

WELSH MISSION

TRIENNIAL SESSION MINUTES

21st November 2010 at the Cardiff Church

Welcome: Pastor John SurrIDGE
Hymn: 'Oh for that Flame of Living Fire'
Scripture: Genesis 32:24-28
Prayer: Pastor Jeremy Tremeer
Devotion: Pastor Don McFarlane, 'I will not let thee go unless thou bless me'
Hymn: 'Hover O'er me, Holy Spirit'
Prayer: Pastor Don McFarlane

WELCOME & DEVOTIONAL

At the opening of business, 76 of 91 delegates were seated. This represents an appropriate quorum. The meeting was declared open for business.

QUORUM 1

VOTED

to approve the seating of six additional delegates:

1. Mr Gerrard Fordham
2. Ms Chris Leach
3. Mrs Marilyn Neal
4. Pastor Roger Neal
5. Mr David Rancić
6. Pastor Michael Taylor

SEATING OF ADDITIONAL DELEGATES 2

VOTED

to waive the reading of the minutes of the 2007 session and to accept the minutes as an accurate representation of the business conducted.

MINUTES 3

VOTED

to approve the following delegates to form the Recommendations Committee:

Pastor Don McFarlane (chair)	
Mr Daniel Afrifa	Telford
Mrs Erica Cameron	Ystrad Mynach
Mr Chinkere Chigbo	Newport
Mrs Lilith Davies	Rhyl
Mrs Ruth Frederick	Cardiff Central
Mr John George	Cardiff North
Miss Alice Gregory	Port Talbot
Mrs Rosemary Hodgkinson	Shrewsbury
Mr Monickam Jacob	Cardiff Central
Mrs Jacqueline Jones	Swansea
Mr Solomon Mangeni	Swansea
Mr Jon Meredith	Carmarthen
Mr Methuselah Mwangalika	Cardiff North
Mr Jonathan Nyengani	Newport
Mr Jack Rayne	Lampeter
Mrs Dotlyn Scott-Mitchell	Cardiff Central
Mrs Sarah Sheppard	Newport
Mr Stanley Wells	Welsh Mission
Mr David Rancić	Minister

RECOMMENDATIONS COMMITTEE 4

VOTED

to constitute the plenary convocation as the Plans committee

PLANS COMMITTEE
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VOTED

to approve the President's report as published and portrayed.

PRESIDENT'S REPORT
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VOTED

to accept the report of the Recommendations Committee as follows:

**RECOMMENDATION'S
COMMITTEE REPORT**
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Nominating Committee

Pastor Don McFarlane (chair)	
Mr Tim Barber	Cardiff Central
Mr Gerrard Fordham	Lampeter
Dr Theophilus Gokah	Cardiff North
Ms Claudette Harris	Telford
Pastor Roger Neal	Welsh Mission
Mr David Rancić	Newport
Mrs Lil Saunders	Swansea
Mrs Geraldene Turner	Rhyl
Mr Bryan Watkins	Ystrad Mynach

Credentials & Licences Committee

Pastor Eric Lowe (chair)
Mr Jon Meredith
Mr Stanley Wells
Mrs Erica Cameron
Mrs Rosemary Hodgkinson
Pastor Brian Phillips

VOTED

to approve the Secretary-Treasurer's report as published and presented.

**SECRETARY-
TREASURER'S REPORT**
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VOTED

to approve the Family & Children's Ministries report as published and presented.

**FAMILY & CHILDREN'S
MINISTRIES REPORTS**
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VOTED

to approve the following names for the Welsh Mission Executive Committee:

**WM EXECUTIVE
COMMITTEE**
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Pastor John Surrige (chair)	Ex-officio
Mr Victor Pilmoor (secretary)	Ex-officio
Mr Tim Barber	Cardiff Central
Mrs Veronica Down	Shrewsbury
Mr Gerrard Fordham	Lampeter
Pastor David Foster	Rhyl Pastor
Mrs Lil Saunders	Swansea
Mr Victor Mbvundula	Newport
Miss Tracy Ndiweni	Cardiff North

VOTED

to approve the following Sponsors:

Pastor Jeremy Tremeer	Brecon Camps
Pastor John SurrIDGE	Communication
Pastor Clyde & Mrs Anette Moore	Family & Children's Ministries
Mr Irving & Mrs Lil Saunders	Health Ministries
Mrs Wendy Sammons	Stewardship
Pastor Brian Phillips	Trust Services
Mrs Jane Wells	Women's Ministries
Pastor Jeremy Tremeer	Youth Ministries
Pastor Jovan Adamović	Youth Ministries Associate
Mr David Rancić	Pathfinder Ministries

WM SPONSORS

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VOTED

to request the British Union Conference to amend the Welsh Mission Constitution to increase the executive committee by two names to facilitate the current diversity of membership.

**INCREASE EXECUTIVE
COMMITTEE MEMBERS
– CONSTITUTION
CHANGE**

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VOTED

to approve the Health Ministries report as presented by Lil & Irving Saunders.

