

ANNUAL REPORT

CHURCH OF CHRIST,
430 ANN STREET,
BRISBANE.

YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 1993.

PRESENTED TO
ANNUAL MEETING
AUGUST 29, 1993.

— MINISTER'S REPORT —

To write a report is to be reminded about many things the faithfulness of God, the love of family and friends, and the everchanging patterns of life and work. In recording the events of the year that has passed, may we not lose sight of the purposes of the Lord for His church.

THE DAILY ROUND. A busy preaching schedule is mostly of great benefit to the preacher! Thank you for patient listening and encouragement.

Bible Studies are a consistent feature of each week. You are welcome at 7.30 p.m. on alternate Wednesdays as we continue taking in small chunks of Colossians. "Down in the city" people have completed a series on "The Way God Sees Us!" (5.30 p.m. on 2nd and 4th Wednesdays).

"Gleneagles" services were suspended for some months during re-building of the meeting room. There was an enthusiastic gathering present on the day of re-commencement.

Both Girls' and Boys' Brigades continue to be a great outreach arm of the church. I have been involved in the wider work of the Girls' Brigade, and continue to 'pick up' and 'front up' for No. 1 Section of Boys' Brigade each Thursday night.

Last year we knocked on doors in a few streets of Spring Hill and New Farm, advertising our programme. This year a new leaflet has been prepared and produced by Ivan Law ... it looks great, and is currently being put in letter boxes in selected areas, inviting people to try us and the Lord!

I am involved once again at Kenmore Christian College, leading a series of lectures called "The Practice of Ministry". Norman Watson and Judith Flett are leading a few sessions for the class of eight students.

A good group went from our church to the Bill Hybels "Church for the Unchurched" Seminar in November last year.

Please pray that the Lord will lead us down firm paths with correct priorities for the time available.

It was good to be a part of the Easter March of Witness; an H.M.A.S. "Yarra" Memorial Service at Anzac Square; Community Care with Beryl Wiltshire, and D.C.D.E. with Alan Hermann.

PEOPLE. Getting to know you has been great! Days together (at Seminars and Retreats) are invaluable, plus visits and appointments. Wisdom, love and faithfulness sum up the membership ... much appreciated.

Mrs. Mabel Macfarlane, who transferred membership to Ann Street, aged 97, passed away not far short of 100. I also assisted Graeme Warne (K.C.C.) at the funeral service for Mrs. Grace Jones, whose family had links with the early days of mission work in New Hebrides (now Vanuatu).

How is your contact with people? Let them know about Jesus as you hold out hands of friendship to them.

The work of Mark Hudson with the Boys Brigade Canteen is much appreciated.

It is good to work with Ken Ashton, who has come with a deep desire to see more people worshipping the Lord with us.

We were blessed with a beautiful day for our daughter Jillian's wedding - she is now Mrs. Peter Whan!

OUR PLACE. We do have a lovely worship centre! There is need for us to 'capitalise' on the presence of both needy and 'out of town' visitors. Perhaps every Sunday morning ... coffee out the back???? It was great to see the lower hall being used as a drop-in centre for passers-by ... staffed by the Boys Brigade.

CAPTURING A GOOD PURPOSE. Our 'Carols in the Square' was a highlight of the year (December 20, 1992). The music and the whole programme was excellent. Thanks to all who participated.

While no Mission (evangelistic or teaching) was held this year, the need for outreach in the city is always on our minds.

Wes Fittell's Seminar was good - opening up 'natural' ways of sharing Jesus.

Some event to involve and encourage us all will be part of our agenda for 1994.

(Signed) PASTOR BILL FLETT.

CHURCH SECRETARY'S REPORT

The words from Hebrews set for us the pattern of our year's work: "In confidence let us hold on to the hope that we profess without the slightest hesitation - for He is utterly dependable - and let us think of one another, and how we can encourage each other to love and to good deeds. And let us not hold aloof from our church meetings, as some do. Let us do all that we can to help one another's faith, and this the more earnestly as we see the final day drawing even nearer." (J.B. Phillips' translation - Hebrews 10:23-25).

STATISTICS. During the year ending June 30, 1993, there were two (2) additions to active membership by faith and baptism, and seven (7) by transfer from other Churches of Christ. Losses included two (2) by transfer to other Churches of Christ, two (2) by death, and one (1) by roll revision, leaving a total active membership of 75.

Attendances at the morning services averaged 61 (59 last year), whilst an average of 41 (41 last year) attended the gospel services. Communicants averaged 54 (55 last year).

OBITUARY. We pay a special tribute to MRS. ANN FILES and MRS. MABEL MACFARLANE who were called to be with their Lord, in the case of Mrs. Files, after 40 years as part of our church family, including many years of involvement with Christian Endeavour and Women's work, and only two years in the case of Mrs. Macfarlane following her transfer from the Church of Christ at Redcliffe at the age of 97 years. We give thanks for every remembrance of them.

MINISTRY. Mr. and Mrs. Flett are in the second year of ministry with us, and we commend them for their activities in every aspect of the life and work of the church.

ACTIVITY PROGRAMME. The activity programme for the year was part of that planned at the annual planning meetings of November 1991 and November 1992, with an endeavour being made to introduce some variety by comparison with previous years. The Christmas Carol Service held in Cathedral Square on December 20 was something new and worthy of commendation and repeat.

