

WELSH MISSION

TRIENNIAL SESSION MINUTES

Cardiff Seventh-day Adventist Church  
28 October 2007 at 10 am

J C Surridge  
'Praise My Soul the King of Heaven' – J McKenzie  
Philippians 2:1-12 – M Logan  
J Tremeer  
'Be An Encouraging Witness' – A D Hodges  
'Christ for the World We Sing' – C R Moore  
A D Hodges

WELCOME  
HYMN  
SCRIPTURE READING  
PRAYER  
MORNING WORSHIP  
HYMN  
PRAYER

Business Session 1

60 of 69 delegates were registered by the opening of business and thus the meeting was declared open. A quorum of 35 was required.

QUORUM

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| 1. Mr Andrew Agnew           | Regular Delegate WM Church             |
| 2. Mrs Alice Allen           | Regular Delegate Carmarthen            |
| 3. Mr Tim Barber             | Regular Delegate Cardiff               |
| 4. Mrs Elizabeth Beguin      | Regular Delegate Swansea               |
| 5. Mrs Vereen Brooks         | Regular Delegate Telford               |
| 6. Mrs Elva Bryan            | Regular Delegate Telford               |
| 7. Mrs Lydia Campbell        | Regular Delegate Port Talbot           |
| 8. Mr Chinkere Chigbo        | Regular Delegate Newport               |
| 9. Mrs Silverline Chigbo     | Regular Delegate Newport               |
| 10. Miss Ann-Marie Colledge  | Regular Delegate Carmarthen            |
| 11. Pastor Geoff Dennis      | Delegate at Large WM Ordained Minister |
| 12. Mrs Nancy Dennis         | Regular Delegate WM Church             |
| 13. Mr Fred Dust             | Regular Delegate Carmarthen            |
| 14. Mrs Valerie Dust         | Regular Delegate Carmarthen            |
| 15. Mrs Hilda Eastman-Evelyn | Regular Delegate Cardiff               |
| 16. Mr Reg Evelyn            | Regular Delegate Cardiff               |
| 17. Mr Gerrard Fordham       | Regular Delegate Carmarthen            |
| 18. Mr Davis Gachuba         | Regular Delegate Newport               |
| 19. Mr Pedro Garcia          | Regular Delegate Cardiff               |
| 20. Mrs Dorothy Gregory      | Regular Delegate Barry                 |
| 21. Mr Even Green            | Regular Delegate Newport               |
| 22. Mrs Saphira Hacuma       | Regular Delegate Swansea               |
| 23. Mrs Audrey Haran         | Regular Delegate Cardiff               |
| 24. Mrs Leonie Haran         | Regular Delegate Cardiff               |
| 25. Mr Michael Haran         | Regular Delegate Cardiff               |
| 26. Pastor Victor Hulbert    | Delegate at Large BUC Executive        |
| 27. Mrs Glenys James         | Regular Delegate Ystrad Mynach         |
| 28. Mrs Jacqueline Jones     | Regular Delegate Swansea               |
| 29. Mr Jonathan Kidwell      | Regular Delegate Swansea               |
| 30. Mrs Lily Kidwell         | Regular Delegate Swansea               |
| 31. Pastor Michael Logan     | Delegate at Large WM Ordained Minister |

