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- ✓ Ki te au tavini rave angaanga katoatoa i roto i te au Ekalesia CICC i te Kuki Airani nei, Nuti Reni e Autireria
- ✓ Ki te au mema CICC katoatoa i roto i te au Ekalesia tatakitai

### KARERE NUMERO 4 MEI ROTO ATU I TE KUMITI AKAAERE

Kia orana,

Te rekareka nei au i te tuku atu i te pepa akakitekite i runga nei ma tona vavai'anga i raro nei:

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Otira ua, .....

Nga Mataio  
Tekeretere Maata

## **KARERE NUMERO 4 MEI ROTO ATU I TE KUMITI AKAERE**

*(Akapapaia e Nga Mataio, Tekeretere Maata, CICC)*

### **1. Akatomoanga**

“Akapapa tatou nei, iaia i tei aroa mai, ka vai rai tona aroa, ka tu ia e rimua” (*Te Au Imene Ekalesia No.22*).

Kia orana akaou e taku au taeake rave angaanga i roto i te Atua, pera kotou e te au mema i roto i te akarongo. E tau ia tatou kia akameitaki i te mana katoatoa koia tei oronga mai i teia tikaanga manea kia aravei Evangelia akaou tatou na roto i teia pepa akakitekite no te 4 o te taime, e no te taime mua i teia mataiti ou 2006 ta te Atua i akatae mai ia tatou.

Me kua pumaana koe i te kite anga i te au mea e tupu nei i roto i ta tatou nei akonoanga CICC na roto i nga karere e 3 tei tuku iatu i te mataiti i topa, teia akaou tetai au akakitekiteanga irinaki au e ka riro ei pumaana akaou anga noou i te kite anga atu i te kaveinga o te pai o te aroa ta tatou e teretere marie nei na runga.

### **2. Kiritimiti e te Mataiti**

E peu matau na tatou kia tiaki e kia akamaara i te ra i anau mai ei to tatou Atua ki te ao nei i te akatupu i tei totouia, e pera i te tiaki ma te akamaara katoa anga i te ra mua o te mataiti ou. Irinaki te kumiti e kua pera ake, pera ake i roto i te au Ekalesia tatakita. I na i Rarotonga nei kua atoro atu te President i nga Ekalesia tei tiaki i te Kiritimiti na roto i te uapou e te pureanga i muri ake, koia oki ko Nikao, Avarua e Matavera. Noatu e kare a Titikaveka, Ngatangia e Arorangi akonoanga tiaki Kiritimiti na roto i te uapou, e au angaanga takake ra ta ratou i akatupu no te akakoroanga o te anauanga.

I te tuatau ra o te tiaki mataiti, kua rave nga Ekalesia ravarai e 6 i te uapou e pera te pure i muri ake no te turou mai anga i te mataiti ou. Kua atoro akaou atu te President i nga Ekalesia e 6, e kua aru atu iaia te Tekeretere Maata. Meitaki maata kia kotou e nga Ekalesia i Rarotonga nei no tei ariki mai ia maua, pera te tokorua o te President, ki roto i ta kotou tiakianga mataiti.

### **3. Pure Epetoma**

Tena te vaerua maata i roto i te pure epetoma tei raveia e tatou no teia mataiti; okotai i roto i te Mesia, te putuputuanga o to te Atua iti tangata e tona noo vaitata anga ki roto i taua au putuputuanga ra noatu te iti. I roto i teia tuanga ta tatou i apai, e te vaerua o te taakaaka no tona au tavini ririnui i teia tuatau i te Kuki Airani nei tika'i, ka irinaki tatou e kua tae ta tatou au patiangia e to tatou au manako ki mua i te mana katoatoa, kia kitea aroaia mai tatou te tangata ara nei.

Ko te tuatau o te pure epetoma, e atiangia meitaki teia e te puapinga no tatou kia akiaki manako no runga i te au tumu tapura tei orongaia mai kia tatou kia akairiri manako. I tetai au atiangia, e tuatau pupua'a katoa no tetai pae. No reira ko te mea maata i konei i taku akaraanga koia oki kia riro ta tatou koia ei koia, e ta tatou kare ei kare. Ka tuatua tatou e ka umuumu katoa kia tupu te au mea meitaki ta tatou i anoano kia tupu.

### **4. Camp a te Boys Brigade e te Girls Brigade**

E 2 ia nga akakoroanga mamaata tei maroiro ta tatou anau tamaroa e te tamaine i te apai i nga marama i topa, e tei turuturu katoa iatu e te Konitara Ekalesia Rarotonga. Ko te mea mua, te national camp e te brass band competition a te Boys' Brigade tei raveia i te rua o te epetoma o Titema. Kua riro te Ekalesia Arorangi ei ngai akapuanga no ratou, e kua piri katoa atu nga Ekalesia e 6 i Rarotonga nei i te utuutu anga i te anau na roto i te au angaianga. Mei tetai 100 tamariki tei tae mai: to Rarotonga nei, Mangaia e Mitiaro. No tetai au tumuanga, kare i rauka i te katoa anga o nga enua i te Kuki Airani nei kia piri mai ki roto i teia akakoroanga manea.

