

1/1 The Conference in its Presbyteral Session assembled in Westminster Central Hall, London, at 14.00, The Revd Dr Mark H Wakelin, the President of the Conference, in the Chair.

1/2 **HOLY COMMUNION**

The Conference shared in a service of Holy Communion, during which the Vice-President, Mr Michael P King, preached.

1/3 The Conference adjourned at 15.11.

1/4 The Conference reassembled at 16.00.

1/5 **MEMBERSHIP OF THE CONFERENCE**

The Conference adopted the membership of this Session of the Conference, being those presbyters who are listed in the Agenda (pp 586-593) as members of the Representative Session, with any substitutions duly made, together with the officers of this session appointed by the last Conference, associate members, and those presbyters listed in the Agenda (p 594) who have received the permission of their Synods or, where appropriate, the President to attend this Session by their own arrangement, with the following corrections:

The Chair of each Home District

For The Revd David Hinchliffe *reading* The Revd Dr David Hinchliffe

East Anglia District

The Revd Elizabeth Trinder *vice* The Revd Sharon Willimott

Newcastle District

For The Revd Carla S Hall *reading* The Revd Carla S Quenet

Plymouth & Exeter

The Revd Robert Gee *vice* The Revd Stephen R Mares

Associate Members

(b) Overseas

For Mr Øyvind Helliesen *reading* The Revd Øyvind Helliesen

For The Revd José Manuel *reading* The Revd José Manuel Cerqueira

Deleting Prelate His Eminence Sunday Olatunji Makinde

For The Revd Lic. Javier Rojas *reading* The Revd Lic. Javier Rojas Terán

The Revd Gordon Wong *vice* The Revd Ranganathan Prabhu

PRESBYTERS ATTENDING THE CONFERENCE AT THEIR OWN EXPENSE

Adding The Revd Marian J Jones

1/6 The Conference adopted as Resolution P1/1:

The Presbyteral Session invites the Vice-President, Mr Michael P King, to attend the Presbyteral Session, apart from any closed sessions, with the right to speak but without a vote.

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LETTERS

The Conference directed that letters of greeting be sent to presbyters with more than 70 years of service:

The Revd Albert J Ball (1941)
The Revd G Thackray Eddy (1936)
The Revd John Garfoot (1942)
The Revd Dr Kenneth G Greet (1943)
The Revd Edward H Griffiths (1942)
The Revd Eric Jones (1942)
The Revd Ronald Kettell (1943)
The Revd Horace C Marshall (1943)
The Revd Arthur P Middlehurst (1942)
The Revd James Mills (1943)
The Revd R Keith Parsons (1938)
The Revd George W Sails (1941)
The Revd Dr William Strawson (1942)
The Revd Arthur S Valle (1940)

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HOURS OF SESSION

The Conference agreed that these should be 14.00-15.30 and 16.00-18.15 on Thursday, 4 July; 09.30-11.00, 11.30-12.45, 14.00-14.30, 15.00-16.30 and 17.00-18.30 on Friday, 5 July.

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APPOINTMENT OF SCRUTINEERS

The Conference appointed the Committee of Scrutineers as follows:

The Revd Dr Andrew M Fox	The Revd Angela J Long
The Revd Eleanor G Jackson	The Revd Barry D Lotz
The Revd Susan Levitt	

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APPOINTMENT OF ATTESTORS

The Revds Sylvester O Deigh and Carolyn Seaton were appointed to attest the 'written portion' of the Daily Record of the Presbyteral Session.

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50. THE REPORT OF THE PRESBYTERAL SESSION BUSINESS COMMITTEE

The Conference adopted Resolution 50/1.

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43. CONFERENCE ARRANGEMENTS

The Conference adopted Resolutions 43/3, 43/4 and 43/5.

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PASTORAL ADDRESS

The President of the Conference, The Revd Dr Mark H Wakelin, addressed the Conference and led the Conference in discussion.

