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Message from Acting General Secretary



Welcome our good readers to our first quarterly newsletter for 2023.

As we are in the Lenten season, we are focused on the three pillars of Lent;

- Prayer,
- Fasting and,
- Almsgiving.

We need to take action on the three pillars of Lent that should become permanent characters, behaviors and attitudes as Christians in the Mission of the Church which is the mission of Christ.

Being prayerful in our life, secondly fasting to give up something worthy for a good course in the mission of the church and its growth. In almsgiving to give generously of our resources, talent, time, and treasure as vessels and agent of change, transforming lives in our communities.

Let us take action in implementing the five Marks of Mission of the Anglican Communion this Lent.

Theme: The five Marks of Mission today and tomorrow; Tell, Teach, Tend, Transform and Treasure.

Happy reading.

Mr. Dennis Kabekabe.

Acting General Secretary.

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Ashes of the Late Bishop Bevan Meredith



Bishop Lindsley Ihove of the Diocese of Popondetta received the ashes of Late Bishop Bevan Meredith's on the 27th of January 2023. Late Bishops ashes will be brought to Sakarina Parish where he served from 1961-1965. It was Late Bishop Bevan's wish to be laid to rest at Sakarina, among his people and the land that he loved.



Ashes of Late Bishop Bevan Meredith received and welcomed by the Diocese of Popondetta Bishop Lindsley and community.

Late Bishop Bevan was deaconed in the Diocese of Brisbane in 1961. The following year he was priested in Brisbane for the Diocese of New Guinea and became Priest-in-charge of Managalas in PNG from 1963 till 1967. That year he was consecrated in St John's Cathedral, Brisbane, for the Diocese of New Guinea as an Assistant Bishop. Later, once the Church in PNG gained its independence, he was made the first Bishop of the New Guinea Islands (1977-1990) and Archbishop of Papua New Guinea (1990-1995).

Tribute to Late Sir Wilson Kamit



Late Sir Wilson Kamit CBE

The Anglican Church of Papua New Guinea expresses profound sadness at the passing of Late Sir Wilson Kamit CBE on the 9th of January 2023.

Late Sir Wilson Kamit was a dedicated Anglican and long serving Board of Trustee Member for the Anglican Church of Papua New Guinea till his untimely passing.

Late Sir Wilson Kamit contributed immensely to the development of the Church and Papua New Guinea as a whole.

Our deepest and most sincere condolence is extended to Lady Winifred Kamit, children, grandchildren and the Kamit family at this time of deep sorrow and grief.

May Late Sir Wilson Kamit Rest in Peace and rise in Glory.

"Blessed are those who mourn, for they will be comforted." Matthew 5.4

Acting Archbishop of the Anglican Church of PNG

Bishop Nathan Ingen

ANGLICAN CONSULTATIVE COUNCIL 2023



Anglican Church of PNG (ACPNG) & Anglican Church of Melanesia (ACOM), representatives to ACC 18 were being welcomed by youths at Ghana International Airport.



Archbishop Justine Webley with ACPNG Acting General Secretary and Bishop of NGI.

ANGLICAN CONSULTATIVE COUNCIL(ACC) 18 MEETING IN ACCRA GHANA -11th -19th FEBRUARY 2023 AT MARRIOTT HOTEL.

The theme and title: The five marks of Mission today and tomorrow.

The different five Marks of Mission, were reflected upon through bible studies and session which generated very rich and deep meaning of God's word in faith and action in different perspectives and expressed in different settings of the provinces in the Anglican Communion.

The meeting of ACC rests on the foundation of daily prayer in the morning, the Eucharist in the middle of the day, Evening prayer and night prayer.

Log into The ACC-18 microsite at www.acc18.org where it contains the agenda, reports and documents for this 18th Plenary meeting.

The five Marks of Mission – The mission of the Church is the mission of Christ.

Tell – To proclaim the Good News of the Kingdom

Teach – To teach, baptize and nurture new believers.

Tend - To respond to human needs by loving service.

Transform – To transform unjust structures of Society, to challenge violence of every kind and pursue peace and reconciliation

Treasure – To strive to safeguard the integrity of creation, and sustain and renew the life of the earth.

Update and PC by Bishop Reginald and Acting General Secretary Dennis Kabekabe.

EGWALAU (FAREWELL) RETIRED BISHOP OF DOGURA



Bishop Tennyson Bogar laid down his pastoral staff as he officially retires on Sunday the 5th of March, 2023. It was at the altar of St. Paul's and St. Peter's Cathedral where he began his Christian Ministry. As a very young boy he was tasked to beautify the altar with flowers every morning before service begins. This task saw his faith grew leading him to becoming a Priest, Chaplin and Bishop.

