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WODEN VALLEY ALLIANCE CHURCH



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SENIOR PASTOR

Despite another tricky year related to COVID, God has sustained and blessed us as a church family, even in the midst of difficulties. Many people would never have guessed a pandemic would continue to make its presence felt and bring constant changes, almost 2 years after it began. Yet it has and it seems we are always evolving and adding new measures to stay up to date with health regulations and requirements! By the middle of 2020, our team had become quite adept at being both in front of and behind a camera for recording sessions to make our main Sunday morning services available online. All the staff with their various skill sets stepped up to try and create community and allow us to all worship together even as it was broadcast into various homes.

One of our specific blessings was being able to regather again in person and still deliver live streaming of our morning services from August 2020 onwards. As a leadership we decided to invest in more recording and sound equipment for the church so we could record Sunday mornings and continue to be a presence in the community via an online platform. It has been interesting when talking to someone from the community, to hear them say they had watched us online for one of our services. Being online and recording our morning services has had its challenges, (just ask Andrew), partially because we have a limited number of people to be on team to help. Yet we are so grateful to those who have decided to learn some new skills and serve in this way.

Another blessing has been while many other states in Australia remained locked down at home, we not only allowed to meet but could sing without wearing masks. Although our numbers were limited it was wonderful to begin to gather and worship together. What a privilege it has been to continue meeting and celebrating the love of Jesus in these uncertain times.

Towards the end of 2020 we also resumed some of our other programs which had been on hold. This included our afternoon services, The Gathering! These services have really developed their own style; we begin with afternoon tea and have a variety of formats which generally includes a response time. They are personal and encourage those who attend to go deeper in Jesus. These services have been great for those who are shift workers, for those who may have a morning commitment or for those who prefer a more informal, intimate style of worship and teaching. This is often where our Bible College students and interns preach. It has been a blessing to hear great topics covered in the last year. If you haven't yet been to an afternoon service, I encourage you to attend.

Our theme for this past year moved from "My Story, Our Story, His-Story" to coincide with our fiftieth year as a church, to "Ready, Set, Go!" We moved from the book of Luke and now we are looking at the book of Acts a story of the growth of the New Testament church as they were filled, led and directed by the power of Holy Spirit. As we dive deeper into the book of Acts and the responses of the disciples to be equipped and empowered to grow God's Kingdom, I pray we are being inspired to live out a life filled with the promise of the Gospel and led by Holy Spirit to be people of faith in word and deed.

Despite all the restrictions we also managed to hold a few creative services in both our morning and afternoon time slots. At Christmas we held two almost mirrored services called the Surprise Party. Here we were reminded what a surprise, joy and delight the birth of Jesus was. Over summer, all our staff needed a well-earned break and knowing many people are away on holidays we only offered online services. These summer sessions went well, had some creative components and allowed our church family to watch on-line from a number of places around the country. At Easter for the first time, we ran an Art Exhibition as part of our Easter weekend, plus we held two services about RSVPing to God's invitation to come to the wedding feast. A big thanks to Helen and the team for all the creative input, these services were such a joy and new ways to ponder on the wonder of Christmas and Easter.

One area where we have had some growth is with the number of people enrolling in Bible College to study. This year we have twelve students of these five are enrolled with Helen in the Internship program and another six are studying Spiritual Formation under Helen's care. The young adults have also just begun the Deeper Life series with Peter Laughlin and Ken Graham on Tuesday nights plus we have Alpha running again on Sunday afternoons under Andrew Muir's leadership. What a rich blessing these programs are as we continue to disciple and grow so people may step into a fuller understanding of God's Word and develop a more intimate relationship with Jesus. We are hoping to expand on this even more next year by offering another discipleship and nurturing program to allow more people to build their faith.

While some programs were initially on hold with COVID, most of those have resumed this year. One ministry which has been allowed to resume is the schools ministry. This includes going into the Mt Stromlo High and Arawang Primary schools running some programs with the students there. They may be small opportunities but they are wonderful doors never the less.

We have so many great events happening in the life of our church family and so many people who are committed to facilitating them. I get excited about the various avenues we provide for people to connect with our community, these are essential to create open doors for people who do not know Jesus yet. These include Playgroup, One Voice Community Choir (in recess), Alpha, Life Groups, Bible Study, Women's/Men's Ministry, Prayer Group, Young Adults, Youth, Kids Church, Worship, Missions Team, Art for Communities and Insight Counselling. To all of those who help serve, run, set up, pack up, pray, love, clean and connect, your contribution does not go unnoticed or unappreciated. Thank you for your heart and your acts of service.

Mission and ministry are an essential part of any church work and is certainly a big part of ours. Mission Exposure and Mission Week are both opportunities for us to learn more about God at work here in our community and abroad. The idea of travelling overseas for missions has been Covid controlled and therefore our planning has been frustrating. In saying that I have to mention there has been a few happy moments, we commissioned Steve Collins for a ten month Norway Mission experience and also we were able to send Gary Overett back to his mission calling. (Continue to pray for Jayne and the boys concerning this!)

One of the core values of the C&MA is faith-based risk. This value always stirs my heart because I know it is often when we leave our comfort zones behind us, God works more clearly. We were able to plant a church in Northern Canberra with Suanu called Covenant Life Alliance Church. We are continuing to address ways in which we can continue to impact the local school and surrounding suburbs.

With all this in mind, as we look ahead at our vision statement as a church and are already doing some intentional praying and planning to fully embrace what we are capable of in this church, with you as members, with this property and in this community, we value your prayer and support. We are excited about what God has ahead for us. We hope you are too.

As a church we have been spoilt by the quality team of paid staff we have, each with their own gifts and abilities which are a real asset to this church. Our paid staff team now consists of Andrew Edwards (Associate Pastor) at four days a week; Antoinette Hildebrandt (Office Administrator) three days per week; Sharnay Ormazabal (Children's Worker) two and a half days a week. Helen Betz (Interns Director) two day per week and myself (Senior Pastor) fulltime.

Not only do we have a great staff team, but the Elders and Deacons have also been working hard over the past year to manage and maintain the church in many and varied capacities. This team of capable leaders have been such a blessing to me and the church. At an administrative level, we continue to work out the legal and spiritual aspects concerned with running a church. Again, it has been extremely difficult at times to have some sort of clarity to what we were able to do as the Government restrictions kept changing and rules were being revised on the run.

It is also appropriate to mention Gary Bates as he will be retiring as Elder this year. Gary has been an Elder for two years now and has asked to finish his term early as the pressures of work and life are a bit overwhelming at the moment. There are two deacons which are not putting their names forward for another term and they are George Cilliers and Vanessa Woodburn. May I say on behalf of the church, a big thankyou to all three of you for your sacrifice and commitment to the church it has been so much appreciated.

Finally, we must acknowledge that this is our 50th year as a church and we were able to finally celebrate this significant milestone on Sunday the 1st of August 2021 (Aware this is outside this reports time frame, couldn't help but acknowledge it here) It was a great day of true celebration. Helen and I would like to thank all of you for trusting us to lead you. We are living in strange times and only with your prayers and support will we be encouraged and sustained.

Blessings to you all.

P. Ben Betz

ASSOCIATE PASTOR

Greetings Church Family!

It's been an exciting 12 months in the life of our church, and it's been my privilege to partner with you in serving The Lord together. As we've continued to navigate our way through what life looks like under 'COVID Normal', the way we do things has continued to adapt and change. Life is still not back the way it used to be and, it may never be, but what's exciting is that God is in control, and He has so much more in store for us as we submit to Him and follow His lead!

My role as Associate Pastor is wide and varied as I serve in and oversee various areas of ministry.

The Worship Ministry continues to be a blessing in both our morning and afternoon services. Our desire is to seek God for His leading as we create worship spaces that are God honouring and sensitive to the Holy Spirit. We've been blessed with some new musicians and new instruments this past year and it's wonderful to have a multi-generational band most weeks. A huge thank you to our amazing team of volunteers who serve diligently each week enabling us to have quality, God honouring worship both in-house and online.

This past year has seen the installation of new lights and cameras to allow us to livestream our morning services and the team have worked hard to provide a quality experience for those joining us from home. Thank you for your generous donations that allowed for the purchase of the equipment needed.

There is a real need for more volunteers to join the Worship Team in both musical and technical roles. Our current team members are filling multiple roles often at the same time, and we don't have enough volunteers to cover weeks when our team needs a break. I'd love to chat with you about ways you can get involved.

Our Youth Ministry has continued to provide a safe and welcoming place for teenagers to engage with each another and with God. This year saw the launch of a second group to engage with young people in year's 7-9 which runs alongside our existing group for year's 10-12.

Our younger group enjoys a high energy environment with fun activities coupled with engaging talks on faith, life and Jesus. Our older group is more relaxed and enjoys deeper conversations about faith and what that looks like in our lives. Our ministry in the local schools has meant that we're able to attract young people from outside our church to these groups and helps us be about the work of sharing the Gospel.

A huge thank you to our two amazing youth teams; Sharnay, Jonah, Sarah and Michael who run the younger group and Joe, Merinda, Abby, Ann, Robyn and Iain who run the older group. Thank you also to Karina and Jordan who stepped down from the team at the beginning of 2021.

The Gathering returned in February 2021 after almost a year of not meeting due to COVID and we've been blessed with an all-ages attendance which sits around 30 each week.

The Gathering is very much a community of believers focused not only on being hearers of the Word but on being doers of the Word and putting our faith into action. It's been a blessing to be part of a community that seeks to encourage and build each other up in the Lord and to release the gifts and calling God has placed on our lives. We've seen many of our community step up in faith to follow God's leading and explore the gifts He has given them.