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48. SUPREME COURT CASE

The Assistant Secretary of the Conference led the Conference in a discussion of this matter.

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The Conference shared in worship, and adjourned at 17.44.

- 2/1 The Conference assembled at 09.30, and shared in worship.
- 2/2 **OBITUARIES**
- 2/2/1 The Conference adopted the Obituaries as printed and circulated to the Conference,
for Derek Hinchcliffe reading Derek Hinchcliffe in the heading of his Obituary,
for 'Compastela' reading 'Compostela' in the penultimate line of the Obituary of Philip John Wren,
and the Obituaries below,
directing that if, after checks have been carried out in the Conference library, it is necessary to correct inaccuracies in these Obituaries, the Secretary of the Conference be authorised to make such corrections before the Obituaries are published in the Minutes of the Conference.
- 2/2/2 **James Anthony Broadbridge:** Born in Leytonstone on 18 December 1941. From primary school, where Jim first met Jennifer Garnier, he gained a scholarship to Bancroft's School, Woodford. Boredom with training as a Company Secretary led Jim to train as a primary school teacher. After completing his training, Jim married Jenny on 17 July 1965 they had two daughters Joanne and Ruth. A further move, so that Jim could take up a Deputy Headteacher post, led the family to join the Methodist Church at Chrishall. Jim trained as a Local Preacher and at the age of 33 was appointed Head Teacher of a new Methodist/CofE School in Burnley. It proved to be a challenging appointment, but one to which Jim felt God had called him. God continued to call, but now to ordained ministry. With Jenny's unflinching support he entered training at Wesley College, Bristol. He expected to serve as an itinerant circuit minister, however Jim's participation in an Army chaplaincy course changed his anticipated direction. Commissioned as an Army Chaplain in August 1981, an operational tour to South Armagh with The Duke of Wellington's Regiment was the making of Jim. During 16 years of regular service Jim served in Catterick, Cyprus, West Germany, Dover, Colchester, Tidworth and finally Bielefeld (Germany). In 1997 Jim was appointed a Retired Officer chaplain, continuing at Bielefeld and then moving to the Defence Intelligence and Security Centre at Chicksands, Bedfordshire, from until 2007. His skills as a teacher, coupled with his sense of humour, his ability to accept differences and his love of sport made Jim a very effective chaplain. By living out the Army Core Values of courage, discipline, integrity, loyalty, selfless commitment and respect for others, Jim obeyed the call of God with sincerity and faith. Many have cause to be grateful for the careful way he exercised his ministry, not least through his struggle with lymphoma over recent years. Jim died on 18 April 2013, in the seventy-second year of his age and the thirty-sixth year of his ministry.
- 2/2/3 **Ronald Cheffings:** Born in Louth, Lincolnshire on 27 December 1922. Ronald attended King Edward VI Grammar School [*as corrected by 5/21/1*] in Louth. After a pre-collegiate year in the Spilsby Circuit he trained for ministry in Richmond College. He married Dorothie in 1951, the year in which they went to serve in the Ivory Coast District and then the Dahomey & Benin District. Ronald served in the Eglise

Protestante as Pasteur in the Divo circuit in Côte D'Ivoire and then as Pasteur in the Dabou circuit in Côte D'Ivoire. His final work overseas was as Principal of the Porto Novo Seminary in Benin. After returning to this country he served in the following circuits: Bridlington, Easingwold, later to become York (North) and Hull (West). Ronald Cheffings was a humble farmer's son who followed the Lord's calling to West Africa when it was still known as "The White Man's Grave". He regenerated and created an active church community in rural Yorkshire. Brought two churches together to build anew in Easingwold, and re-energized a suburban church in Hessle before retiring. Ronald was a lover of tea and chocolate, a wonderful storyteller, keen photographer, all held together with a ceaseless sense of humour. He was a committed Francophile to the very end. His funeral was held in Southampton in April 2013, with a later Thanksgiving Service in Lincolnshire. Ronald is survived by two brothers Ralph and Bryan, and his children John and Elizabeth. *Well done, thou good and faithful servant.* He is now re-united with his wife and life partner Dorothea Joan. He died on 28 March 2013, in the ninety-first year of his age and the sixty-fifth year of his ministry.

