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# 2009 Annual Reports & Statements

Each year as I write this brief note I'm glad I don't have to type something like "These reports show the people are in good heart". As I've told many of you over the years, I tend to think that phrase is code for "The place is dying on its knees, the people don't have any idea of what a church should be doing, but at least they aren't taking it out on each other".

As you read these reports, considering them in comparison with those of past years, I trust you'll see the same progression and growth that I perceive. As a group we are coming to understand more and more clearly our mission and are seeking to carry that mission out in a purposeful way. Such an observation does not imply that we're better, more committed or more spiritual than we were in the past, but rather that we're growing.

Our hope as a church is that in the future, as we grow, and as we are joined by others, that our knowledge and commitment will continue to increase. We won't be afraid that future generations will 'show us up' through their achievements, but rather we'll be thankful to God that we've had the opportunity to contribute toward their attainments. We'll believe this church's most fruitful days lie in a faithful future.

This year, and in years to come our reports will be transitioning as we seek to report not only what has been done, but hopefully, with God's blessing, what our future aspirations are. We look back, not to take solace in past glories, but rather to be encouraged to strive for future fruit for the kingdom.

Gary.

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Mount Gambier, Allison St.  
10am - including Sunday School and crèche  
5:30pm - Evening worship

#### **1st and 3rd Sundays:**

9:30am (EST) - Nelson & 11am - Allendale

#### **5th Sunday**

10am - Combined Service at Mount Gambier

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## Session Review

**Why Session exists:** Session is made up of elders who are elected by the church members for the purpose of overseeing the spiritual wellbeing of the congregation.

**What Session does:** The elders lead and guard the church by, amongst other things, providing teaching and training; organizing programs designed to build up the congregation and equip them for ministry, leadership, etc. encourages people to be involved in the activities of the church.

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**Meets:** 7:30pm 4<sup>th</sup> Monday of the month

It gives me much pleasure to present this report on behalf of Session on a very busy and fruitful 2009.

Session was again represented at Assembly and Presbytery by Roger Bannister. We pass on our thanks to Roger for his work as our representative.

Seven new members were added to the Communicants Roll by Profession of Faith during the year.

Our Minister conducted one infant baptism and two adult baptisms during the year.

Special services held included Harvest Thanksgiving Services, Christmas Day Services at Mount Gambier and Nelson, Good Friday Services at Mount Gambier and Nelson and a Carols Service at Mount Gambier.

We were once again privileged to have the Director of Creation Research, John Mackay conduct a week of ministry with us. John spoke in the Millicent High School, conducted a Home School information night, ran a family field trip and conducted a Marriage and Family Seminar.

The Sacraments of the Lord's Supper was celebrated monthly at the morning services at Allison Street. Communion Services were held quarterly at Nelson and Allendale.

A camp was held at Karnkendi Campsite during the year.

One thousand Challenge Newspapers were distributed prior to our Christmas and Easter services.

A Mission Budget was once again set for the year with our main offering support going to Matthew Byrne, P.I.M., Mission Partners (A.P.W.M.) and School Chaplains. Other Missionaries were supported by various groups within the church as well.

The Tear Australia Fund was again supported this

year through the greatest gift catalogue. We thank Sharna Morgan for her work in this.

PresAid was generously supported through our Christmas Day offerings.

Our support of the Streams of Living Waters Orphanage in Medan, Indonesia came to an end during the year. This may be replaced by support to the Presbyterian Church of East Timor. Our Pastor, Gary Ware and Elder Roger Bannister both visited the East Timor church during the year.

Session is greatly encouraged by the overwhelming generosity of all our people for the generosity they have shown in supporting mission work in our own country and to the nations. Well done everyone, and thank you.

Visitors to our charge during the year included Cameron and Carmel McKenzie from P.I.M. and Rev Rob Duncanson, pastor of Darwin Presbyterian Church.

Another successful Holiday Muster was held during the January holidays.

The Sunday morning prayer meeting has continued throughout the year with encouraging results. Session would like to encourage everyone to give serious thought to prayer for that is what brought the church into being and it will continue to see it grow. Pray for your Pastors and elders too.

Three Growth Groups have been established during the year and have enjoyed great fellowship together.

Gary Ware has continued to lead the Youth Group.

Harvey McBain represented us on the Karnkendi Committee where he serves as Secretary. Marion Stuckey has again filled the position of non-attending Treasurer. Ian Touzel has served as Chairman. Thanks go to Harvey, Marion and Ian. Ian stepped down as Chairman early in the

year when Alan Clarkson resumed his role.

During the year we were saddened by the passing of seven of our loved and faithful members, Lorraine Ellis, Alec Roberts, Gordon Jones, Mona Kelly, Ken Wright, Effie Bertram, and Jim Stafford.

Further progress was made in formulating and presenting the Mission Action Plan to the church. This was done at a workshop that was held to gather input from the congregation. This was very successful and fruitful. We are now in the process of establishing more Growth Groups within the church.

The I.D.E.A. (Initiative, Direction, Encouragement, Assistance.) groups have been meeting regularly and have made considerable progress in presenting recommendations to Session and establishing strategies for each area of ministry.

As a reminder, our five groups are:

- ◇ Worship. Gary Ware and Paul Frost.
- ◇ Christian Education/Biblical Training. Ian Touzel, Alan Fox.
- ◇ Global Mission. Roger Bannister.
- ◇ Evangelism. (combined with Biblical Training at this stage).
- ◇ Ministries of Mercy. Graeme Hamilton.

During the year, Brian Johnson was appointed administrator of Breaking the Silence.

Gary Ware attended the bi-annual Preaching Conference at Sydney Mission and Bible College in Sydney and greatly appreciated the teaching he received from world renowned teachers.

Gary Ware was appointed Interim Moderator of the vacant Naracoorte Parish and Ian Touzel was appointed Interim Moderator of the vacant Wattle Range Parish.

Two Congregational Meetings were held during the year to approve changes to Terms of Settlement in regard to phone usage and to approve the releasing of funds to purchase new chairs for the chapel.

Session is appreciative of the efforts of all our musicians who give of their time and talent in providing such a high level of music each week in our worship services. Thank you, your ministry has been greatly appreciated.

We especially would like to thank everyone who has served in the KRA. You have carried out an important part of ministry and we would like to thank you all most sincerely. Our thanks go to Diana Zwijnenburg who accepted the role as co-

ordinator of KRA.

We would also thank all the members of Federal Board for the excellent job they have done in administering the finances and property management.

Session would particularly like to thank our Pastor, Gary Ware and his family for their hard work in our charge. We thank them for their commitment, leadership and encouragement and we wish every blessing from Almighty God upon them.

Likewise, we pass on the same thanks and wishes to our Assistant Pastor Ian Touzel and his family. We would especially thank Ian for the work he does that goes far beyond his responsibilities and our expectations of him.

Our thanks go out to everyone who has taken on the role of an Office Bearer on the many groups that operate in our Charge. And to all the groups that have worked and fellowshiped together. Thank you for your ministry to one another.

As we have witnessed your fellowship, your care for one another, your generosity and your commitment to the ministry in this place we can echo the words of Paul when he said, "I thank God for your partnership in the gospel".

Thank you one and all, it has been a joy to work with you.

Alan Fox  
Session Clerk

## Federal Board of Management

**Why the Board exists:** To manage the church's properties and finances on behalf of the congregation.

**What the Board does:** Operates the church bank accounts, sets an annual church budget; encourages regular, sacrificial giving; promotes commitment to world missions; purchases new equipment; maintains all the church's properties.

**Opportunities for service:** If you have gifts and abilities for administration, financial management, record keeping, a passion for world missions or practical maintenance skills then there is an opportunity for you to contribute to the Board's ministry.

