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Message from Acting General Secretary



Warm welcome all readers to our second quarter newsletter for April– June year (2023). I hope you will enjoy reading the stories and developments in ACPNG.

As I write this short introduction, this weeks theme in the ACPNG Lectionary is on Faithfulness”.

Faithfulness is a virtue that is developed prayerfully and with good habits. It is the fundamental foundation in building good relationships, professional careers or work and finances individually or as a group to bring about transformation to human life, living and working in our communities for God’s mission and glory.

Encourage Anglicans to be faithful servants! To be Gods ambassadors of Good, as we are called to be the light on the top of the hill and the salt of the earth.

God bless us all.

Prayer Request for Acting Archbishop , Senior Bishop Nathan Ingen



ACPNG is requesting for prayers for the Bishop of Aipo Rongo and Acting Archbishop of ACPNG, Nathen Ingen who has been in a car accident after his pastoral visit into Lower Jimi, Jiwaka Province.

Bishop Nathan and his secretary Mr. Dick Kolai sustained minor injuries however, some youths and mother Jessica Ingen sustained critical injuries. Sadly Mother

Juliet Kolai, wife of Mr. Dick Kolai passed at the time of the accident due to serious injuries sustained.

Lets come together and prayer for all who have been in the accident for Gods healing grace and comfort at this of mourning.

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THE DIFFERENCE COURSE ON RECONCILIATION & RESTORATION

The Anglican National Office invited representatives from ministries around Lae deanery to part take in a new program called the Difference course on Reconciliation and Restoration from Archbishop of Canterbury, Justine Welby's Reconciliation Ministry. The Difference Course was successfully covered from the 4th –5th of April, 2023 by Mrs. Tagolyn Kabekabe from the Anglican Church of Melanesia - Peace, Justice and Reconciliation Program Facilitator Office.

The Difference course on Reconciliation and Restoration is about reaching out to our hurting communities and people (individually), to create a safe space for them to talk openly about their problems. The Difference course teaches three main habits of the BE CURIOUS, BE PRESENT AND REIMAGINE in order to help parties/individuals reconcile and restore broken relationships/ disagreements/conflicts.

The nine (9) participants who attended the course were keen to participate in the course as they had their own intentions of changing their approach in the way they serve in their respective calling/duty in the church. The participants are now encouraged to go out and be reconcilers to restore broken communities/individuals. They have learnt that as Christians they must be reconciled reconcilers; having peace with God and themselves before reaching out to others.

The Difference Course workshop was supported by ABM/AID under the Community Development projects.

Update and PC by Annsli Kabekabe, Communications



Above picture: Difference Course participants going through the first session on Gods Call with Mrs. Tagolyn Kabekabe – Difference Course facilitator.



Below picture : Participants of the Difference Course being presented their certificate of participation by Acting General Secretary Mr. Dennis Kabekabe

LAUNCHING OF AGENTS OF CHANGE IN KAVIENG, NGI DIOCESE.



Highlights of the Agents of Change and safeguarding training in New Ireland, St. Francis Parish.

The launching of Anglican Alliance Agents of Change (AoC) program and safeguarding awareness workshop took place on 24th-28th of April, 2023, in Kavieng, St. Francis Parish. The program is the first of its kind to take place in Kavieng, a denary that rarely gets opportunities in terms of community development projects under ACPNG.

There were over 20 interested participants who took part in the four days workshop. The workshop covered Agents of Change (modules 1-8) , awareness on Jesus Shaped Life Discipleship , Difference Course on Reconciliation and Restoration, and sensitization on the newly launched safeguarding policies on Child protection, Gender, Disability and Prevention on Sexual Exploitation, Abuse and Harassment.

The workshop was successfully conducted by Mr. Dennis Kabekabe and the launching of AoC was celebrated by Bishop Reginald Makele. The Bishop of NGI was indeed grateful for the activities rolled out in Kavieng and thanked ABM/AID for the financial support in the rolling out of the AoC program.

Brief Update and Pictures by ANO Communications office.

ORAC & FONO UPDATE 2023

Anglican Alliance Oceania Regional Advisory Committee meeting



In May this year the Anglican Alliance Oceania Regional Advisory Committee meeting (ORAC) was held at the Honiara Hotel, Solomon Islands. ACPNG was represented by Acting Archbishop Nathan Ingen and Acting General Secretary, Mr. Dennis Kabekabe.

The meeting was attended by key development partners from the four Anglican provinces in the Pacific and other partners present. Sessions were presented and discussed on.

The ORAC sessions are as follows; Visit to Environment observatories and Food Security project, Disaster Resilience and Response, Environmental triple crisis, Climate Change, Agents of change and Gender and safeguarding.

The ORAC sessions ended on Saturday 20th May and welcomed the FONO members the next day at St. Baranbas Province Cathedral.