2/2/4 **Kenneth Alan Wade:** Born in Boroughbridge on 21 October 1914. At the age of 14 Ken left school in Boroughbridge to help support his family, becoming a decorator's apprentice. Ken married Mary on 27 December 1937. They had two daughters, Margaret and Kathleen. A Methodist from birth, Ken became a local preacher just before enlisting with the Yorkshire and Lancashire Regiment at the beginning of World War Two. When Ken was demobbed he was accepted to serve as a Home Missions Lay Pastor, serving first in the Aberdare Circuit in South Wales. During his time in Westerhope, Newcastle on Tyne, the Lay Pastor scheme ended and Ken was allowed to do further training to enable him to be ordained. For this reason Westerhope was always special to Ken, and he returned for the celebration of their church centenary in 2001. Ordained at Darlington Street Methodist Church, Wolverhampton during the 1953 Methodist Conference, he served in the following circuits: Holmfirth, Sunderland (North), Jarrow, Durham and Danby. Ken felt privileged to help organise the Big Meeting at Durham, celebrating Methodism's role in the Trade Union movement. He served as an active supernumerary at Hatfield, Hertfordshire before retiring to Bedford in 1978. A faithful member of the congregation, Ken walked to worship at Priory Methodist Church until well into his nineties. He joined in Bible studies and preached while his health allowed. Ken is survived by his daughters and by Mary, who was a devoted wife and support throughout his ministry. He died on 29 May 2013, in the ninety-ninth year of his age and the sixty-first year of his ministry.

2/2/5 **Alan Warrell:** Born in Streatham on 3 July 1930. He attended Tiffin Boys School after he had been evacuated and bombed out of several houses during the war. He went to Leicester University where he read Geography, followed by a Teaching Diploma. Alan offered for the ordained ministry in 1954 and went to Wesley House, Cambridge. As a probationer, Alan spent some months at the London School of Oriental Languages learning Efik. In 1957 he went to Eastern Nigeria to work in Oyubia covering an area that included 60 churches, returning home in 1958 and marrying Stephanie on New Year's Day 1959, they had 3 children. They returned to Nigeria for two more tours in circuit and at Oron Boys' School returning home in 1963. He served in the following circuits: Derby (South), Wolverhampton (Trinity), Tunbridge Wells (Kent College, Chaplain), Hastings, Bexhill and Rye, Dover and Deal, and as Chairman of the Shetland District. While in Dover he was heavily involved in ministry to those caught up in the Zebrugge ferry disaster and the Deal bombing spending many hours with those critically injured and the bereaved and was also Chaplain to the Youth Custody Centre, a role he found both humbling and rewarding. His first New Year in Shetland saw a hurricane which severely damaged one of the Churches but with prayer and perseverance he saw the restoration of the

church completed. He was a keen advocate of *Methodist Evangelicals Together* and believed firmly in the power of prayer. He was a wise counsellor and a gentle man. In retirement he enjoyed being near his family and especially the company of grandchildren and great-grandsons. His presence was greatly valued in retirement in the Park Road Church where he had been years before whose ministry and mission he still supported. With his hobbies of photography, gardening and philately, life remained full. He always said that God would never leave him or forsake him. He died after a short illness on 3 June 2013, in the eighty-third year of his age and the fifty-eighth of his ministry.

2/3 The Conference received a presentation by Messrs Stuart Bell and Billy Kennedy, Senior Leaders of the New Life Church in Lincoln and the New Community Church in Southampton respectively, on the theme ***The Working of the Holy Spirit***. The Revd Michaela A Youngson responded and the Conference engaged in discussion.

2/4 The Conference adjourned at 11.00.

2/5 The Conference reassembled at 11.30 in closed session.