We've had wonderful times of praise and worship and times of reflection and sacred spaces. We've been challenged to get real with God in every area of our lives and experienced powerful times of testimony, prayer and ministry.

A real highlight has been the number of members from the Gathering who have brought the message over the year. It's been such a blessing to hear God's truth spoken by so many and in so many different ways.

I encourage you to come and spend some time with us at the Gathering and be challenged and encouraged in your walk with Jesus!

Risk Management As Risk Management Officer I've continued to oversee compliance with our policies and procedures to ensure that we continue to be a safe place for all who walk through our doors and attend our various events and ministries.

COVID compliance has been an ongoing task as we continue to follow the COVID advice from the government and adjust our practice to meet current regulations. Please remember that it's everyone's responsibility to follow these regulations and help keep our church COVID Safe.

Safe Ministry training is a requirement for anyone who volunteers in any area or program that we run. Accreditation is current for three years, which means that for many it will be due again in 2022. Please ensure you complete your online training and remain accredited; we'll send you a reminder when it's due and will be here to assist if required. Thank you for your cooperation and participation in making our church is a safe place for all.

Alongside these roles I've also, been involved with the Internship, taught Christian Education at Arawang Primary, continued to serve on the Board of Elders, created video content for our ministries and services, learnt new skills in live streaming and production, hosted online church, trained and developed team members and prayed with and supported many in our church family and wider community.

Finally, thank you for your continued prayers and support for me and my family. Samantha and I are blessed by the love, care, encouragement and prayers we regularly receive. Let us continue to surrender every area of our lives to the One who laid down His very own to save us!

Blessings

Ps Andrew Edwards



ELDERS

I would like to express my appreciation to the WVAC, on behalf of all the elders, to be able to serve on the Board of Elders over the past year and to support our Pastors Ben Betz and Andrew Edwards in their ministries.

This year Nick Mogensen joined the Board and has been a wonderful addition to our team. We strive to seek Gods direction for His church and to proceed only when there is unity in our decisions and it seems good to the Holy Spirit and to us. We start each Elders Meeting with a devotional and prayer before getting into the business of the day. This year we will be farewelling Gary Bates from the Board due to increased work pressures and I thank him on behalf of the Board for his valuable contribution over the past two years.

In my previous report I outlined the areas of responsibility for each of the elders which remain basically unchanged, with Paul Robertson taking on the role of Secretary and Nick the role of outreach. It is important to state that each of your Elders are committed to the health and wellbeing of all at the Alliance and desire to see His church thrive and grow.

We are committed to seeing the church move forward and His kingdom extended rather than just marking time.

We thank God for our hard working and dedicated staff members Ben and Helen Betz, Andrew Edwards, Sharnay Ormazabal and Antoinette Hildebrandt, who continue to serve God and us with excellence. A special thanks goes to Helen who, during a year of serious health challenges, has continued to lead the Interns and the Spiritual Formation group with enthusiasm and distinction.

Thank you Pastor Ben for your leadership over the past year and for your desire to lead us in a season of prayer and fasting leading up to Easter. I believe that this was a pivotal time in the life of the church. The challenges of the past year have been significant but you have calmly steered us through rough seas into a place where we can focus, with increased passion, upon our great and mighty God whom we all desire to serve to the best of our abilities.

Andrew Muir (Chair)

PRAYER MINISTRY

Be anxious for nothing but in everything by prayer and supplication, with thanksgiving let your requests be known to God. Phil 4:6

In the 6 weeks leading up to Easter we had a season of prayer and fasting on Tuesday mornings for breakthrough in our own lives and in the life of the church. Thanks to all who were a part of this special time and we were all blessed to be a part of it.

We continue to hold two regular prayer meetings in the Mission Centre each week. The first is held on Wednesday morning, from 7.15-8.15am, with a focus on praying for spiritual breakthrough in the church and for our local community. The second meeting is held weekly on Saturday evening from 7-8pm and is led by Dennis Terracini with a focus on praying for those within the church.

We have continued to meet for prayer following an easing of the Covid restrictions and a warm invitation is extended to anyone who would like to attend these meetings which I believe are vitally important for the spiritual life of our church.

The prayer team is once again available every Sunday morning after the service to pray with people.

As a reminder the prayer team also prays for prayer requests sent to the church from people in our congregation and elsewhere. Requests for prayer can be sent either to Pastor Ben or myself or through the church or the Church Central app.

Andrew Muir



ALPHA

We started an Alpha Course in June with 13 guests and at the time of writing this report there were still 4 weeks to go before finishing. I would like to express my sincere thanks to the Alpha team of 10 people as well as all the volunteers that contributed food for the guests.

Andrew Muir

WOMEN'S MINISTRY

"I praise you because I am fearfully and wonderfully made; your works are wonderful, I know that full well." Psalm 139:14

We Praise God for the beautiful women that are in our Church. The Women's Ministry Team continue to pray for the women throughout the year and hope that through our activities women are encouraged in their walk with God and supported in building relationships with each other.

As the Covid restrictions continue to impact what we are able to do, we have adjusted our activities but still with the aim to meet regularly. A few highlights of the Women's ministries include:

Forget-Me-Not Friends Many of us have been praying for each other and this year we will also have the opportunity to have a 'prayer buddy' – a person that we can meet face to face for prayer and fellowship.

Ladies Dinners We have done this a few times over the year and there is always lots of fellowship and chatter over a meal

OneLove Women's Conference One of the positives about Covid is that it has taught us to make use of technology. We connected to this conference online and joined hundreds of Ladies around Australia in prayer, praise and listening to great teaching. We will be doing this again later this year.

Bonfire We joined together around a campfire for prayer and praise and also enjoyed some hot chocolate and marshmallows.

Morning and Afternoon Teas Again, we have done this a few times – sometimes at our church with a guest speaker and sometimes at an external venue where we can enjoy God's creation; like at the Arboretum.

There have been other opportunities for us to pray, love and come along side each other in the name of Jesus. I thank God for his faithfulness and all the Blessings that He gives each and every one of us.

Iva Plessnitzer

MEN'S MINISTRY

Men's ministry has been quiet this year, with only two major events held, plus a number of informal activities. In November we held a "fireside chat" night and in February we held a gourmet burger night. Both were a roaring success with over 40 people attending each event. A campfire pit was built on the Southern end of the church property and men were invited to join a firewood collecting day at Sleepy Hollow (thanks Ben and Helen!) in preparation. Our fireside chat night featured some stories for men who had to rely on God through thick and thin. Our gourmet burger night was hosted by Luke and Josh, the highlight being Tim Fulton sharing his story of God's faithfulness through his journey with Still's disease. When the bite of winter abates, we're thinking we'll resume regular outside events around our new fireplace. Suggestions of people with encouraging messages to share most welcome.

A small group of men in the congregation have continued to consistently meet at our local café in Waramanga each Wednesday morning throughout the rollercoaster ride of Covid restrictions in the last year. This has been an excellent opportunity for pastoral care, discipleship, encouragement and to receive prayer in the midst of the uncertainty and pressures of daily life. All men are welcome to join us.

Regards,

Craig Woodburn

INTERNSHIP PROGRAM

Discovery Interns Directions SF (Spiritual Formations)

This 2020-2021 season has seen our discipleship program grow even more, despite COVID and being a season filled with uncertainty. Not only do we have 5 interns who have chosen to continue their journey for another term, (to catch up on what restrictions stole making it a 20-month program rather than 18 months). We also began a new group this year with 6 students signing up for our Spiritual Formation group or Directions SF. This means we currently have 11 students, studying God's word with ACOM and being part of one of these two programs, which I run to complement their studies and deepen their faith journey. This has been a great addition to our church and is a wonderful way to disciple and help people to grow in their faith, and I believe as a church we are reaping the benefits especially in our young adults' group, our afternoon service The Gathering and in the depth of character and conversation emerging. This is rippling out, strengthening relationships with people as well as God and encouraging others.

As interns we meet every Monday of school term to debrief our week, do a Bible study together, look at our upcoming assignments and discuss lots of tricky questions about life and God. The foundation of this course is to allow students to study either Bible College, or another area of study they are interested in, and add in personal spiritual development, regular lessons plus numerous opportunities for ministry and mission. Our ongoing underlying theme has been looking at our heavenly story board versus our earthly story board. The challenge being to live in the fullness and richness of a personal faith in Jesus and claim all the Godly opportunities God has destined for each of us. We have had some great excursions including going bowling, going to the Zoo and the Botanic Gardens, all used as lessons to link into our journey with Jesus, plus a day of community work. We also had some wonderful retreats including a silent prayer retreat at the Abbey, a camping retreat browsing a "heavenly catalogue" and a winter retreat about rest and reconnecting with God.

Our plan is to conclude the internship program with a mission trip to WA in the September school holidays. The idea being to connect with some work being done in Northam with the indigenous community there. While this seems very uncertain at this stage, we are trusting what God may have in store for us.

This year our new Directions SF students are also meeting once a month for a time of sharing and going deeper in God's Word. This usually includes a lesson, an activity and a reflection spot. We also have three retreats planned, one which has already happened and two still to come. With the SF group we are also looking at what our heavenly story and inheritance is as a foundational theme. Our focus is to be real, open, honest and vulnerable before God as we ask Him to gently change us to all He has called us to be. One aspect we have been looking at the last two months is what we hold onto, the "stuff" which we place importance on which only clutters our lives, our thinking and often intrudes on our time with God. All the students have been encouraged to have a spiritual spring clean and reassess their possessions and habits as part of living lives which are set apart for God.

For me, I delight in being part of the Interns and SF groups. I find it a privilege and an honour to be able to speak into their lives and my prayer is in so doing, their eyes are being opened as they are called to live out a vibrant faith. It is such a joy to teach and help people grow in their faith and I would highly recommend the internship or SF program to anyone of any age wanting to deepen their knowledge of God's word and the way He wants to shape our lives. Please continue to pray for these programs and please encourage the students.