PRAYER AND BIBLE STUDY. A small group meets at the chapel on the first and third Wednesdays of each month for prayer and Bible study, and a second group, known as "W.O.B.S.", designed to attract those who work in the city, meets at 5.30 p.m. on the second and fourth Wednesdays of each month. A prayer time precedes each Sunday night's service at 6.15 p.m.

MUSIC GROUP. The involvement of the music group in our Sunday night services has enhanced our worship and praise, under the leadership of TIM VINCENT, who is also our regular song leader, and KYLIE SIMS. Much time and effort is involved, and will continue to be necessary as we endeavour to improve our gospel services. Another essential ingredient is that of 'commitment'.

TAPE MINISTRY. We commend NOEL and PAM ABRAHAMS for their joint operation of the Tape Ministry which is the subject of a separate report, and the devotion of DAVID WATSON who attends to the recording of the services.

"GLENEAGLES". Spiritual oversight of "Gleneagles" has continued, and we are grateful to those who have shared in the speakers' roster for the regular Sunday morning services - W. J. FLETT, J. C. FERGUSON, R. P. SMITH and N. WATSON. From their weekly offerings for the year ending December 1992, the folk there donated \$300 to the church's General Fund, and \$230 to C.O.C.O.A. From March 14 through to August 8 (inclusive) this year services were unfortunately suspended due to construction of the "Clive Burdeu Nursing Home" and extension/refurbishing of the assembly hall.

BRIGADES. Quarterly parades of the Girls and Boys Brigades at the evening gospel service continue to attract support and interest, and we commend the respective leaders - GILLIAN WATSON and TIMOTHY VINCENT - and their assistants for their effective and sacrificial efforts. Rev. Ron Holt was guest speaker at the parade service on May 30.

WHERE ARE WE HEADING? WHAT ARE OUR GOALS AND OBJECTIVES? Members of the Board of Officers shared in a day's 'Retreat' on January 23 and this was an enriching experience. "MISSION '93" scheduled for late in 1993 - the outcome of a decision of last year's Annual General Business Meeting of the church - was changed from an Evangelistic to a Teaching Mission. Subsequent attempts to obtain a suitable missionary failed, and present plans are for this to be held next year (1994).

Also at the 'Retreat' the Board adopted the following 'MISSION STATEMENT' for the church:

"REACHING OUT, THROUGH THE DEVELOPMENT OF PERSONAL RELATIONSHIPS, TO WIN IRRELIGIOUS PEOPLE TO BECOME FULLY DEVOTED FOLLOWERS OF JESUS."

This was prompted by the benefit which flowed from the Bill Hybels Seminar attended by six of our church family from November 18 to 20, 1992, relating to the experiences of the Willow Creek Church in U.S.A., the impact being that if a church is to grow it will come only as the result of reaching out to people and cultivating friendships which will eventually blossom into a response to the invitation to come to church, using special type "Seeker Services" to attract them.

On February 28 we participated in a Seminar with Wes Fittell when we were given effective ways of "Taking the fright out of sharing Jesus."

At the Strategic Planning Summit of Churches of Christ in Queensland held on April 2-4, there was consensus that there are ten key areas needed to be targeted for further action in order to revitalise the work of our churches in Queensland, the first of these being - "Our Spirituality - prayer, gifts, Gospel, knowing God personally." How do we 'shape up' in these areas? How is our commitment to Jesus and the work of His church? Bill Hybels repeatedly emphasised that even 95% is not good enough - it is 5% short!

At our fellowship/sharing meeting on May 23 we launched the "Prayer Triplets" programme recommended by the Vision Task Force appointed at the Strategic Planning Summit.

If we heed the exhortation of the apostle Paul, we examine ourselves every time we come to the Lord's Table. There is need for that self-examination, or 'taking stock' of ourselves to be a continuing process. Such a need exists in relation to our collective and individual efforts in the life and work of the church. There are times when we appear to be heavily involved in doing many things without there being any real evidence of positive results. There are times when we need to stop and 'take stock' with a view to determining whether or not we are directing our energies in the right direction, for we may well be moving in the wrong direction. In all of life we have personal goals and objectives. This is very much a part of good management in the business world, and is really essential in the work of the church as well. A goal is a long-term aim towards which one moves, but may never reach, whilst objectives are intermediate steps which one tries to achieve along the way to the ultimate goal. How do we see the church's goal and the objectives along the way?

The outworking of our responses does not necessarily mean that we must embark upon radical changes, although that could well be, perhaps, the path that should be trod. However, no change of any kind in any walk of life should ever be contemplated without first firmly and clearly resolving the answers to the following questions:

- (a) Why is there a need for change to achieve the accomplishment of our goal or objectives?
- (b) If a change is contemplated, why is there a need for this particular change?
- (c) What are the potential benefits that may be gained from the change?
- (d) What will the situation be after the change - Have the consequences really been evaluated?

So one could go on theorising, but the message is simply one of stressing the need for continually 'taking stock' and evaluating all of our various activities.

BOARD OF OFFICERS. The church Officers met monthly, with the exception of January, 1993, and held several special meetings for specific purposes. Attendances at the monthly meetings were:

W. J. FLETT (11), D. G. OAKES (Chairman) (9), R. P. SMITH (8), J. C. FERGUSON (5), D. H. WATSON (10), L. J. MAINWARING (10), I. L. WOODWARD (9), T. L. VINCENT (10), R. MOXLY (9), C. COLSTON (6) and N. WATSON (11).