**HEALTH MINISTRIES
REPORT**

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VOTED

to approve the Youth Ministries report.

**YOUTH MINISTRIES
REPORT**

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VOTED

to record the Stewardship, ADRA-UK and Adventist Discovery Centre reports as published.

**STEWARDSHIP, ADRA-
UK, & ADC REPORTS**

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VOTED

to approve the Trust Services report.

**TRUST SERVICES
REPORT**

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VOTED

to approve the Women's Ministries report.

**WOMEN'S MINISTRIES
REPORT**

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VOTED

to record the report from the Credentials & Licences Committee:

**CREDENTIALS &
LICENCES REPORT**

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Ordained Minister Credential

- Pastor Jovan Adamović
- Pastor George Asiamah
- Pastor David Foster
- Pastor Clyde Moore
- Pastor Jeremy Tremeer

Ministerial Licence

- Mr David Rancić

Lay Preacher's Credential

CREENTIALS & LICENCES REPORT (CONTINUED)

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Cardiff Central

- Mr Tim Barber
- Mrs Ruth Frederick
- Mr Monickam Jacob

Cardiff North

- Dr Theophilus Gokah

Carmarthen

- Mrs Ina Douglas-James
- Mr Jon Meredith

Llandudno Junction

- Miss Sheila Johnston

Newport

- Mrs Wendy Sammons
- Mr Victor Mbvundula
- Mr Jonathan Nyengani
- Mrs Duska Rancić

Rhyl

- Mr Leslie Riskowitz
- Mr Malcolm Turner

Shrewsbury

- Mr Peter Bayliss
- Mr John Down
- Mrs Veronica Down
- Mr David Parker

Swansea

- Mr Irving Saunders
- Mrs Lil Saunders
- Mr Solomon Mangeni

Ystrad Mynach

- Mrs Erica Cameron
- Mrs Joyce Phillips
- Mr Clifford Tomos
- Mrs Jean Watkins
- Mrs Catherine Jane Wells

WM

- Mr Duncan Bayliss
- Mr Stanley Wells

VOTED

to adopt the following plans for the triennium:

EVANGELISM

- Promote the use of various doctrinal evangelistic series, for both evangelism and nurture.
- Have another major Welsh language initiative during the triennium.
- Promote the online FreeBible evangelistic initiative.
- Establish an ADC Bible School in Wales.
- Develop the Afterglow café programmes in Swansea, analyse the results and work on a process of introducing contacts to the church.
- Continue to promote the CHIP health programme and work on a follow-up sequence.

TRAINING AND DEVELOPMENT

- Promote a positive attitude towards diversity within the church, emphasising the potential that we have to witness and grow within people groups.
- Promote house fellowship meetings, small groups, and youth meetings.
- Organise training events for lay preachers, elders and leaders.

CHURCH PLANTING AND GROWTH

- Build a new multi-purpose centre for the Swansea Church.
- Develop a strategy to stabilise the current situation in Carmarthen and Lampeter.
- Expand the group in Wrexham into a Company.
- Establish Cardiff North as a regular Church.
- Establish Newtown as a Company.

MEDIA MINISTRY

- Continue to develop and promote the AdventistWales website, linking in where possible to the local web initiatives that are taking place across the Mission.
- Continue to promote the Hope Channel, focusing on its web availability.

NOTES

1. The above list is not exhaustive but has been condensed and summarised from the ideas that have come in, so as to facilitate easier discussion at the Mission Session.
2. The new Welsh Mission Executive Committee will consider many more plans for the future, including any that come out of the Session discussions.
3. Departmental Sponsors will develop their own plans for the triennium, incorporating as many of the Mission's wider plans as possible.
4. Once adopted, plans will need to be expanded and developed to include specific goals and action plans.

ADDITIONAL PLANS – submitted by email:

- Evangelism in the Ammanford area – 12,000 population. A number of Adventists are now living in the area and may be able to support such a project.
- Promote the facility to return tithe and give offerings via the Welsh Mission website.
- Run a major evangelistic campaign in Wales during 2011. Possibly model it on a campaign run by NEC evangelist Adam Ramdin.
- Run a Health Expo in Wales during 2011.
- Invite more local members, or those with special interests, to attend executive committees so that they can put their requests direct to the committee.

**PLANS FOR
TRIENNIUM
(CONTINUED)
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ADDITIONAL PROPOSALS TO CONSIDER – FROM THE FLOOR

1. Chaplaincy – renewed support for students.
2. Small group training.
3. Programmes to facilitate the introduction of Christianity.
4. The appointment of a Personal Ministries sponsor.
5. Work for the blind and others in association with the Adventist Special Needs Association.
6. Training for street pastors.
7. Support for smaller churches.