Helen Betz

CREATIVE MINISTRIES

We have had another year of creatively worshipping and preaching and teaching despite the many COVID restrictions in place. At the beginning of this financial year, we continued to bring a strong Godly presence online in creative ways. George and Sharnay had built quite a fan club, and even Miss Information had her spots in the limelight. Object lessons were regularly used to bring a biblical point home and share the truth of the Gospel.

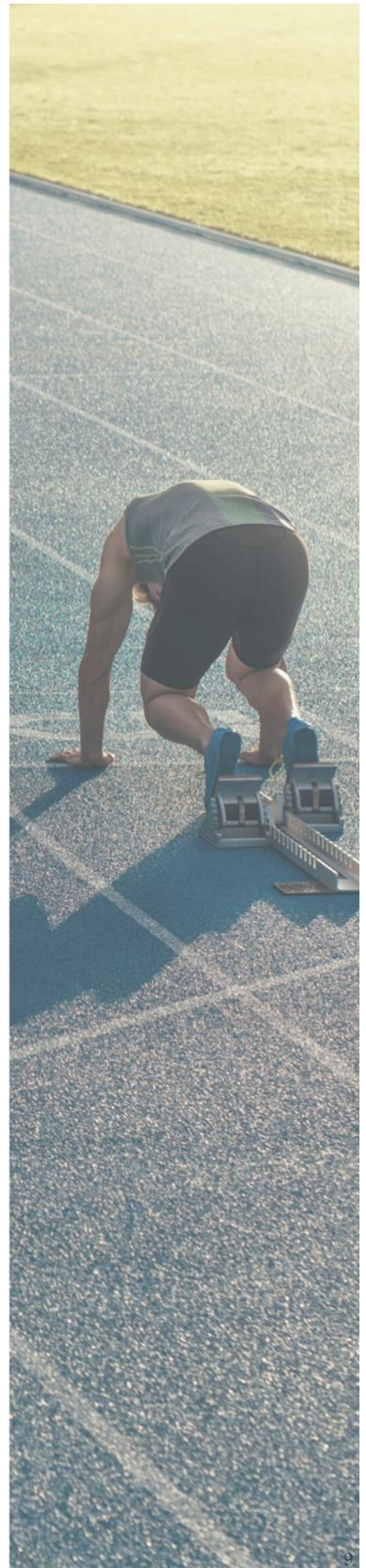
Once our main services resumed face to face in Aug last year, our online presence continued with our morning services being broadcast and our afternoon gatherings also meeting, often with a creative response time. We have had a number of services throughout the year which had creative components or roleplays. Gary bought some sermons to life with his dramatic presentations and animated drawing skills. Everyday objects like shoelaces and balloons have been utilised to discuss being ready to run the race and how we are designed to be filled with the Spirit of God. Ben and I have sometimes presented a mini drama or action to make a point about a passage or Biblical truth. All of these are creative ways to enable us to learn and remember.

However, the biggest creative services are usually Christmas and Easter and that is certainly true again of this past year. For Christmas our theme was the Surprise Party and we looked at the surprise birth of Jesus Christ and how He arrived in a fashion not expected of the Messiah. The greatest surprise is how much God loves us even though we fail Him.

For Easter we not only ran a double creative service called RSVP, about the invitation Jesus gives to all to attend His wedding banquet and enter into eternal life with Him, but we ran an art exhibition. The art exhibition was called Peace Offering and the artworks were based loosely around the stations of the cross. We had so many wonderful exhibits across a range of mediums and formats from a diverse range of people. From all accounts the feedback we received was that it was a wonderful way to reflect on the various aspects of the Easter story. I think if we run it again in 2022, we may need to add a few changes but it was still a great success.

As we head into another year of worship and praise, in both our morning and afternoon services, why not let us know which creative service you learned the most from or impacted you the most deeply?

Helen Betz



DEACONS REPORT

At the September 2020 Annual General Meeting, all deacons were re-elected to the Board. The Board re-elected Mike Prunty as Chair and George Cilliers as Secretary. Nico Mellett was confirmed as Treasurer having previously been nominated by the Elders. The deacons accepted assigned specific areas of responsibility, Mike Prunty (grounds), Josh Vear (units), Vanessa Woodburn (kitchen and cleaning), Graham Dietrich (church hall) and Paul Britt (audio/ computer desk). The senior Pastor, Ben Betz, is an ex officio member of the Board and as well as adding continuity and spiritual guidance, reports each month on relevant matters for consideration from the Board of Elders and ministry leaders.

In the past year, the major church expenditures were associated with the cameras, computer, lighting and projection equipment needed to enable the church to present regular, quality, on-line services. Fund raising appeals to support these purchases were successful and, once again, the Elders and Deacons feel very well supported by a generous congregation.

The Church is a large estate when the residential units and Missions Centre are included and constant vigilance of the supporting infrastructure is required. Regular maintenance is necessary and, when appropriate, new projects such as re-insulating the units roofs were undertaken. A major project was the rewiring of the church's electrical switchboard to conform with contemporary standards. All circuits now have residual current devices (safety switches) installed.

Sadly, this past year the church property and residents' vehicles have again suffered from vandalism and graffiti. As a consequence, it was decided to improve the car park lighting and install security cameras to deter would-be vandals. This remains a work in progress with only minor incidents since the cameras were installed. It was decided to further building security by replacing our old, unreliable alarm systems in both the Church and Mission Centre. This has been done and includes duress alarms in the counselling area.

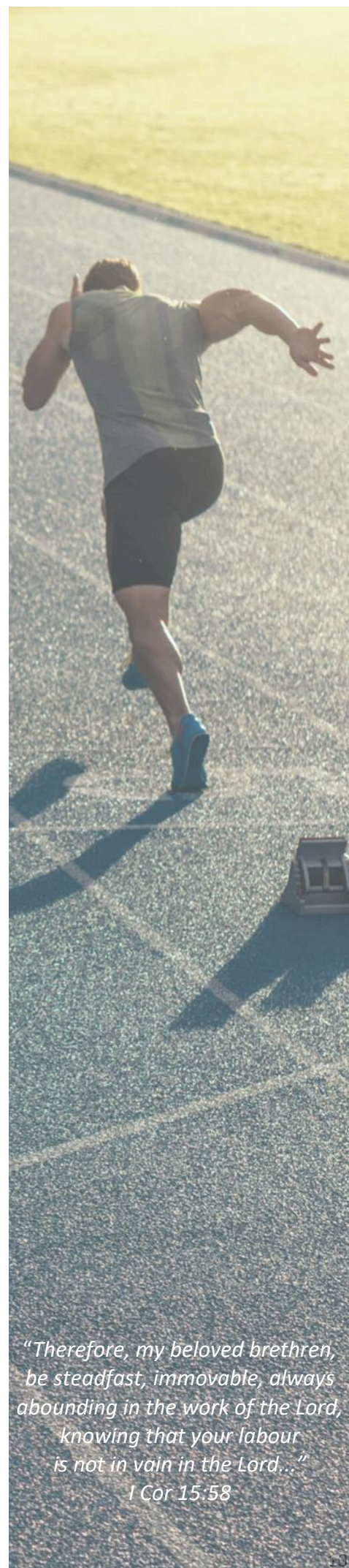
The Board completed the task of replacing the church units' carpet and vinyl flooring. In addition, some landscaping improvements have been undertaken and the units are now fully occupied.

The coronavirus presented several challenges for the church as a whole, not the least was to reconsider our priorities in view of an expected decline in tithes and offerings. However, the decline overall was manageable. Consequently, a 75 inch multi media television with a sound bar has been purchased and installed in the main room of the Mission Centre. This will undoubtedly be a much appreciated asset to the many educational and recreational users of this room.

The church remains in a satisfactory financial position, thanks to the continued support of the fellowship and good management by ministry leaders. A future project under consideration is the construction of a new structural wall within the Mission Centre to rectify roof and ceiling deficiencies. As a bonus, when completed this will create an additional conference room and recording studio option. A larger, secure church sound desk is needed as well and the replacement of the fluorescent lighting with more economical light emitting diode (LED) fittings coupled with the use of solar panels has been recommended.

Finally, I wish to thank the Elders for their encouragement and my fellow Deacons, once again, for their willingness to dutifully serve by maintaining the church administration and upkeep of the property.

Mike Prunty (Chair)



*"Therefore, my beloved brethren,
be steadfast, immovable, always
abounding in the work of the Lord,
knowing that your labour
is not in vain in the Lord..."*
1 Cor 15:58

LIFE GROUPS

Not even the virus has been able to stop our Bible Study Groups, after all, *"If God is with us who can be against us ?"*

A big thank you to all the group leaders who have been resilient throughout this difficult time. They have been faithful and resourceful in taking care of their Bible Study Groups, making feel people welcomed and ensuring their meetings always focus on the Word of God

I really believe that knowing the Word of God and searching deep into it ,is what makes us strong in the Truth. If we are a strong church it is also because of the Bible Study Groups. This ministry is not only about studying the Bible, it is much, much more; it is also praying for each other, it is taking care of one another, it is sharing the Love of Jesus our Saviour, and encouraging and supporting our brothers and sisters. Each group has really championed those aspects of the christian life.

This year as eldership we decided to rebrand our smalls groups from "HOME GROUP" to "LIFE GROUP" because we would like to put the emphasis on the fact that the Living Word of God brings "LIFE" and "life in abundance" into people lives.

I am thankful to our Loving God for His many blessings and to have greatly blessed me also through the "LIFE GROUPS"

Alberto Memme

ART FOR COMMUNITIES

The Art for Communities (AFC) group is very grateful to the Church for making it possible to meet every Thursday throughout the year. From the start this opportunity has been granted graciously and generously in the spirit of goodwill and sincere encouragement - now for the full three years - almost to the day. For this we are truly grateful!