2/6 **52. PRESBYTERAL CANDIDATES AND PROBATIONERS OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE**

2. Candidates for Presbyteral Ministry

2/6/1 The Conference concurred with the recommendations of the Candidates Appeals Committee.

2/6/2 The Conference recommended, with the required majority, acceptance by the Representative Session of the following candidates, to proceed unconditionally into pre-ordination training:

Moses Kweku Agyam	Miriam Sarah Moul
Robert Balfour	Farai Muchuchuti
Grace Cauldwell	Stephanie Njeru
Ping Ting Chen	Sarah Jane Parkin
Timothy Mark Cooke	Angela Potheary
Philip Cotton	Jill Pullan
Helen Croft	Mary Sachikonya
Robert John Drost	Christopher Lindon Alusine Sandy
Ann Fox	Helen Shallow
Susan Guenault	Kim Shorley
Gina Anne Hoff	Johanna Catherine Smart
Alberta Konadu-Yiadom	Penelope Jane Thorne
Karen Le Mouton	Benjamin Twumasi
Ruth Lownsborough	Lorna Elizabeth Valentine
Charity Dambudzo Madenyika	Ruth Wilson
Howard Craig Manley	Kan Wing-Chit Yu
Nicola Martyn-Beck	

2/6/3 The Conference adopted Resolution 52/2.

2/7 **1. Special Reports**

2/7/1 The Conference received a report that the following candidates, received at previous Conferences and given permission to delay entry into training, were ready to enter training in 2013:

Philip John Griffin
Stephen Michael Hawkes
John Charles Schofield
Alexandra Claire Dunstan

2/7/2 The Conference gave permission for the following recommended candidates to defer entry into training:

Ping Ting Chen
Philip Cotton
Mary Sachikonye

2/7/3 The Conference agreed the following changes in expected date of Reception into Full Connexion:

To an earlier date:

Leonard Jerome Pereira 2013 (from 2014)

To a later date:

Justin Anwar 2016 (from 2015)
Anna Mhairi Bishop 2014 (from 2013)
Peter Jonathan Brazier 2015 (from 2014)
Naomi Cooke 2016 (from 2015)
William Edward Fletcher 2016 (from 2015)
Greg Obong-Oshotse 2016 (from 2015)
Linda Patricia Pearce 2014 (from 2013)
David John Leslie Willis 2016 (from 2015)

2/7/4 The Conference received a report in relation to a probationer, Leslie Dinning, whose expected date of Reception into Full Connexion is uncertain.

2/7/5 The Conference agreed that an accepted candidate who has not yet commenced training, Estwar Sanichar, be allowed to delay for one further year before commencing training.

2/7/6 The Conference adopted Resolution 52/1,

p 547,
in 1.1, *adding* Alexandra Claire Dunstan,
in 1.5(a), *deleting* 'Stella Freda Mills 2013 (from 2014)',

p 548, para 1.9 Reinstatements, *for* '(a) Student ministers' *reading* '(a) Student presbyters'.

2/8 **3. Preachers Recommended For Continuance On Trial**

The Conference adopted Resolution 52/4.

2/9 **4. Preachers On Trial Presented To The Conference For Reception Into Full Connexion**

2/9/1 The Conference accepted the recommendation of the Presbyteral Candidates and Probationers Committee that the following are fit to be admitted into Full Connexion with the Conference as presbyters:

Ann Miller Anderson
Beverley Dawn Boden

Raymond Borg
Kathryn Anne Cook

Lynda Coulthard
 Gillian Margaret Daniel
 Edson Dube
 Elizabeth Anne Dunning
 Jacqueline Patricia Evans
 Janette Fraser
 Matthew Lewis Fugill
 Jane Elizabeth Gaffney
 Michael John Grimsley
 Jonathan Hayes
 Julie Herbert
 Stephen Pierre Ingrouille
 Vincent Munyaradzi Jambawo
 Ruth Hazel Jeffries
 Debra Jane Keegan
 Elizabeth Anne Kirova
 Helen Ruth Letley
 Colin Marchment