Te rua, e camp katoa teia na te anau tamaine Girls' Brigade tei rave iatu i te epetoma i muri ake i te pure epetoma. Kua tae mai te au tamariki tamaine mei nga enua i vao mai koia a Niue, Papua New Guinea, New Zealand e Australia. Kapiti iatu ki ta tatou anau tamaine mei Rarotonga nei, Mitiaro, Mangaia, Mauke, Pukapuka, Penrhyn, Aitutaki e Atiu, mei te 120 ratou i te katoatoa anga. Mei te Boys' Brigade, kua riro katoa te Ekalesia Arorangi ei ngai akapuanga no ratou, e kua piri katoa atu nga Ekalesia e 6 i Rarotonga nei i te utuutu anga i te anau na roto i te au angaianga tei akanoonooia.

Meitaki maata e teia nga putuputuanga e 2, e pera koe e te Konitara Ekalesia Rarotonga, ko kotou tei taokotai ma te angaanga kapiti i te utuutuanga i teia nga akakoroanga kua tae ki te openga ma te meitaki e te manea. Kua kitea te ngakau taokotai i roto i teia nga apainga, noatu te au tai'i rikiriki tei kitea. No reira kia maroiroi uatu rai kotou e te au arataki o teia nga putuputuanga e 2, i roto i te au angaanga ta kotou i porokaramu kia rave no te au tuatau ki mua ei meitaki no ta tatou anau tamaroa e te tamaine, kia tukatau ratou i roto i te oraanga kopapa nei e pera to te vaerua.

## **5. Uipaanga Mua a te Kumiti Akaaere 2006**

Kua rave atu te kumiti akaaere i tana uipaanga mua no teia mataiti i te Paraparau 26 Tianuare, e te rua i te Ruitoru 14 Peperuare 2006. Mei te akamata anga teia kumiti ou i te angaanga i te marama Aukute 2005, e 9 uipaanga i te katoatoa tana i rave atu.

Penei e mea puapinga kia kite kotou e te au taeake ma te au tuaine e, e akapeea ana te akanoonooanga i te uipaanga a te kumiti akaaere. Teia ireira i raro nei te aru iana:

- (i) Me rava te au manako uipaanga (agenda items) no te tuatau o te uipaanga tei akanooia (9.30am – 12.00pm), ka oronga te Tekeretere Maata i te karere ki te au kumiti i te tuatau e te ngai no te uipaanga, e pera te au manako uipaanga.
- (ii) Ka uipa te kumiti i te ra tei akatakai me tae te numero ki te 6. I roto i te au uipaanga katoatoa ta te kumiti i rave atu meia Aukute 2005 e tae mai ki te uipaanga openga i te ra 14 o teia marama, kua taea te quorum i te au atiangaravara. No reira kare e uipaanga i akakore iana no te rava-kore o te au mata.
- (iii) I te uipaanga e rave iara, na te Tekeretere Maata e tata ana i te meneti e ka tua aia i te reira i mua ake ka uipa akaou ei te kumiti, kia rauka tetai au mea tei akaotia i te rave iatu i mua ake ka uipa akaou ei.

Te vai nei i roto i te akapapaanga te au kapi (copies) o te meneti o te au uipaanga katoatoa a te kumiti akaaere, e e tikaanga to tetai mema CICC kia pati mai no te akara atu ki roto i teia au meneti nei. Akakite mai kiaku, Tekeretere Maata, me kore President, me kua anoano koe i te akarakara i teia au meneti.

Penei e mea tetai tei uriurii me kore akaotia e te kumiti akaaere kua anoano koe i te kite e, i akapeea te kumiti i te tuku anga i tana ikianga. I na, tei roto i teia au meneti nei te akakite anga e i akapeea teia i te raveia anga. Akakoromaki mai kare e rauka teia au meneti i te neneia ma te tuku atu na kotou. Ko te ravenga uarai, me tei Rarotonga nei kotou, ka aere mai ki te opati i Takamoia nei akara'i i teia au meneti.

Ko tetai uatu Ekalesia e manako tona ka inangaro i te kumiti akaaere kia uri e kare e rauka i te tiaki i te uipaanga maata, tuku mai kiaku kia tukuia ki runga i te akapapaanga o te manako uipaanga (agenda). Teia katoa tetai, ka rekareka te kumiti kia akarongo iakoe Orometua e pera te Tekeretere o tetai uatu Ekalesia CICC ia korua i Rarotonga nei, kotou tika'i no nga pa enua i vao, e pera to Nuti Reni e Autireria. Ka rauka tetai tuatau noou i te komakoma ki te kumiti akaaere, mei te 10 – 15 meneti me kua tano toou tere ki Rarotonga nei e, e tuatau uipaanga no te kumiti. Akakite mai kiaku kia akanooia tetai tuatau noou ki te kumiti. Kua taangaangaia teia tikaanga e te au taeake mei te nga Ekalesia Coburg, Palmerston e Omoka.

## 6. Kopapa Akateretere no te Apii Takamoa

I roto i te newsletter no.3 kua akakite iatu e kua ariki te kumiti akaaere kia akaara akaouia te kopapa akateretere i te apii Takamoa, koia oki Takamoa Theological College Board. I na kua oti teia kopapa i te akaouia e ko teia i raro nei te au mema:

|          |                                                                                               |
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| Chairman | Rev. Vaka Ngaro, Puapii Maata                                                                 |
| Mema     | David Greig, representative, CICC Finance Committee                                           |
| Mema     | Mii Rairi, manager, National Human Resources Department                                       |
| Mema     | Kopu Vogel, Government administration/finance officer, Girls' Brigade National Commissioner   |
| Mema     | Mauri Toa, Senior Officer, Ministry of Cultural Development, Secretary of the Ngatangiia CICC |

Ko te tangata orooro me kore rave i te au angaanga opati a teia kopapa (secretary), ko te tamaine rai e angaanga ana ki roto i to tatou opati i Takamoa nei, koia a Ms Nga Manavaikai. Kare a teia tamaine vote i roto i te au tukuanga tika a te board. I roto i te newsletter no.5 tuku iatu ei te akatakaanga angaanga (terms of reference) a teia kopapa.