Update / PC by Dennis Kabekabe, Acting GS

Oceania Anglican Fono, Toktok Stori/Meeting (FONO)

Fellowship and Growth in Regional Anglican Diversity was the theme for the 4th gathering of the Oceania Anglican Fono on May 2023, Honiara Hotel, Solomon Islands.

The 4th FONO was hosted by Archbishop Leonard Dawea of the Anglican Church of Melanesia together with his amazing team from the 19th –22nd of May 2023.

The FONO focused on the key themes namely: Intentional Discipleship and roles of the churches as well as the implications of this theme on the FONO members aspiration to work together, Theological education and its challenges and its future, Climate and Disaster Preparedness Response lessons learnt FONO members and the Pacific Seasonal Work Scheme and its repercussions on Pacific Communities.

The FONO members shared deep gratitude for the wonderful opening services that was led with cultural adoption to the liturgy of the Holy Communion by cultural groups of the Solomon Islands. The hospitality was excellent that was shared by Solomon Islanders through gifts and meals for the occasion.

Update / PC by Dennis Kabekabe & ACOM media



FONO Members. PC by ACOM media



FONO members attending Breakfast after the opening service.

ACPNG PARTNERSHIP UPDATE

ACPNG PARENTING FOR CHILD DEVELOPMENT



The ACPNG Parenting for Child development (P4CD) in Partnership with UNICEF is in its Second Rollout in the Lower Jimi and Madang deaneries.

The program has seen 41 facilitators trained, 700+ parents reached and 2,200+ children reached by the program. Recently unicef representative visited Lower Jimi and also held an inform data training for facilitators to enter data on the parents/ caregivers.

Pictures above is of the UNICEF representative visiting Lower Jimi in June, Inform data training of facilitators in Mt. Hagen, at he Kuri Lodge and participation of ACPNG the first Parenting for Child Development (P4CD) national network meeting in Port Moresby on the 27th –29th of June, 2023.

BANK OF PAPUA NEW GUINEA PATHWAY TO SAFETY ON GENDER BASED VIOLENCE



The Anglican Church of Papua New Guinea National Office was invited to attend the refresher meeting on Pathway to Safety on GBV by Bank of Papua New Guinea, Lae Center. The meeting took place at the Cross Roads Hotel on the 1st of June, 2023.

The refresher meeting was aimed for service providers in GBV to make aware to the management of the Bank of PNG the services or prevention programs each service providers are fully engaged in. ACPNG National Office and Health Service staff presented on the services and prevention programs the church is currently doing in ACPNG.

Update & PC by Annsli Kabekabe, Communications.

Anglicans in Development Partner's Conference



Pictures above are of the highlights during the Anglicans in Development Partner conference in Cebu, Philippines. The Partner Conference was held at the Costabella Tropical Beach Hotel and local visit organized by VIMROD at Bulo community.

The Anglicans In Development Partner Conference was held at the Costabella Hotel in Cebu, Philippines on the 5th –8th June, 2023. The Partners meeting was attended by partners around the Anglican Communion who are partners to the Australia Board of Mission, Anglicans in Development. ACPNG was represented by Fr. Peter Moi and Annsli Kabekabe .

The partners conference was a four day conference where each partner was given time to present on the good work their organization was doing under the Anglicans in Development projects. We had partners from the Anglican Church of Melanesia (ACOM), CAPA, VIMROD, ECARE, ZACOP, AI Ahli, ACPNG, ADSE, AID & CPM.

The following topics were presentations presented by partners mentioned above, and small group discussions were conducted to strategically focus on areas needed to be improved or learnt from; Project impact sustainability, Locally Led development, Communications and consent , Monitoring, Evaluation and Learning, DRR and Disaster/Conflict Relief , Climate Change and Environmental Stewardship, GEDSI/GEDSI Tools and Positive Parenting , Organizational sustainability and social enterprises, Strategic planning, Partnership and organizational development/ planning and tracking institutional strengthening.

The conference was a success as partners learnt a lot from other partners and also networking among partners was strengthened in the 4 days of conference. Acknowledgement to ABM/AID for the invitations to all partners to attend the conference and VIMROD for the wonderful hospitality in Cebu.

Brief story and update by Annsli Kabekabe, Communications

DIOCESE UPDATE ON FEAST DAYS & VISIT;

NGI & PORT MORESBY DIOCESE



On the 14th of May 2023, Bishop of NGI did the induction of Fr. Beven Kamulasa as rector of New Guinea Martyrs parish, commissioned counsellors and also MBH Brothers renewed their promises. This occasion took place on the feast day of St. Mathias.

Update by Fr. Wilson Makele, NGI

MBH celebrates Ini Kopurai's Feast Day, Kimbe.

On the 4th of June, PNG Martyrs Kimbe Parish celebrated the Melanesian Brotherhood Companions on the Feast day of Ini Kopuria and admitted four new companions to join the ministry.