DELEGATES  
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| 32. Mrs Vera Machell           | Regular Delegate Newport               |
| 33. Mr David Marshall          | Regular Delegate Carmarthen            |
| 34. Mr Ian Matthews            | Delegate at Large WM Executive         |
| 35. Mr Alvern McCrow           | Regular Delegate WM Church             |
| 36. Pastor Don McFarlane       | Delegate at Large BUC Executive        |
| 37. Mr Glynne Meredith         | Regular Delegate Carmarthen            |
| 38. Mrs Violet Meredith        | Regular Delegate Carmarthen            |
| 39. Mrs Anette Moore           | Delegate at Large WM Sponsor           |
| 40. Pastor Clyde Moore         | Delegate at Large WM Ordained Minister |
| 41. Mrs Heudel Morgan-Isaac    | Regular Delegate Cardiff               |
| 42. Pastor Roger Neal          | Regular Delegate WM Church             |
| 43. Pastor Brian Phillips      | Regular Delegate WM Church             |
| 44. Mr Victor Pilmoor          | Delegate at Large BUC Executive        |
| 45. Pastor Ed Sammons          | Delegate at Large WM Executive         |
| 46. Mr Mike Sammons            | Regular Delegate Newport               |
| 47. Mrs Wendy Sammons          | Delegate at Large WM Sponsor           |
| 48. Mr Irving Saunders         | Delegate at Large WM Sponsor           |
| 49. Mrs Lil Saunders           | Delegate at Large WM Sponsor           |
| 50. Mrs Dotlyn Scott-Mitchell  | Regular Delegate Cardiff               |
| 51. Pastor John Surridge       | Delegate at Large WM Executive         |
| 52. Mr Clifford Tomos          | Regular Delegate Ystrad Mynach         |
| 53. Mrs Geraldine Turner       | Regular Delegate Rhyl                  |
| 54. Mr Malcolm Turner          | Regular Delegate Rhyl                  |
| 55. Mrs C Jane Wells           | Delegate at Large WM Sponsor           |
| 56. Mr Stanley Wells           | Regular Delegate WM Church             |
| 57. Mr Brian Watkins           | Regular Delegate Ystrad Mynach         |
| 58. Mrs Jean Watkins           | Regular Delegate Ystrad Mynach         |
| 59. Mr Bruce Williams          | Regular Delegate Rhyl                  |
| 60. Mr Rodney (Reuel) Williams | Regular Delegate Cardiff               |

DELEGATES  
(CONTINUED)

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VOTED

to seat additional delegates under the 15% rule:

1. Pastor Alan Hodges (replacing Pastor Eric Lowe)
2. Pastor George Asiamah
3. Mrs Lorna Green
4. Mr Jan McKenzie
5. Pastor Michael Taylor
6. Mr Jeremy Tremeer

ADDITIONAL  
DELEGATES

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VOTED

- (a) to waive the reading of the minutes of the Session held 9 May 2004;
- (b) to accept the minutes as accurate as presented.

MINUTES OF 2004  
SESSION

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VOTED

to approve the agenda for the session schedule as presented.

AGENDA

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VOTED

to approve the following names to constitute the Recommendations committee:

|                           |                |
|---------------------------|----------------|
| D W McFarlane (chair)     |                |
| Reg Evelyn                | Cardiff        |
| Pixie Haran (Mrs L)       | Cardiff        |
| Stan Wells                | Newport        |
| Wendy Sammons (secretary) | Newport        |
| Elva Bryan                | Telford        |
| Glynne Meredith           | Carmarthen     |
| Roger Neal                | Mission Church |
| Brian Phillips            | Mission Church |
| Jacqueline Jones          | Swansea        |
| Lydia Campbell            | Port Talbot    |
| Dorothy Gregory           | Barry          |
| Malcolm Turner            | Rhyl           |
| Jane Wells                | Ystrad Mynach  |

RECOMMENDATIONS  
COMMITTEE

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VOTED

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

PRESIDENT'S REPORT

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VOTED

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

SECRETARY-  
TREASURER'S REPORT

7

VOTED

to approve the report from the Recommendations committee:

RECOMMENDATIONS  
COMMITTEE REPORT

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Nominating Committee:

|                       |                      |
|-----------------------|----------------------|
| D W McFarlane (chair) |                      |
| Bryan Watkins         | Ystrad Mynach        |
| Jonathan Kidwell      | Swansea              |
| Heudel Morgan-Isaac   | Cardiff              |
| Michael Sammons       | Newport              |
| Nancy Dennis          | Mission Church       |
| Geraldine Turner      | Rhyl                 |
| Valerie Dust          | Carmarthen           |
| Chinkere Chigbo       | Newport              |
| Clyde Moore           | Telford & Shrewsbury |

VOTED

to approve the Licences and Credentials committee as listed:

|                    |                |
|--------------------|----------------|
| A D Hodges (chair) |                |
| Geoff Dennis       | Rhyl           |
| Lil Saunders       | Swansea        |
| Violet Meredith    | Carmarthen     |
| Tim Barber         | Cardiff        |
| Brian Phillips     | Mission Church |

LICENCES &  
CREDENTIALS  
COMMITTEE

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VOTED

to accept the Family & Children's Ministries report as published and presented by Anette Moore.