Kua rave teia kumiti i tana uipaanga mua i te Ruirua 24 Tianuare e kua piri atu te Tekeretere Maata no te akamaramarama no runga i te angaanga (terms of reference) tana i tata na teia board. Kua rave te board i te rua o tana uipaanga i te Paraparau 2 Peperuare. Te vai nei te manakonakoanga o teia board kia uipa kapiti raua ko te kumiti akaaere no te uriuri atu anga i tetai au tumu manako puapinga te ka riro ei tauturu i te board i te akateretere marie anga i te apii Takamoa kia tau ki te au akanoonoanga a te akonoanga CICC. I roto ra i teia atianga na te Principal e akakitekite (update) ana i te kumiti akaaere i te au mea ta ratou e uriuri ana i roto i te board.

Ko tetai angaanga maata a teia board ko te angaanga atu ki runga i tetai tataanga tei anoanoia aia kia tata, koia oki te kaveinga o te Apii Takamoa no te tuatau ki mua, i roto i te reo papaa, Policy and Strategic Plan for the Takamoa Theological College. Me oti teia tataanga, ka riro teia ei kaveinga no te apii i roto i te tuatau poto (short term) e pera te tuatau roa (long term). Me oti katoa teia tataanga, i toku manako e mea puapinga e te manea kia tu te au Ekalesia katoatoa i tetai kapi na ratou. No reira tapapa mai i te tuatau e oti mai ei teia.

## 7. Au Apiianga no Takamoa 2006

Teia i raro nei te anau apiianga tei tomo e te noo nei ki roto i te aua Takamoa i teia ra:

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|---------------------------------|-------------------------|-------------|
| 1. Mr. & Mrs. Harry Rongo       | Ekalesia South Auckland | New Zealand |
| 2. Mr. & Mrs. Rahai Nanua       | Ekalesia South Auckland | New Zealand |
| 3. Mr. & Mrs. Arerau Maa        | Ekalesia Tautu          | Aitutaki    |
| 4. Mr. & Mrs. Mau Vaerua        | Ekalesia Liverpool      | Australia   |
| 5. Mr. & Mrs. Tapaitau Marsters | Ekalesia Westcourt      | Australia   |
| 6. Mr. & Mrs. Tengaru Paniora   | Ekalesia Clayton        | Australia   |
| 7. Mr. & Mrs. Akatika Nanua     | Ekalesia White Rock     | Australia   |
| 8. Mr. & Mrs. Munakoa Dean      | Ekalesia EastTamaki     | New Zealand |
| 9. Mr. & Mrs. Tekotia Joe       | Ekalesia Otahuhu        | New Zealand |
| 10. Mr. & Mrs. Henry Ford       | Ekalesia Clayton        | Australia   |
| 11. Mr. & Mrs. Ngarangi Tuakana | Ekalesia Oneroa         | Mangaia     |
| 12. Mr. & Mrs. Teho Nikoia      | Ekalesia Westcourt      | Australia   |

Te kite ra kotou e kare teia akapapaanga i tuke maata mei tei oronga iatu i roto i te Newsletter No.3. Kare au e ekoko i te tuatua anga e tei muri tatou katoatoa i teia au tamariki ia ratou i akamata i te kau i teia kauanga mamao ka pou e 4 mataiti e tae atu ei ki te maro.

## **8. Akaouanga i te Ngutuare o te Apiianga**

I roto i te uipaanga mua a te kumiti akaaere i te marama Aukute 2005, kua ripoti mai te Puapii Maata i te au ngai tu kaui o te ngutuare o te anau apianga i te tua ki Matavera. Kua ariki te kumiti e kia akameitaki iatu teia i te openga o te mataiti 2005 me atea atuna te anau apianga.

I roto ireira i te marama i topa Tianuare 2006, kua akamata te angaanga ki runga i te ngutuare. Ko kotou tei kite i teia ngutuare, e 3 ia au are tei akatuia, e kua akairoia te ingoa o nga vaka e 3 i Rarotonga nei ki runga; Teau-o-tonga i te tua ki Matavera, Takitumu i rotopu, Puaikura i te tua ki Nikao. E akairo oki teia no te akaouanga o teia au ngutuare tei rave iatu e teia nga vaka e 3, ara atu i te 30 mataiti i teiane. Tena oki te akaouanga i te ngutuare i te tua ki Arorangi tei rave iatu i te mataiti 2003 e tei tomoia i te tuatau o te uipaanga maata o te reira mataiti.

Kua riro e na te kamuta Keta Williams e tona aronga angaanga i rave i te akaouanga i te au are pai (bathroom) katoatoa, ma te tamou atu i te vai vera, e te akaou katoa atu anga i te tapoki punu tei tuturu i mua na. Ko te akapouanga, e \$63,000. Takake mei teia akapouanga, kua order iatu no te unit okotai (e 6 units i te katoatoa i roto i teia nga ngutuare e 3), tetai fridge e pera te stove. Kua waitata ireira te turanga o teia au ngutuare ki te turanga o te ngutuare i te tua ki Nikao. Topiri mai te tile anga i te are apii (lecture hall) o te anau apianga i runga i te teitei, tei runga te katoaanga o te akapouanga i te numero waitata ki te \$82,000. Noea mai teia moni? No roto mai te maata anga i te au ngutuare o te akonoanga CICC e tarau (rent) ia nei i Tepuka, Nikao, e te toenga no roto mai i te pute maata.