Stella Freda Mills
 Elizabeth Owusu Osei
 Rosamunde Ellen Kitty Page
 Jennifer Rani Pathmarajah
 Alan James Patron Bell
 Helen Ruth Penfold
 Leonard Jerome Pereira
 Paul Rees
 Valerie Jane Reid
 John Scrivens
 Andrew James Stobart
 Steven John Swann
 Alexandra Jean Terrett
 Amy Louise Walters
 Andrew Michael Durham Wigley
 Rachel Louise Williams
 Nicola Wooller

2/9/2 The Conference, by a Standing Vote, adopted Resolution 52/5.

2/10 **51. TRANSFER COMMITTEE**

3. Recommendations for Reinstatements to Full Connexion

2/10/1 The Conference concurred with reports from two Reinstatement Committees and recommended to the Representative Session that Arnold Clough and Robert G Morton be reinstated to Full Connexion.

2/10/2 The Conference did not concur with the report of a third Reinstatement Committee and declined to recommend to the Representative Session that David J Rice be reinstated to Full Connexion at this time.

2/11 **56. PERMISSIONS TO SERVE**

The Conference adopted Resolution 56/1,

p 561, for '**1. MINISTERS OFFERING AS**' reading '**1. PRESBYTERS OFFERING AS**',

p 562, in **5. PERMISSION TO RESIDE ABROAD** adding 'Manivasagan N Pillay (South Africa)'

2/12 **RESIGNATIONS**

2/12/1 The Conference accepted a report that the President had accepted *[as corrected by 5/21/1]* the resignation of the following presbyters in Full Connexion, according them the status indicated:

Pauline Basterfield	no status	
Andrew P Byng	no status	
Charlotte Common	no status	to pursue ministry in another tradition
Nicholas Cutts	member	
K Rhian Davies	no status	to be ordained in the Church in Wales
Peter G Green	no status	to be received in the Roman Catholic Church
Elizabeth M B Greene	no status	to be received in the Society of Friends
Christine E Keyte	no status	to train for ordination in the Church of England

Paul E Lucas	member	
Alison Morley	no status	to seek ordination in the Church of England
David A Prime	no status	to be ordained in the Church in Wales
Peter A Shepherd	no status	

2/13 **51. TRANSFER COMMITTEE (continued)**

1. Recommendations of the Presbyteral Candidates Selection Committee acting as Transfer Committee (under S.O.730)

2/13/1 The Conference concurred with the recommendation of an Appeals Committee.

2/13/2 The Conference accepted, with the required majority, the recommendation of the Presbyteral Candidates Selection Committee that the following be received into Full Connexion by transfer in 2013:

The Revd Susan Dorothy May Howe (United Methodist Church)
The Revd Oluyemisi Jaiyesimi (Methodist Church Nigeria)
The Revd David John Muskett (Church of England)

2/13/3 The Conference accepted the recommendation of the Presbyteral Candidates Selection Committee that the following be recognised and regarded as presbyters in Full Connexion with the Conference under Standing Order 732(2) and (3):

The Revd Kofi Patrick Amissah (Methodist Church in Ghana)
The Revd Lynita Conradie (Methodist Church Southern Africa)
The Revd Deji Okegbile (Methodist Church Nigeria)
The Revd Cindy Wesley (United Methodist Church)

2/13/4 The Conference adopted Resolution 51/1,

p 545, Applicants not recommended for transfer, *replacing* 'No case' with The Revd Duncan B Ibuuri (Methodist Church Kenya),

p546, **3. RECOMMENDATIONS FOR REINSTATEMENT TO FULL CONNEXION**, *deleting* David J Rice,

and for 'Former ministers and deacons of Churches applying to be received into Full Connexion (under Standing Order 731)' *reading* 'Former presbyters and deacons of Churches applying to be received into Full Connexion (under Standing Order 731)'

p 546, *for* '**2. RECOMMENDATIONS FOR REINSTATEMENTS TO FULL CONNEXION**' *reading* '**3. RECOMMENDATIONS FOR REINSTATEMENTS TO FULL CONNEXION**'.