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**Phone:** 8724 9230

**Meets:** 7:30pm 2nd Monday of the month

### Membership

The Board membership in 2009 was: Rev Gary Ware, the elders ex officio, and Pat Hamilton, Diana Hughes, Deb Thompson, Ruben Zandman and Jeroen Zwinenburg. Vivienne Peate and Barry McBride were elected to the Board in July 2009.

### Office Bearers

Chairman - Rev G. Ware delegated to elder Alan Fox, Treasurer - Pat Hamilton, Assistant Treasurer – Diana Hughes, Secretary - Jeroen Zwinenburg, Public Officer - Elder Roger Bannister.

### Structure of Board

In September two sub-committees were formed; the Property sub-committee – chair Roger Bannister; Debbie Thompson, Ian Ferguson, Gavin Megaw and Ron Jones; the Finance sub-committee – chair Jeroen Zwinenburg; Pat Hamilton, Vivienne Peate, Diana Hughes and Ruben Zandman. These sub-committees deal with the day-to-day issues in the fields of Property and Finance as well as prepare proposals in relation to strategic issues for presentation at Board.

### Country Properties

#### Allendale

The property is in good condition. The cypress trees were removed in 2009 and a new back and side fences have been put up in cooperation with the neighbors.

#### Nelson

The building is in fair condition. Fire precautionary works were performed early summer 2009 by the council.

Previous discussions between the Board and the Karnkendi Camp management committee over long term use of the Nelson church property by the Camp have been concluded by the Karnkendi Camp management committee withdrawing the request for the lease.

The Board thanks the Manser family for their on-going cleaning of the building and the maintenance of the grounds.

### Mount Gambier

#### Allison St

Grounds: The Allison St. grounds are well cared for. Ned Morrison has for many years devoted himself to watering the garden beds and mowing the grounds. Since December November 2009 the lawn-mowing is done by a contractor and the Board expressed its thanks to Ned Morrison for his ministry over these years.

The annual working bees were held in July and October. Both working bees focused on routine tasks including cleaning and gardening. An emergency test fire drill was held in November 2009.

The kitchen was cleaned and sealed professionally late February. Other areas are cleaned by a faithful band of volunteers, but since November M.C. Cleaning has been engaged to clean the hall once a month. Volunteers continue to clean the area in within this period and this ministry is greatly appreciated.

2009 Ian Ferguson - property convener – has addressed regular property issues. We are thankful for his work in this area.

As part of the Board's stewardship of the resources God has entrusted the church with, the following maintenance was undertaken or major items purchased:

- ◇ Electrical equipment was tag tested early in the year;
- ◇ A cable management strip was put in for the church platform;
- ◇ Back door ramp and railing was put in place;
- ◇ Northern and western boundaries' fence lines were sprayed;

- ◇ Steel shelving was bought for the pastor's office;
- ◇ A lock on the door of the crèche was installed;
- ◇ A portable P.A. System was purchased mid year from Philtronic;
- ◇ The ladies toilet was repaired;
- ◇ A deadlock was installed on the kitchen door;
- ◇ The rose garden was sprayed;
- ◇ New chairs for the church were purchased late 2009, which arrived early February 2010;
- ◇ An electronic drum kit, including drum sticks, cable and drum stool was purchased;
- ◇ The cement walkway was cleaned with a high-pressure cleaner;
- ◇ A new sign on Penola road was erected, and;
- ◇ The emergency exit lights were repaired and replaced

#### Manse

The manse is in good condition. During the year no major repairs have taken place.

#### Title Deeds

The Board was informed by the General Manager of the Presbyterian Church of Victoria that the title of the Nelson church property was now in the name of the PCV Trust Corporation. The Board paid the related fees. The transfer of the title deeds for Allison Street and Allendale have not yet been completed.

#### Missions

It was confirmed that mission giving would come out of the regular giving and any envelopes dedicated to mission would be accounted for under regular giving and not be specified.

In addition to the allocated general mission budget of \$4,000, equally split between the Red Sea Team International – Matthew B., Presbyterian Inland Mission (Flynn Patrol) and Mount Gambier Schools Ministry Group (school chaplaincy) and Mission Partners (APWM), another \$150 per week or \$600 per month was allocated.

As part of this church's vision for missions and the ministry of mercy the congregation continued to provide this support to the Streams of Living Waters Orphanage, Medan, Indonesia to provide food for the orphanage's children for the first 6 months of 2009. Since then this budget (\$3,600) was allocated to the Darwin Presbyterian Church, the APWM and PIM. The Darwin Presbyterian Church applied these funds to and to the building up of relations with the Evangelical Presbyterian Church of Timor Leste and related costs. Additionally, travel costs incurred for

Gary Ware in March 2009 and cost in relation to a second visit, this time by Roger Bannister, later in the year were financed.

Additionally, a number of other missions have been supported during the year:

Monies were received and passed on to the Victorian Bushfire relief donations via the Presbyterian Church of Penola (\$1,180).

A donation of \$500 to Creation Research occurred and another \$300 was donated to Gideon.

The proceeds of the Harvest auction (\$1,514) was split between APWM and Pioneers of Australia.

Pres Aid received a total of \$2,435.80.

Monies (\$455.10) were received and passed on to the Middle East Development Services Overseas Aid Fund for the Manly family.

Also a donation of \$250 was paid to CBMI in memory of Mona Kelly.

#### Finances

No fair was held in 2009. The Board expressed its appreciation to all who had been involved in the fair over the years.

In 2009 Board proposed and the congregation approved a monthly home phone and internet usage allowance for the pastor and assistant pastor.

Board increased the Public Liability from \$10 million to \$20 million during the year.

The Board also approved a request for an annual Care Ministries \$6,000 expense budget, facilitating more immediate availability of these funds at the time of need.

Some financial reporting changes took place during the year. During the 2009 year the various term deposits have been pulled together, allowing for further investment decisions in the 2010 year.

#### Thanks

The 2009 year has seen a continued giving to both the ministry of the local church and the wider mission to the nations. For further details see the 2009 Financial Report. The Board humbly acknowledges this offerings and gifts as a blessing from our Lord and Father who teaches us to return some of the abundance that he provides us with.

The Board recognizes and thanks all who give of their time, abilities and skills. In this way we can see the Holy Spirit being manifest amongst us to build the body of Christ. Thanks also to all individuals who and organisations that made donations during the 2009 year.

Jeroen Zwijnenburg, Secretary.

## Our Mission Partners

And Jesus came and said to them, "All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me. Go therefore and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, teaching them to observe all that I have commanded you. And behold, I am with you always, to the end of the age." **Matthew 28: 18 - 20**

During the early part of 2009 the Mission Idea Group for MGPC was formed. The initial membership of the group is: Tim Stubberfield and Barry and Glenys McBride, along with Roger Bannister and Muriel Hillyer (who has since retired from the group). Part of the function of this group is to prayerfully consider and examine our Church's mission activity of going, telling and aiding the Gospel and build on our Church's already extensive support base which has gradually been developing during past years.

It became evident to the Group that MGPC didn't have any guidelines for missions and so we set about putting together a document (mostly complete) which will act as a tool for us in our considerations of how we 'do' mission: our expectations and desired outcomes.

During the year we were pleased to welcome a number of missionaries and families into our midst. These included: Gerald and Kath Donker, along with their children; Alex and Sybil Shaw from Global Recordings; and Cameron, Carmel and Jacinta Mackenzie from Presbyterian Inland Mission.

In April of 2009, Gary, Rob Duncanson (pastor of the Darwin Presbyterian Church) and Robert Benn (moderator-general of the Presbyterian Church of Australia and former missionary) visited Timor Leste (East Timor). The wider Presbyterian Church in Australia is establishing links with the Evangelical Presbyterian Church of Timor Leste (EPC-TL), which came into existence in August 2008.

