

Thursday 10 May 2018

Morning Prayer & Bible Study

Morning prayer and Bible Study was led by Mrs Julia Moore-Pilbrow at 8.35am. Bible Study focused on the reading taken from Luke 10: 38-42, Jesus visits Martha and Mary.

The Most Rev'd Philip Richardson prayed a blessing on each of those who had led the Bible Studies during the Synod/Hīnota.

Synod/Hīnota reconvened at 9.30am. The Most Rev'd Philip Richardson in the Chair.

Apologies

There were no apologies

General Notices and Directions

The General Secretary gave the notices for the day.

Resignations

The President read to the Synod/Hīnota letters of resignation received from The Rev'd Jay Behan, The Rev'd Al Drye, and Mrs Renee Santich, who were members of the Sixty Third Session of the General Synod/te Hīnota Whānui 2018, representing the Diocese of Christchurch. Their resignations were effective immediately upon the passing of Motion No 7 of the Motion 29 WG Report.

Petitions

There were no petitions.

Reports

Report on Motion 23 - Bicultural Partnership GSTHW 2016.

Notices of Motion

The Ven Wendy Scott sought leave of Synod/Hīnota to introduce a motion without notice.

Notice of Motion 25

Mover: The Ven W Scott

Second: The Rt Rev'd N Katene

Preamble to Motion:

Given the work of the Treaty/Tiriti Church and Nation Commission and the Bicultural Partnership Working Group undertaken between GSTHW 2016 and GSTHW 2018, we present:

That this General Synod/Te Hinota Whanui 2018:

1. Acknowledges the work of the Bicultural Partnership Working Group established by Motion 23 of GSTHW 2016;

2. Thanks the Working Group for the proposal of a one-day Wānanga which has given way for the sacred Hikoi at this GSTHW;
3. Commits to holding a two-day Bicultural Partnership Wānanga between this GSTHW and GSTHW 2020;
4. Asks the Working Group to plan for that event in consultation with General Synod Standing Committee;
5. Encourages Tikanga Māori and Tikanga Pākehā to hold their own Wānanga respectively before the Bicultural Partnership Wānanga;
6. Encourages youth participation at all Bicultural Partnership Wānanga;
7. Requests the Working Group continue implementing Motion 23 with appropriate funding;
8. Extends the scope of Motion 23 to include Canon 20 Common Life and Partnership, resource sharing and a review of the Constitution/Te Pouhere and
9. Asks the Working Group to report back to GSTHW 20.

The Rev'd Sione Ulu'ilakepa sought leave of Synod/Hīnota to introduce a motion without notice, for immediate debate.

Agreed.

Notice of Motion 26

Mover: The Rev'd S Uluilakepa

Seconded: Mrs A Narawa

In the Spirit of which our Primates, The Most Rev'd Philip Richardson and The Most Rev'd Dr Winston Halapua extended during the 2018 Oceania FONO and invited the Bishop of the Episcopal Diocese of Hawaii and Northern Pacific to our Vaka in Suva, and in the light of the experiences and trauma facing our people in Hawaii from the volcanic eruption that threatens lives, livelihood, and emotionally and spiritually impacts our brothers and sisters in Christ in Hawaii;

It is therefore proposed that through our three Primates and General Secretary, do extend our sympathy and solidarity in prayers and continue to intercede for the people of Hawaii during this time of hardship;

And to extend our aroha and ongoing support from this Synod/Hīnota to our brothers and sisters in Christ at this time.

Agreed

Church Army Acknowledgement

Captain Peter Lloyd acknowledged the passing of Captain Philip Clark in 2017, who was the National Director for Church Army New Zealand.

The President offered up prayers on behalf of the Synod/Hīnota for the late Captain Philip Clark, his wife Monika, their children Michael and Emily, and The Church Army in New Zealand.

Confirmation of Minutes

That the minutes of Monday 7th May be confirmed.

Agreed

Confirmation of Bills

The President moved from the Chair that:

Bill No 7 A Bill intituled 'Title B Canon I Amendment Statute', 2018.

Bill No 25 A Bill intituled 'The Finance Statute', 2018.