In the last year, attendance by regular members has diminished mainly due to two factors: Covid 19 constraints and personal reasons. The not-so-regulars have been affected also primarily by health issues and some who are carers, had experienced increasing demands on their time.

Overall the growing focus has been to minister to those who need a personal "time out" from heavy demands of life, as well as exploring spiritual insights that art presents when the group experiences the leading of the Holy Spirit. Many have stated that group creativity in a godly environment has made them value the nurturing and soothing aspects of doing art together and these factors are becoming better understood and more valued as time goes by.

During this year, AFC participants from all categories grew more adventurous and diver in creating different types of art and many saw improved skill levels. For such outcomes in the creative cause we praise and thank the Lord for His faithfulness, His healing touch and His call to still but deeper waters. For all this we are profoundly grateful to the Holy Spirit - for His grace and favour.

Vera Krisko-Jowe

CHILDREN'S MINISTRY

This past year has gone by so quickly! It has been a blessing to see in each ministry that I am involved in, the steadfast and consistent hand of God moving and working.

Kids Church—Kid's Church has been able to begin gathering together again on Sunday mornings and resume our Sunday School program. Over the course of this year, we have been able to slowly raise the number of children that can attend and we are currently sitting at thirty children over two rooms. I am so grateful to all the incredible volunteers who have played their part in helping out at Kids Church, through running activities and lessons, to leading songs and gathering supplies.

Playgroup—This year I have also stepped up to help the lovely Julie and Barbara in organising and running the Playgroup which is held at the church on Tuesday mornings.

The parents and carers, children and volunteers were all excited to be back when it resumed at the beginning of this year. The structure for playgroup has needed to change to be able to accommodate the covid regulations but it is working well and there has been a very reliable team available each week to assure that things are done right and requirements are met. We have had a few new families join us as well, which has been really great to see. It has been such a blessing to be able to build up the community of parents and carers as for many it has become an important part of the week.

Stromlo High School—The Shine Girls group which I had previously been running at the Stromlo Highschool was also able to commence again from Term 2 this year. I've had a consistent number of girls attending each week and it has been a really big blessing to be able to be involved in the work that I am doing with this group.

Earlier this year I started out with a group of Year Eight girls and now I am starting a new semester with a group of Year Ten students. Some of the Shine Group girls are now attending the younger youth group at the church on Friday nights which is exciting to see. I am really looking forward to continuing my work with the school and with the girls that attend my group.

I am really looking forward to where God leads me next in these ministries and amazed at how He continues to guide me and provide for me in the work that I am doing

Sharnay Ormazabal

TREASURER

We give thanks to the Lord for His abundant provision throughout the year. Thank you for your faithful and generous giving over the last 12 months.

GENERAL FUND

The total general offerings received for the financial year ending 30th June 2021 were **\$291,215** which was **\$8,785** (2.9%) less than the approved budget for the year, of **\$300,000**.

We also had additional *"Special Offerings"* during the year totalling **\$17,821**:

- Love Offering \$ 4,165
- Audio Visual Equipment \$13,656

EXPENSES

Total operating costs, (not including depreciation), were **\$400,414** which was **\$36,056** under budget of **\$436,470** [being 436,470 less 26,441 for AV Eq]

ASSET PURCHASES

Audio visual equipment was purchased for a total of **\$26,441** or **\$12,941** over budget of **\$13,500**. This shortfall was offset by the generous "Audio Visual Equipment Special Offering" noted above.

SURPLUS/DEFICIT

Deficit for the year was **(\$4779)**.

MISSIONS

The amount given to the Great Commission Fund via the Faith Promise, (November 2019 to October 2020) was **\$48,116**. The amount pledged was **\$45,504** providing a giving surplus of **\$2,612**.

Our current Faith Promise, i.e. the amount pledged for the year ending October 2021, is **\$54,002**. Giving to missions thus far (November 2020 to June 2021) is **\$42,992**.

BORROWINGS

The balance of our Interest Only loan with the CMADF is **\$169,043.22**.

During this financial year we made repayments of \$12,000 (\$7304.19 interest and \$4695.81 principle).

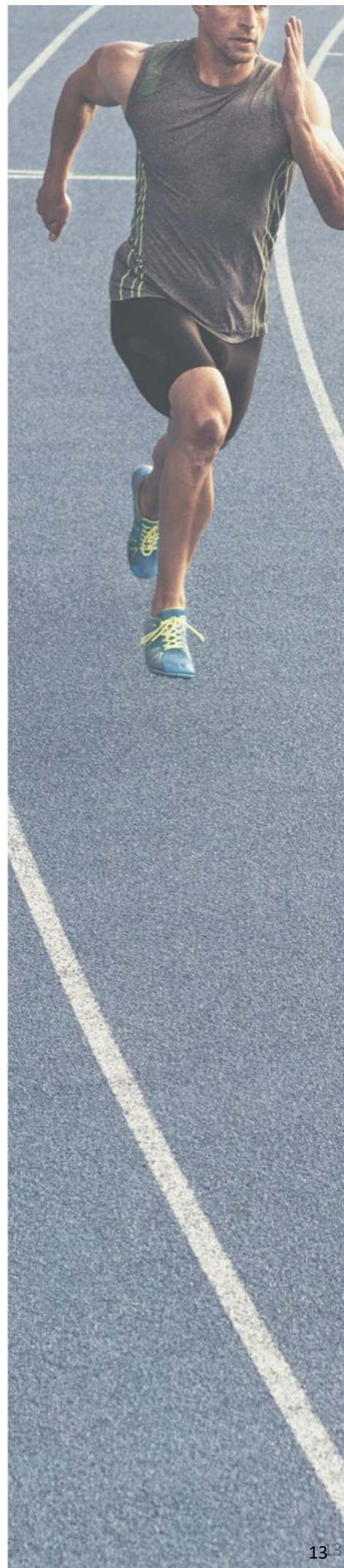
SPECIFIED GIVING

Specified giving for the year totalled	\$8,167
Christmas Hampers	\$1,606
Blanchard – AIM	\$1,000
Christmas Day Offering	\$2,891
Steve Collins – Norway	\$1,250
Headset	\$950
Private Giving	\$470

EFFECTS OF COVID 19

Despite the uncertainty brought about by COVID-19, general offerings remained close to budget throughout the year, with the majority of giving taking place online.

The “Government Business Cashflow Boost” was once again made available to assist the church financially. Payments totalling **\$10,000** were received during the financial year ending 30th June 2021. As was the case in the prior financial year, this was not a voluntary payment (i.e. the church was not required to apply for the boost) and was automatically paid to the church as soon as certain criteria were met.





SETTING THE PACE

YOUNG ADULTS

Our Young Adults group meets on Tuesday nights, with a regular attendance of 15-20 people. Most weeks, we meet for a Bible study, but we also have prayer and worship nights, reflective nights, and some fun adventures! There is a team (Greg, Chris, Joe, Jordan, Sharnay, Merinda & Hannah) who take turns leading these studies and facilitating the nights. Last year, we looked at 1 Corinthians, and we spent the first half of 2021 exploring the Book of Joshua. Currently we are going through the Deeper Life program with Peter Laughlin, which looks at deepening your relationship with God and living a Spirit-empowered life.

Because there are so many of us, we usually split into two groups to do our studies. This gives everyone an opportunity to contribute and ask questions. It has been exciting to hear what people have been learning, not just about the books themselves, but also about how we can apply that information to our lives today.

Importantly, these smaller groups also give us the opportunity to pray for each other, to celebrate answered prayers and to celebrate where we have seen God at work. Whether its during the study or in the conversations before and after, we have a community where people are able to be vulnerable, to ask the hard questions, and to support one another through the ups and downs of life.

We thank God for what he has been doing at Young Adults, and look forward to seeing what he has for us next!

The Young Adults Team

LADIES BIBLE STUDY GROUP

I am very blessed and privileged to be part of this Bible Study Group. I am excited to share with you some of what God has been doing. We have been seeking and learning how good our Heavenly Father is and how much He loves us. How faithful and trustworthy He is and we can only but praise Him. These beautiful, precious ladies pray, share their doubts and fears, have learned to bear one another's burdens, and encourage each other in many ways.

This year started with learning the meaning of the 7 Hebrew words for Praise that the Bible teaches for worshipping a Holy God. Followed by studies leading up to Passover, Crucifixion and resurrection of Jesus. We then celebrated Pentecost. Pastor Ben spent time one week praying, laying on hands and anointing each lady to "*fan the flame of the gift of God which is in each lady.*" 2 Timothy 1:6-7 Pastor Ben, has also on some occasions, spent a Q & A time with us which has been very encouraging. Each week we celebrate the Lords' supper together, which is a precious time for all.

We have seen many answers to prayers as we pray for each other. Messenger has been a great help for sharing instant needs. It is so exciting to see the hand of God in many situations. I will share two that come to mind, (there are too many to write about!) Praise The Lord, He hears and answers. Firstly, for the last 2 years we have been praying for Colleen Edwards health. To see how God has worked a miracle in Colleens healing is a, "Hallelujah—Praise the Lord!" situation. Then there is Cynthia's Donohoe's daughter and son-in-law, Teresa and John. At the beginning of the year John had a fall, hit his head and damaged his eye socket. He had fractured cheek bones, bleeding on the brain and had to have surgery. He is now healed. Then in May, Teresa, Cynthia's daughter, had a brain bleed and the doctors thought she would die. But Praise the Lord she is slowly on the road to recovery, making progress with Drs and medical staff saying it is a miracle.