GENERAL ACKNOWLEDGEMENT. There are many within the church family who, in various ways, serve the Lord with gladness. Some of the tasks we witness regularly, whilst many are not visibly observed, apart from the results - some that few of us, if any, know little or anything about. We give thanks to God because He has seen fit to use us in His service according to our varying abilities. May we never forget that Christ is the Head of the church which is His body, and we as individuals are privileged to be members of

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that body. May God grant that none of us will ever be responsible for causing any defect in that body which He wants to be perfect. He is the one who knows our hopes, our fears, our longings and our needs of patience, self-restraint, humility, as well as our zeal and earnestness.

Let's give thanks to God for each other and for the privilege of service!

(Signed) N. WATSON.

— ELDERS' REPORT —

The Eldership was comprised of W. J. FLETT, R. P. SMITH and N. WATSON who met for a couple of hours on a regular basis - usually twice each month - and on other occasions as necessary.

We are conscious of the needs of our church family, both spiritual, physical and otherwise. If you have a need, please share it with us in the utmost confidence. The sharing of another's burden can assist greatly in the bearing of the 'load'.

We are grateful for the co-operation of so many within the church family, and are appreciative of the leadership given by those who are active in the various auxiliaries, and the help given each Lord's Day by those who preside at the Lord's Table, read, serve, greet folk at the door, open and close the chapel, share in the very important ministry of music and song, prepare communion and the floral arrangements, act as offering stewards, and help in so many other ways all of which make a contribution towards maintaining the dignity, reverence and worship of our services so that our worship and praise is worthy of our Great God and His wonderful Son, our Saviour and Lord.

We count it a privilege to serve and share with you. It is always an enriching experience when we share together.

(Signed) N. WATSON
For the Elders

— THE CHRISTIAN WOMEN'S FELLOWSHIP REPORT —

Greetings to you all in the name of our Lord Jesus! We have had a good year of loving fellowship. The members have willingly taken part in our programmes and morning teas. Thanks to all who have helped us in any way.

Our visiting speakers through the year have been - MR. D. STOCKS (Coral Sea Celebrations), DR. R. HAYES (79th C.W.F. Anniversary), MISS J. MORRIS (Opals), MRS. M. HEYBURN (The Lace) MRS. T. SMITH (Redcliffe).

We held two enjoyable Salamungdi Evenings - September and April - proceeds to our project - a refrigerator for the upstairs kitchen.

We journeyed to Buckingham Gardens to see Mr. and Mrs. E. Potter and Mrs. H. Collins. Mrs. J. Flett conducted a programme there, and there was a lovely morning tea. We had a look over the home and had our lunch down by the sea at Cleveland.

Prior to Christmas we wrapped many presents for distribution to guests at "Burdeu House" and our shut-in sisters.

On March 24 we were hosts to a Q.C.W.M. rally presided over by Mrs. G. Flett. We were responsible for morning tea, lunch and a stall.

In March Mrs. J. Flett took part in the World Day of Prayer held in the Salvation Army Temple, Ann Street, City.

We look forward to the coming year with great expectations and opportunities we may be able to grasp and use in the service of our King.

We are looking forward to the coming events - a Sacred Musical Afternoon presented by the Crusade Choir on July 31, and our 80th Anniversary on September 9 when the guest speaker will be Mrs. M. Horton.

Jesus said, "Love one another, as I love you."

(Signed) MRS. ESTELLE FERGUSON
Secretary

B I B L E S C H O O L R E P O R T

"Except you become as little children you shall not enter the kingdom of heaven" are words of Jesus, and seek to remind us that our faith needs to be simple like that of young children. It is the faith of the children that we are endeavouring to increase through learning the Word of God.

The classes this year are Kindergarten - J. SMITH, with M. SMITH assisting, Primary - K. SIMS, and Teens - R. SMITH, with upwards of 15 children attending.

The children participated with the Brigades and Youth Group in anniversary and youth services during the course of the year.

The picnic at Bellbird Grove was well attended in beautiful weather. Those who preferred a quiet day sat around and socialised, whereas the more active ones had an exhausting day in the park.

The Christmas Party was not quite so well supported, but an entertaining night was enjoyed by those who attended.

We seek your prayerful support in this continuing work.

(Signed) R. P. SMITH
Superintendent

TAPE MINISTRY CO-ORDINATOR

Once again it is my pleasure to present the annual report on our Tape Ministry.

Each week, for those who cannot attend our services in person, we endeavour to present as much of the spoken parts of both services. Comments received from time to time suggest we are achieving our goal. During the year there were only two weeks when tapes were not distributed - July 19 when I was confined to bed, and November 1 when Pam and I were in Barcaldine.

During the period under review a total of 370 tapes were posted out - the weekly number varied to a maximum of eleven on July 5.

May I compliment those who receive the tapes for their co-operation. Also, we are indebted to those kind folk who made donations to assist in keeping the service operating.

In my opinion, the evening service for Sunday, May 16 was the most challenging to the congregation. Our young people can be justifiably proud of their achievement. Unfortunately, from my perspective, it was one of those occasions when we were plagued by the "gremlins", with recipients not fully receiving what was presented, for various reasons.