Bill No 26 A Bill intituled ' Title B Canon XXII Amendment Statute', 2018.

Bill No 20 A Bill intituled 'Title D Canon I and Title D Canon II Amendment Statute', 2018.

Bill No 21 A Bill intituled 'The Title G Canon XIV Amendment Statute', 2018.

Bill No 22 A Bill intituled 'The Title B Canon XXXVIII "Of the recognition of Christian Communities" Amendment Statute', 2018.

Bill No 23 A Bill intituled 'The Title A Canon I, Title A Canon II and Title B Canon XXI Amendment Statute', 2018.

Bill No 24 A Bill intituled 'The Constitution/Te Pouhere Amendment Statute', 2018.

be confirmed.

Agreed

Bill No 15

A Bill intituled 'The Title B Canon XXXIV Amendment Statute', 2018.

On the motion of The Ven Dr P Reynolds, seconded by The Rev'd T Malcolm, the principle of the Bill was agreed to by Synod/Hīnota.

On the motion of The Ven Dr P Reynolds, seconded by The Rev'd T Malcolm, Synod/Hīnota moved into Committee to consider the Bill.

Synod/Hīnota resumed.

The Committee reported to Synod/Hīnota that Bill No 15 had been passed without amendment.

On the motion of The Ven Dr P Reynolds, seconded by The Rev'd T Malcolm, the decision of Committee was taken as the decision of Synod/Hīnota with the confirmation of the Bill to be considered immediately.

Agreed

Confirmation of Bill No 15

The President moved from the Chair that:

Bill No 15 A Bill intituled 'The Title B Canon XXXIV Amendment Statute', 2018

be confirmed.

Agreed

Procedural Motion

The President sought the leave of Synod/Hīnota to grant speaking rights to Mr Michael Hartfield (Anglican Missions Board).

Agreed

Motion 20

A Framework to Enhance Resilience to Climate Change and Disasters – 2025

1: Mr I Beach

2: Mr F Tevi

That this General Synod / Te Hinota Whanui 2018:

Noting the development of a framework called ***Taking Climate Action into our Hands*** and acknowledging the direction from the 2016 General Synod/ Te Hinota Whanui that identified climate change as a significant threat, and

That in response, the youth of the 3T Church developed this framework to guide the Anglican Church in strengthening resilience and building on the many good initiatives that are already being implemented;

Recognises that Maori, Pasefika and indigenous knowledge incorporates and manifests unique and powerful understandings of humanity's relationship to God's creation and offers solutions to the human-made challenges we face with Climate Change. These solutions include technological, theological, philosophical components expressed in examples such as Archbishop Winston Halapua's Moana Theology, through to the Waitangi Tribunal Report Wai 262 Ko Aotearoa Tenei/This is New Zealand the latter of which articulates matauranga Maori concepts including whanaungatanaga, kaitiakitanga and manaakitanga.

Notes the gratitude of the Diocese of Polynesia and the youth of the 3T Church for the resources to develop a diocesan strategy on climate resilience. This strategy was adopted at the last Diocesan Synod in April 2018.

Acknowledges the immense contribution to date of the Anglican Missions Board in accompanying the youth in the development of this Diocesan climate resilience strategy;

Noting the deep appreciation and common sense of purpose by the members of the 2018 Oceania Anglican FONO to roll out this training for them as well;

Acknowledging that we hold the wellbeing of our world in our hands and are called to be responsible stewards in caring for God's creation;

Noting that we as a church, play a particularly important role in community life, which extends to being a 'first-responder' following natural disasters. Increasingly, churches are focusing on disaster preparedness, risk reduction and building resilience;

Recognizing the actions we need to take to build climate resilience in our Church include:

1. **Climate Vulnerability/Resilience mapping** - Engage in assessing parish/community levels of climate resilience through Community Integrated Vulnerability Assessment (CIVA) and Geographical Information System (GIS).
2. **Develop CIVA QGIS training plan for Tikanga Maori (2019) and Tikanga Pakeha (2020)** ensuring that the Strategy is fit for purpose, complements existing training programmes and will fit with existing church strategic structures. It is noted that the richness and the value of the Strategy depends on collaboration, consensus and the togetherness of the community
3. **Future-proof assets** - The 3T Church has human resources (including ministers and congregations), physical resources (including churches and schools) and extensive networks. Get church assets ready for the impacts of climate change, make climate-smart investments, and prepare for effective recovery and reconstruction.
4. **Plan** - Develop simple and clear disaster risk reduction and climate change adaptation plans for churches across the 3T Church to be ready to provide early warning, respond and recover well from natural disasters including taking care of people's emotional needs.
5. **Plan** – rolling out the CIVA/QGIS training to other members of the Anglican FONO in 2018 – 2019
6. **Recruit champions** – Establish 'champions' or 'ambassadors' for climate resilience, with a particular focus on young people.

Rejoicing in the creativity and power of people working,

1. Tasks each Diocese and Hui Amorangi to demonstrate its commitment to this urgency by:
 - (i) Creating a strategy for, and resourcing of, local and regional responses to climate change based on the principles above adapted as adopted to reflect local circumstances, and
 - (ii) Approving these strategies at their synods in 2018 or 2019
2. Requests GSTHW create a new role of Climate Commissioner to help further this work, and to appoint a group to scope and define this role and budget to support it, with a significant proportion of the role and resource based in the Diocese of Polynesia, recognizing its people are on the front line of climate change.
 - (i) The Climate Commissioner works with dioceses and hui amorangi to weave their plans into a multi-faceted Climate Change Action Plan for the Province to be submitted to GSTHW 2020.

The President moved from the Chair that due to lack of time, further discussion be deferred.

Agreed

Synod/Hīnota adjourned for morning tea at 10.45am and resumed at 11.10am. The Most Rev'd Philip Richardson in the Chair and subsequent hand over to The Most Rev'd Dr Winston Halapua.

Procedural Motion

The President sought leave of the Synod/Hīnota to grant speaking rights to Mr S Hiha (Principal, Te Aute College), Mrs L Percy (Principal, Hukarere College), Rev'd D Lambert (Chaplain, Te Aute College), students, and Mr S Jacobi (Member, Te Aute Trust Board).

Agreed

Te Aute Trust Board Report

Mr S Hiha (Principal, Te Aute College), Rev'd D Lambert (Chaplain, Te Aute College), Mrs L Percy (Principal, Hukarere College), The Most Rev'd D Tamihere (Chair, Te Aute Trust Board), Mr Matthew Hiha (Student, Te Aute College), Miss Maria Reti (Student, Hukarere College) and Mr S Jacobi (former Chair, Te Aute Trust Board) spoke to the report.

The President moved that the report be received.

Agreed

The Most Rev'd P Richardson sought leave of the Synod/Hīnota to introduce a motion without notice, for immediate debate.

Agreed

Notice of Motion 27 The Future of Mission: Te Aute and Hukarere Kareti

Mover: The Most Rev'd P Richardson

Second: The Most Rev'd D Tamihere

Preamble:

The mission of Tikanga Maori always has been and always will be intimately connected to the life and wellbeing of whanau, hapu, and iwi.

Our Kura have been key sites of this engagement and intersection between Church and whanau, hapu and iwi. They have been spaces where we have deliberately and purposefully grown vital mission capacity. Te Pihopitanga o Aotearoa would not exist without these Kura.

In recent decades we have lost this dynamic with the schools. Years of underinvestment have worn down their missional reach. We acknowledge the Church has started to address this in recent years.

We need deeper and fresh investment to ensure these Kura can fulfil this potential as key drivers of mission for Tikanga Maori. This investment includes knowledge, networks, finances, time, human

capacity, and prayer. It also requires a commitment from the whole Church to enable our Kura to continue to thrive.

This will enable the schools to help us meet the challenges of the future, especially including climate change, with a focus on developing indigenous-led scientific, technological, cultural and theological answers to this existential problem.

THAT this General Synod/ Te Hinota Whanui 2018

1. Receives with thanks the report of the Te Aute Trust Board and conveys its gratitude to all those who have assisted the recovery of Te Aute me Hukarere and who are working to position the Kura for the future.
2. Expresses its unequivocal and prayerful support to the Kura as key drivers of mission in Tikanga Maori and in the wider Church.
3. Calls upon the various boards and other bodies affiliated to the Church to join in reaffirming and empowering this mission.