## **9. Uipaanga na te au Orometua o NZ 2006**

Ei nuti kia tatou i te Kuki Airani nei e to Autireria, kua tae mai te akapapouanga e ka rave a Nuti Reni i tana uipaanga na te au Orometua i te nga ra 24-26 o teia marama Peperuare ki te Ekalesia Christchurch. Ko te upoko roa o teia uipaanga koia oki "Cook Islands Christian Church Ministers Assembly Aotearoa New Zealand." Kua tae mai te patianganga ki te kumiti akaaere no tetai mata ki teia uipaanga, e kua ariki te kumiti i te President kia riro aia ei mata. Okotai ua mata ka aere kia kore e maata te akapouanga moni. Takake mei teia uipaanga, ka rave katoa te Konitara Ekalesia NZ i tana uipaanga i te labour weekend o Okotopa ki Invercargill. Te irinaki nei matou nga Ekalesia i vao ake iakoe e NZ e ka manuia teia nga uipaanga naau e rua, e ka rauka mai tetai au manako meitaki, manako maroiroi no te kimi puapinga, manako akatupu i te au e te akaruru i to tatou iti tangata i runga i te tu o tena enua.

## **10. Ripoti no te Iriiri Kapua ki te Sinai Hall, Noema 2005**

I roto i te newsletter no.3, kua ripoti iatu teia iriiri kapua tei raveia i te marama Noema 2005 ki te Sinai Hall, Avarua CICC, tei turua e te taokotaianga Pacific Conference of Churches (PCC), ko te taokotaianga oki teia tei rave i tana General Assembly ki Rarotonga nei no te taime mua i roto ia Tepetema 2002. E mema oki tatou CICC no teia taokotaianga.

Kia oti teia iriiri kapua i te rave e i muri ake i to te kumiti akarakara anga i te ripoti o teia iriiri kapua, kua manako te kumiti e kia akatotoaia te ripoti ki te au Ekalesia katoatoa, ma te manako e kia taangaanga te au Ekalesia i te au mea mamaata e te puapinga i roto i teia tataanga. Ko te vaerua i konei koia oki penei ka riro tetai au manako i roto i te ripoti ei tauturu i te tua tika i o te akateretere (administration) i roto i te au Ekalesia. No reira tena te manako e te patianganga a te kumiti akaaere, na kotou te reira e taangaanga atu. Tena ireira te ripoti tei kapitii mai ki muri i teia newsletter no.4. Akakoromaki mai kare e taime i te uri ki roto i te reo maori.

## **11. Ripoti na Kura Strickland no tona tere ki Autireria**

I roto i te 2 o te uipaanga a te kumiti akaaere tei raveia i te ra i nanai 14 Peperuare, kua ripoti mai a Papa Kura Strickland, te mata o te au Ekalesia i vao ake i te Kuki Airani, i tona tere ki Autireria tei aere atu aia no te akakoroanga o te kopu tangata, e pera te atoro atu anga i nga Ekalesia ki reira. Kua mataora tika i aia no te tikaanga tei rauka iaia i te tomo atu ki roto i te au Ekalesia tana i

aravei atu i Brisbane, Cairns, Townsville, Melbourne e Sydney. No reira te oronga atu nei a Papa Kura e pera te kumiti i to raua reo aroa e te akameitaki ia kotou e te au Ekalesia i roto i nga oire i runga nei no tei akara mai kotou i te metua tane. Tena te au mea tana i akakitekite atu, irinaki matou e kua mataora to kotou aravei anga. Kua uriuri katoa matou i te au tamanakoanga tana i tauru ki roto i tana ripoti tata, e na te tuatau e apii mai no te au mea tei anoanoia kia akatupuia.

## **12. Korona kua rauka i Autireria**

Te rekareka nei te kumiti i te ripoti atu ki te katoatoa i te korona tei rauka i Autireria i tetai nga tavini maroiroi o te Atu i raro nei:

**Rev. Mahuta Tautu** Kua rauka i teia taeake te korona Diploma of Justice Administration mei te apii Cairns Institute of TAFE. Koia te tamaiti mua mei te Kuki Airani atu nei tei rauka teia akangateiteianga. I roto i tetai nuti pepa o Cairns rai tei o mai tona tutu e te akamaramaanga i tei rauka iaia, kua akakite aia e kua ngakau parau tikaí aia no teia tei rauka, e kua anoano aia kia maata uatu te tamariki mei te Kuki Airani e noo nei ki Autireria kia tomo ki roto i te au apii tua toru ei meitaki rai no ratou i te tuatau ki mua. Kua akakite katoa te nuti pepa e kua arikiia a Mahuta ki roto i te James Cook University no te apii roia (lawyer). Kua tuke rava te peu a teia soa, i na tera reo ei!! No reira akamaroiroi e te taeake, kia rauka te au korona taau ka umuumu uatu rai.

Ko Rev. Mahuta Tautu te Orometua e tiaki nei i te Ekalesia Whiterock i Cairns, te rua i ta tatou Ekalesia CICC i roto i teia oire, e kua tereniia aia ki Takamoa ei Orometua. Kua oti tana apii i Takamoa i te mataiti 2001.