Yes, God still does miracles and we are very privileged to have a small part by believing and praying.

Forever thankful,
Shalom

Zelma Herbert

BUDGET 2021/22

	2020/2021 ACTUAL	2020/2021 BUDGET	2021/2022 PROPOSED
INCOME			
General Offering	\$291,215	\$300,000	\$310,000
Love Offering			6000
Special Offerings	17821	15000	\$20,000
Other Income <i>(Interest, Family Camp, Hall Hire)</i>	\$23,901	\$26,680	21024
Internship Program	\$17,200	\$21,600	10500
Unit Rentals	\$39,975	\$39,390	45870
Missions Centre Income <i>(AIM, Insight Counselling, Hall Hire)</i>	\$20,822	\$20,200	\$20,200
Covenant Life Church	\$5,141	\$13,600	17100
Total INCOME	\$416,075	\$436,470	\$450,694
EXPENSES			
Pastoral Support <i>(For 7 Staff—includes superannuation, workers compensation and provision for annual and long service leave)</i>	\$229,868	\$223,924	\$240,065
Pastoral Expenses <i>(MV expenses, hospitality, professional development)</i>	\$24,364	\$28,178	\$26,798
Church Ministries	\$18,069	\$34,850	\$28,255
Outreach Ministries	\$2,130	\$6,566	\$11,366
C&MA National Contributions <i>(6% of general offerings)</i>	\$17,530	\$18,000	\$18,600
C&MA Conferences <i>(Council & Pastors Retreat)</i>	\$1,350	\$9,000	\$8,000
Meeting Hall Expenses <i>(electricity, maintenance, cleaning, insurance, water rates, gardening, waste removal)</i>	\$32,174	\$25,913	\$31,821
Operating Costs <i>(accounting & audit fees, software & subscriptions, printing & copying, webpage & internet, office supplies)</i>	\$14,110	\$16,979	\$20,869
Depreciation	\$20,441		
Internship Program	\$7,406	\$23,700	\$14,000
Unit Expenses <i>(maintenance, insurance, water rates, waste removal)</i>	\$14,936	\$9,504	\$9,904
Missions Centre Expenses <i>(maintenance, insurance, water rates, electricity, cleaning, waste removal)</i>	\$16,569	\$17,448	\$16,998
Covenant Life Church	\$9,907	\$10,408	\$12,018
Mortgage & Interest Payments	\$12,000	\$12,000	\$12,000
Total EXPENSES	\$420,854	\$436,470	\$450,694
Net Surplus/(Deficit)	-\$4,779	\$0	\$0

WODEN VALLEY ALLIANCE CHURCH INCORPORATED

A.B.N. 74 017 388 065

FINANCIAL REPORT

30 JUNE 2021

CANBERRA ACCOUNTANCY & AUDIT PTY. LIMITED
CHARTERED ACCOUNTANTS

WODEN VALLEY ALLIANCE CHURCH INCORPORATED
A.B.N. 74 017 388 065

REPORT OF THE BOARD OF ELDERS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30TH JUNE 2021

Your Board of Elders members submit the financial report for the Woden Valley Alliance Church Incorporated for the financial year ended 30th June 2021:

Board of Elders Members

The names of the Board of Elders members throughout the year and to the date of this report are:

Andrew Muir (Chair)
Paul Robertson (Secretary)
Gary Bates
Alberto Memme
Andrew Edwards
Nick Mogensen
Bernard (Ben) Betz (Pastor) - Ex Officio

Principal Activities

The principal activities of the association during the year ended 30th June 2021 were carrying on the functions of a local church through the worship, service, instruction, education and Christian Mission of those attending the church in accordance with the commission of our Lord Jesus Christ.

Significant Changes

There has been no significant change in the nature of the activities of the Church that occurred during the financial year.

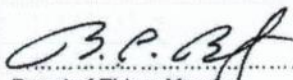
Subsequent Events

No matters or circumstances have arisen since the end of the financial year which have significantly affected the operations of the Association, the results of those operations, or the state of affairs of the Association in the subsequent financial year.

Operating Result

The deficit for the year ended 30 June 2021 amounted to (\$4,779.24). (2020 - Surplus \$26,419.71).

Signed in accordance with a resolution of the Board on behalf of the Board


Board of Elders Member


Board of Elders Member

Dated at Canberra this 8th September 2021.

WODEN VALLEY ALLIANCE CHURCH INCORPORATED

**AUDITOR'S INDEPENDENCE DECLARATION
TO THE MEMBERS OF WODEN VALLEY ALLIANCE CHURCH
INCORPORATED**

- UNDER SECTION 60.40 OF THE AUSTRALIAN CHARITIES AND
NOT-FOR-PROFITS COMMISSION ACT 2012

As lead auditor for the audit of Woden Valley Alliance Church Incorporated
for the year ended 30th June 2021, I declare that, to the best of my knowledge and belief,
there have been:

- (i) no contraventions of the auditor independence requirements of the *Australian Charities and Not-for-profits Commission Act 2012* in relation to the audit; and
- (ii) no contraventions of any applicable code of professional conduct in relation to the audit.

Canberra Accountancy & Audit Pty. Limited
Chartered Accountants
Canberra, ACT



Peter Irving: - Director
Dated: 8th September 2021

INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT TO THE MEMBERS OF WODEN VALLEY ALLIANCE CHURCH
INCORPORATED

We have audited the accompanying special purpose financial report of Woden Valley Alliance Church Incorporated (the association), which comprises the statement of financial position as at 30th June 2021, the statement of comprehensive income, the statement of change in equity and the statement of cash flows, the detailed income statement for the year ended on that date, a summary of significant accounting policies and other explanatory information and the responsible persons' declaration.

Audit Opinion

In our opinion, the financial report of Woden Valley Alliance Church Incorporated presents fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of the association as at 30th June 2021 and its financial performance for the year ended in accordance with the accounting policies described in Note 1 to the financial statements; and in accordance with Division 60 of the Australian Charities and Not-for-profits Commission Act 2012, including:

- (a) Giving a true and fair view of the registered entity's financial position as at 30th June 2021 and of its financial performance for the year ended; and
- (b) Complying with Australian Accounting Standards and Division 60 of the Australian Charities and Not-for-profits Commission Regulations 2013.

Basis of Opinion

We conducted our audit in accordance with Australian Auditing Standards. Our responsibilities under those standards are further described under *Auditor's Responsibility for the Audit of the Financial Report* section in our report. We are independent of the registered entity in accordance with the auditor independence requirements of the *Australian Charities and Not-for-profits Commission Act 2012* (ACNC Act) and the ethical requirements of the Accounting Professional and Ethical Standards Board's APES110 *Code of Ethics for Professional Accountants* (the Code) that are relevant to our audit of the financial report in Australia. We have fulfilled our other responsibilities in accordance with the Code.

We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion.

Board of Elder's Responsibility for the Financial Report

The Board of Elders of the association is responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of the financial report in accordance with the financial reporting requirements of ACNC Act. The Board of Elder's responsibilities also includes establishing and maintaining internal control relevant to the preparation and fair presentation of the financial report that is free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error, selecting and applying appropriate accounting policies; and making accounting estimates that are reasonable in the circumstances.

In preparing the financial report, the Board of Elders is responsible for assessing the entity's ability to continue as a going concern, disclosing, as applicable, matters relating to going concern and using the going concern basis of accounting unless the Board of Elders either intends to liquidate the Entity or to cease operations, or has no realistic alternative but to do so.

Those charged with governance are responsible for overseeing the Entity's financial reporting process.

Auditor's Responsibility for the Audit of the Financial Report

Our objectives are to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial report as a whole is free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error, and to issue an auditor's report that includes our opinion. Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance, but is not a guarantee that an audit conducted in accordance with the Australian Auditing Standards will always detect a material misstatement when it exists. Misstatements can arise from fraud or error and are considered material if, individually or in aggregate, they could reasonably be expected to influence the economic decisions of users taken on the basis of this financial report.

Auditor's Responsibility for the Audit of the Financial Report (Cont'd)

A further description of our responsibilities for the audit of the financial report is located at the Auditing and Assurance Standards board website at: <http://www.auasb.gov.au/Home.aspx>.
This description forms part of our auditor's report.

CANBERRA ACCOUNTANCY & AUDIT PTY. LIMITED
Chartered Accountants

Address: 74 Lindrum Crescent, Holt. ACT.
Dated: 8th September 2021



Peter Irving CA : Director

WODEN VALLEY ALLIANCE CHURCH INCORPORATED

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**STATEMENT OF COMPREHENSIVE INCOME
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30TH JUNE 2021**

	2021	2020
	\$	\$
Revenue and other income	416,075.69	432,969.98
Depreciation	(20,441.09)	(16,884.55)
CMADF Loan & Interest	(12,000.00)	(23,000.00)
Other Expenses	(388,413.84)	(366,665.72)
Surplus/(Deficit) before income tax	<u>(4,779.24)</u>	<u>26,419.71</u>
Income tax expense	0.00	0.00
Surplus/(Deficit) for the year	<u><u>(4,779.24)</u></u>	<u><u>26,419.71</u></u>
Other comprehensive income for the year, net of income tax	0.00	0.00
Total comprehensive Surplus/(Deficit) for the year	<u><u>(4,779.24)</u></u>	<u><u>26,419.71</u></u>

The accompanying notes form part of these financial statements

WODEN VALLEY ALLIANCE CHURCH INCORPORATED

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**STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION
AS AT 30 JUNE 2021**