Agreed

St Stephen's & Queen Victoria Schools Trust Board

Mr Bernard Te Paa (Chair), spoke to the report.

The President moved that the report be received.

Agreed

Motion 17

St Stephen's and Queen Victoria Schools Trust Board Trustees Appointment

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| 1. | The Rt Rev'd TK Pikaahu | 2. | Rev'd K Eruera |
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That this General Synod / te Hīnota Whānui 2018 resolves that:

In accordance with Standing Resolution SRA5(b) Mr Bernard Te Paa and the Rev'd John Fairbrother are reappointed to the Board.

Agreed

Motion 18

St Stephen's and Queen Victoria Schools Trust Board Trust Deed Amendments

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| 1. | The Rt Rev'd TK Pikaahu | 2. | Rev'd K Eruera |
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That this General Synod / te Hīnota Whānui 2018 resolves that:

The requested administrative amendments to the Trust Deed of the St Stephen's and Queen Victoria Schools Trust Board in the following schedule be approved:

Schedule:

10.9 Under this clause the Trustees shall adopt the recommendation of the auditor in respect to remuneration of trustees.

Trustees request that should be amended as it is not the role for an auditor to advise on or approve remuneration of Trustees.

Trustees request that clause be amended to allow reasonable remuneration to be paid to Trustees on the basis that the level of remuneration is advised to and approved by General Synod /te Hīnota Whānui, or the General Synod Standing Committee when General Synod /te Hīnota Whānui is not in session.

13.3 This clause requires Trustees to undertake an annual review.

It is suggested this clause be amended to allow for biennial reviews to be undertaken to align with the sitting of Synod/Hīnota.

14.1 This clause requires two Trustees to attest to the affixing of the Common Seal of the Trust.

Trustees seek an amendment to allow the affixing of the Common Seal to be attested by two Trustees or a Trustee and a person nominated by Trustees such as the Kaiwhakahaere/CEO of the Trust.

This amendment aligning the requirements for the signing of contracts and documents with other incorporated charitable Trusts.

Agreed

St John's College Trust Board

Mr Kevin Wearne (Chair), spoke to the report.

The President moved that the report be received.

Agreed

Synod/Hīnota adjourned for lunch at 12.45 and resumed at 1.45pm. The Most Rev'd Donald Tamihere in the Chair.

Motion 14 amended

Formal apology to Ngati Tapu and Ngaitamarawaho of Tauranga Moana

1. The Most Rev'd P Richardson

2. The Rt Rev'd N Katene

That this General Synod / Te Hīnota Whānui 2018:

1. Apologises to Nga Iwi o Tauranga Moana, whanui tonu, for the yielding and loss of the Te Papa mission lands and commits to continue to pray for a final and mutually agreeable settlement to the Tauranga Moana land case before the Waitangi Tribunal; and,
2. Notes that a parcel of land in Tauranga Moana of approximately 1300 acres known as the “Te Papa Block,” is the subject of concern for the Otamataha Trust representing Ngati Tapu and Ngaitamarawaho; and,
3. Receives the report “Naboth’s Vineyard: Towards reconciliation in Tauranga Moana,” researched and presented by Dr Alistair Reese, which details the concerns regarding the disposal of this land by the Church Missionary Society Central Lands Board to the colonial government in 1866. (See Synod papers) The lands were transferred “ka tuku, ka hoko” in 1838 by the then Church Missionary Society Central Land Board in Tauranga under the care and oversight of Archdeacon Alfred Brown to be held in Trust for Mana Whenua. The land was held and deployed for many years in line with the hapu’s intention. These Te Papa lands were finally and reluctantly yielded by the Church Missionary Society Central Land Board to the Crown under great pressure from the colonial government and following many expressions of concern, in exchange for one-fifth of the surveyed sections of land; and,
4. Is of the opinion that the pressure placed by the colonial government on the Church Missionary Society Central Land Board to yield the Te Papa Block for sale in March 1866 was undue and inappropriate. This process meant that the cultural and moral obligation described in clause 7 was not met by the then Church Missionary Society Central Land Board; and,
5. Is of the opinion that the pressure on the Church Missionary Society Central Land Board to yield the Te Papa Mission lands constitutes a breach of the Treaty of Waitangi/te Tiriti o Waitangi principles in terms of the Crown’s obligations regarding partnership, protection and participation of Maori gifted /sold land for particular purposes, as well as a breach of local Maori rangatiratanga of Maori land sold in good faith for a particular purpose, and held in Trust by a recipient body for that purpose only, namely the then Church Missionary Society Central Land Board; and,
6. Is affirming of the Waitangi Tribunal hearing of the Tauranga Moana land case as a whole noting the public support of the tribunal hearing process in September of 1987 by the Right Reverend Peter Atkins, the then Bishop of Waiapu; and,
7. That the General Synod/Te Hīnota Whānui acknowledges the moral force of the report of the Bicultural Commission of the Anglican Church on the Treaty of Waitangi, Te Ripoata o te Komihana mo te Kaupapa Tikanga Rua mo te Tiriti o Waitangi 1986, where in Appendix 1, page 44, there is included the article by Chief Judge E.T.J. Durie “The Maori understanding of a gift compared to the law of charities.” Chief Judge Durie states that there is no necessary difference between sale and gift in terms of Māori understanding of land passing from them to others. There is to be a continuing relationship between the donor and donee either way. There is a greater duty to the donor than to others, and the acknowledgement of the donor’s interest. The General Synod/Te Hīnota Whānui considers that these principles apply in full to the Tauranga mission lands of Te Papa, where consultation with hapu over the story of the land and it’s respective sales and use, is right and proper, with a view to seeking restorative and reconciliatory outcomes; and,
8. Affirms the actions in 1997 of the Most Reverend Te Whakahuihui Vercoe as Pihopa o Aotearoa, in partnership with the Right Reverend George Connor, Bishop in the Bay of Plenty of the

Diocese of Waiapu, and Mr Don Shaw of the Tauranga Moana Māori pastorate, in facilitating the return of a smaller parcel of the remaining Church Missionary Society land to the Tauranga Moana Otamataha Trust, being the appropriate trust to receive these particular tribal assets, representing the Ngati Tapu and Ngaitamarawaho peoples of Tauranga Moana; and,

9. Affirms the request of Archbishop Philip Richardson on behalf of the Primates in asking Archbishop Emeritus David Moxon to liaise on their behalf with appropriate Anglican parties and the Otamataha Trust to seek to achieve a measure of restorative action and reconciliation relating to the Te Papa land loss. Noting that the Anglican parties include the Bishop of Waiapu, te Pihopa o Te Manawa o Te Wheke and the National Director of the NZ Church Missionary Society (NZCMS) Trust Board, recognising that today's NZCMS Trust Board is not legally related to the nineteenth century Church Missionary Society Central Land Board; and,
10. Asks the Archbishop of the New Zealand Dioceses and te Pihopa o Aotearoa to report progress of the interested parties as noted, to the Standing Committee of General Synod/Te Hīnota Whānui; and,
11. Empowers the Standing Committee of General Synod/Te Hīnota Whānui to support and endorse any actions needed and any applications made to church entities, trusts or donors in the restorative justice process involved above as the committee sees fit.

Agreed (without dissent)

Synod/Hīnota adjourned for afternoon tea at 2.50pm and resumed at 3.30pm. The Most Rev'd Philip Richardson in the Chair.

Confirmation of Minutes

That the minutes of Tuesday 9th May be confirmed.

Agreed

**Motion 20 continued (from morning session above)
A Framework to Enhance Resilience to Climate Change and Disasters – 2025**

Agreed

**Motion 8
Youth Representation**

1. The Rev'd J Crosse

2. Ms A Hepi

Preamble:

At the Tikanga Youth Synod (TYS) in June 2017, the matter of the level of youth representation on governing bodies was discussed and identified as an issue.

TYS delegates wish to identify the current level of youth representation on governing bodies.