**Rev. Temanu Soatini** E Orometua teia no te Cook Islands Presbyterian Church i Sydney, Autireria. Kua orongaia kiaia te akairo Inter-religious International Federation for World Peace Award e te NSW Governor, Marie Bashir. E akairo teia no te au angaanga tana e rave nei i te akaruru anga i te iti tangata Kuki Airani noatu te tuketuke i ta ratou akonoanga akamorianga. E tuanga katoa tana i roto i tetai putuputuanga mapu tei taea te numero ki te 150 no te au akonoanga e te au enua tuketuke. Kia maroiroi uatu rai koe e te taeake i te apai anga i teia au tuanga mamaata e te puapinga, ei meitaki no te anana taau e tiaki na.

Ko Rev. Temanu Soatini te President o te Cook Islands Denominational Council of Churches, e e akamori taokotai ana aia ki tana Ekalesia Presbyterian okotai taime i te epetoma ki roto i te Uniting Church i Haldon Street, Sydney.

*(Ko te nuti no teia nga taeake i runga nei, na Papa Kura Strickland te reira i apai mai mei tona tere ki Autireria)*

## **13. Tauiaanga Orometua 2007**

Kua marama pouroa tatou e, e mataiti tauiaanga Orometua teia e tu mai nei 2007. Kua rauka katoa tetai akanoonoanga i roto i ta tatou akonoanga CICC e kia orongaia tetai tikaanga (chance) ki te au Orometua katoatoa kia tuku mai i to ratou manako me kore patianganga ki te kumiti akakaere i te ngai me kore Ekalesia ta ratou i inangaro kia tau i iatu ratou. I na, te vai nei teia tikaanga kare i akakore ia.

I roto ireira i teia tuatau kua akamata takere te au patianganga i te tae mai ki te kumiti akakaere. Ko kotou te manako ra kia na roto i teia mataara e kare i tuku mai ake i to kotou manako, ko te taime rai teia i te akarakara marie i teia tumu manako ma te tuku mai i ta kotou patianganga i mua ake i te openga o teia mataiti 2006. Teia i raro nei tetai mea kia kite kotou:

- ✓ Ko te patianganga no tetai Orometua kia noo akaou ki roto i tetai Ekalesia no te rua e pera no te taime openga, na te Ekalesia e tuku mai i te patianganga, kare e na te Orometua. Me tuku mai te Ekalesia i te patianganga, ka anoanoia te meneti o te uipaanga i akatikaí te Ekalesia e kia noo akaou te Orometua no te rua o te tuatau (term). Kare e arikiia te patianganga me na te Orometua ua.

- ✓ Me tae ki te mataiti tauia Orometua 2007 e kua pou i te reira Orometua e rua tuatau (term) ki roto i te Eklesia okotai, kare aia e akatikaia kia noo akaou ki roto i te reira Eklesia. Ka tau iatu aia ki tetai Eklesia ke atu.
- ✓ Ko ta kotou patianganga me tuku mai, kare e ko te tika openga te reira. Na te kumiti o te au Orometua e akanoo mai i te au tamanakoanga, e oti akaoki mai ei ki roto i te kumiti akaaere. Mei konei, ka uiruri te kumiti i te au tamanakoanga, tuku iatu ireira te tamanakoanga mua ki te katoatoa i mua ake i te openga o teia mataiti 2006.

Ka tapapa atu matou i ta kotou au patianganga. Penei te vai ra tetai pae Orometua kare o ratou manamanata i te ngai ta te kumiti akaaere ka tuku ia ratou. I roto i teia turanga, kare ireira e manamanata me kare a kotou patianganga e tuku mai ki te kumiti.

#### **14. Orote no te au Orometua**

I toku manako ka pumaana teia ki te taringa o te au Orometua. Penei kua ngaropoina i tetai pae e kua ariki te uipaanga maata i tetai tuatau orote no te au Orometua kia tau ki te roa o to ratou tavinianga i te Atu. I na e mea puapinga kia marama te au Orometua i to ratou turanga no runga i teia. I roto i te uipaanga maata 1999 kua tuku te kumiti o te moni e te parani i tetai ripoti tamanakoanga e kua arikiia. I roto i teia ripoti ko tetai o te 13 au tamanakoanga koia oki no runga i te akatakatakaanga tuatau orote no te au Orometua. Ko te pepa numero 12 teia o te ripoti ta te kumiti o te moni i tuku ki te uipaanga maata. I roto rai i teia uipaanga maata i oronga mai ei te Orometua David Teaurere i te manako e kia uri ia teia ripoti ki roto i te reo Maori. Kua oti teia i te uri ia e kua tua iatu te kapi (copies) kia ratou tei tae mai ki te uipaanga maata 2001. E paraoni maratea (light brown) te kara (colour) o te va'i i teia ripoti reo Maori.

Teia ireira i raro nei tetai akatakatakaanga o te turanga orote o te au Orometua:

|                                       |                        |
|---------------------------------------|------------------------|
| Nga mataiti mua e 2 angaanga Orometua | kare e orote           |
| 3 – 8 mataiti angaanga Orometua       | 2 epetoma i te mataiti |
| 9 – 14 mataiti angaanga Orometua      | 3 epetoma i te mataiti |
| 15 mataiti angaanga Orometua          | 3 marama               |
| Runga ake i te 15 mataiti             | 4 epetoma i te mataiti |

E au takainga tetai tei anoanoia i mua ake ka apai ei te Orometua i tona orote, kua oti i te akatakatakaia i roto i te nga tataanga i taikuia i runga nei. E mea puapinga e te au taeake kia akara meitaki kotou i teia au akatakatakaanga i mua ake ka apai ia'i tetai orote.

