



Cook Islands Christian Church

The church policy on burials is as follows:

1. The church supports public burial grounds and believes that it is for Government or traditional leaders to set aside lands for such a purpose. The church has done its best to provide burial grounds in the past and these can be seen around church yards and buildings but the church has run out of land and is unable to provide more land for public burials.
2. The church does not believe in cremation but understands that this is a necessary option available in many countries due to limited burial lands or public cemetery. This may become a reality in the Cook Islands as landowners are not willing to provide burial grounds for those other than family members.
3. The church is opposed to burial at sea.
4. The church is opposed to burial by burning of bodies as in other countries and supports burial as conducted by the church at present.

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