That this General Synod / te Hīnota Whānui 2018:

Mandate General Synod Standing Committee and the Tikanga Toru Youth Commission (T3YC) to undertake a study of youth representation on church governing bodies in the province (3-Tikanga and Tikanga level bodies) within the next 12 months.

Agreed

**Motion 9
Mental Health Awareness Training**

1. Ms M Martin

2. Mr B Behm

Preamble:

At the Tikanga Youth Synod (TYS) in June 2017, the issue of the unsatisfactory level of mental health awareness and discussion in the Church was identified as a priority, especially as so many people are affected by mental health in one way or another. TYS delegates wish to increase discussion and awareness of mental health, especially among clergy and lay leaders, as well as youth leaders, through current training and ministry formation programmes.

That this General Synod / te Hīnota Whānui 2018:

Encourage clergy and lay leaders, including youth leaders, within each Diocese/Amorangi to participate in workshops and/or training programmes, led and supported by the Social Justice Unit, on mental health awareness, as part of their ministry training and ongoing formation, in the hope of integrating that learning into their ministry units.

Agreed

**Motion 10
Shareable Resources**

1. Mr I Beach

2. The Rev'd C Barrie

Preamble:

At the Tikanga Youth Synod in June 2017, the notion of resource sharing across ministry units was proposed.

It was identified that each ministry unit has different skills, equipment, facilities and so on, and that a list of such shareable resources could be made available to surrounding ministry units across the province and Tikanga.

Tikanga Youth Synod Auckland delegates took this proposal on a Diocesan level to the 2017 Synod of the Diocese of Auckland.

That this General Synod / te Hīnota Whānui 2018:

Ask each episcopal unit to:

- identify and create a list of shareable resources (skills, equipment, facilities and so on) from amongst its ministry units, collated according to region, and
- distribute this list to all their ministry units, and
- these lists then be distributed to other episcopal units through the General Synod Office.

Mr Isaac Beach sought the leave of Synod/Hīnota to amend the motion.

Agreed

**Motion 10 amended
Shareable Resources**

1. Mr I Beach

2. The Rev'd C Barrie

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That this General Synod / te Hīnota Whānui 2018:

Ask each episcopal unit to:

- identify and create a list of shareable resources (skills, equipment, facilities and so on) from amongst its ministry units, collated according to region, and
- distribute this list to all their ministry units, and
- these lists then be distributed to other episcopal units through the General Synod Office.
- And asks General Synod Office to report progress in 12 months' time.

Agreed

**Motion 16
Standing Order 69 Amendment**

1. Mr B Bang

2. The Rev'd P Carroll

That this General Synod / te Hīnota Whānui, 2018 goes into Committee to consider an amendment to Standing Order 69.

Whereas, the General Synod Standing Committee has requested the Statutes and Canons Committee to propose an amendment to Standing Orders to prohibit any reporting, including via social media, of debate and resolutions when Synod is still in 'Committee of the whole Synod/ te Hinota':

That this General Synod / te Hīnota Whānui, 2018

Add at the end of Standing Order 69 the words:

'Except that the proceedings of the Committee shall not be published, via any medium, until the Committee has reported back to the Synod/te Hīnota.'

On the motion of Mr B Bang, seconded by The Rev'd P Carroll, Synod/Hīnota moved into Committee to consider the Motion.

Synod/Hīnota resumed.

The Committee reported to Synod/Hīnota that Motion 16 had been passed without amendment.

On the motion of Mr B Bang, seconded by The Rev'd P Carroll, the decision of Committee was taken as the decision of Synod/Hīnota.

Agreed

Motion 13

Title G Canon III 'Of Marriage' Review

1. The Rev'd R Bonifant
2. The Rev'd C Barrie

In light of the change in the legal definition of Marriage in Aotearoa New Zealand in 2013, that this General Synod / Te Hīnota Whānui:

Ask the Primates to set terms of reference and establish a working group to review Title G Canon III of Marriage with the aim of bringing recommendations to General Synod / Te Hīnota Whānui in 2020.

The Rev'd R Bonifant sought the leave of Synod/Hīnota to amend the motion.