FAMILY & CHILDREN'S  
MINISTRIES REPORT

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VOTED  
to accept the Stewardship and Trust Services report as published and presented by Wendy Sammons.

STEWARDSHIP &  
TRUST SERVICES  
REPORT  
11

VOTED  
to accept the Women's Ministries report as published and presented by Jane Wells.

WOMEN'S MINISTRIES  
REPORT  
12

VOTED  
to adjourn for lunch 1.00 pm.

LUNCH  
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## Business Session 2

Meeting opened with prayer at 2.00 pm.

VOTED  
to accept the Health Ministries report as published and presented by Irving and Lil Saunders.

HEALTH MINISTRIES  
REPORT  
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VOTED  
to accept the Youth Ministries report as published and presented by Ed Sammons.

YOUTH MINISTRIES  
REPORT  
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VOTED  
to record the inclusion of reports from ADRA-UK and the Adventist Discovery Centre.

BUC AGENCY REPORTS  
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VOTED  
to approve the following sponsors:

NOMINATING  
COMMITTEE REPORT –  
MISSION SPONSORS  
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|                       |                       |
|-----------------------|-----------------------|
| Children's Ministries | Anette Moore          |
| Communication         | John SurrIDGE         |
| Family Ministries     | Clyde & Anette Moore  |
| Health Ministries     | Irving & Lil Saunders |
| Stewardship           | Wendy Sammons         |
| Trust Services        | Brian Phillips        |
| Women's Ministries    | Jane Wells            |
| Youth Ministries      | Ed Sammons            |

VOTED  
to approve the Executive Committee for the years 2008-2010:

NOMINATING  
COMMITTEE REPORT –  
EXECUTIVE  
COMMITTEE 2008-2010  
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John SurrIDGE (chair)  
Victor Pilmoor (secretary)  
Clyde Moore  
Michael Logan  
Elda Alvarez  
Malcolm Turner  
Valerie Dust  
Paul Shaw  
Davis Gachuba

WM SESSION  
28 October 2007

VOTED

to approve the following Licences & Credentials:

Ordained Minister Credentials:

Pastor Geoff Dennis  
Pastor Michael Logan  
Pastor Ed Sammons  
Pastor Clyde Moore  
Pastor George Asiamah

Licensed Minister Credentials:

Mr Jeremy Tremmer  
Mr Jan McKenzie

Lay Preacher Credentials:

|                       |                               |
|-----------------------|-------------------------------|
| Mrs Barbara Anger     | Mission Church                |
| Mr Tim Barber         | Cardiff Church                |
| Mr Duncan Bayliss     | Mission Church                |
| Mr Peter Bayliss      | Shrewsbury                    |
| Mrs Erica Cameron     | Ystrad Mynach                 |
| Mr John Down          | Shrewsbury                    |
| Mrs Veronica Down     | Shrewsbury                    |
| Mr Fred Dust          | Carmarthen                    |
| Mrs Ruth Frederick    | Cardiff                       |
| Mr Theophilus Gokah   | Cardiff                       |
| Mrs Dorothy Gregory   | Barry                         |
| Mrs Ina Douglas-James | Carmarthen                    |
| Miss Sheila Johnston  | WM/Llandudno Junction Company |
| Mr Harald Mason       | Carmarthen                    |
| Mrs Peggy Mason       | Ystrad Mynach                 |
| Mr Alvern McCrow      | Mission Church                |
| Mr Jon Meredith       | Carmarthen                    |
| Mr David Parker       | Shrewsbury                    |
| Mrs Joyce Phillips    | Ystrad Mynach                 |
| Mr Leslie Riskowitz   | Rhyl                          |
| Mrs Wendy Sammons     | Rhyl                          |
| Mrs Lil Saunders      | Swansea                       |
| Dr Marrick Schoonraad | Newport                       |
| Mr Cliff Tomos        | Ystrad Mynach                 |
| Mr Malcolm Turner     | Rhyl                          |
| Mrs Jean Watkins      | Ystrad Mynach                 |
| Mr Stanley Wells      | Missions Church               |
| Mrs C Jane Wells      | Ystrad Mynach                 |
| Mr Irving Saunders    | Swansea                       |

(Dr B P Phillips, Pastor R Neal, Pastor R L Vine, Mr G Meredith, Mr R Kelly, Mr B Watkins receive Emeritus credentials from the British Union Conference).