2/13/5 The Conference, by a Standing Vote, adopted Resolution 51/2,

for 'ministers' *reading* 'presbyters' in the wording of the Resolution.

2/14 The Conference received a report about the procedure of candidates' appeals by the Convenor of the Candidates Appeals Committees.

2/15 The Conference adjourned at 12.52.

2/16 The Conference reassembled in open session at 14.04.

MEMORIAL SERVICE

A solemn Memorial Service was held during which the Secretary of the Conference read the names of those presbyters who had died during the year, as follows:

1. In Great Britain

Geoffrey Jackson Ainger	William Murphy
Reginald Trevor Hill Beardsall	John Myer
John Beech***	Walter Roy Pape
Bernard William Blanchard	William John Palmer
Mona Blyth	William Fredrick Podmore**
Duncan Michael Brereton*	Nicholas Rimmer
James Anthony Broadbridge	William Robertson
Douglas Vernon Brown	Charles Edward Roos*
Ronald Cheffings	Robert William Salmon
Ivy Su-Teng Chou	Denys John Saunders
Frederick Stuart Clarke	Graham Curtis Sellars*
John Charles Creber	Eric John Douglas Smith
Sidney John Dain	Laurance Raymond Stedeford
Neville Davis	Thomas George Antony Sutcliffe
David George Driver**	William Gordon Keith Taylor
Emrys Wyn Evans**	Robert Teasdale
Veronica Mary Suzanne Faulks	Rupert Gerald Marjoribanks
Donald John Forway	Tedcastle
Kenneth Hawkins	Winifred Betty Tompkins
Derek Hinchliffe	Michael Jonathan Townsend
Edward Hobbs	Malcolm Frederick Trew
Bernard Harold Howell	Irvin James Vincent
Peter Herbert Hutchings	Kenneth Alan Wade
John Emerson Kennedy	Norman William Wakeling
Peter Avon Kerridge	John Wall
Peter Kindleysides**	Peter Geoffrey Want
Jack Leach	William Robert Ward**
Harry Lister	Alan Warrell
Frances Elizabeth Mackey	Clifford William Warren
Mary Marjorie Maltby	John Malcolm Waterhouse
Eric McKenzie	Ian Russell Wilson
Robert Thomas McKinley*	Kenneth Wilson**
Paul Arthur Mears	Philip John Wren
Isaac Ramsay Moore	

2. In Ireland

John Turner	Thomas Woods
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* Presbyters who had died before the previous Conference but whose Obituaries were presented to this Conference.

** Presbyters whose Obituaries will be presented to the next Conference.

*** Presbyters who had died before the previous Conference whose deaths were not reported then.

2/18 The Conference adjourned at 14.35.

2/19 The Conference reassembled at 15.07.

2/20 **20. SUPPORTING MINISTERS WITH ILL-HEALTH**

The Conference engaged in a discussion about this matter.