Given that our season of support for the Living Waters Orphanage has concluded, it seems providential and appropriate that we participate in supporting the going, telling and aiding of the EPC-TL. After the 2009 South Australian Assembly Robert Benn was able to visit our parish and provide us with insight and wisdom about our possible involvement with the EPC-TL. During October, we invited Rob Duncanson to come and speak to us regarding upcoming plans for leadership training with the EPC-TL. Following on from Rob's visit Roger Bannister was invited to join the team, comprising Rob and David Bourke (pastor of Orchard Rd Presbyterian Church, Singapore), which went to Timor Leste in November/December and conducted leadership train-

ing with great acceptance. Roger has been able to get a first hand impression of how MGPC can best support the EPC-TL as part of a growing partnership of churches here in Australia and around the world.

At this point it is anticipated that Rev. Arlindo Marcal, moderator of the EPC-TL, will be visiting Australia to coincide with the General Assembly of the Presbyterian Church of Australia, which will be conducted in September. Mount Gambier should be part of Rev. Marcal's itinerary, and this will be confirmed in the coming months. It is also hoped that the retiring director of the Australian Presbyterian World Mission, Bill Lutton and his wife Jenny may be able to visit us some time before they complete their term. If others become available we will seek to secure them.

In 2010 support will continue to be directed toward our existing partners and it is our desire to see a more relational, informed approach to our support of those we share in the good work with. To this end the mission prayer folders have been designed, distributed and circulated to keep you, the members informed with the 'latest' news regarding our partners in mission and at the same time providing prayer points and the opportunity for groups to communicate with our friends personally. We plan for a slight increase in financial giving to all whilst growing in our understanding of their work and fruit, lives and struggles.

Information relevant to mission is included in the church's monthly newsletter Connexions. We intend to ensure that the news which is contained there is as recent and relevant as possible.

Roger Bannister,  
Chair, Mission IDEA Group.

## Holiday Muster 2009 - 'God's Rescue Plan'

**Why the Holiday Muster exists:** To give primary school aged youth an opportunity to have a fun time during one week of the Summer Holidays, during which they can learn about God's Word by means of talks, songs, craft and games which are conducted in a Christian atmosphere.

**Opportunities for service:** Becoming part of our team in either a supporting or leading capacity.

From January 12-16, the Allison Street complex hosted the 2009 Holiday Muster. The theme was drawn from material provided by Kidwise child Christian Education resource website.

Over the four mornings 30 - 35 children gathered for learning and fun.

Our 2009 Muster was entitled: 'God's Rescue Plan' and its theme was the deliverance of God's people from Egypt, learning about God's preservation of baby Moses, Moses calling in the wilderness, Pharaoh's refusal to let God's people go, the plagues which Egypt suffered and, finally, the crossing of the Red Sea.

These lessons all point us to the ultimate salvation of God's people through the Lord Jesus.

Much enjoyment was had in singing lots of songs, including Pharaoh, Pharaoh. Craft activities and

games kept everyone engaged, morning tea kept them satisfied.

The week concluded with a sausage sizzle on Friday night at which a final teaching time was held, costumes were judged, songs were sung and the 2009 souvenir DVD premiered.

Having been led from captivity, a future Holiday Muster will focus on God's leading His people through the wilderness on the 'Journey to the Promised Land'.

Due to personal circumstances of many of the team members, no Holiday Muster was planned for January 2010.

## Youth Group

**Why the youth group exists:** To give Year 7+ youth opportunity to fellowship with their own age group and to bring friends along.

**What the youth group does:** Social activities such as bowling, mini golf, chalk chase; fund raising and service events for example carwash; as well as devotions, Bible studies, etc.

**Opportunities for service:** Providing music; leading devotions; more leaders.

**Contact:** Gary Ware

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**Meets:** 7:00pm Saturdays and other times by arrangement

Youth Group in 2009 continued on most Saturday nights during school terms.

Evenings alternated between social activities and Bible Studies.

The 'See For Yourself' studies published by the Presbyterian Church of Victoria were very helpful for study nights.

A variety of different diversions were enjoyed for our activities.

BBQs; bowling; games; movies; guitar hero and

progressive suppers were among our favourite nights.

Kathryn Ware, Ben Loef and Christine Ware provided invaluable support with the Touzels and other parents showing their interest with involvement at much needed times.

2010 will see some change with Kat, Ben and Christine all stepping aside, so we continue to trust that God will support our efforts in allowing our youth to meet for study and fun.

## Kidz R Alive

**What is Kidz 'R' Alive?** KRA is the Sunday School of the Mt Gambier Presbyterian Church.

**What does Kidz 'R' Alive do?** KRA meets most weeks of the School term, commencing after the Children's Talk during morning worship. Classes are provided for ages from Crèche to Senior Primary, during which God's Word is taught in a variety of age appropriate ways.

Activity folders are available for the use of children who remain with their families for the whole Worship Service, and are also available on the weeks when KRA is not conducted.

**Opportunities for Service:** Teachers are appointed by the Session. Those interested in serving as teachers or helpers should approach one of the elders.

Sunday school, Kids 're alive (KRA), Mount Gambier Presbyterian Church

KRA continued in 2009 in the same format as the previous year.

Again there were three groups: junior (Rec-yr 2), middle (yr 3-5) and teen group (yr 6-9), with 8-10 children in the first two and about 6-8 children in the last group. The children moved up according to their age/school year. Each group had 1 teacher and 1 helper during most of the sessions.

KRA sessions were conducted during school terms only.

Each term was divided in two blocks of 3-4 lessons. This meant that 8 blocks needed to be filled.

There were a total of 9 teachers: Vivienne Peate, Margaret Ware, Heather Touzel, Helen Cooper, Heather Frost, Jonathan Murcott, Robin Murcott, Christine Ware and Diana Zwijnenburg. And a total of 7 helpers: Deanna Ferguson, Jade Thompson, Anita Fox, Ronda Jones, Tiffany Matilla, Sandra Jones, Josie Aston. This meant 2 less teachers and 2 less helpers compared to 2008.

The series "On the way" were used as teaching material for the junior and middle group. These books contain different subjects and have been divided over a 4 year period, which can then be reused, because the children will have moved up by the time the lessons are repeated.

In 2009 the following subjects were taught in the junior group:

Elijah, Easter, In the Wilderness, Prayer, Joshua, Saul, Solomon and the Christmas story.

The following subjects were taught in the middle group: Samuel, John the Baptist, Jesus is King, Prayer, How God should be worshipped, Job and the problem of suffering, Jesus teaches about parables and Christmas questions.

The teen group were taught by Vivienne Peate,

who prepared her own material based on Bible studies and current world topics.

According to the requirement of the church policy, all teachers have completed the "Breaking the Silence" seminar. Most teachers and helpers have signed the Job description, which is based on the same principles.

There is a wide variety of material available, ready for use. Individual expense receipts were evaluated and paid by Board of Management

After a few teachers pulled out I have considered and discussed with the teachers and our mission focus group whether a proposal should be sent to session to have KRA just before or after church. It appeared that then at least two more teachers had to pull out and there were no new teachers added. This would make it even harder to fill the roster and therefore this idea was abandoned for the time being.

We are looking back on a blessed year. God has given us the responsibility to teach our children the ways of the Lord and we all have enthusiastically taken part in this. We are looking forward to teaching again in the next year.

Diana Zwijnenburg  
KRA coordinator

## Care & Concern - Coffee & Craft

**Why Care & Concern exists:** To support, show love to, encourage and help people in our church family, the community and overseas.

**What Care & Concern does:** Sends cards to those in special need; visiting; gives out knee rugs, and occasionally, food parcels; pays the postage on parcels of goods sent to India and Nepal; supports the Christian Blind Mission; and co-ordinates the Samaritan's Purse Christmas boxes. (Funds for these activities come from the *Coffee & Craft* group.)

**Opportunities for service:** Here's a ministry for you if you have gifts for showing mercy, such as visiting those in need. If you have handcraft skills there's always a need for squares to make knee rugs and soft toys for the Christmas boxes.

**Contact:** Yvonne Cherryman Phone: 8723 1047

**Meets:** 1:30 pm 2<sup>nd</sup> Tuesday in the month at the church hall

**Why Coffee & Craft exists:** Raises funds for *Care & Concern*, and aims to offer fellowship and to extend God's love to the community

**What Coffee & Craft does:** Various craft activities, for example knitting, crocheting; projects for missions such as scarves and beanies; squares and rugs for people in need locally; other projects as they arise.

**Opportunities for service:** You can share your craft knowledge by teaching others and learning new skills from them. As many of those attending are not connected with the church, there are opportunities for encouraging and exhorting one another.

**Contact:** Heather Touzel Phone: 8723 9317

**Meets:** 10am-12noon every Wednesday in the church hall during school terms.

**President:** Jean Brown

**Vice President:** Deanna Ferguson

**Minutes Secretary:** Rhonda Jones

**Correspondence Secretary:** Yvonne Cherryman

**Treasurer:** Mona Kelly / Glenys McBride

**Rug Convenor:** Deanna Ferguson

**Scarves & Beanies Convenor:** Muriel Hillyer

**Coffee & Craft Convenor:** Heather Touzel

**Auditor:** Marion Stuckey

We were saddened by the passing of Mona Kelly in June 2009, our friend and treasurer for many years. She was a wonderful caring member, who will be sadly missed by many. Our meetings were attended by 11 members and started and ended with devotions and prayer.

**Coffee and Craft:** The craft days are well attended and enjoyed by all and run caringly by Heather Touzel and other members. Some of the ladies prepare used stamps for Leprosy missions and approximately 4 kilos of stamps have been sent. Care and Concern provided morning tea on 4th November 2009 for Coffee and Craft ladies as well as the invited guests, who knit and crochet for us at home, as a thank you for all their craft efforts.

**Australia's Biggest Morning Tea:** This was held in May for cancer research, on a craft morning with

44 attending. We raised \$376.50 which included \$50 from Care and Concern. Care and Concern provided afternoon tea to invited guests at Woodlands Retirement Village on 6th June 2009, which was enjoyed by 25 residents.

**Knee Rugs:** 27 knee rugs delivered this year (725 rugs given out since 1997) with 15 given to Community Health, 2 to the hospital, smaller ones sent to Mission Partners for an orphanage overseas, and 4 rugs given locally to a family from Zimbabwe. Knitted items went to Guardian Angel through a Portland chemist to go to Salvation Army Australia. We gave 57 scarves and 93 beanies to the local Salvation Army, Mission Partners, and in the Christmas Boxes.

**Mission Partners:** 2 boxes and 6 large stripy bags of clothing, knitted items, material, cotton, patterns, stamps, machine sewn clothes, knitted slipper booties, singlets, knickers, rugs, coloured pencils, etc. were packed and kindly taken to Sydney free of charge by Scotts Agencies.

**Our Donations:** Christian Blind Missions for river blindness and cataracts, \$100 to Mission Partners, Samaritan's Purse for a water filter, \$100 to Meals for Mission, \$200 to Victorian Bushfire Appeal, \$100 to Make-a-Wish Foundation, \$100 for hand winding Gospel Recorder with 5 picture Bible story books. We continue to support Missionary Matthew Byrne with a monthly

contribution and a donation tin raised \$198.50.

**Operation Christmas Child:** 4 boxes from Care and Concern and 10 from Coffee and Craft with a total of 103 boxes to go to Cambodia and other countries. We receive donations of wool, crochet, knitted and machine sewn items and assorted goods for Christmas boxes. We continue visiting and giving support where needed and the giving of cards, fruit, cakes, biscuits and flowers.

Thank you to Rev Gary Ware for attending our meetings and a special thank you to my office

bearers, Deanna, Yvonne, and Rhonda, for their committed and helpful assistance and support during my 5 ½ year time as President, and to Glenys for stepping in as Treasurer and to all members for their caring support throughout the year. May your fellowship continue to serve and may God grant each of us wisdom and guidance for the coming year.

Jean Brown, President,  
10th November 2009.

*The 2009 Care and Concern Financial Statement is on pg 21.*



## Presbyterian Women's Association Mount Gambier Branch

**Why PWA exists:** To unite Christian women in fellowship for worship, mutual help and inspiration, and for service to Christ and the church at home and abroad.

**What PWA does:** Supports missionaries through the Presbyterian Women's Missionary Union; is concerned with Christian education and the social outreach of the church through supporting Care & Concern.

**Opportunities for service:** Members old and new are encouraged to support all the above activities within our church.

**Contact:** Joan Morrison **Phone:** 8725 1186

**Meets:** 1<sup>st</sup> Thursday of the month in the church hall

At the A.G.M. last November, Office Bearers for 2010 were elected as follows: **President**, Joan Morrison. **Minute Secretary**, Dulcie Rowley. **Correspondence Secretary**, Joan Ferguson. **Treasurer**, Marie Holmes. **Vice President**, Heather Touzel.

The General Meeting followed, and it was decided to make a presentation to the Gideons for twenty Bibles in memory of our late member, Phyl Cusack.

At the February meeting Joan Morrison showed photographs of her son, Ian's wedding in Sutton Coldfield, England.

In March Jill Hastie spoke on her work as Chaplain at Mount Gambier High School and we were able to make a donation to the Schools Ministry Group.

On 12<sup>th</sup> March P.W.A. Ladies from Penola, Naracoorte and Millicent came to the P.W.A. Social day held at Laughton Park. Devotions and games had a garden theme. We enjoyed a pooled lunch and a walk around the beautiful gardens.

In April we viewed a DVD from the series, "God Made Jesus Lord and Christ".

In May Joan Morrison demonstrated some of her Floral Art.

Our musical to raise funds for P.I.M. was held in June.

Gary Ware spoke on his trip to East Timor in July.

In August Mrs. Donker spoke about her work in Southern Sudan.

The Penola Presbytery Thanksgiving Rally was held at our church in August.

Bev Hamson from the Anglican Church spoke to us in September about the "Make a Wish Foundation".

Our second musical afternoon for P.I.M. was held in October.

We were able to send 25 boxes to Samaritans Purse from P.W.A. and thanks must go to Joan Ferguson for this wonderful donation.

Thanks to May Telford for selling Christmas Cards, Heather Touzel for help, and all Office Bearers and members who have been so supportive.

*"In all Thy ways acknowledge Him and He shall direct Thy paths". Prov. 3:6.*

Joan Morrison, President.

*The 2009 PWA Financial Statement is on pg 23.*

## Ladies Fellowship

**Why Ladies Fellowship exists:** For fellowship, prayer, fun and getting to know "young" mums.

**What Ladies Fellowship does:** Each meeting starts with a devotion. There are various activities including guest speakers, tours, dinners and games nights

**Opportunities for service:** As office bearers, leading devotions and organizing activities, for example talent nights.

**Contact:** Yvonne Johns (President)      **Phone:** 8725 8514

**Meets:** 3<sup>rd</sup> Wednesday of the month in various homes

The Presbyterian Ladies Fellowship has enjoyed another year of fun, learning, and support for others.

Our year started on a very hot note with six members meeting at the church hall to plan our year's program and to organize details for a catering job. With the extreme heat we all longed for the cool ocean, so hence our first meeting was held at Port MacDonnell foreshore on a perfect evening overlooking very calm reflective water. Thirteen ladies enjoyed a meal of delicious fish and chips, shared with numerous seagulls and competing with their own uncontrollable chatter.

The catering for the Baptist ladies evening meal held at our church hall on 27th February was very successful and we thank all those who helped.

In March we gathered at Abbeyfield House where we all enjoyed a tour followed by a meeting at the church hall, where Abbyfield board of management rep, Mike Baxter and Abbeyfield house keeper, Morva Gurney gave an enlightening talk on how the concept began, soon to become a world wide organization. We were given details on how it is run and the history of planning, building and financing the Mount Gambier facility. Details on how to apply for residency at Abbeyfield House, costs and what clients receive were discussed in detail. Morva Gurney shared many humorous tales of her life as housekeeper at the home over many years.

April saw those attending attempt to work off many calories consumed at delicious fellowship suppers. Sonya Owen is a personal trainer and fitness instructor. She also works in aquacises and physical rehabilitation. With her skills in training all types of people she managed to get all those present to participate in large ball exercises, encouraging continual movement and flexibility.

On 20th May ten members met at Marion Stuckey's and had a great 'night at the movies' watching Mama Mia while munching pop corn, drooling over chocolate and getting a hypo on fizzy drink. And to think all those present topped that off with supper. Perhaps we should have invited Sonya Owen back again in June.

Melva Whibley joined us in June at Clare Staskevicious' home where she gave us all an insight into her volunteer work in southern Queensland. She has lived and worked with unfortunate families who have endured many years of struggle, financially, physically and mentally with extreme drought. Melva lives with different families giving help in any way she can, both practically and emotionally. Many stories were shared enforcing the great privilege we have living in the South East in comparison to the hardships these people endure.

In July we gave a special thank you to Clare for opening her home to a Christmas theme and treating us like royalty. We all shared a feast to remember. Sincere thanks go to Clare and her helpers for providing a terrific evening.

August was a wet month but we were all reminded of the great danger, fear and uncertainty of bushfire. Many of us sat with tears in our eyes as Ron Telford shared his memories of his life with the Country Fire Service. Many stories were relived that night. The knowledge of how close we have all been to bushfire in the past was a frightening reminder of the never ending danger we face as Australians.

Fashion Parade planning and the making of the models gifts of thanks was enjoyed at Rhonda Jones' home in September. And it is with pleasure I can report that we shared a very healthy supper that night.

Our Fashion Parade in October was once again a great success and we thank Dizzy Lizzy for their continued support for this event. A special thank you to all those who helped out in any way.

Heather Ashby was definitely the "star" of October when she provided Hot Chocolates and Cappuccino from her great machine in her home. Accompanied by cake...all our dreams had come true.

It's November and we thank Elizabeth for opening her home for our end of year BBQ and AGM.

I wish to give a special thank you to Rhonda Jones for her secretarial work. Marion Stuckey for her work as Treasurer and to Heather for the time she has put in as correspondence secretary. I hope 2010 will be as equally rewarding for our fellowship group as 2009 has been

and that we can fulfill a valued place in our Church family.

Yvonne Johns.

**The Ladies Fellowship 2009 Financial Statement for is on pg 22.**

## Church Music

**Why the ensembles/orchestra exist:** To provide music ministry in the church.

**What the ensembles/orchestra do:** The ensemble groups lead the singing at the Allison St. morning services. The orchestra plays for selected special occasions at Allison St.

**Opportunities for service:** Openings exist for: a bass guitar player, choir members, and a sound technician.

**Contact:** Paul Frost (Administrator)    **Phone:** 8723 9202    **Meets:** rehearsals by arrangement.

The music ministry team have continued to enjoy not only the opportunity but the pleasure of presenting and leading our musical worship each Lord's day in 2009. We have remained committed to our mission statement.

The music ministry team exist to:

- ◇ Demonstrate a passion for God's glory in our daily lives.
- ◇ Joyfully and effectively serve the Session and their nominated weekly service leader.
- ◇ Provide music for our corporate worship services that is skilfully presented and sounds appealing.
- ◇ Maximise the contribution of each team member.
- ◇ Provide opportunities for the training of others.

Ways in which we pursued our mission in 2009 included:

1. Children's Orchestra – at the 2009 family camp we once again provided the opportunity for younger musicians to prepare, practice and then present music for worship.
2. Hymns – we conducted a review of our hymn repertoire with the view of identifying "gaps" and "errors" in the theology we sing as hymns. Thankfully we identified few "errors" but we did find some "doctrinal gaps" which we have looked to fill with hymns that are both theologically sound and enjoyable to sing. The review also identified a need to increase the number of Psalms we sing during corporate worship in order to reflect a more consistent balance between the musical forms that scripture encourages us to use (Colossians 3:16).

3. New material - we continued to introduce new material to the congregation in 2009 which maintains the diversity of musical styles we use in our worship. Such diversity is a testimony to the wonder of the gospel and our unity in Christ.
4. Adults Choir – on 2 occasions in 2009 a choir was formed to present hymns/songs as part of a particular Sunday morning worship service. In preparing for the Christmas Choir Service we also studied the scriptural references and the history of the hymns and their composers. This was an excellent way to increase our appreciation of the hymns we were singing in respect to their use in worship and the link they provide to our musical heritage.
5. Training - efforts to maintain and grow our musicians understanding of their roles and attitudes in music ministry continued in 2009. The primary training event was an afternoon of study in August where we looked at the topic; Singing – What's it all about? Participants in the day were introduced to the historical and theological grounds for why we sing and the specific roles and responsibilities we as musicians have in leading congregational singing.

I wish to personally thank all of our musicians for the way they have served us in providing music each Sunday and for the special events and services we have held throughout the year. I can see no better way to encourage them to continue in this work than by repeating the scripture I used to close last year's annual report. Let us "press on toward the goal for the prize of the upward call of God in Christ Jesus" Phil 3:14.

# Mount Gambier Presbyterian Charge Inc. Financial Reports

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## Mount Gambier Presbyterian Charge Inc.

### Statement By The Members Of The Committee

The Committee has determined that the association is not a reporting entity and that this special purpose financial report should be prepared in accordance with the accounting policies used.

In the opinion of the Committee the financial report as set out on pages 1 to 6 [*reproduced in full on pages 14 - 20 of this magazine*]:

1. Presents fairly the financial position of the Mount Gambier Presbyterian Charge Inc. as at 31st December 2009 and its performance for the year ended on that date.
2. At the date of this statement, there are reasonable grounds to believe that the Mount Gambier Presbyterian Charge Inc. will be able to pay its debts as and when they fall due.

This statement is made in accordance with a resolution of the Committee and is signed for and on behalf of the Committee by:

Chairperson Alan Fox (Signed)

Treasurer Pat Hamilton (Signed)

Dated this 2nd day of March 2010

**GENERAL RECEIPTS AND EXPENDITURE  
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST DECEMBER 2009**

| 2008              |                                  | 2009              | 2009             |
|-------------------|----------------------------------|-------------------|------------------|
| \$                |                                  | \$                | \$               |
|                   | <b><u>RECEIPTS (1)</u></b>       |                   |                  |
|                   | <b>INTEREST:</b>                 |                   |                  |
| 397.77            | General Account                  | 67.67             |                  |
| <u>1,737.84</u>   | Business Online Saver            | <u>889.00</u>     |                  |
| 2,135.61          |                                  |                   | 956.67           |
|                   | <b>DONATIONS (2):</b>            |                   |                  |
| 4,580.00          | General                          | 5,640.00          |                  |
| <u>2,811.16</u>   | Missions Trip to Indonesia       | -                 |                  |
| 7,391.16          |                                  |                   | 5,640.00         |
|                   | <b>FREEWILL OFFERINGS:</b>       |                   |                  |
| 5,179.10          | Allendale                        | 4,063.35          |                  |
| 3,180.20          | Nelson                           | 2,562.35          |                  |
| <u>108,099.50</u> | Mount Gambier                    | <u>118,395.33</u> |                  |
| 116,458.80        |                                  |                   | 125,021.03       |
|                   | <b>OTHER:</b>                    |                   |                  |
| 500.00            | Bequests and Grants              | 10,000.00         |                  |
| 1,595.00          | Christian Education Music Camp   | -                 |                  |
| 3,001.85          | Fair Proceeds (Net)              | -                 |                  |
| 136.36            | Funerals                         | -                 |                  |
| 36.36             | Furniture Sales                  | -                 |                  |
| 90.90             | Hall Hire                        | 790.91            |                  |
| 326.08            | Literature Sales                 | 785.74            |                  |
| 4,153.85          | Long Service Leave Reimbursement | -                 |                  |
| 55.00             | Other                            | 2,090.00          |                  |
| -                 | Pulpit Supply                    | 293.60            |                  |
| -                 | Reimbursements                   | <u>145.44</u>     |                  |
| <u>9,895.39</u>   |                                  |                   | <u>14,105.69</u> |
| 135,880.96        | <b>TOTAL RECEIPTS</b>            |                   | 145,723.39       |
|                   | <b><u>EXPENDITURE</u></b>        |                   |                  |
| 545.45            | Accounting and Audit             | 545.45            |                  |
| 738.40            | Advertising                      | 663.60            |                  |
| -                 | Care Ministries                  | 626.11            |                  |
| 4,679.65          | Christian Education              | 5,566.05          |                  |
| -                 | Christian Education - Music Camp | -                 |                  |
| 357.54            | Donations - Fill-a-Gap Kitchen   | -                 |                  |
| 3,500.00          | Fees: Assembly                   | 3,500.00          |                  |
| 350.00            | Fees: Presbytery                 | 350.00            |                  |
| 490.73            | Fees: Other                      | 65.00             |                  |
| -                 | Glenburnie Expenses              | 3,926.26          |                  |
| <u>7,477.97</u>   | Insurance                        | <u>9,039.48</u>   |                  |
| 18,139.74         | Carried Forward                  | 24,995.21         |                  |

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**GENERAL RECEIPTS AND EXPENDITURE  
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST DECEMBER 2009 (CONT.)**

| 2008                 |   | 2009            | 2009                 |
|----------------------|---|-----------------|----------------------|
| \$                   |   | \$              | \$                   |
| 18,139.74            | Brought forward                               | 24,995.21       |                      |
| 3,359.88             | Light and Power                               | 3,423.85        |                      |
| 24,268.33            | Minister (First)                              | 25,403.49       |                      |
| 31,025.78            | - Stipend                                     | 34,137.71       |                      |
| 4,189.98             | - Allowances and Benefits                     | 4,320.00        |                      |
| 15,299.80            | Minister (Second)                             | 10,547.47       |                      |
| 12,282.08            | - Stipend                                     | 12,585.51       |                      |
| 2,627.33             | - Allowances and Benefits                     | 7,392.00        |                      |
| 7,134.95             | - Superannuation                              | 13,155.28       |                      |
| 5,626.14             | Missions                                      | -               |                      |
| 1,554.74             | Missions Trip To Indonesia                    | -               |                      |
| 4,028.60             | Printing and Stationery                       | 1,453.87        |                      |
| 5,197.61             | Rates and Taxes                               | 4,147.27        |                      |
| 660.00               | Repairs and Maintenance                       | 11,071.27       |                      |
| -                    | Sundry Expenses                               | 1,286.09        |                      |
| 1,539.56             | Travel  | 656.95          |                      |
|                      | Telephone                                     | <u>3,446.53</u> |                      |
| <u>136,934.52</u>    | <b>TOTAL EXPENDITURE</b>                      |                 | <u>158,022.50</u>    |
| (1,053.56)           | <b>OPERATING DEFICIENCY</b>                   |                 | (12,299.11)          |
| 11,649.08            | <b>Less: Cost of plant additions (2009):</b>  |                 |                      |
|                      | Kitchen Exhaust Fans and Power Points         | 465.91          |                      |
|                      | Chairs to replace pews (PCSA Grant)           | 9,060.45        |                      |
|                      | 2 Spinaway roof vents for kitchen             | 177.73          |                      |
|                      | Speaker Box, Powered Head, Leads & Stands     | 1,495.45        |                      |
|                      | Drum Kit                                      | 1,969.45        |                      |
|                      | 2 Mission Statement Posters - Allison St.     | 377.27          |                      |
|                      | Framing of 2 Mission Statement Boards         | 245.91          |                      |
|                      | Erection of ramp and railing                  | <u>2,064.23</u> | <u>15,865.40</u>     |
| (12,702.64)          |   |                 | (28,155.51)          |
| 4,000.00             | <b>Add: Transfers from Funds and Bequests</b> |                 | 5,000.00             |
| <u>\$(12,702.64)</u> | <b>NET TRANSFER TO/(FROM) GENERAL ACCOUNT</b> |                 | <u>\$(23,155.51)</u> |

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**GENERAL RECEIPTS AND EXPENDITURE  
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST DECEMBER 2009 (CONT.)**

| 2008             |  | 2009            | 2009             |
|------------------|--|-----------------|------------------|
| \$               |  | \$              | \$               |
| <b>Note (1):</b> | In addition to receipts set out above, the following specific offerings were received and forwarded to each entitled body: |                 |                  |
| 100.00           | Byrne, M   | -               |                  |
| -                | Christian Blind Mission  | 250.00          |                  |
| 606.75           | Donker, G & K  | 757.00          |                  |
| 3,660.54         | Fombason Family  | -               |                  |
| 606.75           | Iskander, F & S  | 757.00          |                  |
| 5,876.30         | Living Waters  | 3,684.00        |                  |
| -                | MacKay, John   | 189.00          |                  |
| 614.65           | Manly, A & S   | 455.10          |                  |
| 1,054.60         | Mt Gambier & Dist. Schools Ministry Group  | -               |                  |
| 2,435.80         | PresAid  | 3,708.55        |                  |
| 1,587.00         | PIM [Presbyterian Inland Mission]  | -               |                  |
| 228.00           | Reformation TF   | -               |                  |
| -                | TEAR Australia   | 250.00          |                  |
|                  | Victorian Bushfire   | <u>1,180.00</u> |                  |
| <u>17,504.94</u> |  |                 | <u>11,530.65</u> |
| <b>Note (2):</b> | Allocations were also made to the following:   |                 |                  |
| 1,600.00         | APWM   | 2,200.00        |                  |
| -                | Darwin Presbyterian Church   | 1,200.38        |                  |
| -                | Holiday Muster   | 421.62          |                  |
| -                | KRA (Gift to TEAR)   | 250.00          |                  |
| -                | MacKay, John   | 3,151.82        |                  |
| 1,800.00         | Medan Training   | -               |                  |
| 1,000.00         | Mt Gambier & District Schools Ministry Grp   | 1,000.00        |                  |
| 392.95           | New Creation   | -               |                  |
| 1,000.00         | PIM  | 2,200.00        |                  |
| -                | Timor Leste  | 1,739.23        |                  |
| <u>1,000.00</u>  | Matthew (Red Sea Team)   | <u>1,000.00</u> |                  |
| <u>6,864.95</u>  |  |                 | <u>13,163.05</u> |

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In addition to allocations which were directed through the Charge Account, the following donations were made directly to individuals and agencies by groups within the Charge, and are excerpted from their accounts, which are printed in full on the pages following. Though not complete, this list helps to give a picture of our Charge's mission support.