Our recipients have had some wonderful experiences presented to them during the year. There was the confessions of faith of Bradley Smith and Vera Scandurra, and their baptisms; the dedication of baby Stuart Law, and the presentation to Bill and Gladys Law to honour their 50th wedding anniversary. Special recordings were presented to Bradley and Vera, and Mr. and Mrs. Ivan Law received a recording of their family dedication.

I believe the highlight of the year was the presentation of excerpts from the combined Communion service on October 11. We can be proud of ourselves in that we stole a march on everyone else, for we were the only ones who had a recording of any part of that service. I believe that occasion was a practical demonstration of the way in which the Lord blesses our little enterprise. Copies of that week's recordings also found their way to Noel Leitch and Gloria Flett, and Conference offices at Kenmore, also churches at Bundamba, Kenmore, Rockhampton, Springwood and East Kew in Victoria.

May I commend the tape ministry to you, even if you regularly attend services. One can always stop a tape and ponder the significance of what has been said. I often find it is a surprise to hear something in the recordings which has completely gone over my head during worship.

(Signed) NOEL ABRAHAMS
Tape Ministry Co-Ordinator

— B O Y S B R I G A D E R E P O R T —

DIARY NOTES. It has been yet another year of hard work for all those involved in Boys Brigade and a year of changing numbers and changing leadership levels.

Leaders/helpers to August 1993: Thursday - Tim Vincent
 - Pastor Bill
 - Ray Moxly
 - Mark Hudson
 Friday - Tim Vincent
 Transport- Daryl Muller

Average attendances: Thursday - No. 1 Section - 5 to 11 years ... 22 boys.
 Friday - No. 2 Section - 12 to 18 years .. 14 boys.

The end of 1992 saw 4th Brisbane Boys Brigade at Ann Street Church of Christ gain for the first time the President's Shield. This is awarded to the best overall performing company as an accumulation of credit points attained at the year's inter-company competitions - Results - 92/93: 3rd place volleyball; 2nd place wrestling; 1st place athletics (4 years consecutive); 3rd place cross country; 3rd place table tennis; 2nd place gymnastics. This is only a reflection of our sporting abilities and placed us 'champions' in 1992 against seven other companies.

We ended our formal year's programme with a display night which was held at the church social hall. As always, it was a great night for the boys to show off their abilities at various activities, but disappointing to see the lack of support from the church family in non-attendance.

The Boys Brigade 'you' support is a vital and unique work of Ann Street and you should, at least once a year, see the entire company on parade and witness for yourself the great number of boys and families we are reaching. I would hope that someone encouraged you sometime in your youthful days ... these boys really need it. We are here to encourage others!

The usual end-of-year breakup camp at Maroochydore went well with almost all boys present. All had a great time ... no major injuries ... no rainy nights ... not much sleep ... one bruised eagle? ... some burnt faces ... and a bus load of tired boys and helpers.

Other camps and outings during 1992/93 were:

1. Senior boys canoe camp down the Mary River.
2. Junior boys bike camp around Caboolture.
3. No. 1 Section bush camp at Dayboro.
4. A group combined with the youth of Ann Street to attend the Youth Encounter Convention at Mt. Tamborine.
5. Attended 'Youth Quake' at Nambour Church of Christ.
6. Junior boys rock climbing and abseiling expedition at Mt. Tibrogargim, Glass House Mountains.

DROP-IN CENTRE. It was very pleasing and satisfying to see the church family sponsor the idea of running a 'Drop-In Centre' during the Christmas vacation period. I have no doubts in my mind that it was effective in serving its purpose in giving our boys, other boys, and various 'wanderers' activities to keep them out of strife. The Christmas vacation is a time when most youth get bored and fall prey to stronger influences and pressure to do things wrong. Activities provided at 'Drop-In' were table tennis, pool table, computer games, basketball, canteen, darts and music. Over the 20 days a total of 223 people walked through the door with a total roll of 46 names.

LEADERSHIP AND ENROLMENTS. Mark Hudson commenced working with 4th Brisbane after operating the 'Drop-In' Centre full-time. Since then he has taken on the role of treasurer and canteen convenor. While at times trying to do too much and causing himself trouble, Mark has fulfilled his assigned duties excellently and must be commended for his efforts. Thanks for your help, Mark! Without you we would not have had our accounts kept so expertly.

Leadership levels are still at a critical low. We once again appeal to the church for whatever help it can gather in supporting the work. We are only of minimal effect at present, and this will continue if we go on with the present leadership levels. I, for one, hate to see the potential in boys wasted by us. We should be offering them more. Prayerfully consider what you can do, or give, to us, and through your help give boys a better future ... a future in Christ.

The roll book has been changing frequently, as outlined hereunder:

<u>1991/92 - TOTAL BOYS:</u>	28
-	5 (moved out of town)
-	5 (seniors moved on)
+	18 (new enrolments)
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	36 (total 1992/93 average)
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OPPORTUNITIES. Opportunities have occurred where some of the older boys have taken roles in other church activities and the music side of Sunday Gospel services. This is great to see. Involving them in the 'day to day' running of youth activities is a further step in developing and strengthening their links with the church family. "Thanks John T., Daniel T., Emmanuel H., Bubba H. and Justin R."