VOTED

to record and adopt the constitutional amendments as presented and approved by the British Union Conference.

LICENCES &  
CREDENTIALS REPORT  
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CONSTITUTION  
AMENDMENTS  
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1. New Additional Clause under Article 3.

Proposed new 3 (xiii)

- (xiii) to provide security for the liabilities of Seventh-day Adventist Association Limited incurred at the request and for the benefit of this Mission. Any such security shall be signed by at least two members of the Executive Committee as authorised by resolution.

With alteration to the numbering of subsequent sub-sections of Article 3

2. New Additional Clause under Article 14.

Proposed new 14 (b)

- (b) The power in (a) shall include the acquisition of property (of whatsoever nature) for the use, benefit or purposes of this Mission and the power to manage, dispose of or otherwise deal with that property (subject always to the specific trusts effecting the same). Insofar as any such property is vested in the legal corporation of this Mission or any other company, corporation or person to give directions to that body or person as to the management and disposal of such property as this Mission shall deem expedient in harmony with Article 19.

Subsequent clauses to be relabelled.

3. New Additional Statement under 'Treasurer' in Article 12.

Proposed additional statement under 'Treasurer'

Bank accounts approved by the Executive Committee shall be operated by the treasurer and/or such other individuals as may be authorised by the Executive Committee.

4. New Additional Clause in Article 18.

New additional Clause 18 (a)

The funds of this Mission, including all donations, grants, rents, contributions and bequests shall be paid into such accounts in the name of the Welsh Mission of Seventh-day Adventists at such bank or banks as the Executive Committee shall from time to time approve, and shall be withdrawn only by persons authorised by resolution of the Executive Committee.

Subsequent clauses to be re labelled accordingly.

5. New Additional Article 19.

Article 19 – ACQUISITION AND DISPOSAL OF PROPERTY

The legal corporation, Seventh-day Adventist Association Ltd, formed and controlled by the British Union Conference shall be the regular trustee for this Mission to acquire, hold, manage, dispose of or deal with real and personal property for and on behalf of or for the use, benefit, or purposes of this Mission, but subject to any specific trusts relating to such property and generally to conform with such directions, if any, as are from time to time given to it by or on behalf of the British Union Conference.

Subsequent Articles to be renumbered.

## VOTED

to approve the Plans proposals as presented.

## PLANS

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### Evangelism

- Develop a systematic card distribution and follow-up strategy.
- Expand LIFEdevelopment-type evangelism from the base in Newport, emphasising café-style meetings and programmes that will appeal to the community.
- Develop the CHIP health programme, aiming to have each district running at least one campaign based on the programme during the triennium.

### 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 'squash' meetings.
- Organise training events for lay preachers, elders and leaders.

### Church Planting and Growth

- Establish a company in Lampeter.
- Establish a company in Wrexham.
- Develop the SWAFF group into a regular church.

### Media Ministry

- Continue to develop and promote the AdventistWales website.
- Assess the available range of Adventist videos and DVDs for their suitability in training and door-to-door witness and use where possible.
- Continue to promote the Hope Channel.

### Notes:

1. The above list is not exhaustive but has been condensed and summarised from the many ideas that we have received in order 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.

VOTED  
a statement of gratitude

- To God for His blessings to the members and friends of the Welsh Mission.
- For the faithfulness of members and friends of the Welsh Mission.
- For the support of the wider Seventh-day Adventist Church.
- For the Ministers, Sponsors, and 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  
33

VOTED  
to adjourn.

ADJOURNMENT  
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Building a lighthouse in a rugged place, block by block.

CONCLUDING  
WORSHIP

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J C Surridge, Chair

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V Pilmoor, Secretary