Agreed

Motion 13 amended

Title G Canon III 'Of Marriage' Review

1. The Rev'd R Bonifant

2. The Rev'd C Barrie

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Ask the Primates to set terms of reference and establish a working group to review Title G Canon III of Marriage with the aim of bringing recommendations to General Synod / Te Hīnota Whānui in 2022.

Mr Ian Pask sought the leave of Synod/Hīnota to amend the amended motion.

Agreed

**Motion 13 amendment to the amended motion
Title G Canon III 'Of Marriage' Review**

1. The Rev'd R Bonifant

2. The Rev'd C Barrie

In light of the change in the legal definition of Marriage in Aotearoa New Zealand in 2013, that this General Synod / Te Hīnota Whānui:

Ask the Primates to set terms of reference and establish a working group to review Title G Canon III of Marriage including the question as to whether this church should remain an agent of the State in New Zealand for the purposes of solemnisation of marriages, given that the New Zealand State's understanding of Marriage and this Church's understanding of Marriage are no longer consonant, with the aim of bringing recommendations to General Synod / Te Hīnota Whānui in 2022.

Motion Lost

The President moved from the chair that Motions 23, 24, & 25 be referred to The General Synod Standing Committee.

Agreed

The President moved from the chair that the reports for the Anglican Communion Environmental Network, General Church Trust Board, and Bicultural Partnership be received.

Agreed

Acknowledgement and Thanks

The President thanked members of the Synod/Hīnota for their work, and acknowledged the Presidency of The Most Rev'd Winston Halapua.

Evening Prayers

The Grace was prayed in English, Maori and Tongan.

Synod/te Hīnota adjourned at 5.30pm and resumed at 7.00pm for dinner.

Synod/Hīnota Closing Dinner

The Most Rev'd Philip Richardson welcomed all members and guests to the closing dinner.

Acknowledgement and Thanks

The Most Rev'd Philip Richardson acknowledged and thanked the Youth Stewards, Ms Jax Clark, Observers, Visitors, Guests and in particular, The Ven Alan Perry, Ms Anne Hywood and The Rt Rev'd Nicholas Drayson, Chairs of Committee; The Rt Rev'd Te Kitohi Pikaahu, The Rev'd Jo Crosse, The Rev'd Sione Ulu'ilakepa, Registrar Managers for 'In Committee' recording, Minute Takers; Ms Paula Jakeman and Mrs Colleen Kaye, Media Team; Mr Lloyd Ashton, Ms Julianne Clark-Morris, Mr Roy Pilott, General Synod Office Staff; Ms Marissa Alix, Mrs Vanda Breslin, The Rev'd Jacynthia Murphy, The Rev'd Michael Hughes (General Secretary), Bible Study Team, Prayer Group, Legal Advisors; Mr Bruce Gray, Mr Jeremy Johnson, and the Host Team, in particular Ms Belinda Holmes, Ms Natalie Kennaugh and Mr Simon Cayley.

Acknowledgment of the Most Rev'd Dr Winston Halapua and the Rt Rev'd Api Qiliho

The Most Rev'd Philip Richardson led a number of informal speeches by Synod/ Hīnota members acknowledging and honouring Archbishop Halapua and Bishop Qiliho for their service to this Church, and especially to the General Synod/ te Hīnota Whānui, as Priests, Bishops, and Archbishop, on this their last attendance at the Synod/ Hīnota.

The formal acknowledgement and farewell of both Archbishop Halapua and Bishop Qiliho will occur in Fiji at the time of the General Synod Standing Committee meeting in July.

Presentation by the Diocese of Polynesia

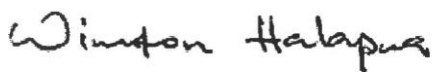
A presentation of a Tabua (whale's tooth) was made to The Most Rev'd Philip Richardson and The Most Rev'd Donald Tamihere by members and observers from the Diocese of Polynesia.

A Samoan toko and fue (staff and fly whisk) were presented to the Most Rev'd Donald Tamihere as the Archbishop of Tikanga Maori.

Synod/te Hīnota Closing

The Synod/te Hīnota adjourned at 10.20pm.

Signed by the Presidents



W Halapua
Primate and Archbishop



P Richardson
Primate and Archbishop



D Tamihere
Primate and Archbishop