	Notes	2021 \$	2020 \$
CURRENT ASSETS			
Cash at Bank	362,142.41		
Receivables	165,041.17	16,537.64	
Prepayments	1,300.00	1,300.00	
GST Recoverable	3,582.84	2,889.85	
		<u>173,735.62</u>	<u>185,768.66</u>
TOTAL CURRENT ASSETS			
NON-CURRENT ASSETS			
Storage Containers - at W.D.V.	4,380.00	4,844.00	
Leased Assets - at W.D.V.	6,265.00	8,413.00	
Furniture, Fixtures & Equipment - at W.D.V.	125,021.00	131,003.00	
Streaming Equipment - at W.D.V.	21,880.00	0.00	
TOTAL NON-CURRENT ASSETS		<u>157,546.00</u>	<u>144,260.00</u>
TOTAL ASSETS		<u>331,281.62</u>	<u>330,028.66</u>
CURRENT LIABILITIES			
Funds held for Future Distribution	11,455.81	10,221.74	
Accrued Expenses	12,762.71	9,345.14	
Income in Advance	5,857.92	15,300.00	
Lease Liabilities	2,148.00	2,148.00	
Employee Liabilities	40,221.57	27,755.56	
TOTAL CURRENT LIABILITIES		<u>72,446.01</u>	<u>64,770.44</u>
NON-CURRENT LIABILITIES			
Lease Liabilities	3,828.81	5,907.00	
Employee Liabilities	4,221.89	3,787.07	
TOTAL NON-CURRENT LIABILITIES		<u>8,050.70</u>	<u>9,694.07</u>
TOTAL LIABILITIES		<u>80,496.71</u>	<u>74,464.51</u>
NET ASSETS		<u>250,784.91</u>	<u>255,564.15</u>
MEMBERS' FUNDS			
General Fund	250,784.91	255,564.15	
TOTAL MEMBERS' FUNDS		<u>250,784.91</u>	<u>255,564.15</u>

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WODEN VALLEY ALLIANCE CHURCH INCORPORATED

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**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN EQUITY
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30TH JUNE 2021**

	General Fund \$	Members' Funds \$
Balance at 1 July 2019	229,144.44	229,144.44
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Surplus/(Deficit) for the year	26,419.71	26,419.71
Other comprehensive income for the year	0.00	0.00
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	26,419.71	26,419.71
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Balance at 30th June 2020	255,564.15	255,564.15
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Surplus/(Deficit) for the year	(4,779.24)	(4,779.24)
Other comprehensive income for the year	0.00	0.00
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	(4,779.24)	(4,779.24)
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Balance at 30th June 2021	250,784.91	250,784.91
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WODEN VALLEY ALLIANCE CHURCH INCORPORATED
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STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30TH JUNE 2021

	Note	2021	2020
		\$	\$
CASH FLOWS FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES			
Inflows of funds from operations			
Receipts from members and others		484,939.67	508,159.96
Interest Received		32.02	75.64
Payments to trade creditors and other supplies		(451,995.36)	(460,431.48)
Net cash provided by operating activities	5	<u>32,976.33</u>	<u>47,804.12</u>
CASH FLOWS FROM INVESTING ACTIVITIES			
Non - current assets acquired			
Payments for Plant and Equipment		(33,727.09)	(4,748.55)
CASH FLOWS FROM FINANCING ACTIVITIES			
Lease Repayments		(2,148.00)	(2,148.00)
Net Increase / (Decrease) in Cash Held		(2,898.76)	40,907.57
Add Opening Cash Brought Forward		165,041.17	124,133.60
CASH AT THE END OF THE FINANCIAL YEAR		<u><u>162,142.41</u></u>	<u><u>165,041.17</u></u>

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WODEN VALLEY ALLIANCE CHURCH INCORPORATED

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**DETAILED INCOME STATEMENT
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2021**

	2021	2020
	\$	\$
INCOME		
General	291,214.86	293,144.31
Other Offerings	18,421.00	6,269.84
Interest Received	32.02	75.64
Camp Fees	8,780.00	140.00
Hall Income	1,900.00	854.54
Internship Program	10,450.00	12,625.00
ACOM Fees	3,700.00	42,670.00
Unit Rentals	39,975.00	42,497.00
Government Cash Boost	10,000.00	10,000.00
Covenant Church Plant	5,141.15	5,050.00
Other Income	5,640.00	993.68
Missions Centre Income	20,821.66	18,649.97
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TOTAL INCOME	416,075.69	432,969.98
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LESS EXPENDITURE		
Pastoral Support	229,868.16	215,294.60
Pastoral Expenses	24,364.18	21,931.57
Church Ministries	18,069.00	6,125.80
Outreach Ministries	2,130.57	6,100.79
C&MA National Contributions	17,529.65	17,557.74
C&MA Conferences	1,350.00	1,719.44
Meeting Hall Expenses	32,174.23	29,708.96
Operating Costs	14,109.69	14,690.50
Depreciation	20,441.09	16,884.55
Internship Program	7,406.15	21,001.66
Rental Units Expenses	14,936.37	10,183.80
Administration Building Expenses	16,568.80	19,518.27
Covenant Church Plant Expenses	9,907.04	2,832.59
CMADF Loan & Interest	12,000.00	23,000.00
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TOTAL EXPENSES	420,854.93	406,550.27
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SURPLUS/(DEFICIT) FOR THE YEAR	(4,779.24)	26,419.71
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WODEN VALLEY ALLIANCE CHURCH INCORPORATED

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NOTES TO AND FORMING PART OF THE ACCOUNTS 30TH JUNE 2021

Note 1: Statement of significant Accounting Policies

This financial report is a special purpose financial report prepared in order to satisfy the financial reporting requirements of the Australian Charities and Not-for-Profits Commission Act 2012 and relevant regulations. The committee has determined that the Association is not a reporting entity.

The financial report has been prepared in accordance with the requirements of the Australian Charities and Not-for-profits Commission Act 2012 and regulations and the following relevant Australian Accounting Standards:

AASB 101	Presentation of financial Statements
AASB 107	Statement of Cash Flows
AASB 108	Accounting Policies, Changes in Accounting Estimates and Errors
AASB 110	Events Occurring After Reporting Date
AASB 16	Accounting for Leases
AASB 1031	Materiality
AASB 1058	Income of Not-for-Profit Entities

The financial report is for Woden Valley Alliance Church Incorporated as an individual entity, an incorporated association, incorporated and domiciled in the Australian Capital Territory. The Association is a not-for-profit entity for the purposes of preparing the financial statements and all amounts are presented in Australian dollars rounded to the nearest dollar.

1.1 Basis of Preparation

The financial report, except for the cash flow information has been prepared on an accruals basis and is based on historical costs and does not take into account changing money values or, except where specifically stated, current valuations of non-current assets

1.2 Significant accounting policies

Income tax

The association is exempt from income tax under section 50 of the Income Tax Assessment Act 1997. The Association holds deductible gift recipient status.

Property, Plant and Equipment

All assets costing less than \$1,000 are expensed in the year of purchase so as to provide ease of understanding and a more accurate picture of the financial situation of the Association. The depreciable amount of all fixed assets, is depreciated on a straight line basis over their estimated useful life commencing from the time the asset is held ready for use. The useful life of furniture, fixtures and equipment has been determined to be 10 years.

Cash and Cash Equivalents

Cash comprises cash on hand and demand deposits. Cash equivalents are short-term, highly liquid investments that are readily convertible to known amounts of cash and which are subject to an insignificant risk of changes in value.

WODEN VALLEY ALLIANCE CHURCH INCORPORATED

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NOTES TO AND FORMING PART OF THE ACCOUNTS 30TH JUNE 2021 (Cont'd)

Investments

Investments are measured at fair value with gains or losses recognised in profit or loss. The fair values are determined by reference to active market transactions or using a valuation technique where no active market exists.

Investments are derecognised when the contractual rights to the cash flows from the financial asset expire, or when the financial asset and all substantial risks and rewards are transferred.

All income and expenses relating to investments that are recognised in profit or loss are presented within finance costs or revenue.

Revenue

Tithes, Offertories and Donations Revenues are recognised when received.

Interest revenue is recognised on a proportional basis taking into account the interest rates applicable to the financial assets.

All revenue is stated net of the amount of goods and services tax (GST).

Goods and Services Tax (GST)

Revenues, expenses and assets are recognised net of the amount of GST, except where the amount of GST incurred is not recoverable from the Australian Taxation Office. In these circumstances, the GST is recognised as part of the cost of acquisition of the asset or as part of an item of the expense. Receivables and payables in the statement of financial position are shown inclusive of GST.

Leases

The Entity as lessee

At inception of a contract, the Association assesses if the contract contains or is a lease. If there is a lease present, a right-of-use asset and a corresponding lease liability is recognised by the Association where the Association is a lessee. However, all contracts that are classified as short-term leases (ie a lease with a remaining lease term of 12 months or less) and leases of low-value assets are recognised as an operating expense on a straight-line basis over the term of the lease. During the year ended 30th June 2021 the Association had a contract for the lease of a photocopier (5 year lease).

The Entity as lessor

The Entity leases student accommodation units. Upon entering into each contract as a lessor, the Association assesses if the lease is a finance or operating lease.

The contract is classified as a finance lease when the terms of the lease transfer substantially all the risks and rewards of ownership to the lessee. All other leases not within this definition are classified as operating leases (that being the lease out of the student accommodation units). Rental income received from operating leases in these particular cases is recognised on a straight-line basis over the term of the specific lease.