**PLANS FOR
TRIENNIUM
(CONTINUED)
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VOTED

to record the following statement of gratitude:

- To God for His blessings to the members and friends of the Welsh Mission.
- For faithfulness of members and friends of the Welsh Mission.
- For the support of the wider Seventh-day Adventist Church, particularly the Secretariat team at the BUC office.
- For the Ministers, Sponsors, members of the Executive Committee, and Administrators of the Welsh Mission, together with their families, for the service they have given during the last triennium.
- For the willing participation of all delegates to this convocation.
- For the Cardiff Seventh-day Adventist Church community, the use of their church and their provision of hospitality during our meeting.

**STATEMENT OF
GRATITUDE
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Hymn: 'Marvellous Grace'

Prayer: Pastor David Foster

Homily: 'Grace under Attack' – Pastor John Surridge

Hymn: 'Amazing Grace'

Closing Prayer: Pastor Don McFarlane

CLOSING DEVOTION

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J C Surridge, Chair

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V Pilmoor, Secretary

List of Delegates

1. Jovan Adamović (Welsh Mission)
2. Daniel Afrifa (Telford Church)
3. Alice Allen (Carmarthen Church)
4. Mercy Appoh (Telford Church)
5. George Asiamah (Welsh Mission)
6. Diana Bakuwa (Cardiff North Company)
7. Tim Barber Cardiff (Central Church)
8. Elva Bryan (Telford Church)
9. Pauline Burt (Ystrad Mynach Church)
10. Valerie Byrd (Swansea Church)
11. Erica Cameron (Ystrad Mynach Church)
12. Chinkere Chigbo (Newport Church)
13. Silverline Chigbo (Newport Church)
14. Joan Clarke-Lowers (Telford Church)
15. Lilith Davies (Rhyl Church)
16. Dexter De Guzman (Port Talbot Church)
17. Hilda Eastman-Evelyn (Cardiff Central Church)
18. Reginald Evelyn (Cardiff Central Church)
19. Gerrard Fordham (Lampeter)
20. David Foster (Welsh Mission)
21. Sandra Foster (Rhyl Church)
22. Ruth Frederick (Cardiff Central Church)
23. Valerie Freeman (Welsh Mission)
24. Pedro Garcia (Cardiff Central Church)
25. John George (Cardiff North Company)
26. Theophilus Gokah (Cardiff North Company)
27. Lorna Green (Newport Church)
28. Alice Gregory (Port Talbot Church)
29. Saphira Hacuma (Swansea Church)
30. Joel Haran (Cardiff Central Church)
31. Leonie Haran (Cardiff Central Church)
32. Claudette Harris (Telford Church)
33. Rosemary Hodgkinson (Shrewsbury Church)
34. Timothy Hope (Newport Church)
35. Victor Hulbert (British Union Conference)
36. Monickam Jacob (Cardiff Central Church)
37. Vashti Jarvis (Cardiff Central Church)
38. Jacqueline Jones (Swansea Church)
39. Christopher Kidwell (Swansea Church)
40. Eric Lowe (British Union Conference)
41. Solomon Mangeni (Swansea Church)
42. Ruth Manyela (Newport Church)
43. David Marshall (Carmarthen Church)
44. Ian Matthews (Cardiff Central Church)
45. Victor Mbvundula (Welsh Mission Executive)
46. Donald McFarlane (British Union Conference)
47. Glynn Meredith (Carmarthen Church)
48. Jon Meredith (Carmarthen Church)
49. Uschi Mertens (Carmarthen Church)
50. Andrew Mitchell (Rhyl Church)
51. Kathleen Mitchell (Rhyl Church)
52. Samkeliso Mlambo (Swansea Church)
53. Clyde Moore (Welsh Mission Executive)
54. Huedel Morgan-Isaac (Welsh Mission Executive)
55. Methuselah Mwangalika (Cardiff North Company)
56. Ndabezinhle Ndebele (Newport Church)
57. Marilyn Neal (Welsh Mission)
58. Roger Neal (Welsh Mission)
59. Jonathan Nyengani (Newport Church)
60. Eifion Paul (Swansea Church)
61. Brian Phillips (Welsh Mission)
62. Victor Pilmoor (British Union Conference)
63. Dusanka Rancić (Newport Church)
64. David Rancić (Welsh Mission)
65. Jack Rayne (Lampeter Company)
66. Danielle Rees (Swansea Church)
67. Dwayne Roberts (Newport Church)
68. Irving Saunders (Welsh Mission)
69. Lil Saunders (Welsh Mission)
70. Dotlyn Scott-Mitchell (Cardiff Central Church)
71. Paul Shaw (Welsh Mission)
72. Christopher Sheppard (Newport Church)
73. Sara Sheppard (Newport Church)
74. John Surridge (Welsh Mission)
75. Michael Taylor (Welsh Mission)
76. Jeremy Tremeer (Welsh Mission)
77. Malcolm Turner (Welsh Mission Executive)
78. Geraldine Turner (Rhyl Church)
79. Martin Walters (Ystrad Mynach Church)
80. Bryan Watkins (Ystrad Mynach Church)
81. Jane Wells (Welsh Mission)
82. Stanley Wells (Welsh Mission Church)
83. Rodney Williams (Cardiff Central Church)