PROBLEMS. Even though in the past year we have seen growth in areas of numbers and spirituality, it has been a tragedy ... a real shameful tragedy ... that we see so many senior boys and ex-senior boys leave. Ann Street has no further programme for them to go to. What a waste! The Ann Street family has somewhat failed to come to terms with what is required and has suffered the consequences in maybe taking the easier option and not looking further ahead and stepping out in faith. We all must take responsibility for what has happened. We need to correct this immediately.

Let's not dish-up second best to our youth ... "Let's do unto others as we would like done for ourselves." Do we truly have an environment in our services and youth auxiliaries which "really and genuinely" challenge these young non-believers to consider and discover the best way? They are, believe me, searching right now; are we portraying the 'treasure' worth discovering? Are we caught up in other issues and not thinking of our church's future? Without youth we will die!

CLOSING REMARKS. In my travels and conversations with other people from other Churches of Christ, I can confidently state that we are in the forefront and can be very proud of what Ann Street has achieved thus far in disadvantaged youth outreach. At all churches that I visit, people congratulate me/us. We need to go the one step further and convert.

In closing, it has been another challenging year for Boys Brigade at Ann Street. I give all thanks to firstly God, who continues to bless us with the boys He gives to our 'charge', and secondly, thanks to the helpers of 1992/93 who have battled on ... Pastor Bill, Ray Moxly, Daryl Muller, Vera Scandurra, Kylie Sims, Brad Smith, Mark Hudson.

(Signed) TIM VINCENT
Acting Captain 4th Brisbane Boys Brigade.

— G I R L S B R I G A D E R E P O R T —
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LEADERS.

Glenys Colston	-	Young Juniors (gr.4).
Kylie Sims	-	Older Juniors (grs. 5 and 6).
Tania Sims	-	Seniors (grs. 7 and 8).
Gillian Watson (Captain)	-	Cadets and Pioneers (gr. 9 +)

NUMBER OF GIRLS.

1992	-	17
1993	-	16
Currently	-	13

TO DECEMBER 1992. At the end of the year we had 5 girls from one family visit us, boosting our attendance numbers to 22. Two of the girls decided to keep on attending. The Parlett family left to reside at Thorneside. In both of the Parlett girls we witnessed growth in social maturity and spiritually. Adding spice to their programme, the Juniors participated in a swimming programme for the term, held at the Woodward's residence. We operated a Millionaire's Club where girls received monopoly money for the use of good manners, helping, friendliness, working well, etc. They could then 'spend' it on certain items which were listed on a chart with prices attached. Needless to say, the girls participated enthusiastically. After surrendering their savings to purchase their wanted items, we saw girls going to McDonald's for an outing, playing board games, having walks and chalk chases instead of the usual night's programme. Besides the fun and motivation

to behave, the scheme created one negative outcome - it encouraged the girls to become money-hungry and to continually compare each other's bank accounts!!

Display night saw these girls awarded:

GIRL OF THE YEAR	-	KLARA HANSON
CHAPLAIN'S TROPHY	-	TINA PARLETT
BEST CADET	-	LAVINA TAPAU
BEST JUNIOR	-	ROBYN PERRY
BEST SENIOR	-	KLARA HANSON
BEST PIONEER	-	AMANDA MORRIS
ENCOURAGEMENT and ACHIEVEMENT AWARD	-	LEAH PACEY

At the Divisional Annual General Meeting, Mr. Flett was nominated divisional Chaplain in partnership with Rev. Ron Holt. We congratulate Mr. Flett on this appointment and look forward to his continuing support and guidance.

TO JUNE 1993. 1993 saw 2 regularly attending and exemplary girls leave because of other commitments - mainly schooling. Otherwise, the same girls began the 1993 Girls Brigade Year.

Recently we have enjoyed the company of 3 new girls who are keen to keep attending, but have lost 5 girls due to moving residence, and a leader - Vera Scandurra - who was unable to continue her support. Our pioneer, Kassie Massey, has been helping to take the cadet group on her own, and has done a great job.

HIGHLIGHTS.

Divisional Dedication Service at Ann Street.
Cadbury chocolate and honeycomb fund raising.
Parade nights.
Games nights.
Swimming carnival - came 4th out of 5.
Girls Brigade Centenary held at Suncorp Piazza, Southbank.
Pie drive - after profit was divided up, our company received \$72.

A few girls had given us major discipline problems due to personality clashes and their own low self-esteem. We were beginning to sort these out when they moved. Consequently, Girls Brigade nights have quietened down considerably.

Last year's annual Girls Brigade Report mentioned three goals:

1. The girls' needs.
2. Prayer.
3. Scripture-based programmes.

This year has seen a much more relaxed attitude toward the Girls Brigade programme so as to incorporate time spent meeting girls' needs. Kylie, Tania and Tim are thanked for their visitations and time spent getting to know the girls outside Girls Brigade. When planning programmes, meeting girls' needs was a priority, as was Scripture. Besides the group devotions, devotional time with the whole company has doubled with the help of church members visiting us twice a month for devotions. The C.W.F. have helped us, using the powerful tool called prayer - with the ladies each praying for individual girls. This, at the very least, has helped make prayer the foundation for our Girls Brigade. As yet, a leaders' prayer time has not begun. We'll work on it!!

Once again, THANKS to the leaders - KYLIE, TANIA and GLENYS - for the challenging work they face each week, and for their transport, and to all those who have willingly and gladly given up time to bring devotions to us - Bill and Judy Flett, Jim Ferguson, Joe Mainwaring, Ian and Nola Woodward.