Update by Fr. Wilson Makele, NGI



SEAFARS MISSION AUSTRALIA VISIT TO PORT MORESBY



Group of Anglican Church representatives from the Port Moresby Diocese met with the Chairman for Seafarers Mission Australia at the St. Johns Cathedral, Down Town.

Bishop Keith Josephs visit was to see the Stella Maris (Catholic) and Seafars Mission (Anglican) to minister at sea Ports in Lae and Port Moresby.

Picture and update by Fr. Peter Moi, Port Moresby Diocese.

ACPNG PROVINCIAL COUNCIL IN JUNE 2023



The Anglican Church of Papua New Guinea is pleased to announce the successful conclusion of the 1st of our biannual Provincial Council Meeting 26th - 30th June 2023 in Port Moresby at the Don Bosco Technical Institution.

In the Provincial Council, representatives from the 5 diocese and the Members of the Provincial Council discussed and deliberated on matters of significance to our church's mission, vision, and future direction.

We are delighted to report on some of the outcomes that the council was marked by unity, collaboration, and a shared commitment to strengthen the spiritual growth and service of the Anglican Church in PNG.

Key highlights of the Provincial Council include:

1. **Reports and Updates: **

Reports by Diocesan Secretary's and heads of the churches development sectors were presented, reflecting on the achievements, challenges, and activities of the past year.

These reports showcased the remarkable dedication and commitment of our Religious orders clergy, staff, and volunteers in fulfilling our church's mission.

2. **Election of Leaders: **

The Provincial Council endorsed the appointment of new leaders who will serve the ACPNG in the coming years. We are confident that these individuals will provide visionary guidance and stewardship and more importantly ensure the continued growth and vitality of the Church.

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ACPNG PROVINCIAL COUNCIL JUNE 2023

The ACPNG is pleased to announce that the appointment of Ms. Goviro as National Health Director and Mrs. Siep as National Education Director. This two female Directors in the Churches development arms is the first of its kind in the history of the Church since its establishment in PNG in the 1800s. The appointment of these 2 female Directors demonstrates the churches support of gender equality and more so depicts the growth in the work of the churches development agencies.

3. **Strategic Planning: **

The Council involved collaborative discussions on the strategic plan of the ACPNG that will shape the future of the church. Shared insights, ideas, and aspirations expressed during the discussions and endorsement of the ACPNG Strategic Plan will guide our efforts to enhance ministry, outreach, and spiritual development.

4. **Newton Theological College**

The Newton Theological college to register as Higher Education in Theology studies, this initiative is led by Right Revd. Dr. Jeffery Drivers.

The Provincial Council of the Anglican Church of Papua New Guinea extend our gratitude to all participants, including the clergy, delegates, volunteers, and staff who contributed their time, expertise, and unwavering support. Together, we have set a strong foundation for the continued growth and impact of our church.

The ACPNG is committed in implementing the outcomes and initiatives discussed during the Provincial Council to support national growth through our services.

We strive to be a beacon of faith, hope, and love in our community and beyond.

Update & PC by Anglican National Office



PRAYERS & THANSIVING FOR THE MONTH OF AUGUST

Date: 1st – 7th August 2021

Theme: Living for God now and for ever

Give thanks for: The Blessings God Has Given Our Country

Pray for : The Diocese of Aipo Rongo

The Church of Pakistan

Date: 8th -14th August 2021

Theme: God's Generosity and Our Response

Give thanks for: All Good Things We Receive In Life

Pray for : The Diocese of Port Moresby

The Episcopal Church in the Philippines

Date: 15TH – 21st August 2021

Theme: Faithfulness to God's Call

Give thanks for: The Work of Bible Translators

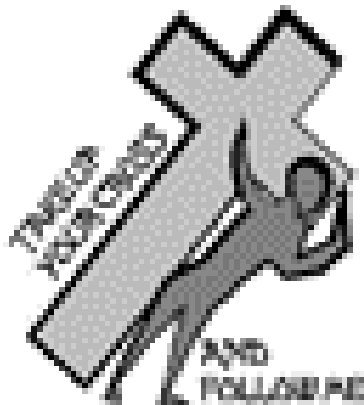
Pray for : Balob Teachers College

The Episcopal Church of Rwanda

Date: 22nd –30th August 2021

Theme: The will and call of God

Give thanks for: The Satisfaction of Doing God's Will



UPCOMING SAINTS AND HOLY DAYS IN AUGUST

- St Peter in Chains
- John Vianney, priest (1786-1859)
- THE TRANSFIGURATION OF OUR LORD
 - Holy Name of Jesus
- Dominic, priest and monk (1170-1221)
- Mary Sumner, holy woman died 1921
- ST LAURENCE, DEACON & MARTYR died 258
- Albert Maclaren died 1891 & Copland King died 1918, missionaries
- THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY

