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Next CICC General Assembly, 23–30
October 2011, Aitutaki, Cook Islands

After that, September 2013,
Melbourne, Australia



Boat day in Pukapuka. The early Missionary Ships to the Cook Islands would have looked like the "Picton Castle" above.

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1. AKATOMOANGA

Kia orana e te iti tangata tapu no te Atua i te au ngai katoatoa; to te Kuki Airani nei, tei noo ki Nutireni, Autireria, Tahiti, e te vai atura te au ngai tei taeaia e teia karere. E tau ia tatou kia akameitaki i te mana katoatoa koia tei oronga mai i teia tikaanga manea kia aravei akaou tatou na roto i teia pepa akakitekite numero 38. To tatou tuatua aravei e te akamaroiroi i to tatou oroanga akarongo, te na ko ra te imene kua mou ngakau i tetai maataanga tangata:



*O Lord my God, when I in awesome wonder,
Consider all the worlds Thy hands have made,
I see the stars, I hear the rolling thunder,
Thy power throughout the universe displayed!*

*Then sings my soul, my Savior God to Thee;
How great Thou art, how great Thou art.
Then sings my soul, my Savior God to Thee;
How great Thou art, how great Thou art!*

*When thru the woods and forest glades I wander
And hear the birds sing sweetly in the trees,
When I look down from lofty mountain grandeur
And hear the brook and feel the gentle breeze.*



(photos from Google)

Na kotou e akatoota atu i teia karere ki to kotou au taeake kia kite katoa ratou i te au mea e tupu nei i roto i te taokotaianga o te kopu tangata CICC. Ko kotou kare i kite ana i te au nutileta i mua atu e kua anoano kotou kia kite, aravei atu i te Orometua o taau Ekalesia me kore akakite mai kiaku; ka rauka oki te reira au nutileta i te tuku iatu na runga i te imere. Noatu e tei muri teia au nutileta, e maata te au mea puapinga i roto – mei te tua tapapa o te au tuatau tei topa ki muri (personal profiles, history, etc.) – te ka riro ei pumaanaanga kia tatauia. Tei runga katoa ratou i te website a te CICC, koia te www.cicc.net.ck

2. NUTI MEI TE EKALLESIA BALACLAVA

Iakakite mai ei te aposetolo a Paulo, “*Te kite ra au e te aere ra taku au tamariki na te mataara o te tuatua-mou, kare rava oku e rekareka maata atu i te reira.*” Ka tupu rai te mataara me kitea atu te tu vaerua taokotai, e te angaanga kapiti anga atu, tetai ki tetai i roto nei i te Ekalesia. Ko te mea e inangaro maataia nei, kia rauka tetai ngutuare tikai no te Ekalesia e no tana au akamorianga e te au apiianga (training) i tana au putuputuanga. Inara, ka aere marie ua atu tatou ma te akaputupu i nga meitaki o te rā, no te sitona kia rauka ma nga tiare kaka, ma te tapapa marie atu i te tuatau tei tau i te Atua no teia e umuumuia nei. Te manako nei au e kare paa i te tuatau roa e tupu ei teia moemoea. Te rave katoaia nei rai te apiianga Buka Tapu i roto nei i te Ekalesia. Te rauka nei i te oronga atu i te akameitaki ki te Papa Orometua no teia tana e rave nei, kia akameitakiia te Atua. I te mea oki e te vaiata atu nei tatou ki te tuatau o te Uipaanga Maata, te rauka nei i te oronga atu i te reo aroa no teia tuatau akateateamamao-anga no te reira. Kia orana e kia manuia rava i tenana tavinianga. Eia kotou katoa te aroa ua o to tatou Atua ra o Iesu Mesia.



(Tataia e Kitekore Koiatu, Tekeretere, Ekalesia BalACLAVA, Cairns, Australia)

3. NUTI MEI TE EKALLESIA NOBLE PARK

Kia orana e te au oa rave angaanga i roto i te Evangelia a to tatou Hatu ko Iesu Mesia, te au taeake i roto i te akarongo, te iti-tangata Kuki Airani katoatoa kia orana i teia haraveianga. Kotou tei noho ki to tatou Ipukare Kuki Airani, to Nusireni, to Aussie nei e pera katoa ki to Tahiti e ki nga pore e hā o teiane ao, te Atua te aroa no kotou katoatoa i teia tuatau. Ei akatuera i teia karere, teia ta te tuatua ora a to tatou Hatu i hapii mai i roto i te Buka a te Peroveta ra a Isaia 42:1, *“Ka akara ana i toku tavini, taku e tauturu nei; tei ikiia e au ra, kua rekareka rava toku ngakau iaia; kua tukuia e au toku Vaerua ki runga iaia: nana e tuku atu i te tuatua-tau ki te au etene.”*

Bapetizoanga

Kua bapetizoia e toru nga pēpē i te Sabati Oroa o July 2011 tei apaiia mai e to ratou au metua ki roto i te Ekalesia. I mua ake ra i teia, kua raveia tetai apii kia kite te au metua no runga i teia takainga ta ratou i anoano no teia au pēpē.



Ko te pēpē mua tei bapetizoia koia oki ko Noah Jerome Cooper. Kua anauia teia pēpē i te rā 27 no Noema mataiti 2007. Kua apai mai tona nga metua koia a Richard e Angela Cooper iaia kia bapetizoia. Kua tae katoa mai te nga kopu tangata o teia pēpē no te turuanga i teia angaanga e kia riro katoa ratou ei au kite no teia angaanga tei raveia nona. Kua kitea te mataora o tona nga kopu tangata i roto i teia tuatau. Kua akaoti katoa teia angaanga na roto i te umukai maata tei akanooia e te kopu tangata.

Baby Noah Jerome Cooper e tona nga



Ko te rua o te pēpē tei bapetizoia koia oki ko Maria Dupreez Tautari. Na tona nga metua rai aia i apai mai kia bapetizoia no te mea kua irinaki raua ki roto i te tuatua a to tatou Atua ko Iesu Mesia tana i akakite i roto i te Evangelia meitaki a Mataio 28: 19-20. Kua anauia teia pēpē i te ra 31 no Okotoba mataiti 2009. Tona metua tane ko Whare Tautari e tona metua vaine ko Emily Marsh. Mei tei na mua iatu, kua taopenga teia angaanga na roto i te arikiriki anga a te Ekalesia e te nga kopu tangata.

Baby Maria Dupreez Tautari



E ko te pēpē openga tei bapetizoia koia oki ko Tehura Michael Marsh. Kua anauia teia pēpē i te ra 30 no Tianuare 2010. Ko tona metua tane ko Andrew Marsh e tona metua vaine ko Alice Marsh. Ko teia au pēpē tei bapetizoia, okotai o ratou kopu tangata tei apai mai ia ratou katoatoa no teia akakoroanga. Ko te au metua o teia au pēpē tei bapetizoia, e au tuaine e te tungane ratou. No reira kia akameitaki mai te Atua no te au tamariki tei apaiia mai ki roto i te koro o te akarongo, e kia riro katoa te Mana Atua i te tiaki e ma te tauturu mai no ratou katoatoa na roto i te au mataiti te ka aereia e tatou ki mua.

Ko te pēpē ko Tehura Michael Marsh e tona nga metua.

Akatapuanga Diakono

Kua iki te Ekalesia i teia nga taeake koia a Mr & Mrs Tehura Marsh kia riro mai ei Diakono i roto i te Ekalesia. Kua raveia te akatapuanga o teia nga taeake i roto i te Ekalesia Noble Park e kua rave katoaia teia angaanga i te Sabati Oroa o Tiurai koia te ra 3 o teia mataiti 2011. Kua tae mai te au taeake Maori e pera katoa to raua nga kopu tangata kia kite i to raua akararangianga ki runga i te taoanga Diakono e kua ki katoa te are pure i te tangata mei nga akonoanga tukeke i roto nei ia Victoria, e pera mei vao mai i te oire tei akakoroanga maata. Kua riro Ekalesia e pera katoa no akaperepere ko Nga tei tangata Kuki Airani tei tae mai tei raveia. Na tetai kaikaianga akatapuanga. Te irinaki nei te Diakono ōu tei akairiia ki tauturu i te au angaanga i roto te au tuatau ki mua, i te tavini Ekalesia e pera te iti tangata te oire Victoria. Kua riro katoa Tehura Marsh i te rave i tana roto i te Ekalesia, na roto i te Kua kitea te mataora i roto i



Nga Diakono ou no te Ekalesia Mr & Mrs Tehura Marsh

teia nga taeake no teia turanga ta raua i apai no te tavinianga i to raua Atua i roto i te Ekalesia, kia akameitakiia te Atua no raua no te inangaro i te rave i te angaanga na te Atua i roto i to raua oraanga. E nga taeake maroiroi teia i te rave i te angaanga na te Atua i roto i te Ekalesia Noble Park. Maroiroi katoa raua i te rave i te au akaueanga a te Ekalesia, e ma te tauturu katoa i te kimikimi puapinga a te Ekalesia. No runga i te oronga i te tuanga a te Atua, meitaki raua i te rave i teia tuanga. Kia akameitakiia te Atua no teia nga mema ou ki roto i te Ekalesia ta te Atua i tono mai.

Akatapuanga Elder

Ko te toru o te angaanga tei raveia koia oki ko te akataoanga anga i to matou Metua Vaine Mama Mereana Roi ki runga i te taoanga Elder. E Metua vaine maroiroi teia i roto i tona tuatau tavinianga i te au Ekalesia tana i angaanga ki roto. E Mama maroiroi i tona tuatau i runga i te taoanga Diakono. I te mea oki e kua takake tona tokorua i te au mataiti i topa, kua rave maroiroi uatu rai aia i te taoanga Diakono i roto i te Ekalesia Springvale. Iaia i roto i te Ekalesia Springvale kua rokoia teia Mama e te apikepikemaki, manako koreia e ka ora, i roto ra i te aroa ua o te Atua kua oronga mai i tetai tuatau akaōu nona kia tavini iaia i roto i tana Evangelia. Kua neke mai teia Mama ki roto i te Ekalesia Noble Park i te marama Aperira 2011, e iaia i rotopu i te Ekalesia kua tamanako te Uipaanga Diakono iaia ki runga i te taoanga Elder, no te tumu ra oki ē, no te turanga maki i runga i tona kopapa e pera te turanga tare mataiti. Kua apaiia teia manako ki roto i te Uipaanga Ekalesia e kua akāriia ki mua i te Ekalesia, e kua ārikiia teia manako e te Ekalesia. Ko teia i reira tetai angaanga maata i raveia i teia ra nei, koia oki i te akataoanga ia Mama Mereana Roi ki runga i te taoanga Elder.



Mama Elder: Mereana Roi

Umukai

Kua akaoti te au angaanga katoa o teia Sabati na roto i te kaikai tei akatakaia e te Ekalesia e pera katoa ki nga kopu tangata e rua. Te mataora nei matou te Ekalesia i te āriki i ta matou au pēpē ou ki roto i te akarongo ngaueue-kore o to tatou Atua ko Iesu Mesia, kia tau ki ta te reo imene i apii mai e;

*E tuku ua mai te au tamariki,
Kia vaiata mai kiaku,
Mei ia ratou nei to runga i te rangi,
Auraka e tāpuia atu,
Kua rave atura Aia ia ratou,
Kua ikiiki iora Aia,
Te rima i runga to ratou upoko,
Kua akaoraia e ia.*

E ko te mea openga ko te āriki anga i te Diakono ou e tona Oa akaperepere ki roto i te au angaanga a te Ekalesia. Te irinaki nei matou e kua rave raua i te tuatua a to tatou Atua ko Iesu i te nako anga mai e, "Ko tei

inangaro i te aru mai iaku, e akaruke aia iaia uaorai, e rave i tana satauro, ka aru mai ei iaku." I toku irinakianga ko teia te vaerua o teia nga taeake Mr & Mrs Tehura Marsh no te tavinianga i to raua Atu, kia akapaapaia te Mana Katoatoa no teia tikaanga.

Kare katoa matou e akangaropoina i to matou Mama Elder Mama Mereana Roi tei roto katoa aia ei tuturu i te angaanga a te Ekalesia, kia vaiata ua rai te Vaerua o te Atua i te tiaki e ma te oronga ua mai i te maroiroi ki roto ia kotou katoatoa no te raveanga i te angaanga i roto i tana Evangelia Ora.

Taopenga

Ko tena ia te karere mei roto atu i te Ekalesia Noble Park, kia roto teia ei mea mataora ki roto i to kotou au ngakau me tatau kotou katoatoa i te reira. Ei topiri i teiane karere, te karanga ra oki na vananga tika a te Atua e; "Te kite ra au i taku au tamariki e aere na te mataara o te tuatua mou, kare rava oku e rekareka anga maata atu i te reira."

Kia orana e kia manuia rava i roto i te Atu.



(Tataia e te Orometua Henry Ford o te Ekalesia Noble Park)

4. UIPAANGA NA TE ETARETIA POROTETANI MAOHI O TAHITI

Travel & Accomodation

I departed for Tahiti on Saturday 23 July 2011 by Air TahitiNui at about 5.00p.m., and was met on arrival by my Tahiti family, who then drove me to Fa'a to meet up with Rev Toko Ongoua, our own CICC exchange pastor, and my official pre-arranged contact point on arrival in Tahiti. Whilst accommodation arrangements for most delegates to the meeting has been set and located at Vaira'o, venue for the Assembly proceedings, I opted to stay with my relatives for this first night of my visit, and also the ensuing days that followed on. I spent my last night of this travel with the Ongoua family in Fa'a, I returned to Rarotonga on Thursday 28 July 2011.

Assembly Opening

The opening ceremony of the Assembly was held at Vaira'o(South/east end of Tahiti) on Sunday 24 July, and was attended by thousands of Tahiti church members from parishes all around Tahiti, as well as from nearby islands, like Rapa, as they congregate in Papeete at this time to celebrate their July festival.

The opening program was a mixture of Tahiti singing and culture which incorporates traditional challenges/orators presented by the young people of the church(Sunday School), as well as the impressive and firm appeal by the church leaders in the promotion and development of the Maohi people and their language as the pillar of the Tahiti society.

The refreshment/kaikai function at the end of the program was another spectacle event to marvel and admire, as the organisation and flow of proceedings i.e. guests marshalled into their appropriate placings, entertainment/music being provided, and food allocation on table spreads, just flowed naturally.

Assembly proper

The meeting proper started off on Monday 25 July 2011 at 8.00a.m at the Vaira'o community hall, with the introductions/roll call of over a hundred delegates from all Tahiti church parishes, plus observers. Live music/singing was the format/order of the prayer service each morning to start off each day's meeting program. Our CICC presence was also noted/acknowledged at the meeting.

The meeting agenda focussed mainly on issues affecting the welfare and benefit of the Maohi people in the church, and more particularly in their people's daily living, understanding, and continuing relationship with our One God. There were similar and controversial issues that were discussed/debated e.g. ekalesia refusal to accept Pastors allocated thereto, How is this solved?

It was indeed an honour and privilege to make a brief presentation to the Assembly on our CICC behalf on Wednesday 27 July, where I voiced our continued support and affirmation of our close and binding relationship between our two churches, and the exchange pastor's scheme which we oversee every 4 years, and pray that this will continue to exist in the future. I also extended our Church's sincere apologies for the change of parish allocation for their Tahiti Minister which take place later this year, and they accept it with gratitude.

I offered on our Church's behalf some gifts as a token of thanks and appreciation for being invited to their Assembly, and also for their hospitality in receiving and accepting me into their midst.

I wish also to report that our 2 ministers in Tahiti are fine and are looking forward to returning home soon, although there have been attempts by their respective ekalesias in Tahiti to lodge requests for them to be extended a further term to stay on in Tahiti.

Thanks & Appreciation

I wish to extend to the executive, the General Secretary, President, my sincere 'thank you' for the opportunity to participate at the Tahiti Assembly and also the monetary allowance that I received for the trip. Meitaki poria.



(submitted by Willie John, Overseas Representative)

5. IRIIRI KAPUA NA TE PAKIPAKI TAI I FIJI

Ko te akakoroanga maata no teia iriirikapua koia oki ko te terenianga i te au puapii no runga i tetai au tukau i te apianga i te tuatua na te Atua. Training of Trainers Workshop – Disability & Theology.

I te popongi Sabati ra 17 no Tiurai, i te ora rua i te maiata kua akaruke te pairere no Nutireni e kua tae atu i te ora 4 i te popongi. I te ora 7 kua akaruke no Nadi, kua tae atu i te ora 10am. I te ora ono i te aiai kua akaruke atu no Suva e kua tae i te 6.30 i te aiai. Kua na runga atu au i te taxi ki te Pacific Theological College, te ngai tei akonoia no matou e pera katoa i te ngai no te iriirikapua. Kua oki mai au i te popongi Varaire i te ora 1 i te mamaiaata.

Kua raveia teia iriiri kapua mei te Ruirua ra 19 ki te Paraparau ra 21 no Tiurai, 2011, ki te PTC, Suva, Viti. Kua akamataia te iriirikapua e te Orometua no Initia mai, Rev. Dr. Ezamo Murry na roto i te akonoanga pure. Kua oronga katoaia te ngateitei nana e akatuera i teia iriiri kapua. Koia katoa te Mata o te WCC e te EDAN ki teia iriirikapua.

I roto i teia au ra e toru, kua tuaia matou ki roto i te au pupu no te uriuri atu i tetai au tumu manako tei anoanoia kia akamaata atu i te marama. I muri ake i te reira uriurianga, kua ripotii ki te katoatoa. I taku i kite atu i roto i teia iriirikapua, ko te au enua no te Patipika mai, meia Viti, Vanuatu, Tonga, Samoa, Papua, Tahiti e te vai atura, na te Evangelia e akaaere ana i te au apii tuatai e tae roa atu ki te apii tua rua. E na ratou rai e tutaki ana i te au puapii. E tuanga katoa ta te Kavamani e tauturu nei i te au apii, inara, i te akatereteranga i te apii na te akonoanga te reira (Church Schools). E tuke rai to te Kuki Airani na te Kavamani e akatere ana. Na ratou te au mea katoatoa. Te vai nei rai tetai au apii, mei te Katorika, Raitu e te AOG, tei raro ake ratou i te akatereanga a te akonoanga, te tauturu katoa nei te Kavamani i te tutaki i te au puapii.

Ko te au mata tei tae mai ki teia iriiri kapua, e au Orometua e te Diakono e ko ratou katoa te au Puapii Maata e te au Puapii no ta ratou au Apii. Ko te maataanga o te au mata tei tae mai, no Viti, e tokoiti ua no vao ake ia Viti. Ko te akakoroanga maata i roto i teia iriiri kapua koia oki e terenianga i te au Puapii Maata e te au puapii katoa, ka akapeea ratou i te paranianga e te akamaramaanga ki te au tamariki no runga i tetai au tu kau i te apianga i te tuatua na te Atua (disability & theology). Ko te tuanga a te au Puapii Maata, ko te parani i te au ravenga e tetai au akanoonooanga e te kaveinga no ta ratou au apii tatakitai. Ko ta matou ia i rave i roto i to matou au pupu i roto i teia au ra e toru.

Irinaki katoa au, me oti meitaki teia au tumu manako tei uriuriiia mei roto mai i teia iriiri kapua, ka riro ei tauturu maata ki ta tatou apii i Takamoa nei no teia tuatai ki mua. Ka rauka ia ratou tetai turanga teitei, mei

te Diploma/Bachelor in Theology. Akara i te Atetimeni no teia au akanoonoanga no teia au pepa teitei e te au manako tei uriuria i roto i teia iririkapua.

Akameitakianga

- Ki te SPATS (South Pacific Association of Theological Schools) no ta ratou takinga meitaki ia matou i te tua o te oraanga mei te popongi e tae atu ki te po, e pera katoa ki to matou ngai moeanga e te akaokianga mai i ta matou moni, i te tutaki i te taxi e tetai akapouanga ke no te akakoroanga.
- Ki te kumiti akaaere no teia tikaanga kia mata no tatou ki teia iriiri kapua. E pera katoa ki te Puapii Maata Papa Orometua Vaka Ngaro no te akateateamamaoanga i toku tiketi no te aereanga e te oki mai.



(Tataia e Taepae Tuteru)

6. NUTI MEI TE EKALLESIA ATIU

Kia orana te katoatoa rava i te aroa ranuinui o to tatou Atua ko Iesu Mesia, te tumu e te akaoti o to tatou nei ora. Kia orana kotou e noo nei ma te angaanga i roto i te Puna Vai Ora, te Orometua Ngateitei, te Tekeretere Nui, te Puapii Nui, te au directors, ta tatou anau Apiianga katoatoa, te aronga angaanga i roto i te opati, te kumiti akaaere katoatoa e to kotou, ma ta kotou katoa, kia orana. Te au tavini o te Atua i te Kuki Airani nei, e pera ki Nuti Reni, Autireria, to kotou au tokorua e ta kotou au Ekalesia katoatoa, kia orana rava i te aroa ranuinui o te Atua. E reo aroa no roto atu nei i te Ekalesia Enuamanu ki te katoatoa rava. Ariki mai i to matou reo akaaravei ma te reo aroa kia kotou katoatoa. Tetai au angaanga tei akatupuia i roto nei i te Ekalesia i nga epetoma i topa.

Tauturu Orometua Ou



I muri ake i te takakeanga atu te Tauturu Orometua o te Ekalesia ko Papa Ngametua Kae na roto i te ara tiroa o te mate i roto ia Mati 2011, kua tamanako mai te Ekalesia e kia ikiia mai tetai ei mono atu iaia ki runga i teia taoanga. I roto ireira i te marama Tiunu kua raveia te ikianga e kua iki mai te Ekalesia ia Papa Murare Iona ei Tauturu Orometua.

Kua tukuia atu te akakite anga ki Takamoa e kua akapapuia mai e ka tae mai te Orometua Ngateitei, Rev. Tangimetua Tangatututai i roto i te marama Aukute no te akatainu atu ia Murare Iona ki runga i te taoanga Tauturu Orometua. Kua uipa te Ekalesia no te akatanotano i te akatainuanga e pera te tere o te Orometua Ngateitei. I roto i teia uipaanga kua tupu te manako e, i te mea oki e, te vaitata nei ki te tuatau o te uipaanga maata ki Aitutaki, e ka riro teia tere no te Orometua Ngateitei ki Enuamanu nei ei tere openga nona i runga i te taoanga Orometua Ngateitei, kua manako ireira te Ekalesia kia raveia tetai arikianga no te Papa Ngateitei ki Atiu nei ei manakoanga iaia no te au tuatau ki mua.

Orometua Ngateitei



Tona taeanga mai, te au arikirikianga, e tana au angaanga i rave i Atiu nei

I mua ua ake i te tuaero i te Manakai 6th Aukute kua tae mai te pairere ma te kave mai i tona ngateitei ki Enuamanu nei. Kua arikirikiia atu aia e te Orometua, te Tauturu Orometua Ou tei tamanakoia, te Tekeretere o te Ekalesia, te aronga mana o te enua e pera te au metua ariki, i runga i te ngai akatoanga pairere. Kua tuoroora iatu aia e te vaa araara o te ui ariki koia a Paratainga Mariri ma te oronga atu i te enua ki tona mana. Kua raveia te pure akaaraveianga e kua oro mai te katoatoa ki te oire.

I teia tuatau kare te Papa Ngatetei i kite ake i te au mea ka raveia ki runga iaia, no te mea e muna teia na te Ekalesia i to ratou inangaro e kia akapoitirere ratou i te Papa Ngateitei. Kia tae mai ki te oire, vaitata atu ki te aua o te Ekalesia kua akaekea te Orometua ki raro i

te motoka e kua aratakiia atu aia ki runga i te tangotango tei akateateamamaoia e kua papa te enua tangata i te aravei iaia. I teia tuatau te Papa Ngateitei i kite ei e, e angaanga takake ta te Ekalesia ka rave kiaia. Kua takiia mai aia na runga i te tangotango (paata) ki mua mai i te Are Pure, kua tukua ki raro kua na roto mai aia i tana anau Uniform Organisation i te aereanga, i muri ake i te akatangiangaia te imene o te akonoanga CICC, "E Iehova Atua..." iaia e aere maira na runga i te tangotango te takiri ra te tamariki i ta ratou reva koia oki te parau reva a te anau Uniform. Kua riro e na te au tamariki rikiriki i rave i te reira tuanga i te mea oki e tei Rarotonga atu rai te maataanga o te au mapu no te akakoroanga o te Maeva Nui.



Kua aratakiia mai aia e te Colour Party ki roto i te Are Apii Sabati. Kua raveia te pure akaaraveianga. Kua araara mai te Orometua o te enua e kua araara katoa mai tona Ngateitei. Kua raveia te pure kai manga e kua kai



manga te katoatoa. Kua rave mai te anau i tetai au tamataoraanga i te katoatoa e kai manga ra. I muri ake i te kaianga manga kua rave te Ekalesia vainetini i te ooraanga (puroku) no te Papa Ngateitei. Kua riro teia ra ei ra mataora i te araveianga atu ki te Papa Orometua Ngateitei, e pera te ngakau akaaroa i te mea e ko tona tuatau openga teia ki te enua nei i runga i te taoanga Orometua Ngateitei no te CICC.



Rev. Oirua Rasmussen (left), CICC President Rev. Tangimetua Tangatutui, ordaining Murare Iona as the new Assistant Minister for the Atiu Ekalesia. Mrs Ioan next to him.

I te Sabati 7 Aukute, kua rave tona Ngateitei i te akatainuanga o te Tauturu Orometua ou o te Ekalesia i te pure avatea. I roto katoa i teia pureanga kua akararangi katoaia tetai nga metua tane, koia a Papa Moetaua Boaza e Papa Aruia Tanga ki runga i te taoanga Diakono Akangaroi (Elder). E nga metua pakari teia tei tavini ana ma te mou i te taoanga Diakono mei to raua mapu anga mai e i teianeia kua tae te apikepika ki te kopapa, kua pakari e

kua anoano kia akangaroi. Te karanga nei te araara; "...te taoanga Tamaki i akarukeia e..." Te irinaki nei te Ekalesia e ka rave ta raua anau i teia taoanga Tamaki e ka Tamaki uatu rai no te Atua no Iesu Mesia.

Kia oti mai te pure e pera te kaianga Oroa, kua uipa atu te katoatoa rava ki roto i te Are Apii Sabati no te kai manga. Kua akaari mai te Papa Tauturu e tona tokorua i to raua mataora i tei tupu na roto i ta raua ooraanga i rave i roto i te reira kainga manga. Kua o atu te Orometua o te Ekalesia ki roto i te reira ooraanga. Kua mataora tikai teia tei akatupuia e kua pera katoa oki i te tereanga pure aia, kua rave akaou te Ekalesia i tetai umukai ei kaimanga na te katoatoa. I te popongi ake i te Monite kua raveia te arikianga openga i te Papa Ngateitei ki roto i te Are Uipaanga o Teenui. Kua riro te reira arikianga e na nga kopu tangata o te Papa Tauturu Orometua i rave, ma te turu katoa iatu e te au pa enua e noo ki Enuamanu nei, te au akonoanga tukeke, e te au putuputuanga tei kore i rauka tetai au tuatau no ta ratou au arikianga no te pote i te tuatau. I te tuairo i te reira ra kua akaruke mai te Orometua Ngateitei ia Enuamanu nei no te oki atu ki Rarotonga. Kua raveia te pureanga i runga i te ngai toanga pairere, e kua rere atu tona pairere ki Rarotonga.

Te irinaki nei matou e kua mataora koe e to matou Orometua Ngateitei i te tuatau pote i tae mai ei koe ki te enua nei. Te oronga atu nei i ta matou tatarara no tei kore koe i kite i te au mea ka raveia kia koe. Kia akamanuia mai rai te Atua ia koe e pera toou tokorua, i te au ra e te au tuatau ta tatou ka aere ki mua.



Kia orana e kia manuia tatou katoatoa, ko te Atua te aroa.

(Tataia e Rev. Oirua Rasmussen, Ekalesia Atiu)

7. TERE ATORO IA TAKAMOA E AVARUA CICC NO TE ANAU MAPU

KATORIKA

Kua raveia teia akakoroanga i te Paraparau ra 28 no Tiurai 2011, mei te ora 10.00 ki te 12.00. I mua ake ka akamataia'i teia turotoanga, kua putuputu mai te katoatoa ki roto i te Sinai Hall. Kua akaaraveia te katoatoa rava e te Tekeretere o te Avarua Ekalesia, Makirere Poila. E kua riro na te metua tane na Papa Kura Strickland i rave i te pure.

Kua akamaramaia ki ta tatou anau i te akanoonooanga no te turotoanga i teia nga ngutuare, koia te aua are pure o te Ekalesia Avarua, e pera te aua Takamoa. Kua tuaia te anau mapu ki roto i nga pupu e rua. E 70 te katoatoa ia ratou tei aere mai no teia akakoroanga. I roto i teia pupu tamariki, tei roto te au mata no te pa enua tonga, te au mata no Tahiti mai e pera katoa to Rarotonga nei.



Ko te pupu mua, kua aere atu ratou ki roto i te Are Pure o Avarua, e kua riro na Papa Kura Strickland i tua atu i te au tuatua taito no te reira ngutuare. Ko te rua o te pupu kua aere atu ratou ki Takamoa, e kua riro na Pae Tuteru i akakitekite no te au ngutuare i reira, mei te Are Metua o te Evangelia, (CICC Head Office), Are Pureanga (Chapel), e te ngutuare apiinga o te au Apiinga (Lecture Hall), e pera katoa ki te kainga o te Peretitini, to te Puapii Maata, te au ngutuare o te anau Apiinga e te are angaanga mua o te Evangelia (Old Administration Block).

Kua mataora ta tatou anau ta ratou i kite e ta ratou i marama, no te kapuaanga mai o te Are Pure i

Avarua e pera katoa te tua tapapa no te aua apii Takamoa. I muri ake i ta ratou tutakaanga, kua raveia tetai arikirikianga ia ratou ki roto i te Sinai Hall. Kua riro e na te Ekalesia Avarua e pera te opati i Takamoa i akanoonoo i te katikati. Akameitakianga ki te Orometua, Tekeretere, te au Diakono e te au mema katoatoa o te Ekalesia Avarua, ko ratou tei riro ei metua no ta tatou anau. Kare e ngaropoina i te au mama tei tae mai i te turuturu i te akakoroanga. "Tei mua rai kotou" i na to kotou Tekeretere ei. Kia akameitakiia te Atua no teia akakoroanga maata e te manea tei akatupuia.



Akameitakianga takake mei roto atu i te au akaaere a ta tatou anau mapu tei atoro mai, i te takinga meitaki a te Ekalesia Avarua e pera ta te opati maata i Takamoa, no tei ariki mai ia ratou na roto i te aka takurua, ma te kore ratou i manako ana e ka peraia mai ratou. E pera katoa no Papa Kura Strickland e Pae Tuteru, no ta raua tuanga akamaramaanga ki te anau mapu. Pera katoa no te Tekeretere Maata tei ariki mai i ta ratou patianganga tei na roto i to ratou arataki ia Ron Patia, no tetai tikaanga no ratou kia turoto i teia nga ngutuare puapinga maata i roto i te Evangelia.

Manako akamaramaanga: e maata te au mapu Katorika tei aru mai i teia pupu, no te au enua i vao mai ia Rarotonga tei tae mai ki runga i te enua no te akakoroanga o te Maire Nui e pera no te atoro i to ratou au taeake i Rarotonga nei. I runga i te au enua i vao mai ia Rarotonga, e mea matau na te au akonoanga tukeke kia angaanga kapiti i roto i te au akakoroanga o te Evangleia i runga i to ratou au enua tatakitai, noatu e naai te akonoanga. E ko te akonoanga Katorika tetai e piri putuputu ana ki roto i te au angaaanga mamaata a te CICC. No teia tumuanga i manako ei te opati maata i Takamoa nei raua ko te Ekalesia Avarua e kia ariki i te anau mapu Katorika, kare e kia atoro ua mai i to ratou ngutuare, mari ra kia arikiriki katoaia ratou. Ko teia oki tei tau kia raveia, e kua raveia te reira ma te meitaki e te manea, kia akameitakiia te mana katoatoa. Ko teia oki te mea e kite ei kotou e, e pipi kotou naku, kia aroa kotou ia kotou uaorai.

(Tataia e Pae Tuteru, CICC Head Office, Takamoa)

8. UIPAANGA NA TE WACC I TONGA

Mei te Ruirua ra 26 no Tiurai ki te Monite ra 1 no Aukute, kua rave atu te WACC Pacific (World Association for Christian Communication – Pacific Region) i tetai iriiri kapua no runga i te turanga tauiaanga o te reva (climate change) i roto nei i te Pacific, e pera tana uipaanga 3 mataiti (triennial assembly) ki roto i te oire maata i Tonga koia a Nukualofa. Kua tae mai e 20 au mata mei roto mai i te au enua e mema ratou no teia taokotaianga, e pera tetai au tangata mei roto mai i tetai au taokotaianga tei orongaia na ratou te au tumu manako e akamarama mai. Kua mata iatu te CICC e te Tekeretere Maata. I te au mataiti i topa, ko Tungane Williams te aere ana no te mata i te CICC ki roto i te au uipaanga a teia taokotaianga.

I roto i te **iriiri kapua**, teia i raro nei te au tumu manako tei uriuria atu:

- Te turanga o te au pa enua i roto i te Pacific e te maata atu ra te kino e tupu nei kia ratou na roto i te tai akaki, mea Tuvalu, Kiribati, tetai au enua rikiriki i Papua New Guinea, tetai au ngai tapataatai i Tonga, e te vai atura.
- Te au mea e riro nei i te takino i te reva e pera te tai akaki e tupu nei i teia tuatau, e te au ravenga e uriuria nei i roto i te au basileia katoatoa no te akaiti mai i te au tai'i e kitea nei
- Tetai au mataara me kore ravenga no te tauturu ia ratou tika'i e kite nei i te kino ta te tauiaanga reva e akatupu nei
- Te puapinga o te okianga ki tei anga i te au mea katoatoa, no te kimi i tona anoano e tana ravenga e meitaki akaou ei te natura tana i anga e i vaio mai no tatou te tangata nei; e turanga meitaki tika'i oki to teiane i ao tana i oronga mai no tatou i muatangana, kua mako-kore ra te tangata i te akonoanga e i te taangaanga anga i te reira

I roto i te **assembly**, teia i raro nei te au tumu manako tei uriuria atu:

- Ripoti a te aronga mou taoaanga i runga i te kumiti o te WACC-Pacific
- Te akapapaanga moni a teia taokotaianga no nga mataiti e 3 i topa, e pera to te nga mataiti e tu mai nei
- Porokaramu angaanga a te kumiti o teia taokotaianga no nga mataiti e 3 e tu mai nei
- Akaouanga i te au taoanga i runga i te kumiti o te taokotaianga

Kua riro teia uipaanga ei puapinga no ratou tei tae mai i te kite anga i te au mea e tupu nei e, eaa te au takainga no te tuatau ki mua. Meitaki ta te Tonga utuutuanga i te au taeake tei tae mai, te tua o te ngai nooanga, katikati, pereoo, e pera te tamouanga i te internet i ngoie ua'i i te au taeake i te komakoma ki to ratou au ngutuare e to ratou au opati i te enua ma te tutaki-kore. Kia akameitakiia te Atua no teia tei kitea i roto i tona iti tangata, malo lelei i roto i te reo Tonga.

Kua akaruke au ia Rarotonga nei no te aere atu ki teia uipaanga i te Maanakai ra 23 no Tiurai, e kua oki mai i te Ruirua ra 2 no Aukute. Kua riro te au akapouanga katoatoa (pairere, ngai nooanga, pereoo, kai) e na te WACC-Pacific.



Delegates to the WACC Pacific Seminar and Assembly held in Tonga, 26 July – 1 August 2011. Representatives came from; Cook Islands, Tonga, Niue, Samoa, Fiji, FSM, Tahiti, Vanuatu, PCC, SPC and SPATS.

9. RAROTONGA GOSPEL DAY

I AERE MAI NEI OKI TE TAMAITI A TE TANGATA E KIMI TEI NGARO E AKAORA. Ko te irava teia i akoia i te taeanga mai te Evangelia ki Rarotonga nei i te ra 25 o Tiurai 1823. I te ra 25 no Tiurai i



Kua akamataia teia Titikaveka, aru mai te Matavera, Avarua,

E maata uatu rai te matakitaki i teia ra mai te Mata o te Ariki tokorua Ina Goodwin, tokorua Akaiti Puna, Are Ariki, Travel Tou.

mai te pupu ura no Araura Enuā, Mauke Enuā tei tae mai ki Rarotonga nei no te Maire Nui. E pera katoa tetai au taeake nga akonoanga keke, te papaa e tetai au e Autireria mai. Kua maeva parua ua te mataora i taua ra ra, no te mataora i te e te au Tumu Korero e te tu i te

I mua ake ka akaoti te akakoroanga, kua akakiteia mai te turanga o te Tarereanga Imene Apii Tapati e te Imene Tuki e te Vaa Koperepere o te Rarotonga Konitara Ekalesia koia a Taivero Isamaela. Teia te akanoonoanga, Imene Apii Tapati: 1-Titikaveka, 2-Avarua, 3-Nikao. Imene Tuki: 1-Titikaveka, 2-Nikao, 3-Avarua. Akakatoatoa: 1-Titikaveka, 2-Avarua, 3-Nikao. I roto ra i te mata o te katoatoa, kua re tai te au Ekalesia katoatoa, re rua ko ratou rai ko te au Ekalesia katoatoa, e pera te re toru, a, rima e te ono ko taua pupu tangata rai.

Kua akameitaki atu te Vaa Koperepere i te katoatoa rava tei tae mai no te matakitaki i te akakoroanga i te akamaaraanga i te taeanga mai o te Evangelia ki Rarotonga nei, tei riro ei ngakau parauanga na tatou i teia ra. Kua akaotia teia akakoroanga na roto i te pure tei raveia mai e te Orometua Ngatokorua Patia, tiemani o te Rarotonga Konitara Ekalesia i teia mataiti. Kua rave katoaia tetai katikatianga i muri ake ki te Pukapuka Hostel. Kia akameitakia te Ekalesia Temurimotia ko ratou tei akateretereanga i te au akamaaraanga i teia ra Vaevae, tei apai mai i te

(Tataia e Pae Tuteru, Takamoa)



teia mataiti, kua raveia te akamaaraanga i te 178 mataiti i te taeanga mai te Evangelia ki Rarotonga nei. Kua raveia teia akakoroanga ki roto i te Are Karioi Nui (National Auditorium), akamata i te ora 9.00am. Kua akamataia teia akakoroanga na roto i te akonoanga pure tei akateretereia e te Ekalesia Titikaveka. Ko te Tumu Tapura no teia mataiti, te Tarere Imene Reo Apii Tapati e te Imene Tuki mei roto mai i te au irava tei akanooia no nga Ekalesia e 6. tarere imene e te Ekalesia Ekalesia Ngati Tangiia, Nikao e Arorangi te taopenga.

tangata tei tae mai i te taeanga Evangelia. Kua tae Vaine, Fred Goodwin e te te Parai Minita Henry e te

e te Peretitini o te Kua kapiti katoaia Enuā, e Atiu akakoroanga o te mei roto mai i tere no Aotearoa tangata i te au imene tei atuia raveiaanga.

riro ei metua no te angaanga tei raveia no te maata. "Aue te Manea o te Tuatua Tika o te Evangelia."

10. NGA AKAKOROANGA O TE VAINETINI, MATAVERA EKALESIA

AKAARIARIANGA APINGA TUITUI

Te akameitaki nei matou iakoe e te Atua, te akameitaki nei matou, na taau au angaanga takake i akakite e, te vaitata nei to ingoa" (Salamo 75:1). Ko tetai teia o te au meitaki ta te Evangelia i apii ki to tatou au tupuna vaine i taito, tei riro ei peu na tatou. Kua riro te au vaine a te au Orometua Papaa, tei tonoa mai e te London Missionary Society, no te tutu i te evangelia, ei apii i to tatou au metua vaine i teia angaanga tuitui. E tareni puapinga roa teia tei mouria e ratou e tae mai kia tatou i teia ra. Kare te au taunga i noo ua ki tei apaiia, kua akamaata atu ra ratou i te marama, e te kite nei tatou i teia ra, i te tuketuke o te marama no runga i ta tatou angaanga tuitui. Te riro nei oki teia angaanga manea ta te au metua vaine e rave nei, ei ngakau parau anga no tatou i te akamaneaanga i to tatou au ngutuare, e pera oki, te au ngutuare ekalesia me tupu te au angaanga mamaata. Kua riro katoa ei mataara e rauka mai ei te puapinga ei tauturu i te oraanga.



I te aiai Paraparau, ra 23 o Tiunu i topa akenei, kua rave te Ekalesia Vainetini o Matavera i tetai akaariarianga. Maata te au angaanga e tupu ana i roto i te au ekalesia, takake atu i te inangaro e te manakonakoanga o te reira putuputuanga ekalesia vainetini, te vai katoa ra tetai au akakoroanga, tei riro e, na te au Orometua vaine e akaoraora me kore e akamaroiroi ana, mei teia tikai tei tupu ki te Vainetini o Matavera. E angaanga teia tei akamaroiroi ia e te Orometua Vaine, Mama Moetaua, tei moe akenei. I roto i ta ratou akanoonoanga, kua oti teia akaariarianga i teia mataiti i topa akenei, inara, kua kite tatou i tei tupu, kua topa mai i reira ki teia mataiti.

Teia te au mea tei patii ki te Vainetini kia rave, Au Diakono Vaine – 1 tivaivai panapana/tataura, 1 pair auaro pute tataura, 1 pair cushion tataura, 1 ariki kaingakai tataura. Ekalesia Vaine - te ka maranga ia ratou.



Ko Mama Ngametua Turepu e tana au tivaivai manea

Kua pati ratou i te Tauturu Peretiteni, te Tekeretere, pera tetai au mata mei roto mai i te Ekalesia Titikaveka, e te au papa o te Ekalesia Matavera. Kua akamata te angaanga i te ora 5 i te aiai, na roto i tetai pure poto, tei raveia e te Tauturu Tekeretere o te Vainetini Matavera, koia a Mata Ngamata. I muri ake, kua tuatua mai to ratou Tekeretere, a Taupepa Tupa i te arikianga i te au manui, ma te oronga i te tuatau ki te Orometua o te Ekalesia kia rave mai i te akonoanga pure mei tei matauia. Kia oti te pure, kua tuatua mai te Tauturu Peretiteni i te akameitaki i teia angaanga manea tei akatapuia, kia oti tana tuatua, kua akatueraia te taime no te katoatoa kia aere kia matakiki i tei akairi ia e te au mama ki runga i te au taura. Tuketuke te au

apinga tei akaariiria. Kua kite tatou i te au angaanga mei teia te tu, kare atu e tuatua e tau kia akaaiteia i te manea tei kiteia. Kua kitea te maroiroi tei riro ei kaka, kua kitea te taokotai tei riro ei rekareka anga. Kua tano i reira te tuatua a te tata Salamo tei na ko e, "Ko ta lehova teia i rave, e te akara atu nei tatou ma te umere maata."



Mama Tapu Moetaua e tana tivaivai tataura.



Mama Aurupa e tana tivaivai panapana.

Okotai mea mataora tei akarakaraia, e tivaivai teia tei tuia e tetai mama Diakono tei akakite i tona rekareka e tona ngakau parau i te mea e, kua tae tona mataiti i teiane ki te 60, ka tai ana tivaivai ka tui i tona oraanga, nana rai i parani. Kia akameitakiia te Atua mana katoatoa.



E tuatau akameitakianga e te akamaroiroiana teia i te katoatoa.

Kua mataora tikai te au manuiro tei riro ei kite no te angaanga i raveia. Kare e rauka i te tapu i te au manako tei inangaro i te akameitaki i te angaanga i raveia, kia aere atu rai te maroiroi ki mua. Ko tetai reo pumaana e te rekareka tei akarongoia i te reira aiai, koia te reo kapiki o teia metua vaine ki tona tokorua i te na ko anga e, oh! rakau, rakau, see the poreo, ka-na-pa-na-pa..... Kua akaaiteia te manea o te au apinga tei akaariiria, mei te kanapa o te poreo. Kia pou te au vaa tuatua, kua rave mai te papa Orometua, Ina Moetaua, i te pure openga e pera te pure kaikai.

PURE METUA VAINA

E pureanga teia tei akatupuia e te Orometua Vaine Papaa, koia a Mrs. William Wyatt Gill, ki Rarotonga nei, e pera oki ki Mangaia. Na te au vaine anake teia pureanga. Ko te akakoroanga maata, mari ra, ko te takiruruanga ki te ngai okotai, te ekalesia vaine, e tae uatu ki te au mapu tamaine, ma te pure nona uarai, e no tana au tamariki e tona ngutuare. Te patiangia i ta te Atua tauturu e tana akameitakianga, e kia apai ke atu i tona au tu paruparu. E raveia ana teia pure i te Monite, i muri ake i te Sabati Oroa.

I te aiai Monite ra 8 o Aukute i teia mataiti 2011, kua piri atu au ki teia pureanga, tei raveia e te Ekalesia vainetini o Matavera. Takake atu i nga ekalesia vainetini o Mangaia, ko te Vainetini anake o Matavera i Rarotonga nei, te rave ana i teia pure. Kua rere ua te ngakau i te rekareka, ma te akameitaki i te Atua, no te mea, kua rave ana au i teia pure i te tuatau i angaanga ei maua ko toku akaperepere ki roto i te ekalesia Tamarua. Kare i tuke taku i kite i Mangaia, ki teia tei raveia e Matavera. Kua kakau teatea te katoatoa i tae mai, tei akamaara mai kiaku i te tuatua a to tatou Atua tei na ko e, "Ka akara ana i te au koro, kua teatea ia i

teiane, e kua mou". Kua mareka katoa toku ngakau i te kiteanga i te tu taokotai o te au metua vaine pakari ki te au tamaine, ko tei tukati ki tetai au manako i roto i te Akakoroanga o ta tatou Ture Iti. Kua manea te au angaanga o mua i te kaingakai, tei raveia mai e te Diakono Vaine, pera nga mapu tamaine. Ko te au akamaroiroi, kua raveia mai e nga Diakono Vaine toko toru, no runga i te tia o te reira ra, akaoki atu ei ki mua i te Orometua tei akakoukou mai i te au mea katoatoa. Penei, e mea manea kia akarakara tatou i teia angaanga meitaki, tatou tikai i te Kuki Airani nei. Kia akakakaia te Atua no tana e rave nei ki to tatou au oraanga. SALAMO133:1 "I na oki te meitaki e te mataora, kia noo katoa te au taeake ma te tau tika'i."

Kia orana e kia manuia.



(Tataia e te Orometua Vaine Mamatira Patia, Tekeretere CICC Vainetini)

11. E PURUA (POEM) NO RUNGA I TE TERETERE MAPU

Akatomoanga

Teia ta te irava i apii mai: *"Kia kite au e te aere ra taku au tamariki na te mataara o te tuatua mou, kare rava oku e rekarekaanga maata atu i te reira."*

E au vaeau no te Atua

Kare e ekokoanga e kua pumaana te ngakau o te au metua
I te kiteanga i ta ratou anau mapu i roto i te nao o te Atua
I te tuatua akakiteanga i te basileia ora o te Mesia ma te matakou-kore
Ki mua i te tangata e manganui kia kite i te ora mutu-kore
Ta Iesu Mesia i orongaua mai ma te tutaki-kore
Kia irinaki tikai tatou kiaia ma te ekoko-kore

Tereanga o te mapu

I te Sabati i topa ra 21 no teia marama Aukute
Kua raveia te rua e te openga o te teretere mapu i Rarotonga nei no teia mataiti 2011
Kua aru te tereanga na runga i te turanga o te ora (clock-wise)
Tera oki te aiteanga, Matavera ki Ngatangia, Ngatangia ki Titikaveka e takapini ake

Tei tamou e tei kore i tamou i te irava

E tuatau mataora teia e te inangaroia e ratou tei tapapa e kua papa no te tereanga
Kia akaari mai ratou i ta ratou au tuanga ki mua i te katoatoa
Tupu iora ta te irava i apii mai i runga nei
Kareka ratou tei kore i tapapa meitaki no te akakoroanga
Riro atura ta ratou i rave ei mea tu kaui no ratou e ki mua i te tangata katoa
Kare ireira i puapinga te akateateamamaoanga i akanooia ei

Ututuanga a te Ekalesia

I te pae o te ututuanga a nga Ekalesia i te anau mapu
Kare e tauiana mei tetai teretere ki tetai
Kua ututu meitaki nga Ekalesia i te mapu mei te mea atura e na ratou tika'i teia anau
Kua kai te mapu i te kai e kua takatakai, kua akai'ia e kua akaraanga sumaringa
Ko te aroa tika'i teia o te Atua, e te akara nei tatou ma te umere maata

Tutaki o tei tavini iaia

Tena ireira te aroa e te inangaro o te metua kia kotou e te anau mapu
To kotou turanga i roto i te Mesia kia papu
Na te Mesia oki kotou i akarangatira, kua rangatira tika ia kotou
Ko to te Atua ia anoano, kia rauka te ora mutu-kore meia ratou tei totou
E uki akonoia oki kotou ei tupaupau tuatau
Kia maroiroi i tenana oroanga i roto i te Mesia, ko ta kotou oki ia i matau

E korona kaka tei mua ia tatou, kare e noku ua i na Paulo ei
No ratou katoa ra tei inangaro atu i taua mama rua anga mai nona ra.

Kia orana e kia manuia.

(Tataia e te Etita o teia nutileta)

Mapu o te Avarua CICC tei
tere mai ki Matavera.



12. IRINAKIANGA O TE AU APOSETOLO KIA TATAUIA

K o te tuatua akakiteanga i te irinakianga o te au aposetolo, e tuanga puapinga teia i roto i te au atianganga akamorianga i roto i ta tatou nei akonoanga e pera i roto i tetai au akonoanga keke e manganui. I roto i tetai uipaanga maata i topa, kua arikiia e kia akamaroiroia te au Ekalesia katoatoa kia tatau putuputu i teia tuanga i roto i tana ake e i tana ake porokaramu akamorianga. E maata te au Ekalesia e rave nei i teia, e maata katoa te au Ekalesia kare i rave ake.

Te aere atu nei te patianganga a te kumiti akaaere ki te katoatoa kia taangaanga i teia tuanga ki roto i te Ekalesia. Te tuatau no te rave i teia, tei runga i te reira Ekalesia. Me i te atianganga o te Pure Avatea Sabati, ko te reira ia, me i te atianganga o te Pure Oroa, ko te reira ia. Mei ta tatou i matau i te tatau i te Salamo 23 i te au tuatau tumatetenga, e mea manea kia tamou e kia tatau putuputu katoaia te irinakianga o te au aposetolo i roto i te au atianganga akamorianga. Ko te irinakianga o te au aposetolo, ko to tatou katoaia irinakianga. No reira tena ia te patianganga mei roto atu i te kumiti akaaere, na kotou e te au Ekalesia e taangaanga i te reira.

Penei kua ngaropoina i tetai pae te au tuatua no te irinakianga, akara ki te **Annex III** i muri i teia nutileta, reo Maori e te papaa.

13. E AU TUATUA AKAMAARAARA

E au tuatua akamaaraara mei teia i raro nei:

UIPAANGA NA TE CICC

Uipaanga na te Konitara Ekalesia Enuua o Autireria, Maanakai 17 Tepetema 2011 ki Cairns, QLD. Me ka tika tuku atu i te au tuatua (confirmation, names, flight details, items to be included in the agenda, etc.) ki te Tekeretere Dane Rasmussen i runga i te email address: dane.rasmussen@wilhelmsen.com Tena katoa te mata o te kumiti akaaere, Willie John, ka tae atu e tetai atu au taeake tei patiaa.

TUA TAPAPA NO TE EKALEZIA NO TE CICC WEBSITE

Teia te numero i tae mai i teia taime: Rarotonga (5), outer islands (2, from Mangaia), NZ (3, from Auckland), Australia (3, from North Queensland). Kotou te au Ekalesia kare i tuku mai ake, tena te au akaraanga i runga i te website, aru i te reira me akapapa i ta kotou, ka tuku mai ei ki Takamoia nei.

UIPAANGA MAATA KI AITUTAKI

Ripoti ki te uipaanga maata na te aronga mou taoanga

Tena kua tuku iatu te akamaramaanga na roto i te au karere imere, rapu mai kia tae mai ta kotou au ripoti ki Takamoia nei i teia marama Aukute. Meitaki poria kia kotou tei tuku mai i ta kotou ripoti.

Akapapuanga i te au mata ki te uipaanga

Meitaki kotou tei tuku mai i te akapapuanga no to kotou au mata ki te uipaanga maata e te tuatau e tae mai ei kotou, te vai atura rai te au Ekalesia kare i tuku mai ake i tei pati iatu. Rapu mai, e mea puapinga kia kite vave iatu. A teia marama ki mua Tepetema, ka imere atu au ki te katoatoa, koai ma tei akapapu mai e koai ma kare i akapapu mai ake.

Tei anoano i te pereoro (transport) ia kotou i Rarotonga

Imere me kore ringi tika mai kia Tekura (Steak) i roto nei i te opati i Takamoa, me e anoano transport kotou ia kotou i Rarotonga nei ka aere ki Aitutaki me kore kua oki mai mei Aitutaki ka oki atu ki NZ/Aust i muri ake i te uipaanga. Kare matou e kite atu i to kotou anoano me kare kotou e akakite mai.

Mobile phones

Mei tei akamarama iatu i roto i te "Background Information," ka angaanga te mobile phones i Aitutaki ki tetai uatu ngai i roto i teianei ao. Me ko taau mobile e ko te roaming type, ka re-programme kua angaanga ireira. Me kore, okoia tetai sim card i ko i te Telecom office i Rarotonga nei me kore i Aitutaki, e \$25.00.

Computer stick

Me kua anoano koe i te au ripoti e te au tutu o te uipaanga e tetai atu au mea puapinga kia tukuia ki runga i te computer stick kia mama koe me oki atu, apai mai i tetai computer stick te size auraka i raro ake i te 4GB. Mei tetai \$20 i te mea okotai e okoia nei i Rarotonga nei, mama ake paa i kona ia kotou i NZ e Aust.

Tetai atu au tuatua puapinga

Akara ki roto i te *Background Information* tei tuku iatu kia kotou e te au Ekalesia, te vai ra te au mea puapinga kia kite kotou i mua ake ka aere mai ei, kia kore tatou me kore kotou e tai'i i Aitutaki. Akara meitakiia te tuatua no te rakei o te au ra tatakaitai, porokaramu o te au ra, akakoroanga o te Maanakai 29/10, tuatau komakoma ki te kumiti akaaere, vairakau no te aronga makimaki kia apai mai kotou, e te vai atura.

14. REFLECTIONS

E tuanga teia i roto i ta tatou nuti leta tei akamataia i te nuti leta **15**. Te irinakiia nei e ka mataora kotou i te tatauanga. Ko te ingoa o teia tuanga o te nuti leta koia oki **Reflections, akaraanga ki muri i tei tupu**. I konei ka oki tatou ka tatau ma te kite i tei tataia no te au mea tei tupu e to ratou pirianga ki ta tatou akonoanga CICC mei tona kapuaangaia mai.

I roto i teia nutileta numero **38**, ko te 7 teia o te tuanga no te tataanga a te **Orometua John Williams** iaia i te Kuki Airani nei i te mataiti 1823. Tena te maataanga o te tua tei roto i te **Annex I**. Kotou kare i kite ana i te au atikara tei tuku iatu ki roto i nga nutileta i topa, akakite mai kia tuku akaou iatu na runga i te imere. Tena katoa i runga i te website a te CICC.

15. OBITUARY

E au metua no te Evangelia tei akaruke mai i te oraanga nei:

RITIARORANGI RAKOROA TAIA



Kia oraana e taku au taeake i roto i te Atu nei ia Iesu Mesia Akaora, koia te upoko o te Ekalesia, ko tatou nei oki, te au melo o taua kopapa okotai rai. Kia maroiroi e kia matutu i tenana oroanga. Ko to kotou taeake teia, ko te oa rave angaanga i roto i te Mesia nei ko te Ekalesia Balaclava te aroa atu nei ia kotou i roto te ingoa o te Toru Tai Tapu e ei tana aratakianga kia manuia ta kotou ruru ua, Amene.

E akakite ua anga i tei tupu ki roto nei i te Ekalesia. I te rā 20 o te marama ia June 2011 i te ora 3 i te popongi, kua takake atu na te ara tiroa o te mate, to matou metua vaine Orometua, a Mama Ritiarorangi Rakoroa Taia. E te au taeake e, kua kitea mai te reo aue maata i Rama; "*E reo tei kitea i Rama, e aue, e te tangi, e te mii maata, ko Rahera i te irieaanga i tana au tamariki, e kare rava akera i na, no te mea kare nei ratou*" (Mataio 2:18).

E te au taeake, e metua vaine inangaroia e tana anana i roto i tona riroanga mai ei Tiaki Mamoe na tona Atu. E metua vaine ngakau marū e te taurekareka ki te taeake. E metua vaine akono meitaki i te tavinianga atu i tona Atu ma te tuatua-tika e te pikikaa-kore. Koia rai, e metua vaine akaperepere e te arataki meitaki i ta raua anau, ko tei riro katoa teia takakeanga nona ei mamae maata kia ratou te anau, te anau mokopuna, e tae uatu ki ta raua au hina ma tona akaperepere koia te Papa Orometua Rev. Rakoroa Taia, e nga kopu tangata e rua. Ko tetai nga metua teia tei ope te au taoanga i roto i te Ekalesia a te Mesia ia raua i te apai i roto i to raua oraanga e teia noa'i. Eiaue! Kare koe e ngaro ia matou e to matou metua vaine meitaki, tupuna vaine meitaki e te metua vaine Evangelia meitaki. E hano, tena to akaruru tei na hare i taura'vananga! . . . i na te korero ei a to taua huitupuna. I akakite mai ei te tuatua a te Atua e; "Aue i te inga o te aronga toa e! e te taoanga tamaki i akarukeia ra." (2 Samuela 1:27). "E ao to te aronga e mate, ei roto i te Atu ratou ka mate ei, i teiane e amuri ua atu: koia ia, te tuatua maira te Vaerua, kia akaea ratou i te rave i ta ratou angaanga, e e aru oki ta ratou angaanga ia ratou." (Apokalupo 14:13).

Te tuku atu nei au e no te Ekalesia Balaclava i te reo akapumaana ki to tatou metua tane koia te Papa o te Ekalesia Balaclava, Papa Rakoroa Taia, te Orometua a te Ekalesia, e ta raua anau tamariki, anau mokopuna. Kia tika rai i te Atua kia oronga mai i te pumaana e te maroiroi. "Eiaue! Na kauamo a Ahūtu!"

(Tataia e Kitekore Koiatu, Tekeretere, Ekalesia Balaclava, Cairns, Australia)

MATA MOEKAA



MATATAPU O TEKONINI MOEKA'A was born in Rarotonga on the 23rd of May 1935 to Poko Gideon – the daughter of a Maukean woman, Niotangi, and a resident trader Frank Ambridge. However she was brought up from birth in the village of Ruatonga by Papa Ngatitautu Taikanapa – who held the Uritaua title -- and Mama Pukaia, who was of Mangaian stock. Mata grew up in the same household as Papa Tautu's daughter, Mama Tekonini and her husband Rauru Vaike, and their three sons, Rakanui (deceased), Teariki – who currently holds the Anautoa title – and Metuakore, and the three boys grew up looking upon her as a sister. She attended Avarua school and was a Maui Pomare medal winner in 1949 along with Sara Turepu, Lisa Hosking, Don George and Ngata Rairi. Avarua's principal at the time was Mr Graham, and some of the teachers were Val Savage, Kapi Kapi and Tuaine Kapi, Utanga Utanga, 'aunty' Tutai Utanga, and Tu Pareanga.

The following year she was included in the first lot of post-primary school students at Avarua. Some of her fellow students at the time were Maria Tuae (Henderson), Mere Herman (Tomokino), Annie Savage, Deborah Pama, Dora Harrington, Tekura Tiakana, Mata Strickland, Tony Utanga (dec), Konito John, Taiava Poreti Samuel and Teau Aituru (dec), Teokotai Meti, Teina Manu (dec), Solomona Williams, Apo Ngaau – to name a few. The teachers during the year were Percy Henderson, Michael Jonassen and Basil Brown. Around 1952 she began working at United Island Traders, or UIT, where Foodland is now. Willie Watson managed UIT and some of the workers at the time were Akaiti Tairi Maoate, Mereana Pare, Maria Nicholas and Marie Watson. She then moved to CITC to work in ledger accounts around 1954. CITC was managed by Boss McKegg, who was assisted by his two sons Henley and Neil. Other workers at the time were Mata Nicholas, Deborah Pama, Ana Tamangaro, Poreti Samuel, Kamate Cuthers, Tatio Nicholas, Duncan Bertram, Sadaraka Puroku, Mikara Herman, Annie Boaza and Tai (Andrew) Turua. She also played netball for the Avatiu club during her youth.

On November 19th 1960, she married Rangitukua Moeka'a who was a teacher at Nikao school. They had four children – Rangitukua (Bob), Teremoana, Vaitoti (George) and Myra Pukaia. She went with her husband to New Zealand from 1963 to 1967 while he studied at Auckland University. When they returned in early 1968, she resumed working at CITC and then moved to the Philatelic Bureau in 1970 where she worked until 1995.

While being a Sunday school teacher, she was also involved in the Avarua CICC ekalesia, and various village and varetini events. She was heavily involved in the guiding movement, taking her first overseas trip with Tapaeru Tereora, Pa Tuoro, Marguerite Story and Naomi Iro, to Fiji in 1959. Tapaeru Poaru and Lizzie Browne were two of the Avarua leaders at the time. She made at least three trips on board the Sunderland aircraft to Fiji, took a group of Rangers to Samoa, and also travelled to New Zealand, Australia and Canada for various Girl Guides' events.

She was the first Cook Islander to hold the position of Girl Guides chief commissioner in the Cook Islands (after Lady Donne) and oversaw the official affiliation of the Cooks as an associate member to the World Association of Girl Guides in Denmark in 1993. One of the highlights of her guiding career was meeting Princess Margaret in Wales in 1990. Unfortunately her involvement in the Guides movement ceased in 1995 (after serving five years as commissioner) when her husband took up a post lecturing in Cook Islands Maori at Auckland University. However this did not stop her from being involved with various groups and activities in the South Auckland area. She attended the PIPC church in Mangere and occasionally went to the CICC church on Kirkbride Road – a three minute walk from her home.

She had a bubbly and infectious personality – always making friends with just about everybody she came in contact with, and she was always more than willing to go out of her way to help people. Never shy to speak her mind, she also had a thing for being punctual and ensuring that those around her followed what she said!

She passed away peacefully at home in Mangere, Auckland, on Friday 15 July 2011 after a battle with myeloma. She is survived by her husband, Rangitukua; their four children; 13 grandchildren – Rangitukua, Teariki Patua, Matatapu, Te Pou O Rongo, Tekura, Rima'ati, Jane, Seline, Gemma Vairoa, Dawn, Eva-Moana, Te-Mata-O-Te-Akarua and Edward; and six great-grand-daughters – Sienna, Faith, Hope, Tiana-Brooke, Castella Terita and Taputurangi. She was laid to rest at the Ngati Anautoa burial grounds in Ruatonga, Rarotonga, following a service at the Avarua CICC church on Friday 22 July. Aere ra – rest in peace.

(submitted by Moana Moekaa)

16. POPANI

Tena ireira e te au taeake ma te au tuaine te au mea tei anoano ta kotou kumiti akaaere kia oronga akakite atu ei kiteanga na kotou i te au mea tei tupu, e tupu nei, e te paraniia nei no teia au tuatau ki mua i roto i ta tatou nei akonoanga CICC. Tena te toenga o te nutileta na kotou e tatau atu; te au mea e okoia nei i Takamoana nei, tua tapapa no tetai o to tatou au metua i roto i te akarongo, te au mea tei tupu i te tuatau i topa (history) e te vai atura. Irinaki matou i runga i te kumiti akaaere e ka riro teia karere ei pumaana ki roto i to kotou au ngakau tatakitai. Me e au manako to kotou no te akameitaki atu i te turanga o teia nutileta a teia au tuatau ki mua, ka rekareka au kia tuku tika mai kotou i te reira kiaku, Tekeretere Maata. Oronga katoa iatu teia nutileta ki tou au taeake e te kopu tangata.

Tetai manako puapinga, patiangia kia kotou i runga i te email, me tau i to kotou email address, akakite mai ki Takamoana nei kia rauka i te akatano ki runga i te akapapaanga, ei reira ta kotou au karere (newsletters, etc.) e tae uatu ei kia kotou. Pera katoa me e au taeake to kotou i runga i te email tei anoano koe kia tu katoa ratou i te au karere mei Takamoana atu nei, tuku mai i to ratou au email addresses kiaku Tekeretere Maata kia akaoia ratou ki runga i te akapapaanga i Takamoana nei. Tetai uatu i runga i te email tei kore i anoano kia tuku ua iatu rai te karere kiaia no tetai au tumuanga, akakite katoa mai kia akaateaia mai tou email address mei runga i te akapapaanga. Kotou e te au Orometua i Nutireni e Autireria, auraka e ngaropoina i te akakite mai ki Takamoana nei me tau i to kotou au ngai nooanga (residential addresses) kia kore e tai'i te tukuanga karere (communication) mei Takamoana atu nei.

Ei taopenga i teia nutileta, te akara tamou atu nei te manako ki te uipaanga maata e tu mai nei i Aitutaki, ma te oki katoa te manako ki muri i te akamaara i te imene tei atuia e te Ekalesia Matavera e tana i imene i te ra i uipa ei te uipaanga maata ki Matavera i te mataiti 2003:

V Teia mai nei e --
 T O te au taeake
 K Ta te Atua ra i / tono mai ki Tumu-te-varovaro
 T Ei akatupu i te Evangelia ora aue te aroa
 K Ki te pa enua, kia meitaki tatou i te Atua
 K Tei tapapaia / tapapa iana i te au ra e

VC *Ka 2 mataiti i teiane e, kua tae akaou mai kia matou*
 TC *Tuki...., mai kia matou*

T *Ko te uipaanga maata te-i-a*
 V *Ta tatou i kite i te au mataiti e*
 TC *Sambula vinaka aere mai oro mai i e*
 VC *Kia akameitaki ia te Atua*
 K *No te-i-a tei akatupuia*

T *E noo ra, e te au taeake ma te rekareka*
 V *Ka tuatua, e uri te manako*
 T *Ma te kimi i te au ravenga takake*
 VC *Kia rauka te puapinga no tatou, ei mataara ki tona basileia*
 TC *Tuki...., tona basileia*
 T *I te ao mutukore*

Ei konei tatou i te tuatua akakiteanga i tona aroa opekore uatu rai kia tatou te tangata ara nei, Amene.

Past CICC Assemblies



TE AU APINGA E OKOIA NEI I TAKAMOA CURRENTLY AVAILABLE AT TAKAMOA

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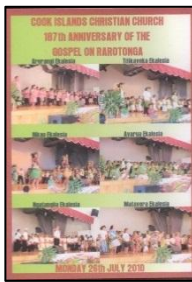
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- C1: Tutakimoa CICC Youth Choir 1996 (mixture of Sunday School and traditional hymns), \$10.00
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 C3: Avarua CICC Imene Tuki, \$10.00

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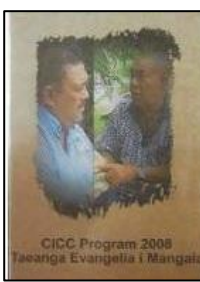
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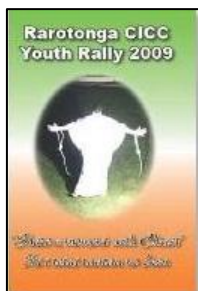
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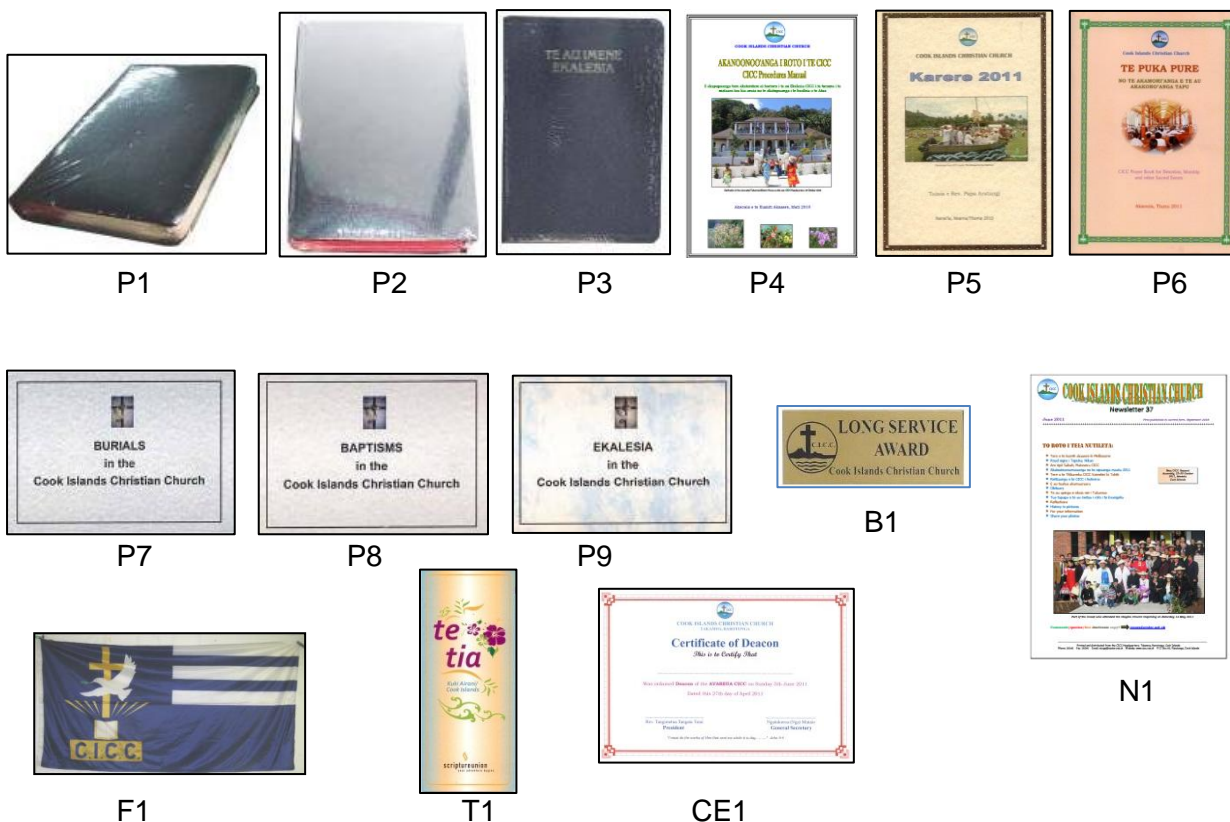
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- D1: National Gospel Day, October 2010, Raemaru Park, Arorangi, \$20.00
 D2: Rarotonga Gospel Day, July 2010, Aroa Nui Centre, Arorangi, \$20.00
 D3: Gospel Day October 2007, \$20
 D4: Taeanga te Evangelia ki Mangaia, \$20.00
 D5: Reopening of the Takamoa Mission House as the CICC main office, 2009, \$20.00
 D6: Avarua CICC Imene Kiritimiti 2008, \$20.00
 D7: Takamoa graduation 2009, \$20.00
 D8: Rarotonga CICC Youth Rally 2009, \$20.00
 D9: Rarotonga Gospel Day 2009, \$20.00
 D10: 100th Anniversary of Oliveta Church, 2010, Kimiangatau, Mauke, \$20.00
 D11: Avarua CICC Youth show, 2010, \$20.00

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- P1: Cook Is Maori Bible soft cover, \$45.00
 P2: Cook Is Maori Bible hard cover, \$10.00
 P3: Cook Is Hymn Book soft cover, \$15.00
 P4: CICC Manual, \$10.00 (Maori version, coloured, being translated into English)
 P5: Karere 2011, \$5.00
 P6: CICC Prayer Book (\$10.00, revised 2011 version, coloured)
 P7: Burial registration book, \$45.00
 P8: Baptisms registration book, \$45.00
 P9: Ekalesia records book, \$45.00
 B1: Long service badge, \$12.00
 N1: CICC newsletter, coloured, \$2.00
 F1: CICC flag, \$100.00
 T1: Tia (annual readings card), \$2.00
 CE1: Certificates: \$2.00 for all types. To be signed by the CICC President and General Secretary: Minister, retired minister, assistant minister, elder, deacon, assistant deacon, long service. To be signed by the caretaker minister: baptism, membership, etc.

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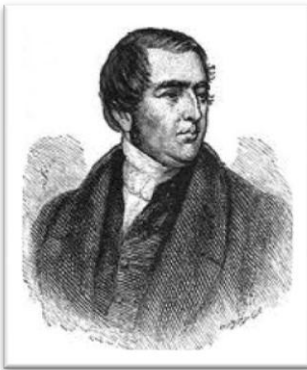
Annex I

REFLECTIONS

JOURNAL OF A VOYAGE

This is a 9-part series of the record by Rev. John Williams during his trip to the Cook Islands in 1823. Deciphered from the original by Winnie Risto in March 2010 while residing with husband Herbert Risto in Rarotonga. Some punctuation has been added by Winnie to enhance the meaning, but most has been left as it was in John Williams' Journal. The Ristos are from Canada and have been visiting Rarotonga since the 1960s; Herbert teaches at the Takamoā Theological College while in Rarotonga.

Chapter 7 (continued from newsletter 37)



The first words the king said were, I am come to advise you to receive the word of Jehovah the true god and leave with you a teacher, and his wife, who will remain with you and instruct you. They replied- that is good-he continued, saying, let us burn all our maraes and all our evil spirits with fire. Never let us worship them again. They are wood that we have carved and decorated and called gods. There is the true God and his word with a teacher to instruct you. The true God is Jehovah and the true Sacrifice is His Son, Jesus Christ. He said further, erect a house in which to worship the true God and be diligent in learning the good word of God, to which they replied, we will do it – we will receive the good word that we may be saved-he exhorted ___?___ and his wife to attend family worship that evening to which they immediately consented . Said he-let every person, man, woman, and child, attend the worship of the true God and make a public profession. He then exhorted them to leave off

drinking ava, to cast away all their games and feasts, not to steal or commit fornication, but with the evil spirit, to cast off every evil custom.

They asked the king if he would not come to the great feast they were preparing for him. He replied he had no sacred feast now, he had cast it away but he would visit them in a few months to behold their steadfastness in the good word they had now received. They asked him if he would not come to the taupiti raa (another ceremony at which the most disgraceful actions were practiced) – he replied he had no Taupiti raa, that, that, with every other custom relative to the evil spirits, would fall- he then gave strict instructions to behave kindly to their teacher, Haavi, and his wife – he called them to him shook hands with them, gave them a new house that had been erected for himself and came off with a boat load of food. A great number of canoes were alongside. We held various conversations with them – to be steadfast in their new profession. We told them that if they were the vessel would not cease to visit them. They appeared much rejoiced. They were urgent with us to receive their wives and daughters on board, which gave us opportunity of speaking to them on the wickedness of such a practice. The Chief gave orders on shore to have a pig baked and an oven of food prepared for their new guests. Surely we have reason to praise our God and Savior who is blessing our labors above all our expectations.

Was ever three Islands converted from Idolatry in so short a time – so unexpectedly – Islands unknown, almost, and some never been visited by any vessel- in one day induced to consent to destroy what has been the adoration of ages. The Chief came on board only to see us. Little did he think when he left the shores of his own Island that he was then to be the instrument of overthrowing Idolatry in two adjacent Islands, return to his own, and do the same there. It is indeed the Lord's doing and marvelous in our eyes. Had we have seen these Islands as we prayed or have perceived a native on shore, we should, in all probability have left a teacher but what would have been the good, comparatively, effected- none. We in the first place got the Chief on board – induced him to go with us – he embraces the truth himself, effectually accomplishes our wishes in two Islands, returns to his own with a full determination to do the same there. The time is rapidly approaching when all shall know the Lord even from the least to the greatest.

The two teachers, Tauaa and Haavi, are settled on the 2 Islands of Mitiaro and Mauke in the most satisfactory, comfortable manner and under circumstances the most promising that we could expect or even

wish. We trust that an effectual door is opened which the powers of darkness will never be able to shut. The failure of our attempt at the Island of Kaia was fully compensated so that we even rejoiced that we had persons with us to embrace the very favorable opening to the introduction of the gospel in these two Islands. There being no harbor or anchorage at either of the Islands our stay was necessarily short. On Tuesday evening we returned to Atiu. On our passage back we had various interesting conversations with the Chief. We exhorted him to be steadfast in his determination and commended him for what he had done. We told him that the vessel would frequently visit him- that Rev. Mr. Tyerman (?) and G. Bennet Esq. would visit them shortly – he must be diligent in getting a good dwelling house for himself and erecting a chapel by the time our friends visit him and then open it but immediately erect a temporary house in which to worship and when the vessel touched again which she would do on her way to the Colony we would send a number of spelling books. He expressed much pleasure. We told him how much all the Chiefs of our Islands would be delighted at hearing of his determination and the zeal he had shown in overthrowing Idolatry in the two Islands of Mitiaro and Maute. (Mauke?) He is very desirous of having a boat but not being rich in nails ourselves, we could not gratify him. When the boat was lowered down at Maute the natives around cried out –it will upset- it will upset-it has no outrigger. They had never been visited by a vessel before. The very first vessel that visited them carried them the glad tidings of salvation. How remarkable are the words of David fulfilled in this people-as soon as they hear of me, they shall obey me, the strangers shall submit themselves unto me.

We had one more land to seek before we turned our ship___ towards home. Viz. Rarotonga- the land we sought after leaving Aitutaki – the bearings of which we got from the Chief of Atiu by bringing the stern of the vessel towards the land mark on shore and bringing her head gradually round- as soon as her head got to the position he wanted he sang out-it's enough- this method It is possible to find the location of an Island by the direction of a native by taking them to the spot from which they start in their canoes. They will point correctly, otherwise they are completely at a loss. The direction the Chief points was – W-W. Shortly after we were met by a large double canoe that came off for him. We took leave of him and he departed expressing his ? in his resolutions, Roma a tane being a name in connection with the evil spirit he wished to be called by his other name, Nakaara, since he had received the gospel. Our earnest prayer is that the Lord will establish these, our goings, and that under his special blessing the work so auspiciously began may be carried on.

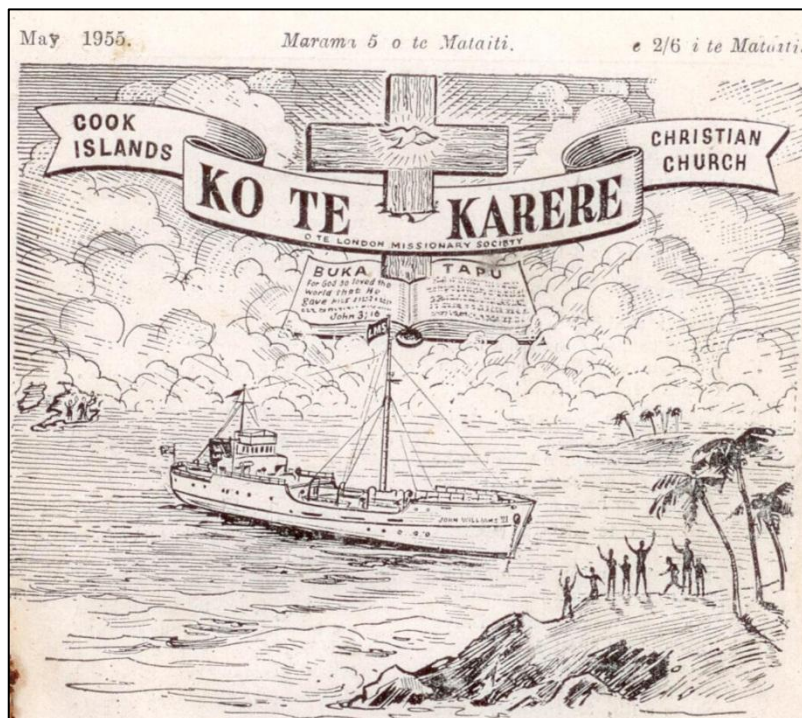
Friday – 25 – While we were conversing about giving up our search for Rarotonga, and running for Aitutaki, we were delighted with the sound of land. Our patience was exhausted and our provisions nearly all gone. We had come to a determination at 8 o'clock to put about. This was at ½ past 7. Gratitude and gladness glowed in our hearts and we returned our praises to him who had heard our requests. Nakaara, the king of Atiu, pointed very correctly to it, as it is SWBW(?) – about 119 miles from Atiu. About 2 o'clock we were up with the land. Teiro, a native of Rarotonga, whom we had brought from Aitutaki, Vahineino, one of the teachers intended for that Island, and Papeiha, the teacher we had brought with us from Aitutaki, went on shore to hold some conversation with the king and people to state to them our business and to get the Chief to come off to the vessel. They were very favorably received, held a meeting under a large shade tree and thus addressed the Chief to reside with you and your people and teach you the word of God and the gospel of his Son, Jesus Christ. He said -where is God -we replied that he is in the heavens but both heaven and earth is full of God. He said-what is his name-we told him-Jehovah.

He said he was perfectly willing that they should come and reside with him, upon which they returned on board. The king also came with a number of native canoes. They all appeared very glad to see their friend, especially the king to see his sister who was taken away several years ago in the vessel of which they killed 3 or 4 of the crew. They saluted each other by rubbing noses very heartily. The king is a very fine young man and his features very much resemble those of the late Pomare. His body is very huge but very beautifully tattooed and rubbed with a preparation of the ginger root and tumerick. We conversed with him upon the object of our visit. He expressed himself highly delighted. We showed him all the people, belonging to his land, to whom we had behaved kindly and brought safely back. He thought it well that all go on shore and sleep that they might be able to converse with the king and people more fully and in the morning take their clothes and property on shore providing all was well.

(to be continued in the next newsletter)

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NEWS HIGHLIGHTS FROM YESTER-YEARS



Cover page of the monthly "Karere" in the 1940s-50s. The name of the boat is "John Williams VI". See end of this section of the newsletter for the full John Williams fleet.

"**KO TE KARERE**" (Karere) is a regular publication of the Cook Islands Christian Church. Its format has changed a few times over the years. Up to the 1970s, the Karere was published monthly and comprised of 3 parts: (1) scripture readings and uapou questions for each Sunday of the month, (2) a section set aside specifically for Sunday School, and (3) news, notices and announcements for the benefit of the CICC's branches on Rarotonga and in the outer islands. There were no branches in New Zealand and Australia back in those days.

The Karere is still published today but on an annual basis and is confined to the Sunday scripture readings and uapou questions. News, notices and announcements are published in the bimonthly CICC newsletter. Both publications, in addition to others, are distributed to the CICC's 23 branches in the Cook Islands, New Zealand (22) and Australia (17) in both printed form as well as electronically. They are also available on the CICC's website (www.cicc.net.ck).

This section of the newsletter is devoted to bringing back memories of by-gone years. By reprinting in their original form some of the news articles from the church's past, one can virtually travel back in time and try to experience how things might have been then. For the next few issues of this newsletter, between 2/3 pages of published articles will be reproduced.

The CICC Head Office in Takamoa is greatly indebted to **Ngata Urirau**, Elder of the Avarua/Matavera Ekalesias for making available copies of the 1950s Karere from his possession for use in the CICC newsletter, thankyou very much. Anybody else who has old CICC records that may be of interest to the public and would like them reproduced in this newsletter, please contact the general secretary at Takamoa on ciccg@oyster.net.ck or phone **26547**.

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Takamoa



Ngata Urirau

NO TE ANEREANGA O TE MATAITI O TE EVANGELIA KI TONGAREVA

Ki te au motu i roto i te Kuki Airani. Kia orana kotou i te aroa maata o to tatou Pu ko Iesu Mesia. Te akamaara atu nei au i to kotou au ngakau, e te vaiata nei tatou ki te Anereanga o te mataiti i runga i te motu ko Tongareva. Te pati iatu nei tei anoano kia aravei i te Anarre mataiti o Tongareva, auraka koe e akama i te aere mai, te karanga ra tetai reo o te aronga teatea, Welcome to Tongareva. Auraka rava koe e tiaki i tetai Special Invitation noou, no te mea kare te reira e raveia ki runga ia koe, Aere Ua Mai Koe. Ka tuku katoa iatu te au Special Invitation no te au Orometua e te au Ariki e tetai atu au taoanga a teia marama ki mua. Penei e te au taeake e ko te motu openga teia i te ririnui o te Evangelia, penei ka tuke atu tona anere mataiti. Auraka e akarongo taringa ua, tapiri mai. Na kotou rai e tutaki i to kotou patete i te aere mai anga e te oki anga atu ki to kotou au ngutuare, kareka ko te utuutu e te akamoe ia kotou na to Tongareva ia.

Tangaroa Tangaroa, Mema Konitara, Ekalesia Tongareva, Karere, August 1951

FAREWELL & GODSPEED TO MR. & MRS. W. TAILBY

After nearly thirty years of association with these islands, Mr. W. Tailby, our Resident Commissioner, and his devoted and charming wife, are retiring to their homeland. In bidding them "Farewell" we acknowledge with gratitude the friendship, sympathy and almost slavish devotion to duty which have characterized their services to the people of the Cook Islands. They will be remembered also for their interest in the church life of the people, and interest which has been enhanced in value by the example they have set in the matter of attendance at the services. Their interest in the young and growing life of Cook Islanders has been abundantly manifested in their ardent support of the Boys' Brigade, Girl Guides and Child Welfare Movements. Many a home has been enriched by their manifold deeds of kindness and practical sympathy. In wishing them Godspeed on their journey we pray that they may enjoy happy reunion with their family and that in retirement their life may be enriched by many happy memories of their sojourn among the most friendly folk in the world in an Island which has been rightly called "The Gen of the Pacific."

Author unknown, probably the editor, on the front page of the Karere, August 1951

TE RO! E PAI

E te au taeake i roto i te Ekalesia Kerisitiano o te Kuki Airani e, ka akateateamamao ia kotou no te aravei atu i to tatou Pai o te Evangelia ko "John Williams VI." Ka tae mai aia kia tatou i roto i nga ebedoma openga o August. Ka aru atu te Rev. B.G. Thorogood e Mrs Thorogood, ma te Orometua ko Ta Upu Pere i te pai, no te atoro atu i te au Ekalesia katoatoa o to tatou pa enua. E tu, e kakau ana i to kakau manea e te Ekalesia e, teia mai nei te Kukupa a te Evangelia.

Author unknown, probably the editor, on the front page of the Karere, August 1954

AKAMAARAANGA

Kia orana te au Ekalesia Kerisitiano Kuki Airani. Te pati ia atu nei te au Ekaleisa katoatoa, kia akamaara mai te au Ekalesia, tei kore i pou mai e tei kore i tae mai ta ratou tuanga moni Atinga £3, ki te rima o te Tiaki Mou Moni o te Uipaanga Maata o te Ekalesia Kerisitiano Kuki Airani no teia mataiti 1954. Teia a Okotopa tei mua ua ia tatou, marama openga o te akaputu anga moni mataiti a te Ekalesia Kerisitiano Kuki Airani. E te au Ekalesia e, e mea kino roa te akaputuanga moni £3 o teia mataiti 1954, tei tae mai ki te rima o te Tiaki Moni. E mea tangi katoa te ngere o te au Orometua, i te rava kore i te tauturu atu ia ratou i to ratou au oraanga kopapa. Akamaara mai e, e tauturu mai na roto i to kotou au ngakau tangi tikai. Akamaara katoa mai i ta tatou tuanga moni tauturu i te LMS Board koia oki e £2000. E mea kino katoa teia tuanga, mari ua ake te au pa enua tokerau e Avarua. E te au Ekalesia e, te pati iatu nei kia kotou, kia akamaroiroi mai kotou i te tauturu anga mai i teia nga tuanga e rua, no te ora anga o te au Orometua e no te tupu anga o to tatou metua Evangelia i Beritane, kia peke atu ta tatou tuanga £2000 i teia mataiti. Kia orana e kia manuia.

Glassie Strickland Snr, Tiaki Moni, Karere, October 1954

TE APAIANGA A TAPAERU TEREORA I TE GIRL GUIDES KI ATIU

Ko tetai teia o nga tamaine tei tonokia atu mei te Kuki Airani nei ki te camp a te Girl Guides i Nutilani. Kia oki mai raua ki Rarotonga e marama ou ta raua i taori mai mei roto i taua camp ta raua i aere. Akatupu iora te Ekalesia ma nga ariki o Enuamanu i te manako e, kia pati iatu a Tapaeru Tereora kia aere mai aia kia akatupu i te angaanga Girl Guides ki Enuamanu nei. E tae akera ki te ra 18 no Aukute 1954, kua tae mai a Tapaeru, e 4 ona ra i te teateamamaoanga iaia no taua akakoroanga ra. E kia tae ki te ra 24 no Aukute, kua akamata ia te angaanga a te Girl Guides, i na ra teia te mea tumatetenga, kua tupu te pekapeka o te au

metua e ta ratou anau tamaine rikiriki. Teia te tumu, inangaro teia anau rikiriki i te tomo ki roto i te Girl Guides, ka akapeea nei ra te au metua kare i tae to ratou au mataiti. Kua raveia teia angaanga ma te manea e te kaka, kua tere atu i te 70 tamaine (mema) i tau ra. Kia tae ki te Sabati ra 10 Okotopa 1954, ko to ratou Sabati mua teia i piri ei ki to ratou tungane ko te BB ki ta ratou pureanga church parade. Kua riro taua Sabati ei ra maata no ratou, e te maena to ratou uniform e to ratou pare, kare i te mea kanga, te pakakina i te reo o Tapaeru, reka ki te taringa o te au metua. No reira, te akameitaki nei to Enuamanu i te Atua, koia i akatika ia Tapaeru Tereora kia tanu i teia tiare manea ki runga i to ratou enua, koia te GG. "Kia kite au e te aere ra taku au tamariki na te tuatua mou, kare rava oku e rekareka anga maata i reira."

T. Apolo Apianga, Karere, January 1955

KO TE GIRL GUIDES

Kua akamataia te Girl Guides i Tautu nei e Private Teremoana John Tini i te ra 7 no April 1953. Mei taua taime e tae ua mai ki te ra 4 no April 1954, kua akatainu ia ratou e Mrs. Rev. B.G. Thorogood ki te Are Pure i Tautu nei. Kua ki te are pure i te tangata no te akaraanga i taua mea ou tei raveia i tau ra. E na Rev. B.G. Thorogood i rave i te akoanga e kua tuku ia ratou teia company ki roto i te rima o te Atua, ei akaaere ia ratou. E kia ua teia ua ou ma te meitaki ki te ngakau o te a tamaine o teia oire.

John Tini Orometua, Karere, August 1954

TERE O THOROGOOD KI MAUKE

Kua riro te ra 14 no Sepetema ei ra maata e te rekareka no nga Ekalesia o Mauke i te araveianga i te Orometua Papaa e tana vaine. Kua taokotai te tangata katoatoa o Mauke, te Apii Sabati e te au tamariki Boys' Brigade i te aravei anga atu ia raua. Kua kapiti katoa mai te Kavana Maata a Neville e te Akavanui o te enua a John Webb e te vaine. I te ora 7 kua raveia te akonoanga o te Uapou kapiti o nga Ekalesia ki Oiretumu. I te popongi o te ra 25 Sepetema ora 10 kua rave nga Apii Sabati e rua o te enua i ta ratou nuku. I te ora 1pm o taua ra, kua oki mai te tere ma te tangata katoatoa ki te oire i tai nei ki Kimiangatau. Kia oti te akonoanga o te pure i te raveia, kua akamata atu ireira te rave i te angaanga tamataora anga, teia te au mataora i raveia ko te au nuku a nga Apii Sabati.

Te au apinga aroa. E maata uatu rai te au apinga aroa ta te enua i oronga atu no ratou tei tae mai ki runga i te enua ko Mauke. Kua riro rai te reira ei rekareka anga maata rava no te au manuiiri. I te maata o te rekareka o te tangata i teia ra ki te au angaanga tamataora tei raveia e te anau tamariki Apii Sabati i teia ra, kua rauka te ngakau rekareka o te tangata i te oronga atu e £2-5s-9d na teia anau.

Te Jubili o Mauke. Kia tae ki te ra 26 September 1954 kua tae te 50 anga o te mataiti o teia oire nei, mei te ra 26 e te 27, 1904. Kua teateamamao nga ariki, nga kavana, nga mataiapo e te tangata katoatoa o teia oire nei kia akamaara ia atu teia ra. Kua akatu i tetai toka ei akamaara anga i te 50 anga o te mataiti o to ratou oire, e ko teia nga ra i akamaara'ia e ratou ra 26, 27, 28, 29 Sepetema. Ora 9 i te popongi kua raveia tetai pureanga maata, akamaara anga no te akatuanga o teia toka nei. Kua pou mai te au tangata katoatoa no nga akonoanga, te au ariki, te aronga mana o te enua. Tei reira katoa te Orometua a Thorogood e te vaine, nana i rave te akoanga akamori. Ko Ta Upu Orometua e te vaine tei aru atu i te tauturu i te Orometua ia Thorogood e te vaine i runga i teia tere nei.

Author unknown, Karere, January 1955

TUATUA NO TO TATOU UIPAANGA MAATA KI MUA

Ka raveia te uipaanga maata ki Atiu i te marama Aperira me kore ko Me i teia mataiti ki mua nei, e i teia marama te anoano nei au kia akara tatou ki mua. Ko te angaanga mua a te au Ekalesia koia oki te ikianga i tetai mema no teia uipaanga. Ko te taime meitaki no teia angaanga koia January. Eaa te tu o teia ikianga? Na te Ekaleia katoa ka iki i te Diakono ta ratou i manako e koia te tangata kite e te tangata akarongo tikai. Kare oki tatou ka iki no runga i te taoanga tapere ua. Ka akara tatou ki te au Diakono e ka kimi matatio tatou eaa tikai te tangata tau meitaki kia akatere aia i te angaanga tini i roto i te uipaanga maata. Te pati atu nei au kia rave kotou i teia angaanga ma te pure e te ngakau taokotai. E kia oti te ikianga kia tuku mai kotou i te ingoa o te mema ki to tatou Tekeretere, na roto i te radio. I roto i teia Uipaanga Maata ka akara tatou i te akaouanga o te Ture Tumu. Kua tuatua te Kumiti Akaaere no runga i teia tumu manako e kua apaina ia atu tetai kapi ki te au Ekalesia. E no reira kia uriuri manako mai kotou katoatoa i roto i nga marama February e March kia papa meitaki to kotou Mema kia tae mai ki Atiu. I teia marama Noema ka oti te angaanga o to tatou pai ou, John Williams VII, e ka akaruke aia ia London i roto ia December. Kia maara tatou e, e pai iti ua teia, kare i te pai maata. E no reira ko te au patete e te au freight koia te pupu o te Ekalesia anake ua.

Kare e rauka iaku i te ariki mai i te au patete ke atu. Te irinaki nei au e, e pai meitaki teia, kia kore rava te au Orometua e ruaki. Na te Atua e tiaki mai iaia i tona aerenga mua ki runga i te moana.

B.G. Thorogood, Karere, November 1962

SAD NEWS

The Karere is a very sick patient and is about to die. Is it your wish that the Karere die? If not, will you do something to save it? Please study the following:

- i. We issue each month 1045 copies
- ii. The annual subscription per copy is 2/6
- iii. This should bring in a total of £156.15.0 per annum
- iv. In 1950 our total receipts amounted to £74.19.0
- v. This means a heavy loss on the year's working – a loss we cannot continue to bear
- vi. The annual cost of production amounts to £156.0.0
- vii. To keep going, therefore, we must receive 1045 subscriptions of 2/6 per copy.

If you have not yet paid your subscription, or if you are not yet even a subscriber, will you please do something about it?

Author unknown, front page of the Karere, January 1951

APII ANGA MAATA

Kia orana te au Ekalesia Kerisitiano Kuki Airani i teia mataiti ou, e mea tau rava, e mea tika rava kia akaoki tatou i te kaka ki te Atua Metua te Tamaiti e te Vaerua Tapu, no tona aroa maata kia tatou i te arataki mai anga, e te tiaki anga na roto i teia mataiti i topa akenei ki muri, e kua akatae mai ia tatou ki teia Mataiti Ou ma te rekareka o to tatou au manako tatakaitai no tei tae mai tatou ki teia mataiti ou. Kua topa tetai pae o to tatou au akaperepere ki te mataara o teiane ai, no te Atura ratou i pera'i. Kia kaka te Atua mutukore. Kua tae mai te tuatua ki te Peresideni o te Uipaanga Maata kia Rev. W.G. Murphy mei Beritane mai i te LMS Board, no te patianganga ta te Uipaanga Maata i pati atu kia ratou kia akatu akaou ia tetai apii anga maata na te LMS ki te Kuki Airani nei, mei nga Apiianga i Tereora e Araura i te au mataiti i topa akenei. Kua rekareka te Board i teia patianganga na te Uipaanga Maata, no tei akamanako mai ki ta tana au tamariki tei utuutu ana aia, e tei apii ki te aere e te oro e te kake ki runga i te au maunga teitei. Ina ra, te akara mai nei ratou kia tatou no runga i to tatou pae i te apai anga i tetai angaanga maata i mua ake ka akatinamou mai ei ratou i ta tatou patianganga.

Te pati atu nei au kia kotou katoatoa e te Ekalesia, kia maroiroi mai kotou i te rave i tei tuku iatu e te Uipaanga Maata no te akakoronga na roto i te akaputu anga mai i te tuanga moni e £3 i te ngutuare okotai i roto i te au mataiti tatakaitai. Kua topa Noema e rua rai nga mea Ekalesia meangiti tei tae mai te akairo o te Uipaanga Maata, akamaroiroi mai e to Araura enua, to Tumute-varovaro, e to Auau kia riro kotou teia au Ekalesia mamaata ei arataki ei akaraanga na te au Ekalesia rikiriki, kua na mua nga Ekalesia meangiti ia kotou. Kia riro ta kotou koia ei koia. Kia maeva parua te unga ma te potiki i to kotou maroiroi e to marama, i te akatuanga ia ratou ki runga i te turanga maroiroi tikai, no te oraanga vaerua e te oraanga kopapa. Kia ui mai ta kotou au tamariki kia kotou e, Eaa teia? na kotou e tuatua atu e, ko te aroa teia o te Atua, tei na roto mai i to kotou au metua i te akatuanga i tetai are apii no kotou, kia kore kotou e riro ei au tamariki uri toka na tetai ke. Kia ora e kia manuia i teia mataiti ou i to kotou oraanga vaerua e te oraanga kopapa, na roto i te tauturu a te Toru Tai o te rangi. Na to kotou oa rave angaanga i roto i te Atua.

Glassie Strickland Snr, Tekeretere, Ko te Karere, December 1950

TUATUA UMERE

Kua tere atu ki te okotai ngauru tamariki Pukapuka e noo mai nei i Nutilani i teiane ai. Ina ra, kua tupu tetai manako meitaki rava atu kia ratou, teia taua manako ra. Kua oko ratou i te punu are ei tapoki i te nao o te Atua i to ratou enua anauanga koia oki a Pukapuka. Kua tae mai taua punu i teiane ai ki Rarotonga, e 370 vaanga, e 9 tapuae te roa. Ka tae mai taua punu ra ki Pukapuka nei me oki mai te pai. Teia te mea umere maata, no teia ua te Pukapuka i aere atu ei ki Nutilani, e mea viviki rai ta ratou kimianga moni i te rauka. Kare ainei teia i te akaraanga meitaki rava? Koai ra te ka aru? Te akameitaki nei te Orometua o Pukapuka, te au diakono, e tae uatu ki te Ekalesia katoatoa, i ta ratou au tamariki i Nutilani. Te karanga nei te reo imene, "Teia te arataa tikai, kia na reira tatou roari."

Samuela Orometua, Karere, December 1955

TE TAEANGA O TE EVANGELIA KI MANIHIKI

Na te aronga o runga i te vaka paanu i akakite e, te noo atu nei te au tangata o Manihiki nei i te tu etene. Kare ratou i marama; te akamori nei ratou i te au atua idolo, e na ratou i patii i tetai nga Orometua no Manihiki nei, i kaveia mai ei Tairi e Abolo ei Orometua no Manihiki nei.

Te tuatua no te vaka paanu

No roto teia i te buka a te Orometua papaa William Gill. Ko Tetuanohunohu te pu o teia vaka paanu. Kua rokoia ratou e te matangi uriia i te aerenga mai mei Rakahanga ki Manihiki. E matangi tokerau te matangi. Kua ngaro tetai au vaka i te moana. Kua tae tetai au vaka ki te enua, kareka teia vaka kia kore te uriia, kua noo ake te aronga o roto i teia vaka ki runga, kua akarakara ratou i te enua, kare e enua i kiteaia e ratou, kua paanu ra to ratou vaka, kare i maata ta ratou kai, nga mea akari ua tei toe mai. Kua aravei mai tetai pai patia ika kia ratou i te moana, e 80 maile te mamao ia ratou ki Manihiki, kua topa ratou na te pae ki Tonga.

E kua kaveia atu ratou i runga i teia vaka paanu e te Rangatira o te pai ki runga i Manuae. Kua aere atu ireira teia pai na te moana. Kia tae atu teia aronga o te vaka paanu ki Manuae, te noo ra tetai papaa Marike i Manuae, e angai puaka tana angaanga. Kia tae ki te ra Sabati, kua rave teia papaa i to ratou pure ma te matakutaku i teia au etene o te vaka paanu, ko te tao mai iaia. Teia te tu tana i rave i te taime o to ratou pure, ko te Buka Tapu tei tona rima kaui, ko te pupui tei tona rima katau. Me tatau aia i te buka, te akara katoa nei tona mata ki runga i teia aronga etene. Me pure aia i te pure, kare tona mata e topiri, ka pure aia ma te akara tona mata ki runga i teia aronga etene. I muri mai i reira kua kore te matakutaku o teia papaa. Kua kite aia e, e etene meitaki teia aronga. E kua manako aia e ko tona iti tangata teia, ka riro aia ei ariki no ratou.

Kua tae te rongo o teia vaka paanu ki Tahiti, ki Rarotonga e ki Aitutaki. Kua akataka iora to Aitutaki i tetai Diakono ei Orometua no teia aronga o te vaka paanu ki Manuae. Kua tae ireira tetai pai ki Aitutaki, kua patii ireira to Aitutaki ki te Rangatira o taua pai kia kave atu aia i teia Diakono ki Manuae, e kua ui atu ratou ki te Rangatira o te pai, Eaa te tutaki o taua Diakono tana ka kave ki Manuae? Teia ta te Rangatira tuatua, e akaki ratou i te pai ki te kai. Kua akaki to Aitutaki i te pai ki te ui, taro, kumara e te meika. E kua aere atu ireira teia pai ki Tahiti, kare i tapae ki Manuae.

Kia tae teia pai ki Tahiti, kua aravei atu te Diakono i nga Orometua papaa e kua akakite atu aia i te tumu i tona tere, kare te pai i tapae ki Manuae. Kua akakite ireira nga Orometua e ka aere te pai Orometua apopo ka tiki i taua aronga i Manuae ka kave atu ia ratou ki Aitutaki. Kua tae te pai Orometua ki Manuae, e kua kave atu ia ratou ki Aitutaki.

Okianga ki Manihiki

Kia noo teia aronga o te vaka paanu ki Aitutaki, kua akarakara ratou i te angaanga a te au Orometua e rave nei, mei te Apii Sabati e te akonoanga o te pureanga i te akamorianga, e te akoanga a te Orometua. Kua tupu maira to ratou rekareka i te kiteanga i teia au angaanga ou. E no reira, kua inangaro ratou i tetai nga Orometua kia aere ki Manihiki.

Teia nga Orometua tei akatakaia no Manihiki, ko Tairi e tangata Ngatangia aia e te vaine, ko Obeda e tangata Vaipae aia e te vaine. Kia tae mai ra te pai John Williams ki Aitutaki no te kave mai i te aronga o te vaka paanu ki Manihiki e nga Orometua no Manihiki, kua varenga a Obeda i te aravei aere i tona kopu tangata, kua kapiki te Orometua papaa ia Obeda i te pae taatai, kua kapiki kua roa te Orometua i te kapikipikianga, kare a Obeda i tae mai. Te tu ua nei te au mapu i te pae i te poti o te pai. No teia reo kapiki o te Orometua ia Obeda, kua pau atu Abolo ireira ki te Orometua, "Teia au, ko au te ka aere ki Manihiki ei Orometua." Kua akatika atu te Orometua papaa ireira ia Abolo kia kake ki roto i te poti e kua oe atu ireira te poti ki te pai ma te aronga o te vaka paanu.

Kia tae mai ra a Obeda ki taatai, kua reva te pai, kua topa mai ireira a Obeda e te vaine, kua aere ua mai a Abolo kare e vaine. Kua noo aia ki Tauhunu nei ei Orometua, kua noo a Tairi e te vaine ki Tukao ei Orometua. I muri mai i to Abolo nooanga ki Tauhunu nei, kua akaipoipo atu aia kia Toka a Tokamoara raua ko Munokoa vaine a Tetua Teinaki.

(Uriia e Rahui Seta Orometua iaia i Manihiki mei roto i te reo papaa ki roto i te reo Maori, no roto i te Karere o Okotopa 1960)

TUATUA NO RUNGA I TE AU PAI EVANGELIA
O TE LONDON MISSIONARY SOCIETY

1. Ko te “**Duff.**” I te mataiti 1795, kua tae mai te au Orometua papaa mua ki Tahiti na runga i teia pai.
2. Ko te “**Endevour.**” Kua oko mai a John Williams i teia pai i Australia, e kua tae mai aia ki to tatou pa enua nei i te mataiti 1823.
3. Ko te “**Messenger of Peace.**” Na John Williams uorai i maani i teia pai nei i Rarotonga i te mataiti 1829, e kua aere atu aia ki Samoa e Raiatea na runga i teia pai.
4. Ko te “**Camden.**” Kia oki atu a John Williams ki Beritane, kua pati aia ki te LMS no tetai pai ou, e kua oko te Society i teia pai i te mataiti 1838. Kua aere atu a John Williams e teia pai ki Eromanga (New Hebrides) e kua mate aia ki reira.
5. Ko te “**John Williams I.**” Kia mate te Orometua John Williams, kua inangaro te au taeake i Beritane kia kimi i te pai ou ei akamaaraanga iaia. Kua okoia teia pai i te mataiti 1844. Kua iri aia ki runga ia Pukapuka i te mataiti 1864.
6. Ko te “**John Williams II.**” Maaniia i te mataiti 1865, kua akamata aia i te angaanga i te mataiti 1866. Inara i te mataiti 1867 kua kino aia i Niue.
7. Ko te “**John Williams III.**” Maaniia i te mataiti 1868, kua rave maroiroi aia i tana tuanga e tae ua atu ki te mataiti 1894 i oko iatu ei.
8. Ko te “**John Williams IV.**” Kua maani te LMS i teia pai ki Beritane i te mataiti 1893 e kua tae mai aia ki te Pacific nei i te mataiti 1895. Ko te pai mua teia e matini (engine) tona. Kua rave maroiroi aia i tana tuanga e tae atu ki te mataiti 1929 i oko iatu ei. Ko tetai au tangata o teia pa enua, kua matoro ana ki runga i teia pai. E au tangata Aitutaki ratou.
9. Ko te “**John Williams V.**” Kua maani te LMS i teia pai i Beritane i te mataiti 1930 e kua rave aia i te angaanga i rotopu i te pa enua Kuki Airani iaia i noo tinamou ki Suva, Fiji. Kua kino atu teia pai i te mataiti 1946 i Samoa.
10. Ko te “**John Williams VI.**” Kua oko mai te LMS i teia pai i te mataiti 1946. Kua rave aia i te angaanga i roto i te Kuki Airani e i te Pacific e tae uatu ki te mataiti 1962 i oko iatu ei.
11. Ko te “**John Williams VII.**” Kua oko te LMS i teia pai i te mataiti 1962 e kua tae mai aia ki to tatou pae moana nei i te mataiti 1963. Kua noo tinamou teia pai ki Tarawa i Kiribati, iaia i angaanga ki roto i te pa moana Pacific.

(From the records of Rev. B.G. Thorogood, printed in the CICC Karere 1960, translated into Cook Islands Maori by Rev. Rahui Seta).

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HISTORY IN PICTURES

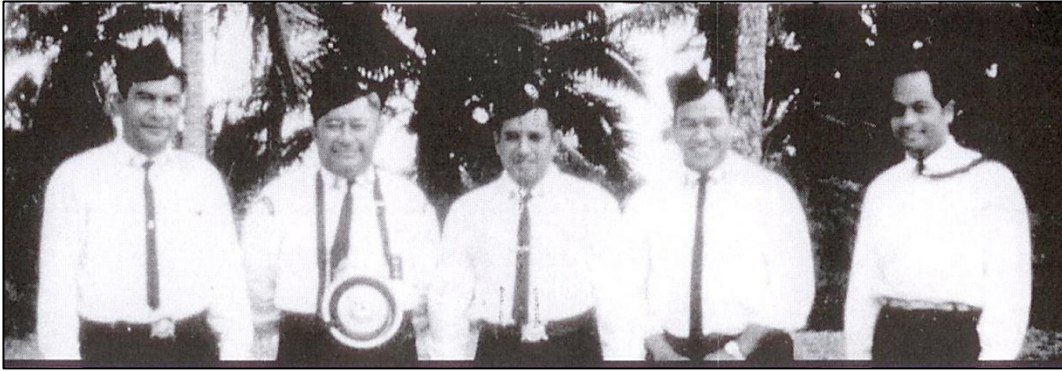
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Tuatakiri Pittman, William Heather, Tuakana Metuarau, Vainerere Tangatapoto, Vaai Maoate. Probably a BB trip to England in the 1950s



Back: Nau Teauariki, Kura Strickland, Kapu Joseph, Tuatakiri Pittman, Tuti Taringa, Mani Browne
Front: Vaai Maoate, Tuakana Metuarau, Tiamu Aperau, Tanga Mitiaru, Charlie Teariki, Charles Carlson



Aporo Dean, Vainerere Tangatapoto, Teupoko Richard, Maru Taramai, ?

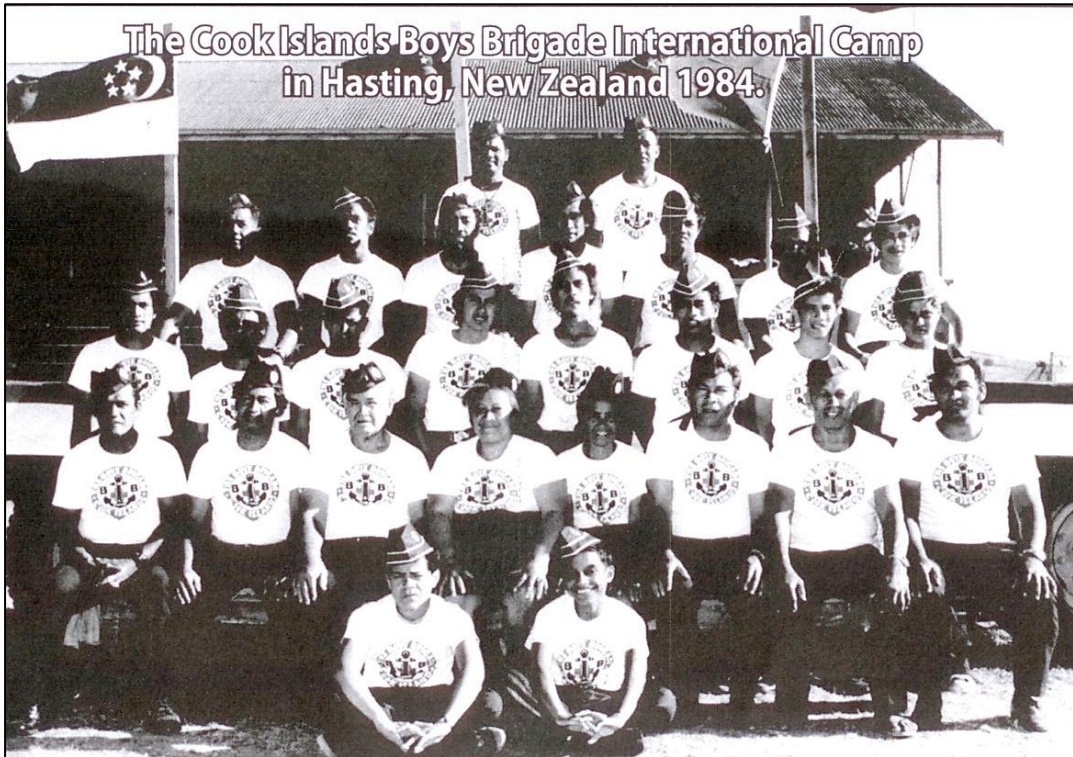


Back: George Kapu Joseph, Pae Tuteru, Tupou Faireka, Putiare,
Front: Makea Joseph, Vainerere TAngatapoto, Tau Enoka, Aporo Dean



Parade in 1974 with Prince Philip of Edinburg

Jim Nicholas, Tangaroa Tangaroa, Baker Kaitamaki, Sarah James Aiao, Vaine Tutavake, ?, John Tangi



Front: ?, Bobby Robert
 Front seating: Tuaine Glassie, Makea Joseph, Charlie Lockington, Tau Enoka, Vaine Tutavake, Aporo Dean, Moeara Moeroa, Daniel Apii
 Pae Tuteru, Tutavake Tutai



Women at Church in Mangaia, probably in the early 1900s. From D.S. Marshall Archives, USP Centre, Rarotonga.

Annex II

EI KITEANGA NAAU / FOR YOUR INFORMATION

TUATUA NO TE BAPETIZO I ROTO I TE IRINAKIANGA BIBILIA (The Theology of Baptism from a Biblical Perspective)

I. KO TE AKAIRO TE BAPETIZOANGA:

I roto i teia manako nei, kua akaari mai te reira i te turanga no te akamanaanga i tetai bapetizoanga me raveia. Ko te aiteanga i konei, koia oki, ko te bapetizoanga i roto i te ingoa o te Atua.

Teia tetai au akakiteanga i roto i te Biblia:

- 1) Ko te bapetizo i roto i te ingoa o te Metua, te Tamaiti e te Varua Tapu. Tena ia i roto i te **Mataio 28:19, 20**. I roto i teia tuatua nei na lesu, ko te akaueanga maata ta tatou ka kite koia oki, **ko te akarioanga i tetai ei pipi**. Kare oki teia tuatua e, no te Ngati luda anake ua, mari ra, no te au tangata katoatoa i roto i teiane i ao katoatoa.

Kare ra te au pipi i kite tikai i te aiteanga o teia tuatua nei mari ua i muri ake i te tu akaou anga o te Atua mei te mate mai. Kua akapapu oki te Mesia i teia tuatua ki tana anau. I roto i reira i te **Puka Angaanga**, ka kite tatou i reira i te maroiroi o te au aposetolo i to ratou aereanga ki to te paenua. I roto i te **Angaanga 11:19 – 20**, kua akataka mai e, **“...aere rava atura ki Phenia, e ki Kuperu, e Anetioka, i te tuatua anga te tuatua ki te Ngati luda anake ra. E tetai papaki tangata o ratou, no Kuperu ia e no Kurene, ko tei tuatua atu ia ki te Eleni i to ratou tae anga atu ki Anetioka i te tuatua anga i te Atua ia lesu.”**

Me rauka i reira i tetai i te ariki i te Evangelia ora, e pera i te Atua o taua Evangelia ra, ka bapetizoia aia i reira. Ko te uianganga katoa oki i konei, Ko teea tu bapetizo ta te reira tangata ka tomo? Tena ta te Irava i akakite mai kia tatou, koia oki, **ko te bapetizoanga i roto i te ingoa o te Metua, te Tamaiti e te Vaerua Tapu**. Me ka tuatua tatou e, kia tarukuia ki roto i te vai, ka akapeea i reira te riringi, te pipi, te tuto'u? Kare e rauka ia tatou kia taumaro i konei, no te mea, kare e ko te bapetizo te akaueanga puapinga atu i konei, mari ra, ko te tuatua, **akairo ei pipi**.

I roto i te reo Eleni te karanga ra e, **μαθητευσατε (matheteusate)**. Mei roto katoa mai oki i teia tuatua Eleni nei te raukaanga i te tuatua Papaa, **Mathematics**, e ko tona aiteanga i roto i te manako Eleni, **ko te akamaata atu, kia maata**. E maata atu oki teia turanga nei i to te turanga pipi. Ko te inangaro maata oki o lesu i konei koia oki, ko te akakiteanga i te au apiianga Tana i ako atu kia ratou.

- 2) Teia katoa oki tetai akakiteanga i roto i teia au irava nei:

- a) Angaanga 2:38.
- b) Angaanga 8:16.
- c) Angaanga 10:48.
- d) Angaanga 19:5.

Teia oki te akakiteanga i roto i teia au irava nei: **“...kia bapetizoia ki roto i te ingoa o lesu...”** **Angaanga 2:38**. Teia katoa tetai akakiteanga: **“I te ingoa o te Atua ra ko lesu....” Angaanga 8:16, 19:5**. Te akakite katoa ra tetai e, **“ma te ingoa o te Atua ra....” Angaanga 10:48**. Ko te uianganga i konei, Eaa te tuke i roto i teia au ingoa nei? Ko te pauanga mama ua ake i konei, koia oki, kare o ratou tuke, no te mea, te akakite ra ratou i te tuatua no te Atua.

I roto katoa oki i te **Angaanga 2:38**, kua akaue Petero i te tangata **kia tataraara ratou, e kia bapetizoia i te ingoa o lesu Mesia, kia matara te ara, e ka orongaia mai te Vaerua Tapu kia (ratou)**. I roto i teia bapetizoanga nei, auraka katoa tatou e ngaropoina i ta te Vaerua tuanga o te tamaanga i te ngakau ara. Kare oki e rauka ia tatou i te akatinamou ua i roto i te ingoa o lesu ma te kore e akapirianga ki ta te Vaerua Tapu tuanga o te tamaanga.

Teia katoa tetai tuatua puapinga i roto i te Irava 39; **“No kotou oki te tuatua i tuatuaia maira, e no ta kotou tamariki, e no te aronga i te atea ke ra, ko ta te Atua ta to tatou Atua e karanga atu.”** Tera ia te aiteanga, kare teia tuatua e, no te aronga mamaata ua, kua pera katoa te reira ki ta tatou au

tamariki. Tei konei te aroa o te Atua. Ka karanga au i roto i teia reo nei e; (**Think about the Grace of God**).

Tena katoa tetai akaraanga manea i roto i te **Angaanga 10:44 – 48**, e kua kite mata katoa Petero i te reira i te tupuanga. Te karanga ra oki te katoaanga o te Irava e; **“E te karanga atura Petero i taua au tuatua nei, kua topa maira te Vaerua Tapu ki rungao i taua aronga katoa i akarongo mai i taua tuatua ra. E te aronga katoa o te peritome (Ngati Iuda) i akarongo ra, ko tei aere katoa mai ratou ko Petero ra, va ua iora ratou, i te mea i riringiia mai te meitaki ra, te Vaerua Tapu, ki runga katoa i te etene (peritome kore) ra. I akarongo atura oki ratou ia ratou i te tuatua anga i te tuatua ke, e te akameitakianga i te Atua.”**

Eaa te tutu maata i konei? Ko te tutu maata i konei, kua na mua te Vaerua i te topaanga mai ki runga i te ngutuare o Korinelio (te etene e te Ngati Iuda) i mua ake ka bapetizoia ei ratou, mei tei akakiteia mai i roto i te Irava 47 i te nako anga e; **“...e tika aina i te tangata kia akakore i te vai kia kore e bapetizoia teianei aronga, ko tei rauka oki ia ratou te Vaerua Tapu, mei ia tatou katoa nei? Kua akaue atura aia ia ratou, e bapetizo ma te ingoa o te Atua ra...”** Ko te uianga i konei, ko teea te mea puapinga maata atu i konei, me ko te vai, me ko te Vaerua Tapu? Iaku uorai e pera katoa i te Ekalesia, ko te Vaerua Tapu tei maata atu i konei.

I roto ra i te manako o Petero, kare aia i inangaro e, kia kopaeia te peu o te bapetizoanga i roto i te akonoanga Ngati Iuda. Te akaari ua maira te Atua i tana bapetizoanga na roto i te Vaerua Tapu mei ta loane tikai i akakite i raro i te vai i Ioridana. Kua kite te Atua i te oraanga tiratiratu o Korinelio, tei akarongoia mai tana pure, e tei kiteaia mai tana atinga, no reira oki Petero i tikinaia ei. Inara, kua inangaro rai Petero i tana peu kia akakite katoaia. Noatu oki e, kua akaue aia kia bapetizoia teia ngutuare tangata nei, kare ra te reira i riro i te akatuke i ta te Vaerua Tapu akamanaanga. **Eaa iora te puapinga o te peu, me kua na mua mai te mea tika tikai.**

II. KO TE AU TU BAPETIZOANGA I ROTO I TE BIBILIA:

Te vai nei te au bapetizoanga i akakiteia i roto i te Bibilia e tae ua atu ki te akapirianga ki te oraanga Vaerua. Teia oki taua au tu bapetizoanga ra:

1. Ko te **Bapetizo Tatararaa**. (Repentance)

Kua tuatuaia teia bapetizoanga nei e, no Iseraela. Tena te tuatua ta tatou ka kite i roto i te **Mataio 3:8**, tei na ko mai e, **“E tenana ka tuku mai na i te akonoanga e tau i te tatararaa.”**

Kua akamouia oki teia tuatua nei ki te akoanga a loane i roto i te medebara, e ko te tuatua maata oki teia ta loane i akakite i te reira tuatau, ko te tuatua ia no te tatararaa. Kare oki ta loane i rave e, nana uorai, mari ra, e mea orongaia mai te reira kiaia e te Atua. Kua ui katoa ana oki a Iesu i teia uianga ki te Ngati Iuda, no te mea kua timata mai ratou i te ui kia Iesu i te mana i rauka ei iaia i te rave i te au akairo mana. Kare ra a Iesu i pa'u tika ana kia ratou kia tau ki to ratou inangaro. Kua ui katoa ra aia kia ratou i tetai uianga i te nakoanga e; **“Ko te bapetizo a loane, no te rangi mai aina, me na te tangata? Mareko 11:30, Luka 20:4.** Na teia uianga katoa oki e akapapu mai kia tatou e, ko te angaanga bapetizo ta loane i rave i tona tuatau, kare te reira e nana uorai, mari ra, e mea orongaia mai te reira kiaia e te Atua.

Ko te Ngati Iuda oki tana i bapetizo i te reira tuatau, e kua kapikiia te reira bapetizoanga nana e, ko te bapetizoanga tatararaa. Ko te vaerua maata ra i roto i teia bapetizoanga nei, ko te akara atu'anga ki mua i te aereanga mai o te Mesia. I roto katoa oki i te bapetizoanga a loane, e rua akakoroanga maata i akatupuia:

- Kua akateateamamaoia te basileia no te taeanga mai o te Mesia.
- Kua orongaia mai te Mesia ei ora no te basileia.

No reira katoa oki a Iesu i akameitaki atu ei i ta loane bapetizo, kare ra tona tomoanga ki roto i te reira bapetizoanga e no tana ara, no te mea, kare ana ara. Kua anoano ra aia i te akakite i tona ngai i rotopu i te aronga ara e, i aere mai aia ei ora no teianei ao katoatoa.

2. Ko te **Akakiteanga a Iesu**. (Recognition)

Ko te tuatua oki teia no ta loane akakiteanga ia Iesu ki mua i te Ngati Iuda. I roto i te **loane 1:29**, teia te reo o loane bapetizo; **“...Ka akara ana i te Punua Mamoe a te Atua, ko tei apai ke i ta ara a to te ao.”** Ko teia oki ta loane e tuatua ua ana i roto i te medebara, iaia i bapetizo i te Ngati Iuda. I roto ra i te aratakianga a te Vaerua ia loane, rauka iora iaia i te kite ia Iesu e, ko te Punua Mamoe aia a te Atua. Kua akamaara mai te reira i tetai uianga tei ui'ia e Isaaka ki tona metua tane ia Aberahama; **“...I na te a'i e te vaie, teiea ra te mamoe no te atinga karakaratio ra?”**

Ko te uianga teia tei puta ki roto i te ngakau o loane, e i roto i teia Irava nei, nana uorai i akatupu i taua tuatua ra na roto i te kapikianga e, **“...Ka akara ana i te Punua Mamoe a te Atua....”** (This is John the Baptist's recognition of who Jesus, the Christ really is.)

3. Ko te **Akaouanga no te aronga ara.** (Regeneration)

Ko te akakiteanga teia no ta to tatou Atu i rave i roto i ta Paulo tataanga. I roto i te **1Korinetia 12:13**, teia te akakiteanga; ***“I bapetizoia oki tatou e te Vaerua okotai ki roto i te kopapa okotai ra, te Ngati luda, e te Eleni, te tavini, e te rangatira, e kua akainumia tatou i ta te Vaerua okotai ra.”*** Ko ta to tatou Atu teia i rave no te kopapa, koia te Ekalesia, i te riroanga te Vaerua o te Atua i te tuku ia tatou ki roto i te kopapa o te Mesia.

Kare oki teia turanga nei i kotingaia ki te Ngati luda anake ua, mari ra, kua oronga katoaia mai teia turanga nei ki te etene. Ko te tuatau katoa oki teia i rauka ei te akaouanga i te kopapa o te Mesia. Kare katoa oki teia turanga nei i aite ki ta loane i rave.

Kua bapetizo oki a loane ki vai, kareka a Iesu, kua bapetizo aia ki te Vaerua Tapu, mei ta loane oki i akakite i mua ana, **Mataio 3:11**. I akapeea ake a loane i kite ei i teia pakari, mari ra i te Atua. Kia akapiri a loane i tana bapetizoanga ki ta Iesu, kua kitea te tuke maata. Kua oki aia ki te meangitianga, e kua aere a Iesu ki te maataanga. Ko tetai mea umere katoa oki i konei, ***kare rava a Iesu i akamatutu ana i te tuatua o te bapetizo i tona tuatau i rave ei aia i tana angaanga, mari ua, i muri ake i tona tuakaouanga, Mataio 28:19, 20.*** Me kia bapetizoia ki te vai, kare te reira e riro e, ei manamanata, no te mea, ko tana akakiteanga, kia bapetizoia i roto i ingoa o te Metua, te Tamaiti e te Vaerua Tapu.

4. Ko te **Tamaanga no te Kerisitiano.** (Refining)

Na Iesu katoa teia i rave ki te aronga tei akamou i to ratou akarongo ki runga i te pange ngaueue-kore koia te Atu ra, ko Iesu Mesia.

I roto i te ta Paulo tataanga; **1 Korinetia 3:13–15**, ***“E akakiteia ta te tangata ravarai ra angaanga, na taua ra ra oki e akakite, e akatakaia ia oki e te a’i, e na te a’i e timata i te tu o ta te tangata ravarai ra angaanga. Kia toe ra ta tetai tangata angaanga...e rauka iaia te tutaki. Kia ka ra ta tetai tangata angaanga, e ngere tona, koia uorai rai te ka akaoraia ia, mei te mea ra e, i na roto i te a’i.”***

E tutu teia no te au Kerisitiano i te atianga e timataia ei to ratou akarongo, no te mea, kare oki te oraanga Kerisitiano i tetai oraanga ngoie ua i te aru. E manganui te au tu mate tana ka tomo e tae ua atu ki te au tu tinaimateanga. Me kua akamouia ra tona akarongo ki runga i te pange ngaueue kore, kare ia aia e inga. Me kua patu ra aia i tona akarongo ki runga i te auro, te va’ie, e te tita, na te a’i oki i reira e timata i te reira au mea katoatoa, e ka pou katoatoa oki te reira i te ka.

Te vai nei tetai teata te ka piri ki runga i teia tumu tuatua nei o te takinokino angaia o te Kerisitiano i te tuatau o te ‘au Roma i raro i te aratakianga a te tutara o Roma i te reira tuatau koia oki, a Nero. Te ingoa o te reira teata (VIDEO, DVD) **“QUO VADIS”** Ko tetai tutu oki teia te ka akaari mai kia tatou i te oraanga Kerisitiano, me tomo aia na roto i te au tu timataanga i roto i tona oraanga.

Kare katoa au e akangaropoina i te turanga ta to tatou au tupuna i tomo i te apaianga ratou i te Evangelia ki te paenua ta ratou i aere. Te vai ra te au a’i ta ratou i na roto mai. Kua oki mai tetai papaki ma te ora, kareka tetai papaki, kare i oki mai. Te peea nei tatou i teia ra?

5. Ko te **Pirianga ki roto ia Iesu Mesia.** (Relationship)

Ko te turanga oki teia i roto i te Ekalesia. E tuanga katoa ia na te Ekalesia no te au tangata i roto te reira pirianga. Teia oki ta te **Angaanga 19:4**, i akakite mai; ***“Kua karanga atura Paulo, i bapetizo rai oki a loane ki te bapetizoanga tatarara, ma te karanga atu ki te tangata e, e akarongo ratou iaia ko te aere mai na muri mai iaia ra, koia oki a Iesu Mesia ra.”***

I roto i te manako o Paulo, te akara nei aia i te turanga o teia Ekalesia ma te ui kia ratou e, me kua kite tikai ratou i to ratou pirianga i roto i te kopapa o te Atu. Me kua kite oki ratou i te reira turanga, ka marama katoa ia ratou e, ko te akamataanga ia i to ratou pirianga ki te Atu ia Iesu Mesia.

Tera ia te aiteanga i konei, kare te bapetizo e riro mai e, ei manamanata maata i roto ia ratou, no te mea, kua rauka tetai pirianga matutu atu no ratou i roto i te Mesia. Ko te pirianga puapinga roa atu oki te reira, e kare oki e ko te bapetizo.



(Tataia e Rev. Vaka Ngaro, Puapii Maata, Takamoa Theological College)

(to be continued in the next issue)

(Note: this is the 6th of a series of articles by the Principal; feel free to contact him on vngaro@oyster.net.ck for queries/comments. There are 2 more series to complete this topic)

Annex III

TE IRINAKIANGA O TE AU APOSETOLO

(Akara ki te tuanga 6 o teia nutileta)

Te Irinakianga

Te irinaki nei au i te Atua te Metua mana katoatoa, ko tei anga i te rangi e te enua, e ia Iesu tana tamaiti okotai to tatou Atua, ko tei nui i te Vaerua Tapu, anauia mai e te Paretenia e Maria, takingakinoia i raro ake ia Ponotio Pilato, kua akasatauroia, kua mate e kua tanumia, kua eke aia ki raro i Ade, i te toru o te ra kua tu akaou aia mei te mate mai, kua kake atu aia ki runga i te rangi, e te noo nei aia ki te rima katau o te Atua te Metua mana katoatoa, e mei reira ka oki mai aia ka akava i tei ora e tei mate, te irinaki nei au i te Vaerua Tapu, te Ekalesia Tapu, te taokotaianga o te aronga akarongo, te akakoreanga ara, te tuakaouanga o te kopapa e te Ora Mutukore, Amene.

The Apostles' Creed

I believe in God the Father almighty, Maker of heaven and earth, and in Jesus Christ His only Son our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried, He descended into hell, the third day He rose again from the dead, He ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty, from thence He shall come to judge the quick and the dead, I believe in the Holy Ghost, the holy Catholic Church, the Communion of Saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the Life Everlasting, Amen.

(CICC Prayer Book, revised 2011 edition)

Annex IV

APPRECIATION LETTER TO THE PALMERSTON PEOPLE

I, Reverend Tereapii Matakere, on behalf of my family, would like to take this opportunity to convey our sincere greetings and love to the church and to the people of Palmerston Island. Your great support towards my family and above all to the growth of the Gospel of our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ means a lot to us which words cannot express the depths of our feelings. However, I would like to dedicate this letter to everyone on the island to show our appreciation to every individual, groups, families, organisations, local government and the national government sector on the island.

1. CHURCH

a) Assistant Caretaker Pastor – Tere Marsters

Thank you for assisting me in many ways to build up the foundation of the gospel in the church and in the community as a whole. Your knowledge and skills to bring our young people together by way of organising various activities and training them to be responsible in youth programmes was a great success. You have set a solid foundation for them to follow suit.

Helping me to preach and share the Word of God in the church and in the community is a great help to release some of the burdens concerning my responsibilities. I have no regret but with full trust that you will continue to be a great help to the next Minister who will look after the church in the next four years. Keep up the good work my brother in the Lord.

b) Elder, Deaconess, and General Secretary – Mama Aka James Marsters

Praise God for giving you Mama the strength, courage, with great commitment in the church and in the community. Despite your age and health, you have dedicated your life for the work of the ministry. I know from experience that you are a woman who would never refuse to take any position of responsibility in the church and in the community. I will always remember you Mama for your humble service in the church and your sincere cooperation to work together with me and I am confident that the next Minister will feel comfortable working with you. Keep up the good work Mama and God be with you always.

c) Deaconess and General Treasurer – Mrs. Jock Marsters

May the Good Lord continue to bless you my daughter in the Lord for taking up the challenge to serve God in His Vineyard. Taking up the position of the Deacon as a young woman like you is a stepping stone for others to follow especially for the young men. I know for sure that you will be a great preacher and I would like to encourage you to continue to be strong and be courageous in serving God.

d) Preaching Members – Marama, Marconi, Nano

I would like to encourage each one of you to continue to serve the Lord in the ministry especially in preaching and sharing the Word of God. I always thank God for your regular attendance to our Bible Studies and that helps me to put my faith and trust in you that you will continue to do your best for the Lord. God be with you always.

e) Leaders and members in the church organisations – Youth, Women

I would also like to encourage each one of you to work together as a team to find ways and means to bring all the members of the church together in unity. Our duty is to mold and build up the interest of the members to understand their roles and responsibilities in the church.

2. GOVERNMENT AND LOCAL GOVERNMENT

To the Island Secretary Pastor Tere and all the government employees, I would like to thank you all for accepting me to be part of your team to serve our children at school and our people in the community. I really enjoyed my time together with you people and I have learnt a lot from you too.

Pastor Tere Marsters, thank you so much for building up a good working relationship between the church and the Island Administration. Without the assistance of the Island Administration, the church would have a difficult time attending to our projects. I know you have done a lot for the island with the assistance of the Island Council. If the Island Administration and the Island council will continue to build up this relationship, there's no doubt that our people on the island will benefit greatly. May God bless you all.

To the Mayor, Deputy Mayor, and all the council members, I would like to thank you all for everything that you have done for us. I would like to encourage you all to work together as a team to build up our beautiful island. May God continue to give you all the wisdom, knowledge, understanding, and may God bless you all.

3. THE THREE FAMILIES – MATAVIA, AKAKAINGARO, TEPOU

a) Matavia Family

(i) Mr. Bob Marsters and Family

Thank you so much for your kind hospitality during our time on our island. You have been a great help to my family and you have opened your home for us to visit and to fellowship with you and your family. Your support and contribution towards my family means a lot to us and we will always remember you and your family and all the Matavia families.

(ii) Mr. Ngu Marsters and Family

Thank you very much for your great support and contributions towards my family. It's so difficult for me to express our feelings for the many things that you and your wife have done for my family. We really had a good time with you and I would beg you to continue to build up the same relationship with the next Minister. May God bless your family.

b) Akakaingaro Family

(i) Mr. Bill Marsters and Family

Many thanks to you my brother, your wife and children and also our beloved mother Mama Teinano. I thank God for the good times that we have with the family and we won't forget your loving kindness to us. To you our Mama Teinano, we will always treasure your love in our hearts. I know you are a godly and humble woman. May God continue to bless your family and to all the families in the Akakaingaro Family.

(ii) Pastor Tere Marsters and Family

Greetings and many thanks to you my brother in the Lord, your good wife Yvonne and our daughter Shekinah. I know you have done a lot for my family and I praise God for your tremendous support. I know you will be of great help for the next Minister. We will continue to treasure our good times on our beautiful island. May God bless your family abundantly.

(iii) Mr. Palmer Abraham

Thank you brother for all the good times that we have been together joking and laughing for the sake of having some fun rather than just sitting idle and doing little. However, I will never forget you for your great contribution towards the building of the Mission House. You really supported the building of the Mission House by giving your hand, time and strength from the first day the project started until the last day. May God continue to bless you my brother.

c) Tepou Family

(i) Mr. Taepae Goodley Marsters and Family

Many thanks also to you my brother and your loving wife Mary for everything that you have done for my family. We will never forget you all. I know you are a great fisherman and I really had a good time going out with you fishing. I hope one day you will use your fishing skills to fish for men. Thank you for opening your heart and home to us for shelter and for fellowship. May God bless your family.

(ii) Mama Tuaine and Family

Greetings to you Mama and may our good Lord continue to give you strength and good health. Thank you for opening your home to us to come and visit you and to have fellowship. Mama, we will never forget your family because you have been looking after my family in many ways. Brother Simon, thank you for all your help towards my family. Brother Edward, your wife Shirley and children, thank you for everything that you have done for us. I know you and brother Simon had done a lot for my family. We will always remember you.

(ii) Mr. Joseph Marsters and Family

Greetings to you brother, your wife Mary Taira, your children and grandchildren, and not forgetting Papa Joe and brother Andrew. Thank you for your great contributions towards my family and we will never forget you. May our good Lord continue to bless your family.

(iii) Mr. Korinako Marsters and Family

To Mr. Korinako, your wife Jock, and children, Mama Aka and Sister Sare, greetings in the precious name of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. Thank you for being part of our family and we really appreciate everything that you have done for my family. We will always treasure your love towards us. May God bless you all.

4. CONCLUSION

In conclusion, I am reminded of the passage in Psalms 103:1 which says, "Bless the Lord O my soul and all that is within me, bless His holy Name! Bless the Lord O my soul, and forget not all His benefits."



Rev. Tereapii Matakere

Scenes from Palmerston Island



Annex V

SHARE YOUR PHOTOS

This is an open space for anyone wanting to share his/her/their photos – preferably church-related. Send/email to the Editor for inclusion in future issues. In this issue, the photos come from the 9th PCC General Assembly held in Pago Pago, Am. Samoa in 2007.



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