"Thank you, Ann Street" for your prayers, donations and help. We look forward to working with you as we minister to the girls in the Lord's name.

(Signed on behalf of the Leaders) GILLIAN WATSON
Captain

STATEMENTS OF RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS

CHURCH TREASURER - COL COLSTON (Compiled and audited and found correct by L.J. MAINWARING)

Receipts		Payments	
<u>Offerings</u>		<u>Ministry Expenses</u>	
85% Budget - Local Use	\$ 22,145	Salary	\$ 21,331
15% Budget - B'hood Depts	3,908	Car Allowance	4,160
	26,053	Book / Phone Allowance	818
General Offerings	8,355	Provident Fund / Hosp Service	2,220
Direct for Brotherhood Depts.	8,204	Visiting Speakers	350
Pastor Support - Korean Pastor	185	Lake Ministry	24
Thank You and Love Gifts	60	Other Expenses	427
Lake Ministry	118		29,330
Bus Receipts	552	<u>Property Expenses</u>	
Recoveries Etc		Cleaning & Materials	378
Use of Building	610	Insurance	824
Photocopying	2	Electricity & Gas	609
Phone Calls	21	Rates / Dues levy - Chapel	704
Donations	10	ditto - Manse	580
Demerol	33	Maintenance - Manse	275
	736	ditto - Chapel	197
Interest Received		Steel Mesh for Hall Windows	179
Aust. Savings Bonds	1662		3,746
Banks	55	<u>Operating Expenses</u>	
Term Deposit ex Estate Jessie Anderson	3075	Conference Affiliations / Travel Pool	575
	4794	Photocopier / Messenger	514
Investment Redemptions		Telephone - Chapel	331
A I A C	6000	Offering Envelopes	116
Ex Estate Jessie Anderson	816	Bible School Grant	400
	6,816	Contribution to Picnic	119
Richet Club - Part Repayment of Advance	300	Laundry Items	226
Received on A/c Others			2,281
Boys Brigade	80	Boys Brigade Drop In Project	263
Girls Brigade	10		5,716
Bible School	10	<u>Bus Expenses</u>	
League of 500	145	<u>Paid Out on A/c Others</u>	
	245	Bible School	16
		Boys Brigade	80
		Girls Brigade	10
		League of 500	145
			251
		<u>Brotherhood Support</u>	
		Brotherhood Depts - see summary	12,180
		Korean Pastor	185
		Social Service Dept - Hospital Chaplain	182
			12,547
<u>Total Receipts</u>	<u>56,418</u>	<u>Total Payments</u>	<u>54,134</u>
Balance 1.7.92		Balance 30.6.93	
Special Appeals	193	Special Appeals	125
Bible School	6	General Fund	3392
General Fund	1034		3,517
	1,233		57,651
	<u>57,651</u>		

CHURCH TREASURER'S REPORT CONTINUED:

Investment with Australian Industry Development Corporation (AIDC)

<u>Receipts</u>		<u>Payments</u>	
Interest Credited	\$ 1,420	Transfers to General Fund Bank A/c	\$ 6,000
Balance - At Call 1/7/92	31,581	Balance - At Call 30/6/93	27,001
	<u>\$ 33,001</u>		<u>\$ 33,001</u>

Investment of Funds from Estate of Jessie Anderson

<u>Receipts</u>		<u>Payments</u>	
Interest from Term Deposits		Transfers to General Fund Bank A/c	
12 months @ 9% - matured on 10/1/92	\$ 8361	Ea Interest 10/1/92	\$ 816
6 months @ 6.15% - matured on 10/5/93	3,075	Interest 10/5/93	3,075
	11,436		3,891
Balance on Term Deposit 1/7/92	92,455	Balance on Term Deposit 30/6/93	100,000
	<u>\$ 103,891</u>	(@ 5.5% maturing 10/12/93)	<u>\$ 103,891</u>

General Funds In Hand 30.6.93

Australian Savings Bonds - Series 295 - 13% maturing 1.6.94	\$ 12,800
Westpac Bank Invercargill - General Fund Balance	3,392
Investment with Australian Industry Development Corporation - At Call (Current Rate 4.5%)	27,001
	<u>\$ 43,193</u>

Other Funds In Hand

Investment of Funds from Estate of Jessie Anderson - On Term Deposit @ 5.5% - maturing 10/12/93	\$ 100,000
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Explanation of 1992/93 Figures

The General Fund Payments totalled \$41,518

This was offset from -

85% of Budget Offerings	\$ 22,145	
General Offerings	8,355	
Other Receipts excluding Interest	1,766	32,266

Shortfall Before Interest Received \$ 9,252

Interest was Received from - Australian Savings Bonds	\$ 1,664
AIDC	1,420
Banks	55

Estate of Jessie Anderson Investments 11,436 \$ 14,575

1992/93 Net Surplus After Interest \$ 5,323

<u>Explanation of Surplus 1992/93</u>	General Fund Bank A/c Increase	\$ 2,358
	Estate Jessie Anderson Investments - Increase	7,545
		<u>\$ 9,903</u>
	Less Decrease in AIDC Investment	4,580
		<u>\$ 5,323</u>

CHURCH TREASURER'S REPORT CONTINUED:

	<u>Balance</u>	<u>Allocations - 15% of Budget</u>	<u>Direct Offerings</u>	<u>Remitted</u>	<u>Balance</u>
Aborigines & Islanders	-	704	1	705	-
Bible Society	-	39	-	39	-
D.C.D.E.	-	1055	-	1055	-
Social Service	-	156	-	156	-
Drought Relief	-	-	80	80	-
Training for Ministry	-	1016	100	1116	-
Overseas Missions	-	860	581	1441	-
C.O.C.O.A.	-	-	7442	7442	-
	\$ -	3830	8204	12034	-
Special Appeals	193	78	-	146	125
	\$ 193	3908	8204	12180	125

	<u>CHRISTIAN</u>		<u>WOMEN'S</u>		<u>FELLOWSHIP</u>	
<u>RECEIPTS</u>	\$		<u>PAYMENTS</u>		\$	
Offerings	547.20		<u>Donations:</u>			
Donations	82.00		World Vision	50.00		
Trading Table	290.00		Homeless	87.45		
Offerings for Homeless	89.45		League of 500	9.00		
Fellowship of Least Coin	17.57		Hospital	50.00		
Sunshine Bags	67.50		Q.C.W.M.	20.00		
Cards	262.50		C.T.A.	20.00		236.45
Curtains	69.00		<u>Q.C.W.M.:</u>			
Games Nights	177.65		Budget	150.00		
Cakeless Cake Day	59.00		Living Link	150.00		
Q.C.W.M. Newsletters	5.00		Travel			
Bank Interest	14.83		President	50.00		350.00
			Q.C.W.M. - Least Coin			22.80
			Q.C.W.M. - Newsletters			30.00
			<u>Ann Street Church:</u>			
			Church Bus	50.00		
			C.O.C.O.A.	50.00		100.00
			Boys Brigade			50.00
			Girls Brigade			50.00
			Conference Registrations & lunch			70.00
			Anniversary Expenses			26.05
			Cards			131.80
			Lace Table Cloth			21.50
			Visiting Speakers			50.00
			Tea, Coffee and Sugar			30.04
			Sundries			4.00
			Federal Debits Tax			3.15
TOTAL RECEIPTS	1679.70		TOTAL PAYMENTS			1175.79
BANK BALANCE 1.7.92	220.59		BANK BALANCE 30.6.93			724.50
	\$1900.29					\$1900.29

<u>B I B L E S C H O O L</u>			
<u>RECEIPTS</u>	\$		<u>PAYMENTS</u>
Offerings	154.44		Lesson Material
Picnic	109.30		Annual Book Awards and Christmas)
Donations	37.00		Gifts)
Church subsidies	406.00		League of 500
Bank Interest	1.65		
	708.39		
Bank Balance 1.7.92	24.86		Bank Balance 30.6.96
	\$733.25		\$733.25

G I R L S B R I G A D E

<u>RECEIPTS</u>	\$	<u>PAYMENTS</u>	\$
Fees	176.30	Craft	29.00
Uniforms	52.50	Resources	49.00
Fund Raising	723.40	Uniforms	12.20
Sundries and Donations	219.00	State Office Account	101.30
Bank Interest	3.56	Annual Returns	246.50
		Camps	170.00
		Fund Raising	536.00
		Sundries: Suppers/Outings	158.70
		Debits Tax	2.75
BANK BALANCE 1.7.92	227.32	Cheque Book	5.00
		BANK BALANCE 30.6.93	91.63
	<u>1402.08</u>		<u>1402.08</u>

B O Y S B R I G A D E

<u>RECEIPTS</u>	\$	<u>PAYMENTS</u>	\$
Pie Drive	1103.00	Pie Drive Cost	825.75
Lamington Drive	837.40	Lamington Drive Cost	675.00
Muesli Bar Drive	471.45	Muesli Bar Drive Cost	633.55
Canteen	593.61	Canteen Purchases	108.68
Fees/Canteen/Donation	118.80	Camp Food	255.00
Canteen and Donation	35.00	Camp Fuel - Generator	12.00
Fees	239.00	Sleeping Bags and Canteen Drinks	100.00
Donations	62.50	Tent Purchase	299.00
Camp Fees	116.50	Sporting Costs	79.25
Camps surpluses	102.29	Payment for Daryl - Fruit bowl/ McDonald's	16.00
Uniform sales	82.00	Registration Fees	247.50
Sundry Receipts	1.95	Stationery	13.24
Bank Interest	6.08	Repayment of loan - Vera Scandurra	250.00
		Bank Charge for dishonoured cheque	9.00
		Federal Debits Tax	6.40
		Withholding Tax on Interest	2.90
	<u>3769.58</u>	TOTAL PAYMENTS	<u>3473.27</u>
TOTAL RECEIPTS	3769.58	Bank Balance 30.6.93	384.62
Bank Balance 1.7.92	88.31		
	<u>3857.89</u>		<u>3857.89</u>

NOTE: EACH OF THE FOREGOING FINANCIAL STATEMENTS OF RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS WAS AUDITED BY L. J. MAINWARING AND NOTED AS "FOUND CORRECT", EXCEPT THAT, IN THE CASE OF THE BOYS BRIGADE STATEMENT THE NOTATION WAS "COMPILED BY L. J. MAINWARING".