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NOTES TO AND FORMING PART OF THE ACCOUNTS 30TH JUNE 2021 (Cont'd)

	2021	2020
	\$	\$
Note 2 Revenue		
Operating Revenue:		
Tithes, General Offerories and Donations	309,635.86	299,414.15
Interest Received	32.02	75.64
Rental Income	39,975.00	42,497.00
All Other Income	66,432.81	90,983.19
	<u>416,075.69</u>	<u>432,969.98</u>
Note 3 Cash and Cash Equivalents		
Business Account	54,511.49	54,872.49
Savings Account	36,006.67	41,848.12
Paypal Account	1,869.74	24.70
Redde Account	68.07	0.00
Try Bookings Account	0.00	48.27
Covenant Life Alliance Church Account	3,313.46	5,441.08
Employee Fringe Benefits Accounts	5,971.03	6,751.01
Long Service Leave Account	17,941.10	12,082.18
Internship Account	42,460.85	43,973.32
	<u>162,142.41</u>	<u>165,041.17</u>

Note 4 Property

Pursuant to a declaration of trust deed dated 8 March 1982 ("the Trust Deed"), The Christian and Missionary Alliance of Australasia Property Trust ACN 000 786 023 ("the Trustee") confirmed that it holds title the property situated at 81 Namatjira Drive, Waramanga. ACT. 2611. ("the Property") on trust for and on behalf of the Woden Valley Alliance Church and the Alliance College of Australia (C&MA Australia) ("the Church"). The trust is known as the Woden Valley Alliance Church Trust and the Alliance College of Australia (C&MA Australia) Trust ("the Trust").

The Trustee holds legal title to the Property on the following terms and pursuant to the Trust Deed:

1. The Property is held by the Trustee on trust for and on behalf of the Church;
2. The Church is responsible for paying or providing all payments required in respect of the Property for rates, taxes, repairs, painting and all maintenance, insurance premiums and outgoings of all kinds in respect of the Property.
3. The Church must indemnify the Trustee in respect of any such payments made by the Trustee on the Church's behalf;
4. The Trustee is entitled to be reimbursed by the Church or, where appropriate, to reimburse itself or to pay and discharge out of the trust property all properly incurred expenses which may from time to time be incurred in or about the execution by the Trustee of powers and duties under the trust;
5. The loan taken out to purchase the Property is in the name of the Trustee and the Church is responsible for repaying the loan. The Church funds such loan repayments from its own revenue. The amount of the loan repayments made by the Church during the 2021 financial year amounted to \$12,000.00; and
6. The trust fund in respect of the Trust comprises of the value of the Property reduced by the outstanding balance of the loan against the Property. The outstanding balance of the loan at 30th June 2021 was \$169,043.22.

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NOTES TO AND FORMING PART OF THE ACCOUNTS 30TH JUNE 2021 (Cont'd)

Note 5 Reconciliation of cash flows from operating activities

Reconciliation of Net cash provided by /(used in)		
Operating Activities to surplus/(deficit) from	2021	2020
Ordinary Activities	\$	\$
Operating surplus / (deficit)	(4,779.24)	26,419.71
Non-cash flows in surplus / (deficit) from ordinary Activities		
Depreciation expense	20,441.09	16,884.55
Changes in assets and liabilities		
Increase in current assets and receivables	0.00	(6,546.65)
Decrease in current assets and receivables	9,134.28	0.00
Increase in creditors, accruals and provisions	8,180.20	11,046.51
Decrease in creditors, accruals and provisions	0.00	0.00
Net cash (used) / provided by operating activities	<u>32,976.33</u>	<u>47,804.12</u>

Note 6 : Auditors' Remuneration

Audit of the financial report	<u>2,136.36</u>	<u>2,000.00</u>
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Note 7 Contingent liabilities

There are no other contingent liabilities known at the date of this report.

Note 8 Events After the Reporting Date

No other matters or circumstances have arisen since the end of the financial year which significantly affected or may significantly affect the operations of the Association, the results of those operations, or the state of affairs of the Association in future financial years.

Note 9 Board of Elders (Committee)

The names of the Board of Elders at the date of this report and throughout the financial year are:

Andrew Muir (Chair)
Paul Robertson (Secretary)
Gary Bates
Alberto Memme
Andrew Edwards
Nick Mogensen
Bernard (Ben) Betz (Pastor) - Ex Officio

Note 10 Association Details

The principal place of business is 81 Namatjira Drive, Waramanga. ACT. 2611.

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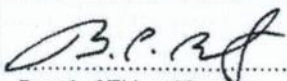
RESPONSIBLE PERSONS' DECLARATION

- PER SECTION 60.15 OF THE AUSTRALIAN CHARITIES AND NOT-FOR-PROFITS COMMISSION
REGULATIONS 2013

The responsible persons declare that in the responsible persons' opinion:

- (a) there are reasonable grounds to believe that the registered entity is able to pay all of its debts, as and when they become due and payable: and
- (b) the financial statements and notes satisfy the requirements of the *Australian Charities and Not-for-profits Commission Act 2012*.

Signed in accordance with subsection 60.15(2) of the *Australian Charities and Not-for-profits Commission Regulations 2013*.


Board of Elders Member


Board of Elders Member

Dated at Canberra this 8th September 2021

UNAUDITED SECTION

Disclaimer

The following statement of financial position of the Woden Valley Alliance Church Trust, and Alliance College of Australia (C&MA Australia) Trust as at 30th June 2021 is unaudited.

It has been prepared by The Christian & Missionary Alliance of Australasia Property Trust.

Under the terms of our engagement with Woden Valley Alliance Church Incorporated we have not been requested to perform an audit or review in regards to the trust(s) financial position.

No current independent valuation of the property by a professional valuer was supplied.

No audit or review engagement has been performed and accordingly no assurance is expressed.

Neither we nor any of our employees accept any responsibility on any ground whatever to any person in regards this statement of financial position.

Canberra Accountancy & Audit Pty. Limited

Chartered Accountants



Peter Irving
Director
8th September 2021

THIS SCHEDULE DOES NOT FORM PART OF THE AUDITED FINANCIAL ACCOUNTS

**Woden Valley Alliance Church Trust, and Alliance College of Australia
(C&MA Australia) Trust**

PO Box 3 Waramanga ACT 2611

Prepared by The Christian & Missionary Alliance of Australasia Property Trust

Statement of Financial Position (Unaudited)

As at 30th June 2021

	\$
Assets	
Property - 81 Namatjira Drive, Warramanga ACT 2611	
Church building	975,000.00
College/administration building	1,040,000.00
Student units	2,260,000.00
Total Assets	<u>4,275,000.00</u>
Liabilities	
Mortgage Loan - C&MA Development Fund	169,043.22
Total Liabilities	<u>169,043.22</u>
Equity	
Equity of the Trust	4,105,956.78
Total Equity	<u><u>4,105,956.78</u></u>

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Under the Trust Deed:

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3. The Trustee is entitled to be reimbursed by the Church or, where appropriate, to reimburse itself or to pay and discharge out of the trust property all properly incurred expenses which may from time to time be incurred in or about the execution by the Trustee of powers and duties under the trust;
4. The loan taken out to purchase the Property is in the name of the Trustee and the Church is responsible for repaying the loan. The Church funds such loan repayments from its own revenue.

NOMINATIONS

THE NOMINATING COMMITTEE PRESENTS THE FOLLOWING NAMES:

Board of Elders (3 year term)

Elder:	Alberto Memme	(3 Year Term)
Elder:	Craig Woodburn	(3 Year Term)
Elder:	Paul Robertson	(2 more years)
Elder:	Nick Mogensen	(2 more years)
Elder:	Andrew Muir	(1 more year)
Elder:	Andrew Edwards	

Board of Deacons (1 year term) **

Deacon:	Mike Prunty
Deacon:	Josh Vear
Deacon:	Peter Burns
Deacon:	Hannah Hildebrandt
Deacon:	Graham Dietrich
Deacon:	Paul Britt
Treasurer:	Nico Mellett
Ex-officio:	Pastor Ben Betz

** The Pastor or Consulting Pastor is the Chairman of the Elders. The Elders Board elects a Secretary of this Board.*

*** The Deacons Board elects a Chairman and Secretary of this Board.*

Submitted by the Nominating Committee:

- Ps Ben Betz
- Ps Andrew Edwards
- Andrew Muir
- Hannah Hildebrandt
- Irene Stapinski

WODEN VALLEY ALLIANCE CHURCH—LIST OF ACTIVE MEMBERS

Beverly Ackland	Cynthia Donohoe	Sharyn Laughlin	Julie Steller
Pamela Andrewartha	Kathleen Dunlop	Tess Majadas	Dennis Terracini
Jeffrey Arche	Iain East	Bobby Majadas	Elaine Terracini
Gary Atkinson	Robyn East	Simon McAlister	Elisma Van Zyl
Rachel Baldry	Maylene Eccleston	Lisa McAlister	Joshua Vear
Marg Baran	Colleen Edwards	Nico Mellet	Eric Vear
Pat Barter	Andrew Edwards	Linda Mellet	Melissa Vear
Gary Bates	Samantha Edwards	Alberto Memme	Mary Vear
Elizabeth Bates	Karl Erett	Lina Memme	Ian Walsh
Natascha Behrendorff	Yvonne Erett	Nick Mogensen	Terry Willis
Luke Behrendorff	Joan Esperance	Tracey Mogensen	Craig Woodburn
Helen Betz	Roger Farid	Abigail Mohe	Vanessa Woodburn
Ben Betz	Merinda Forwood	Fran Morton	Kevin Woodcock
Sue Box	Neale Fulton	Andrew Muir	Sylvia Woodcock
Warwick Brain	Belinda Fulton	Allison Muir	Lisa Woods
Lyn Brain	Ken Graham	Edith Muruka	
Paul Britt	Merle Graham	Sharnay Ormazabal	
Sabrina Britt	Wendy Hahn	Jo Parker	
Karen Burns-Jansen	Jon Hancock	Iva Plessnitzer	
Peter Burns	Carlene Hancock	Anika Plessnitzer	
Jan Carlisle	Jordan Harrison	Stefan Plessnitzer	
Denis Carlisle	Ray Hentzschel	Mike Prunty	
Alan Castle	Jenny Hentzschel	Ann Prunty	
Gwenda Castle	Zelma Herbert	Heather Purcell	
Christian Chung	Hannah Hildebrandt	Joe Ree	
Mikaela Chung	Antoinette Hildebrandt	Fiona Robertson	
George Cilliers	John Hildebrandt	Paul Robertson	
Tania Cilliers	Frank Hubner	Tim Saunders	
Scott Coleman	Suanu Ikoro	Taryn Saunders	
Steven Collins	Victoria Ikoro	Karina Scott	
Graham Dietrich	Vera Krisko-Jowe	Ted Stapinski	
Barbara Dietrich	Peter Laughlin	Irene Stapinski	