Kua manako au e kia apai mai i teia akakiteanga ki roto i teia newsletter no te mea kua maara i tetai taeake Orometua teia tei akaotia e kua oronga mai i tana patianganga ki te kumiti akaaere no te orote 3 marama. Kua ariki te kumiti akaaere i te mea oki e, e tukuanga tika uipaanga maata teia. No reira tei runga ia kotou te au Orometua katoatoa kare i apai ake i teia tikaanga, kia taangaanga kotou me kua anoano kotou. No runga i te tuatau orote roa (3 months long service leave), e tuatau (chance) teia no tetai uatu akakoroanga tau ta kotou i manako; mei te atoro taeake e te kopu tangata i te enua mamao, atoro i te ipukarea, angaanga ki runga i te ngutuare, akateateamamao no te tuatau e akangaroi mai ei mei te angaanga Orometua, e te vai atura te au angaanga ka oti i roto i teia tuatau orote roa.

Penei kare tetai pae o te au Orometua e inangaro i te taangaanga i teia tika manea tei orongaia kia ratou no tetai au tumuanga ta ratou i irinaki e kua tau. Me ko teia to kotou manako, kare rava e manamanata e kitea atu ra. Na te reira tangata rai tana ikianga. Te ripoti uatu nei au ki konei e kua arikiia teia e ta tatou uipaanga maata, no reira ka apai ratou tei anoano – kia aru ia ra te au takainga i mua ake ka orote ei.

#### **15. Tuatua Akamaaraara**

E tuatua akamaaraara teia ki te au Eklesia katoatoa no te au mea i raro nei tei akakite iatu i roto i nga newsletter mua e 3 tei tuku iatu:

- ✓ Moni akaputu ki Takamoā – tena te akapapaanga kua marama kotou, moni mataiti ki te pute maata e pera to te akakoroanga o te opati ou (new administratio building). Tuku mai i ta kotou ka rauka i te au tuatau tei tau.
- ✓ Akapapaanga tuatua – no te au taeake teia tei manako kotou e kua tau ratou kia orongaia tetai au akairo ngateitei te ka na roto i te Kavamani ki te ariki vaine i Paratane.
- ✓ Apinga akatangi i te tuatau o te akamorianga – no kotou teia e te au Ekalesia kare i uriuri ake i teia tumu manako. Ka inangaroia to kotou manako kia akaari mai i roto i te uipaanga maata 2007.
- ✓ Uipaanga Maata 2007 – ka raveia teia ki Akarana, Nu Tireni, 2007. Ko te tuatau (dates), ka akakite mai rai te Konitara Ekalesia CICC o Nu Tireni me papa ratou. Ka akamata tatou i te Kuki Airani nei e pera kotou i Autireria i te akateateamamao no teia.
- ✓ Au ngai nooanga – akakite mai me e tienianga tetai i to kotou au addresses e te phone, kia kore e tarevake te opati maata i te contact atu anga me kore tuku atu anga i ta kotou mail.
- ✓ Email addresses – ko tetai uatu mema CICC i te Kuki Airani nei, Nu Tireni e Autireria e email address ta ratou, tuku mai kiaku kia ngoie ua i te tuku atu i te au karere mei te newsletters. Ko ratou tei tuku mai i to ratou au email addresses, ko ratou rai teia e kite nei i te puapinga o teia ravenga kave anga karere.
- ✓ Au teretere anga. Ko tetai uatu Ekelesia e manako ra no te teretere atu ki tetai ngai i raro ake i te tamaruanga a te akonoanga CICC, e mea puapinga kia tikiia te tika a te Konitara Ekalesia o te reira ngai ka tere kotou. Ko teia tuatua no te katoatoa; au teretereanga mei te Kuki Airani nei ki Nu Tireni me kore Autireria, mei Autireria ki Nu Tireni e ki te Kuki Airani nei, e pera koe e Nu Tireni ki Autireria e ki te Kuki Airani nei. Ka aru tatou i teia mataara me kua anoano tatou i te tauturu a te au Ekalesia i roto i te reira tuanga enua.
- ✓ Au tamanakoanga tienianga i te ture tumu. Noatu e kua oti ta tatou ture tumu i te akaouia (update) e kua mana i te mataiti 2003, e tikaanga to kotou kia akara akaou i te reira me e au ngai tetai kua manako kotou kia tieniia. Tuku mai i teia au tamanakoanga (remits) e 6 marama i mua ake i te uipaanga maata 2007. Mei tei taikuia i runga nei, ka akakite iatu rai te tuatau e rave ia i te uipaanga.
- ✓ Me e au nuti ta kotou ka tano kia kite te katoatoa, tuku tika mai kiaku kia akaoia ki roto i te au newsletters a teia au tuatau ki mua.

## 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 no kotou i te au mea e tupu nei, e te parani ia nei no teia au tuatau ki mua i roto i ta tatou nei akonoanga. Irinaki matou i runga i te kumiti akaaere e ka riro teia au akakitekiteanga ei pumaana ki roto i to kotou au ngakau tatakitai.

Ei taopenga i teia karere, te na ko nei te buka 5 a Mose, Deuteronomi 31.8, “Ko Iehova uaorai oki te na mua iakoe; ei vaitata uaorai aia iakoe, kare aia e akaruke iakoe, e kare e takake iakoe: auraka e ngarangara, auraka rava e matakū.”

Ei konei tatou i te tuatua i tona aroa ua, Amene.



