, choir, women's work and in general church activities.

Her involvement in the work in the Girls' Friendly Society has earned her the 50 years Certificate of Merit. For eight years she was the chairman of the G.F.S. Girls' Hostel.

She has also held the position of Diocesan Vice President for 24 years and is currently President of the Ladies Guild, a position she has held for the past 7 years.

Ailsa was Chairman of the Townsend Fellowship for 22 years and still remains in office. She is also a member of the Baden Powell Guild of Queensland and is currently Treasurer of the Samford Branch.

Her involvement in ACW began as a Delegate to the Inter Church Council [QLD] – later ACW in 1967.

Ailsa was State Treasurer of ACW 1971/72, National Treasurer 1983/85, State President 1992/94 and has held the positions of Secretary, Publicity Officer, and Archivist. She has been nominated as National Convener, WKS for 1997/99.

The Queensland Unit considers that Ailsa is deserving of the honour of National Life Member due to her dedicated and continuing service to the Anglican Church and Australian Church Women – at the State level and also due to her active, dedicated and productive membership at the National level for 30 years.