WODEN VALLEY ALLIANCE CHURCH—LIST OF ISOLATED MEMBERS

Roy **Barton**
Carol **Barton**
Ron **Learmonth**
Robyn **Learmonth**
Norma **Walsh**

STATISTICS

AVERAGE MORNING ATTENDANCE

	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021
JANUARY	143	141	138	144	134	84*
FEBRUARY	160	172	171	202	189	154**
MARCH	177	164	169	195	140*	156**
APRIL	144	170	170	167	150*	144**
MAY	178	157	173	181	133*	160**
JUNE	168	162	163	183	133*	144**
JULY	148	157	169	175	100*	
AUGUST	151	150	188	181	148**	
SEPTEMBER	143	161	173	182	154**	
OCTOBER	158	163	175	159	131**	
NOVEMBER	144	164	165	180	140**	
DECEMBER	163	164	180	182	137**	
Average	156	160	170	178		

**Due to COVID19, services went online and numbers are based on the number of connections not number of viewers*

***Based on both face to face services and online viewers (online viewers is based on number of connections not individual viewers)*

FORMAL MEMBERS GAINED

Formal Members Statistical Analysis:

117	Membership as at 2020
2	Gained
	Transferred to Isolated Members
	Transferred from Isolated Members
8	Resigned/No longer attending
111	Current Active Membership

BIRTHS *Grace Chung*

BABY DEDICATIONS *Zacharia Vear* *Grace Chung* *Rose Vear*

BAPTISM *Jonah Robertson* *Nancy Seivers* *Olivia Helmore*

WEDDINGS *Greg & Karina Scott*

MINUTES OF THE 50th ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

Sunday, 25 September 2020

1. OPEN

The meeting was called to order by Andrew Muir at 11:10. He extended a welcome to all participants, both in the church and online. Andrew explained the proceedings of the meeting, that a small number of ministry reports would be presented by leaders (mainly church staff) and that everyone should have received a copy of the AGM and the explanation of how to vote in the AGM. We asked that questions be submitted early and will be answered in the meeting.

Approval for the AGM format was given by the National Office. This stated that no new major decisions are to be made during the meeting.

2. OPENING PRAYER

Paul Robertson opened the meeting in prayer.

3. ROLL CALL

Roll call was compiled in two ways. Firstly, by observing those present in the church building and secondly, by noting those present online. A quorum was not needed for this AGM due to the unusual COVID circumstances.

(Italic - Present in church, Black - Attended Online, Green - Apologies, Red - Absent)

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Nick Ackland	Barbara Dietrich	Suanu Ikoro	Les Ridsdale
Pamela Andrewartha	Cynthia Donohoe	Victoria Ikoro	Janine Ridsdale
Jeffrey Arche	Kathleen Dunlop	Vera Krisko-Jowe	Fiona Robertson
Gary Atkinson	Iain East	Peter Laughlin	Paul Robertson
Rachel Baldry	Robyn East	Sharyn Laughlin	Ted Stapinski
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WODEN VALLEY ALLIANCE CHURCH—LIST OF ISOLATED MEMBERS

Roy Barton

Carol Barton

Robyn Learmonth

Ron Learmonth

Norma Walsh

4. VOTE AND NOMINATION COMMITTEE

Andrew Muir stated that members could only vote online and that an email had previously been sent explaining how to do this. He said that the voting slip required everyone to respond to four questions.

The questions were: Do members accept the previous AGM minutes as being accurate? Do members agree to the Auditors report and Budget proposal? Do members accept the nominations for Elders? Do members accept the nominations for Deacons positions?

Results will be sent out after the voting was completed.

There were 5 people on the Nomination Committee: Julie Stellar, Sue Box, Ben Betz, Andrew Edwards, and Andrew Muir.

5. REPORTS

The reports were taken as read:

SENIOR PASTOR'S REPORT

Ben Betz shared after COVID hit everything changed and it was like starting a new job. Things went from local to global. He congratulated the church in adapting to the changes. We had people from other countries logging into our service. God had his hand over the situation. We lost and gained some church people. He provided a short summary of various events during the year and highlights of WVAC ministries.

Ben thanked his staff, particularly Andrew Edwards for his skills, knowledge and dedication using his media background to film services. He thanked Antoinette for her office work and Sharnay for her adaptability in going online instead of what was previously run such as Kidz Church. Ben thanked Helen for the work she does with the Interns Program. He thanked the leadership teams including the board of Elders and Deacons for their strong support and likeminded focus.

Ben shared he was not sure what the future held but was planning for. A question was asked regarding paying Andrew Edwards for an extra day. We need Andrew Edwards for an extra day for the Worship team, Online work, and the Gathering Service. A question was asked regarding money being put aside for a Youth Worker. We have not found the right person yet, but we are looking at running two youth groups. An older group that is established and a younger Year 7 aged group that is to commence next term. Ben said we are rebuilding our support in Stromlo High School and building connections with Arawang Primary.

ASSOCIATE PASTOR'S REPORT

Andrew Edwards stated it was like writing two half-year reports. Initially it was coordinating the Gathering Service and leading the Worship team but with Covid it became overseeing the Youth ministry, coordinating the worship, running the Online service, and then organising the streaming of services.

Andrew questioned now that we have online happening, how do we connect across the world? It is incredibly positive that the internet is being flooded with Christian content. We will continue to stream when everything returns to normal. He thanked the volunteers for assisting with running a streamed service. Andrew thanked for the prayers for his family and is looking forward to how God will lead the Gathering Services in an exploratory and creative manner.

COVENANT LIFE ALLIANCE REPORT

Suanu Ikoro reflected when he met with Pastor Ken Graham and prayed about beginning a Nigerian Church. The concept changed to an International Church and it was meant to begin Sunday 29 March. God blessed Suanu with a core group of people (mostly women) who began praying and planning. The church began its first service in August which 18 people attended. Suanu wanted to thank Woden Valley Alliance for its help with finances and support.

INTERNSHIP

Helen Betz shared the Internship Program is about discipleship making and that those that graduated last year were all using their gifts in ministry this year. This year's five students are being challenged about where they are at with Jesus. God loves to engage us creatively. Helen thanked the church for allowing her to take on this role.

SHARNAY AND GEORGE

Sharnay presented her report on a video clip with George the puppet. She shared the past six months had been incredible and was grateful for the support and prayers. Sharnay is looking forward to the next phase and cannot wait for God's leading with Kidz Church starting again next term.

ELDERS REPORT

Andrew Muir thanked the church for their support and confidence in the board of Elders. He also thanked Ben & Helen for their leadership. Andrew thanked all the Elders and acknowledge Stefan for his input after stepping down from the Eldership team. He anticipated Nick Mogensen would be elected as an Elder and was looking forward to the future.

(Both Nick and Paul Robertson were later elected as Elders for the next three years after the voting online.)

TREASURERS/AUDITORS REPORT

Nico Mellett presented the Treasurer's report explaining it had been an interesting year as people stopped coming to church. Systems were put in place to assist people to make offerings/tithings while we were not conducting services in the church building. Woden Alliance chose not to seek government financial assistance which ended up being a good decision. Several financial budgeting expenses did not go ahead, and two staff members worked less days which meant the church expenses were also lower. (The auditor's report and budget proposal were later accepted by members when voting online.)

BUDGET 2020/2021

Nico Mellett briefly presented the budget for 2020/2021 on p28 in the Annual Report.

Questions: Nico answered a series of financial questions in several stages.

At last year's AGM, the deacons proposed to extend Andrew Edwards' term and proposed funding his position by reducing the payments of the church's loan. At that time, I asked:

1. How much money was outstanding?

At 30 June 2019: \$187,691

At 30 June 2020: \$173,739

2. What was the term of the loan?

Interest only as a minimum, but larger payments and lump sum payments allowed

3. What impact would reducing the repayments have on the term of the loan?

At 30 June 2020:

- Based on a current balance of \$174k paying off \$1,000 a month at 4.5% would take until mid-2042.
- Paying off \$1,500 a month would reduce it to mid-2032,
- Paying off \$2,000 a month would reduce it to mid-2028.
- The rate is likely to reduce to 4% in Dec 2020.

Ben Betz added that God had looked after the church and that we were doing well.

VOTING REMINDER

Andrew Muir reminded everyone to vote online before 2pm today. Antoinette had sent a video clip explaining how to do the voting. (It was noted that 56 names were recorded as attending the meeting but over 70 people voted. Most likely these were members who did not inform us that they were online.)

CLOSED MEETING PRAYER

Ben Betz closed the meeting in prayer at 12:19 pm.

THEREFORE, SINCE WE ARE SURROUNDED
BY SUCH A GREAT CLOUD OF WITNESSES,
LET US THROW OFF EVERYTHING THAT HINDERS
AND THE SIN THAT SO EASILY ENTANGLES.
AND LET US RUN WITH PERSEVERANCE
THE RACE MARKED OUT FOR US,
FIXING OUR EYES ON JESUS,
THE PIONEER AND PERFECTER OF FAITH.
HEBREWS 12:1