MINUTES OF ANNUAL GENERAL BUSINESS MEETING OF CHURCH
OF CHRIST, 430 ANN STREET, BRISBANE, HELD IN THE CHAPEL
AT 12.25 P.M. ON SUNDAY, AUGUST 30, 1992.

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CHAIRMAN: Mr. W. H. Law occupied the chair.

OPENING: Opening devotions were led by Mr. W. J. Flett speaking of "Open Hearts", followed by prayer.

ATTENDANCE: There were 40 members present.

APOLOGIES: An apology for non-attendance was received from Mr. J. C. FERGUSON, MR. D. G. OAKES, MRS. IVY GRAHAM, MRS. N. McLANE, MRS. ZOE HOLT, MRS. N. WATSON, MISS GRACE LAW, MR. PHIL SMITH.

MINUTES: Minutes of the previous Annual General Business Meeting held on August 18, 1991 were read, and it was resolved that they were a true and accurate record of that meeting, and were therefore confirmed and signed by the chairman.

BUSINESS ARISING OUT OF THE MINUTES:

NIL

REPORTS: It was resolved that the reports, which had been circulated prior to the meeting, be taken as read and received.

Those who spoke to the various reports were:

Minister. The chairman and Ian Woodward who congratulated Mr. Flett for his involvement with the Boys Brigade. Mr. Flett spoke of his first year of ministry with the church and its 'settling in' nature, and directed the attention of the meeting to the section of his report dealing with vision for the future.

Church Secretary. Mr. Flett expressed appreciation of Mr. Stephen England's year of ministry preceding himself; Mrs. Flett expressed appreciation of the new kitchen in the manse; Mrs. Spencer expressed appreciation of the services at "Gleneagles" and those who lead them.

Elders. Mr. Flett expressed appreciation of the Elders getting together regularly for prayer and discussion. The chairman commended the Elders for their widespread work amongst the congregation.

Church Treasurer. It was agreed that the reference to "Series 295" with respect to Australian Savings Bonds in the financial statement be corrected and changed to "Series 29S".

Ian Woodward drew attention to the depletion of funds by \$4983 which was partly due to once-off expenditure such as manse kitchen renovations and minister's removal expenses.

BIBLE SCHOOL. Tim Vincent expressed thanks to the teaching staff, mentioning, in particular, the way in which they cope with the irregular attendance of girls and boys from the Brigades - the 'highs and lows'.

Tape Ministry. The chairman, Mr. Flett and Mrs. Phyllis Smith expressed appreciation of the work of Mr. and Mrs. Noel Abrahams in the Tape ministry.

YOUTH GROUP. Raymond Moxly spoke of the need for leadership in the youth group.

C.W.F. Mrs. Spencer commended Mrs. Thelma Smith for her work as President of the C.W.F., and, in particular, for the way in which she stepped in at a time of real need. Mr. Flett commended the ladies for the high standard of the World Day of Prayer for which they were responsible.

GIRLS BRIGADE. Expression of thanks was conveyed by the chairman to the Brigade Captain, Mrs. Gillian Watson. The secretary commended her for her stated goals and objectives in her report, and wished her well as she moves towards the achievement of them.

BOYS BRIGADE. Mrs. Thelma Smith expressed thanks to both Boys and Girls Brigade, and also the Youth Group, with special reference to Miss Vera Scandurra for her involvement. Mrs. Spencer asked why Tim Vincent is only Acting Captain, and he explained that the rules require him to be a Lieutenant for at least two years first, and also require him to satisfy other requirements for the rank of Captain. Tim thanked the church for support.

It was resolved that the Reports be adopted.

ELECTIONS: Mr. Ivan Law and Mr. Jess Clark were elected as scrutineers.

Officers elected were C. COLSTON, L. J. MAINWARING, R. MOXLY, D. G. OAKES, T.L. VINCENT and I. L. WOODWARD.

R. P. SMITH and N. WATSON were endorsed as Elders.

It was resolved that the ballot papers be destroyed.

GENERAL BUSINESS:

Subject to the following amendments, it was resolved that the recommendation of the Board of Officers with respect to "ADMINISTRATIVE PROCEDURES" be adopted:

1. Add to clause 6(a), after the word 'Ministry' - "the Elders shall be responsible for initially seeking a new minister and making recommendations to the Board and".
2. Add the following new sub-clause as "iv" to Clause 11: "The initial seeking of a new minister, when a vacancy occurs, and making recommendations to the Board."
3. Enlarge sub-clause (iii) of Clause 8 by adding at the end the following: "and on the day of the Annual General Business Meeting, prior to the commencement of the meeting."
4. Delete sub-clause (b) of Clause 11 and, consequentially, the "(a)".
5. Expand Clause 16(b) by adding the following after the words "prior notice": "and shall do so if petitioned by not less than 25% of the active membership."
6. Delete from para. '(ii)' of Clause 16 (d) the words: "who have attained the age of 18 years".

The second notice of motion presented by the Board of Officers relative to the holding of a Mission in 1993 was also adopted.

On the recommendation of Mrs. Gillian Watson it was resolved that the annual meeting of the Planning Committee plan activities and appoint the people to be responsible for the organisation of those activities.

It was resolved that women who wish to be involved as SERVERS in the Sunday morning services give their names to the secretary.

CONCLUSION: The meeting concluded with prayer by the chairman at 2.55 p.m.

August 29, 1993.

CONFIRMED:

G. Watson
Chairman