Prior to laying down of his Pastoral staff, Retired Bishop Tennyson's launched the Agents of Change program in Dogura Diocese and along with his brother Bishop Acting

Archbishop Nathan launched and blessed the ACPNG Safeguarding policies; Child Protection, PSEAH, Disability and Gender.



For everything there is a season; a time to go and time to come. Yet the Spirit blows where it will and for those who are led by the Spirit, they must follow. We give thanks and praise to Almighty God for what Bishop Tennyson given us in our lives together, our co-worker in Christ, our counselor, our teacher, our overseer, our friend, With Joy and sadness we mark and celebrate the ending of his ministry to us.

The departing Bishop addresses the congregation:

People of God, you have called me to serve you in this Synod, and now God has seen fit to lead me to another stage of my life and service. I praise God for the time which we have shared together. I have known your love and your patience. You have ministered to me as I have ministered to you. You have been my teacher as I have been yours. You have forgiven me and I have forgiven you. Hand in Hand, we have walked in the light of Christ, and have grown together in the Gospel. Our lives have been intertwined by the holy Spirit, and I shall not forget you.

Bishop Tennyson Bogar served as Bishop of Dogura for 9 years.

Brief History.

Attended Martyrs Memorial High school from 1970 -73

Did his Degree in Theological in the Philippines at St. Andrews Theological College.

Ordained Deacon in 1981 at St. George Parish Rabaul

Ordained Priest in 1983, and work as priest for six years.

1991 was chaplain for PNG Defense Force and served the force for 21 years with distinction.

2012 – was Dean of St. Johns Cathedral.

2014 – Consecrated as Bishop of Dogura.

2023 – Officially retired as bishop of Dogura Diocese.

We wish Retired Bp. Tennyson a happy and safe retirement in his home village of Keiya in Dogura Diocese, Milne Bay province.

MOTHERS UNION MELITA HOUSE- TAUPOTA

DOGURA DIOCESE

The Mothers Union House built in Taupota at the Didiwaga station was officially opened on the 1st of October 2022. The opening of the building was celebrated by Retired Bishop Tennyson Bogar, Bishop of Kwato Church and Acting Archbishop Nathan Ingen.

The Mother Union House is dedicated after Melita Madouna Awui who was one of the first MU member in the Dogura Diocese. The MU house is also co founded by Mrs. Christian Cruttwell.

The mothering house is not only a building but beacon of hope for many people, especially children and women who need help and support. The Mothers Union aim for the house is to serve all who come to the house with open hands. The house was built in partnership with UN Child Fund and so one of the mission of the mothering house is to alleviate poverty and help young youths to have a stable financial background before planning to start a family.

Update by Annsli Kabekabe and PC by Victor Mabira



Pictures above shows Retired Bishop Tennyson Bogar and Acting Archbishop officiating the opening on the Melita House in Taupota, Dogura Diocese.

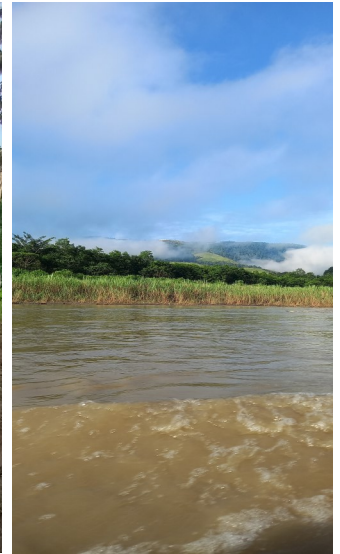
Picture on the left is the head stone of who the House is dedicated in memory of Late Melita Madouna Awui and cofounder Mrs Christian Cruttwell.

PC by Victor Mabira, Dogura Diocese.

JESUS SHAPED LIFE MINISTRY REACHES MADANG URBAN & MIDDLE RAMU–AIOME



Jesus Shaped Life awareness in Madang, Holy Trinity Parish.



Jesus Shape Life ministry into Aiome, Middle Ramu.

In 2016 The Jesus Shaped life Anglican Discipleship under the Anglican Communion issued a remarkable call to every Church and every Christian to return to a focus on being intentional in our discipleship.

“ Jesus invited people to follow him , and that call remains to all Christians today”.