## **REPORT of WORKSHOP**

*Compiled by Nga Mataio, CICC General Secretary*

**Workshop title:** The Prophetic Role of Church Against Corruption and Injustice

**Sponsor:** Pacific Conference of Churches (PCC), Suva, Fiji

**Facilitator:** Executive Council, Cook Islands Christian Church (CICC)

**Date and venue:** Monday 14 November 2005, Sinai Hall, Avarua CICC, Rarotonga, Cook Islands

### **Programme:**

|               |                        |                               |
|---------------|------------------------|-------------------------------|
| 8.30am        | Devotion               | Rev. Nio Mare, Avarua CICC    |
| 8.45          | Welcome address        | Nga Mataio, General Secretary |
| 9.00 – 10.00  | Ron Crocombe           | Social/cultural issues        |
| 10.00 – 10.30 |                        | Morning tea                   |
| 10.30 – 11.30 | John Herrmann          | Political issues              |
| 11.30 – 12.30 | Nga Mataio             | Economic issues               |
| 12.30 – 1.30  |                        | Lunch                         |
| 1.30 – 2.30   | Rev. T. Tangatatutai   | Religious issues              |
| 2.30 – 3.00   | Evaluation/resolutions |                               |
|               | Close                  |                               |

**Participants:** 46 ] *See list attached. The participants were Ministers from*  
 ] *the 16 southern islands CICC parishes, plus represen-*  
**Resource Persons:** 4 ] *tatives from these parishes, plus the students at the*  
 ] *Takamoa Theological college. Two resource persons*  
 ] *were from the CICC Executive and 2 local academics.*

### **Main issues presented and discussed**

#### **Session 1: SOCIAL/CULTURAL ISSUES**

*by Ron Crocombe, former professor of sociology and Pacific Studies, USP, Suva, Fiji*

- ◆ Definition of corruption; misusing one's job for personal gain and not for the benefit of others
- ◆ Corruption's existence in all societies and at all levels; church, government, social systems
- ◆ Degree of corruption – legal and ethical considerations; e.g. some practices may be ethically corrupt but legally clean
- ◆ Presented some statistics and indicators on some of the social problems encountered in selected developed and developing countries
- ◆ Corruption changes with culture and time
- ◆ Corruption index by Transparency International
- ◆ Issues related to media corruption

- ◆ Advertising/commercialism is corrupting consumers, especially worrying are the long-term effects on children
- ◆ Why should churches care about corruption
- ◆ Why does corruption matter – financial reasons, church reasons, it is against the constitution of church and country
- ◆ What can ordinary citizens do to minimise corruption in their own organisations
- ◆ Government/politicians can influence the churches in corrupt and unjust manners
- ◆ What can ordinary citizens do to minimise corruption elsewhere (Government, community and cultural organisations they are not directly part of)
- ◆ The church must stand up to corruption and injustice, and certainly never practice them

## Session 2:

### POLITICAL ISSUES

*by John Herrmann, former teacher and Director of the local USP Centre, advocate for social equity and political change*

- ◆ The 4 topics of this workshop are inter-related; they are the dimensions of all human beings
- ◆ How does the church make itself relevant to society today
- ◆ Today people are a lot more active in advancing the cause of the oppressed (gave examples of advocates for democracy around the world); the church can learn from this trend
- ◆ In order to be effective against corruption and injustice in politics, people must be well informed of the issues before taking to the streets
- ◆ Small size communities and close personal/family relationships can make it harder to follow strict guidelines against corruption and injustice
- ◆ Gave examples of corrupt politicians around the world
- ◆ Gave examples of champions against corruption and injustice around the world
- ◆ The phrase “look up to our leaders” is quickly losing its meaning in today’s society, thanks to the rampant level of corruption that now exists in all circles
- ◆ Church leaders must stay above politics, but they must also do the right things in order to command and maintain respect amongst the general community which includes politicians
- ◆ This changing world means the church must also adjust
- ◆ The level of corruption amongst politicians could also be related to their length of time in politics
- ◆ The gospel should be made a lot more living today, including making good use of the media to promote equity, accountability, social justice, good governance, etc.

## Session 3:

### ECONOMIC ISSUES

*by Nga Mataio, Economist, Secretary of Agriculture, CICC General Secretary*

- ◆ As with the two previous speakers, corruption also exists in any type of economic activity; banking, tourism, etc.
- ◆ Price control, an important issue for those in the outer islands due to the very high prices of goods
- ◆ *See hand-out attached which the speaker used for the presentation*

#### Session 4:

#### RELIGIOUS ISSUES

*by Rev. Tangimetua Tangatatutai, former CICC minister, currently CICC President*

- ◆ Our church leaders are decaying inasfar as their responsibilities are concerned
- ◆ Church leaders sometimes can't see the signs written on the walls
- ◆ Christians must prove themselves as lights of the world
- ◆ Theological context – finances in the church are being misused, religious cults, wars, other warnings and teachings against corruption and injustice must be taken heed of
- ◆ Pacific context – protests against governments, gay movements, crossing the floor in politics, tourism leads to water shortage and other side effects on biodiversity etc.
- ◆ Wider context – globalisation of the world economy, terrorism rising, global warming, technological advances such as cloning and their biblical implications
- ◆ Christians must read, understand and practice the Word of God in order to understand its teachings about corruption and injustice
- ◆ Christians must be strong in standing up against corrupt and unjust practices; we must open our mouth
- ◆ Christians must look after their physical and spiritual well-being
- ◆ The church needs to strengthen the family unit in the first instance, before trying to strengthen those outside
- ◆ Ministers and church workers have to keep up with what's going on in society in order to be updated and therefore able to act accordingly
- ◆ Gospel Day should be more involving others rather than only CICC members
- ◆ Other activities such as TV, rugby, housie, raffles, etc. are taking us away from the right path and could weaken our faith
- ◆ Ministers need to be empowered to do the right things
- ◆ Effective communication is necessary for the church to be well informed about events within and outside of the organisation
- ◆ We must work on ways to entice our youth so that they don't go further into sin and other undesirable habits
- ◆ Must strive for balance in life, e.g. between academic and spiritual development