|                                       |          |                                       |                 |
|---------------------------------------|----------|---------------------------------------|-----------------|
| <b>From Care &amp; Concern:</b>       |          | <b>From Ladies Fellowship:</b>        |                 |
| Christian Blind Mission International | 450.00   | TEAR Fund                             | 140.00          |
| Reach Across (Matthew)                | 562.80   | Boandik Lodge Auxillary               | 250.00          |
| Samaritan's Purse (Christmas Boxes)   | 219.00   | Wycliffe Bible Trans. R&H Looney      | 1,500.00        |
| Mission Partners                      | 150.00   | Bushfire Appeal                       | 300.00          |
| Victorian Bushfires Appeal            | 300.00   | PIM                                   | 150.00          |
| Make A Wish Foundation                | 100.00   | Samaritan's Purse (Christmas Boxes)   | 147.85          |
| Cancer Research                       | 50.00    |                                       |                 |
| <b>From PWA:</b>                      |          | Mission collection boxes              | 710.80          |
| Gideon's International                | 100.00   | T.E.A.R. Really Useful Gift Catalogue | <u>1,500.00</u> |
| PIM Flynn Patrol                      | 1,362.45 | <b>Total</b>                          | <u>8,372.90</u> |
| School Chaplaincy Fund                | 100.00   |                                       |                 |
| PIM Dollars For Diesel                | 80.00    |                                       |                 |
| Samaritan's Purse (Christmas Boxes)   | 200.00   |                                       |                 |

**BALANCE SHEET AS AT 31ST DECEMBER 2009**

| 2008<br>\$        |                                 | 2009<br>\$        | 2009<br>\$        |
|-------------------|---------------------------------|-------------------|-------------------|
|                   | <b><u>CHARGE FUNDS</u></b>      |                   |                   |
| 52,117.55         | General Fund                    | 28,962.04         |                   |
| 73,538.81         | Talbot/Umpherston Bequests      | 77,232.43         |                   |
| 120,001.04        | L. B. Pitt Bequest              | 123,753.54        |                   |
| <u>266,021.15</u> | Property Sales                  | <u>285,972.73</u> |                   |
| <u>511,678.55</u> |                                 |                   | <u>515,920.74</u> |
|                   | <b>Represented by:</b>          |                   |                   |
|                   | <b><u>ASSETS</u></b>            |                   |                   |
|                   | <b>CASH AT BANK AND ON HAND</b> |                   |                   |
| 24,067.55         | General Account                 | 6,367.46          |                   |
| 350.00            | Petty Cash                      | 350.00            |                   |
| <u>31,737.84</u>  | Online Saver                    | <u>22,626.84</u>  |                   |
| 56,155.39         |                                 |                   | 29,344.30         |
|                   | <b>BANK TERM DEPOSITS</b>       |                   |                   |
| 73,538.81         | Talbot/Umpherston Bequests      | 77,232.43         |                   |
| 120,001.04        | L. B. Pitt Bequest              | 123,753.54        |                   |
| <u>266,021.15</u> | Property Sale                   | <u>285,972.73</u> |                   |
| 459,561.00        |                                 |                   | 486,958.70        |
|                   | <b>OTHER</b>                    |                   |                   |
| <u>729.16</u>     | GST Receivable                  |                   | <u>1,976.64</u>   |
| 729.16            |                                 |                   |                   |
| 516,455.55        | <b>TOTAL ASSETS</b>             |                   | 518,279.64        |
|                   | <b>Less:</b>                    |                   |                   |
|                   | <b><u>LIABILITIES</u></b>       |                   |                   |
| 932.00            | Accruals                        | 659.00            |                   |
| <u>3,835.00</u>   | Specific Offerings              | <u>1,699.90</u>   |                   |
| <u>4,767.00</u>   |                                 |                   | <u>2,358.90</u>   |
| <u>511,678.55</u> | <b>NET ASSETS</b>               |                   | <u>515,920.74</u> |

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**Note (1):** Fittings, furnishings and equipment of the Charge are presently insured to a total value of \$185,000.00 covering the various locations. Detailed inventories record a description and location of each item.

**Note (2):** The various Buildings of the Charge are presently insured to a total value of \$2,058,125

**HELD IN TRUST BY PRESBYTERIAN TRUST CORPORATION**

|  |               |
|--|---------------|
| J. & E. Livingston Memorial Church land with building development costs: | \$ 903,128.30 |
| Manse building development costs:  | \$ 148,725.89 |

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## NOTES TO BALANCE SHEET AS AT 31ST DECEMBER 2009

### GENERAL FUND RECONCILIATION

|                                  |                     |
|----------------------------------|---------------------|
| Balance as at 1st January 2009   | 52,117.55           |
| Add Transfer to General Account  | <u>(23,155.51)</u>  |
| Balance as at 31st December 2009 | <u>\$ 28,962.04</u> |

### TALBOT/UMPHERSTON BEQUESTS RECONCILIATION

|                                  |                     |
|----------------------------------|---------------------|
| Balance as at 1st January 2009   | 73,538.81           |
| Add Interest Received            | <u>3,693.62</u>     |
| Balance as at 31st December 2009 | <u>\$ 77,232.43</u> |

### L. B. PITT BEQUEST RECONCILIATION

|                                  |                                       |
|----------------------------------|---------------------------------------|
| Balance as at 1st January 2009   | 120,001.04                            |
| Add Interest Received            | 8,752.50                              |
| Add Transfer to Cheque Account   | *** <u>(5,000.00)</u> <u>3,752.50</u> |
| Balance as at 31st December 2007 | <u>\$123,753.54</u>                   |

\*\*\* \$1,213.86 yet to be transferred from the Pitt Bequest to cover costs in the General Account

### PROPERTY SALES RECONCILIATION

|                                  |                      |
|----------------------------------|----------------------|
| Balance as at 1st January 2009   | 266,021.15           |
| Add: Interest Received           | <u>19,951.58</u>     |
| Balance as at 31st December 2009 | <u>\$ 285,972.73</u> |

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## NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST DECEMBER 2009

### Note 1: Statement of Significant Accounting Policies

This financial report is a special purpose financial report prepared in order to satisfy the financial reporting requirements of the Associations Incorporation Act [S.A.]. The committee has determined that the association is not a reporting entity.

The financial report has been prepared in accordance with the Association's Incorporation Act [S.A.]

No other applicable Accounting Standards, Urgent Issues Group Consensus Views or other authoritative pronouncements of the Australian Accounting Standards Board have been applied.

The financial report has been prepared on a modified accruals basis and is based on historic costs and does not take into account changing money values or current valuations of non-current assets.

**INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT**  
**TO THE MEMBERS OF THE MOUNT GAMBIER PRESBYTERIAN CHARGE INC.**

**Report on the Financial Report**

I have audited the financial report, being a special purpose financial report, of the Mount Gambier Presbyterian Charge Inc. for the year ended 31st December 2009 as set out on pages 1 to 6.

***Committees' Responsibility for the Financial Report***

The Committee of the association is responsible for the preparation and fair representation of the financial report and has determined that the accounting policies used are consistent with the financial reporting requirements of the Associations Incorporation Act (SA) and are appropriate to meet the needs of the members. The committee's responsibilities also include establishing and maintaining internal control relevant to the preparation and fair presentation of the financial report that is free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error; selecting and applying appropriate accounting policies; and making accounting estimates that are reasonable in the circumstances.

***Auditor's Responsibility***

My responsibility is to express an opinion on the financial report based on my audit. No opinion is expressed as to whether the accounting policies used are appropriate to meet the needs of the members. I conducted my audit in accordance with Australian Auditing Standards. These Auditing Standards require that I comply with relevant ethical requirements relating to audit engagements and plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance whether the financial report is free from material misstatement.

An audit involves performing procedures to obtain audit evidence about the amounts and disclosures in the financial report. The procedures selected depend on the auditor's judgement, including the assessment of the risks of material misstatement of the financial report, whether due to fraud or error. In making those risk assessments, the auditor considers internal control relevant to the entity's preparation and fair presentation of the financial report in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the entity's internal control. An audit also includes evaluation the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of accounting estimates made by the committee, as well as evaluating the overall presentation of the financial report.

The financial report has been prepared for distribution to the members for the purpose of fulfilling the committee's financial reporting under the Associations Incorporation Act (SA). I disclaim any assumption of responsibility for any reliance on this report or on the financial report to which it relates to any person other than the members, or for any purpose other than that for which it was prepared.

I believe that the audit evidence I have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for my audit opinion.

***Independence***

In conducting my audit, I have complied with the independence requirements of Australian professional and ethical pronouncements.

***Qualification***

*As is common for organisations of this type, it is not practicable for the Mount Gambier Presbyterian Charge Inc. to maintain an effective system of internal control over receipts until their initial entry in the accounting records. Accordingly, my audit in relation to receipts was limited to amounts recorded.*

***Qualified Auditor's Opinion***

In my opinion, subject to the above qualification, the financial report of the Mount Gambier Presbyterian Charge Inc. presents fairly, in all material aspects the financial position of the Mount Gambier Presbyterian Charge Inc. as at the 31st December 2008 and the results of its operations and its cash flows for the year then ended.

J. M. Marshall (Signed)

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22 February 2010

MOUNT GAMBIER SA 5290

## MOUNT GAMBIER PRESBYTERIAN CARE & CONCERN COMMITTEE - COFFEE & CRAFT

Year from 1 November 2008 to October 31 2009.

|                                       |               |                        |
|---------------------------------------|---------------|------------------------|
| <b>Income</b>                         |               |                        |
| Donations Received                    | 1111.40       |                        |
| Craft                                 | 1529.55       |                        |
| Interest                              | 1.05          |                        |
| Photocopying                          | 7.90          |                        |
| Mona Kelly Memorial                   | <u>300.00</u> |                        |
| <b>Total</b>                          |               | <b><u>2,949.90</u></b> |
| <b>Expenses</b>                       |               |                        |
| Donations Paid:                       |               |                        |
| Christian Blind Mission               | 450.00        |                        |
| Reach Across                          | 562.80        |                        |
| Samaritan's Purse                     | 219.00        |                        |
| Mission Partners                      | 150.00        |                        |
| Victorian Bushfire Appeal             | 300.00        |                        |
| Make A Wish Foundation                | 100.00        |                        |
| Cancer Research                       | <u>50.00</u>  | 1,831.80               |
| Craft                                 |               | 162.36                 |
| Social Welfare                        |               | 52.00                  |
| Petty Cash                            |               | 300.00                 |
| Evangelism                            |               | 100.00                 |
| Gifts                                 |               | <u>8.00</u>            |
| <b>Total Expenses</b>                 |               | <b><u>2,494.16</u></b> |
| <b>Excess Income Over Expenditure</b> |               | <b><u>455.74</u></b>   |
|                                       |               | <b><u>2,949.90</u></b> |
| <b>Bank Reconciliation Statement</b>  |               |                        |
| Balance                               |               | 787.20                 |
| Receipts 1/11/08 to 31/10/09          |               | <u>2,949.90</u>        |
|                                       |               | 3,737.10               |
| Expenditure 1/11/08 to 31/10/09       |               | <u>2,494.16</u>        |
| Cash Book Balance 31/10/09            |               | <u>1,242.94</u>        |
| <b>Bank Statement Balance</b>         |               | <b><u>1,242.94</u></b> |
| <b>Petty Cash</b>                     |               |                        |
| Opening Balance                       |               | 19.45                  |
| Receipts                              |               | 300.00                 |
| Expenditure                           |               |                        |
| Postage & Stationary                  | 103.80        |                        |
| Gifts                                 | 78.40         |                        |
| Bags                                  | 43.45         |                        |
| Biscuits                              | 50.50         |                        |
| Sundries                              | <u>6.00</u>   | 282.15                 |
|                                       |               | 37.30                  |
| <b>Cash in Hand</b>                   |               | <b><u>\$37.30</u></b>  |

Checked and found correct by receipts, books and statements presented to me. Marion Stuckey 11/11/09

In my opinion these statements represent a fair and true account of transactions during the year ended 31st October, 2009. Barry McBride 12/11/09

**PRESBYTERIAN LADIES FELLOWSHIP**  
**FINANCIAL STATEMENT AS OF NOVEMBER 6, 2009**

| <b>Receipts</b>           | <b>\$</b>      | <b>Payments</b>                    | <b>\$</b>      |
|---------------------------|----------------|------------------------------------|----------------|
| Opening Balance B/F 2008  | 1963.66        | Donations                          |                |
| Subscriptions             | 70.00          | TEAR Fund                          | 140.00         |
| Donations - R & H Looney  | 170.60         | Boandik Lodge Auxillary            | 250.00         |
| Bank Interest             | 1.48           | Wycliffe Bible Trans: R & H Looney | 1500.00        |
| F/Parade Ticket Sales     | 1080.00        | Bushfire Appeal                    | 300.00         |
| F/Parade Trading Table    | 39.50          | PIM                                | 150.00         |
| Donations TEAR Fund       | 77.00          | Gift Voucher                       | 50.00          |
| Donations Op Christ Child | 8.00           | CFS                                | 50.00          |
| Catering                  | 880.00         | Operation Christmas Child          | 147.85         |
| Donation Craft Purchase   | <u>7.00</u>    | Fashion Parade Expenses            | 170.03         |
|                           |                | Catering Expenses                  | 380.39         |
|                           |                | Electric Mixer for Church          | 44.95          |
|                           |                | Speaker Gifts                      | <u>10.75</u>   |
|                           |                |                                    | <u>3193.97</u> |
|                           |                | Bank Statement 6/11/09             | 1866.62        |
|                           |                | Less O/S Cheques                   | 800.00         |
|                           |                | Plus O/S Deposit                   | <u>36.65</u>   |
|                           | <u>4297.24</u> |                                    | <u>4297.24</u> |

**Audited:**

**Lucinda Johnson (Signed) 20/01/10**



**MOUNT GAMBIER PWA (Thursday Branch)**

**FINANCIAL STATEMENT AS AT 21/10/09**

**RECEIPTS**

|                          |               |
|--------------------------|---------------|
| B/Forward 2008           | 1232.72       |
| Stalls and Offerings     | 721.50        |
| Subs and Newsletters     | 112.00        |
| Dollars for Diesel PIM   | 127.55        |
| Musical Afternoon PIM    | 871.05        |
| Interest                 | 1.25          |
| Thanksgiving Offering    | 150.00        |
| Samaritans Purse postage | 71.00         |
| Sale of Christmas Cards  | <u>100.00</u> |

**PAYMENTS**

|                                 |               |
|---------------------------------|---------------|
| Subs and Newsletters            | 138.00        |
| Gideon's International          | 100.00        |
| Petty Cash                      | 50.00         |
| PIM Christmas Cards             | 248.00        |
| PIM Musical Afternoons          | 1362.45       |
| School Chaplaincy Fund          | 100.00        |
| PIM Dollars for Diesel          | 80.00         |
| PWA of SA Thanksgiving Offering | 150.00        |
| G & K Donker donation           | 50.00         |
| Samaritan's Purse Postage       | <u>200.00</u> |

Total payments 2478.45

Bank Statement as at 21/10/09 908.62

\$3162.22

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*Balance at bank* \$908.62

**Petty Cash**

|                 |              |
|-----------------|--------------|
| Opening Balance | 1.85         |
| Petty Cash      | <u>50.00</u> |
| Total Receipts  | <u>51.85</u> |

|                                 |              |
|---------------------------------|--------------|
| Gift for Auditor                | 20.00        |
| Gift G Hastie (Chaplaincy Fund) | 8.00         |
| J McKenzie—postage              | 3.75         |
| Gifts for thanksgiving day      | <u>15.25</u> |
| Total Payments                  | <u>47.00</u> |
| Cash in Hand                    | <u>4.85</u>  |

\$ 51.85

**Checked and found correct from books and statement presented to me:**

**Marion Stuckey.**

**Barry McBride.**