In November 2019, after the ACC 17 meeting Late Archbishop Allan Migi launched the Jesus Shaped life Anglican Discipleship at the Anglican All Souls parish in Lae. The Jesus Shape Life ministry is slowly spreading throughout the Aipo Rongo Diocese and in time will reach the other four diocese.

From the 16th-24th of March the Jesus Shaped Life ministry team made awareness at the Holy Trinity parish in Madang and in the Middle Ramu–Aiome parish and High school. The participants who had attended the awareness were keen to take up the call and make the change for themselves, their families and community.

The awareness of Jesus Shape Life Discipleship emphasised on being Christ's followers and not to conform to the worlds standards but to be shaped and transformed by God.

Story and PC by Keith Gadabing and Annsli Kabekabe, Anglican National Office.



Mr. Keith Gadabing speaking on the five marks of mission to the Anglican Aiome High school students.



Sister Marianne Shanko at Holy Trinity parish making a statement on the importance of the five marks of mission..

ACPNG Parenting for Child Development Update

Madang Urban/Middle Ramu-Aiome



Parents receiving their certificates both in Madang and Aiome.



The ACPNG Parenting program in partnership with UNICEF sees another successful rollout in the Madang Urban and Middle Ramu– Aiome program site.

The Madang urban site covers the Holy Trinity parish and surrounding areas where Anglicans reside. Fourteen parents from the Madang urban site graduated after successfully completing the parenting for child development program in the first quarter rollout.

The Middle Ramu– Aiome site graduated eighteen (10) parents from their first parenting rollout.

Parents who have benefited from the program were delighted to have attended the workshops and look forward in raising their children the best possible way they can in this very challenging time. The most positive comment made by most parents is that with what they have learnt they will teach their children and those who live within their close family “Pasin blo Lukautim Pikini gut”.

In addition, the Jiwaka parenting team were joined by UN Spotlight Initiative team in Mt. Hagen for a monitoring review. The purpose of the review was to assess the impact made in the targeted Spotlight communities, and collect good practices and lessons learned to inform further gender based programming. Picture on the left shows UN Spotlight team and our Jiwaka team at the Anglican Center in Mt. Hagen.

Update & PC by Edward Favran/ Mother Jessica Ingen and Annsli Kabekabe

MOTHERS UNION GOROKA— WORLD DAY OF PRAYER

ACPNG Mothers Union in Goroka celebrated World Prayer Day on the 3rd of March 2023. The prayer day was joined by other mothers from the other denominations; Catholic, Lutheran, UC, Salvation Army and AOG.

The theme for the World Prayer day “I have heard about your Faith” was based on the reading from the book of Ephesians 1vs 15-19. Prayers of the prayer day were made for Taiwan .

Story and PC by Dorothy Siep , MU Aipo Rongo.



PRAYERS & THANSKGIVING FOR THE MONTH OF APRIL

Theme: The Crucified King

Give thanks for: The Limitless Love of God Shown on the Cross

Pray for : For Honesty in All PNG's Leaders

The Episcopal Church in Jerusalem & the Middle East

Theme: The Resurrection of Christ

Give thanks for: The Presence of the Risen Christ With Us and Among Us

Pray for : Greater Commitment to Mission and Evangelism The Worldwide Anglican Communion

Theme: Life and Peace In Christ

Give thanks for: That Christ Overcame All the Evil of the World

Pray for : Vocations to the Priesthood and Religious Orders

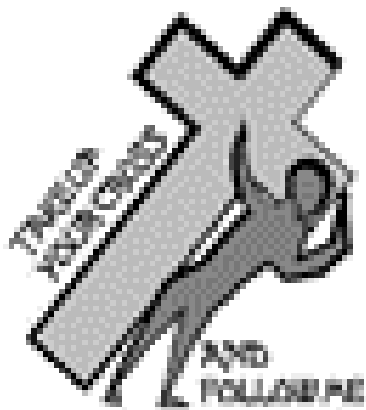
The Primates and Archbishops of the Anglican Communion

Theme: Witnesses to the Resurrection

Give thanks for: The Freedom We Have to Follow Our Faith

Pray for : All Parish Clergy and Evangelists

The Archbishop of Canterbury



UPCOMING SAINTS AND HOLY DAYS IN APRIL

- 11th George Augustus Selwyn, bishop (1809-1878) (White)
- 21st Anselm, bishop and doctor (1033-1109) (White)
- 23rd George, martyr, died 303 (Red)
- 24th Martyrs of the Melanesian Brotherhood died 2003 (Red)
- 25th ST MARK, EVANGELIST AND MARTYR (Red)
- 29th Catherine of Siena, virgin and doctor (1347-1380) [W]