#### Summary

- ◆ Corruption and injustice are very much alive today in all corners of society – church, government, business sector, media, culture/traditional society
- ◆ The level of corruption and injustice are higher today than before

- ◆ People must be well informed before advocating for change, and never get involved in corrupt and unjust practices
- ◆ Change must come from all sectors of society; addressing corruption and injustice is a responsibility for everybody
- ◆ If corruption and injustice are not effectively addressed, they will continue to erode the moral foundation of society, leading to disorder, chaos, and the breakup of social justice
- ◆ The church, perhaps through the Religious Advisory Council (RAC), may consider asking Government for a fixed allocation for religion in its annual budget, and let RAC decide how best to distribute such fund; this way will minimise Government's political intervention in church matters

## Recommendations

Members of the church must move fast on the issue of corruption and injustice; it must undertake to do the following:

Within the church

1. Regularly read the Word and pray
2. Be well informed about the issues and effectively campaign against them in their own parishes, in the communities, at local government levels, at the national government level. To be well informed, members must regularly tune in to news headlines, ask questions as required, read up on contentious issues, ensure the reported facts are actually correct, etc.
3. We must stand up against corruption and injustice in the church by taking the necessary actions against them, e.g. disciplining or even suspending corrupt officials in church finance and administration
4. We must address the issues at hand rather than rely on Government; a lot of the issues can be deal with at the church level rather than relying on Government

Governance

5. The church must stand up against corruption and injustice in Government by openly expressing itself as and when required without fear
6. A recommendation to the Price Control body of Internal Affairs to have the body monitor and penalise shop owners who over-charge goods especially in the outer islands where prices are much higher than in Rarotonga

Society in general

7. The church must face and challenge corrupt and unjust practices in society as a whole, and not hide them under the mat or pretend that such practices do not exist.
8. The church must expose practitioners in society that are corrupt and unjust in their approaches and dealings with ordinary citizens
9. The church must continuously prove to society that it is an organisation aimed at fighting and minimising corruption and injustice for the benefit of all citizens of the country

## **ANNEX I: Economic Issues Handout**

**PCC/CICC Workshop on the Prophetic Role of Church Against Corruption and Injustice, Monday 14  
November 2005, Sinai Hall, Avarua**

### **ECONOMIC ISSUES**

*by Nga Mataio*

#### **1. Definition**

Economics is a science concerned with those aspects of social behaviour, and those institutions, which are involved in the use of scarce resources to produce and distribute goods and services in the satisfaction of human wants. A simpler definition would be; the wise use of scarce resources to maximise human needs and wants.

#### **2. Why is Economics important**

Economics is based on the premise that there are simply not enough resources (land, money, water, fuel, gas, fertiliser, seeds, furniture – in fact all those things that we use to make our lives easier) in this world to go around to benefit everybody. Therefore, man must conserve and use the resources available to him in a way which will ensure that he enjoys the satisfaction derived from these resources for as long as possible, including enjoyment by future generations. If there was plenty of such resources so that they will not run out when used, then the significance of economics is non-existent and therefore there is no need to economise. But because this is not so, therefore we must economise – save today for rainy days, as the saying goes.

This reasoning is closely related to 1 Corinthians 15.12-34. “If it is true that Christ was not raised from death, then we have nothing to preach and you have nothing to believe.... but the truth is that Christ has been raised from death, as the guarantee that those who sleep in death will also be raised.” Therefore it is important for Christians to live according to the principles outlined in his word. Just as there are good reasons to economise, there are also good reasons to abide by the Lord’s teachings.

#### **3. Current Economic Issues**

Some important economic issues impacting on the every lives of people, include the following:

- ◆ Employment – people must work for their living. If employment opportunities are limited, people migrate in search of such opportunities elsewhere. There is also the chance of becoming involved in corrupt and unjust practices to secure employment
- ◆ Cost of living – when this goes up in a significant way, people may migrate or try and take advantage of the situation by charging high prices, adversely affecting those in the low income levels
- ◆ Tourism – this is the main economic sector of the country, bringing in lots of money and benefits to the country. But are the benefits being equitably distributed?
- ◆ Investment – starting up new business help with economic progress, but there are also costs
- ◆ Banking and finance – money laundering and scams seem to be an everyday occurrence now
- ◆ Commercial economic activities, such as pearl farming, fishing, etc., have their ups and downs. Corrupt and unjust practices have taken place, and people have paid dearly

#### **4. Economics, Corruption and Injustice**

As the saying goes, where there are people, there also exists corruption and injustice. Why? As explained before, there is not enough to go around. Those who have it will desire more via both genuine and unjust means. When we hear terms like bribery, fraud, mismanagement of funds, etc., we know that these are different ways used by man to benefit himself, his family or his friends through ways that are unacceptable to the law and society.

What do we do then as Christians? Clear instructions are well laid out in the Bible. But even such instructions have not been able to protect Christians all over the world from becoming involved in corruption and unjust practices. Each person is accountable for his own life here on earth and in the after life. Economics may advance someone in terms of wealth accumulation, but the downfall due to corruption and injustice can be dramatic and terrible for both the offender and his family and friends.