- 2/21 **16. PERSONNEL FILES FOR MINISTERS**
The Conference heard a presentation about this matter.
- 2/22 **PRESBYTERAL SESSION BUSINESS COMMITTEE**
The Conference elected The Revd Susan Levitt to serve on the Presbyteral Session Business Committee for the Conferences of 2014-2016.
- 2/23 The Conference adjourned at 16.06.
- 2/24 The Conference reassembled at 17.00.
- 2/25 **32. JOINT IMPLEMENTATION COMMISSION**
The Conference received a presentation and engaged in discussion related to this business.
- 2/26 **53. PRESBYTERS BECOMING SUPERNUMERARY OR RETURNING TO THE ACTIVE WORK**
- 2/26/1 The Conference adopted Resolution 53/1,
 p 554,
 in **1. Recommended to return to the active work** *adding* 'Carl Howarth',
 in **2. Permission to become supernumerary granted during the year**
 adding '* Alan Thorpe (20)',
 p 555,
 in **3. Presbyters requesting permission to become supernumerary,**
 for 'J Graham Wassell (11)' *reading* 'J Graham Wassell (21)'.
- 2/26/2 The Conference adopted Resolution 53/2, noting the amendment under **3.** above.
- 2/27 The Conference adopted Resolution P1/2:
 The Presbyteral Session invites the Vice-President of the Conference of 2014 to attend the Presbyteral Session of the 2014 Conference, apart from any closed sessions, with the right to speak but without a vote.
- 2/28 **ANNUAL INQUIRY**
The Chairs of the Districts gave to the Conference the assurances as to the character and discipline of the presbyters and presbyteral probationers required by Standing Order 154.
- 2/29 **THANKS TO THE PRESIDENT**
The Revd Lionel E Osborn expressed the thanks of the Conference to the President of the Conference.
- 2/30 The Conference shared in worship.
- 2/31 The Conference resolved by a Standing Vote to adjourn to 10.30 on Saturday 6 July for the Representative Session.
- 2/32 The Conference adjourned at 18.34.

3/1 The Conference in its Representative Session assembled in the Westminster Central Hall, London, at 10.30, The Revd Dr Mark H Wakelin, the President of the Conference, in the Chair.

3/2 **PRAYERS**

The President of the Methodist Church in Ireland, the Revd Dr Heather M E Morris, led opening prayers.

3/3 **WELCOME TO THE CONFERENCE**

The Secretary welcomed the Conference.

3/4 **MEMBERSHIP OF THE CONFERENCE**

The Conference adopted the membership of this session of the Conference as set out in the Agenda (pp 586-593), as amended by Daily Record 1/5 and the following substitutions and corrections:

Warden of the Methodist Diaconal Order

Deacon Karen McBride *vice* Deacon Susan W Culver

Representatives of Connexional and Other Bodies (SO 102)

For Mrs Peggy Mulambya-Kabonde *reading* The Revd Peggy Mulambya-Kabonde
Ms Clara Leong *vice* Mr Samuel Akpalu

Wales Synod

For Mr Hugo Potieger *reading* Mr Hugo Potgieter

Associate Members

(b) Overseas

Pastor Eduardo Rodriguez Iglesia Metodista de Nicaragua (The Methodist Church in Nicaragua) *vice* Mr Silvio Félix Cevallos Parra Iglesia Evangelica Metodista Unida del Ecuador (Evangelical Methodist Church of Ecuador)

3/5 **APPOINTMENT OF SCRUTINEERS**

The Conference appointed the Scrutineers as follows:

Mr Peter Ackerley
Mr John Cooper
Ms Gillian Dascombe
Miss Jane V Dansie
The Revd Dr Andrew M Fox
Ms Annie Guy
Ms Anne Hollows
The Revd Eleanor G Jackson

Mr Tadeusz Kawecki-Billam
The Revd Susan Levitt
The Revd Angela J Long
The Revd Barry D Lotz
Ms Roberta Lunt
Mr Peter Marriott
Mr John Seward
Ms Adrienne Simpson

3/6 **GREETINGS**

The Conference directed that letters of greetings be sent to The Revd Dr John A Newton, The Revd Nigel L Gilson, Mr Brian Thornton and The Revd William R Morrey.

- 3/7 **THE LOYAL ADDRESS**
The Conference directed that a letter of greeting be sent to Her Majesty the Queen.
- 3/8 **PRESIDENT AND VICE-PRESIDENT OF THE CONFERENCE**
- 3/8/1 The Revd Ruth M Gee, having been nominated according to rule at the preceding Conference, was duly elected by a Standing Vote as President of the Conference (Resolution 1/1).
- 3/8/2 Dr Daleep Satyanand Mukarji, having been nominated according to rule at the preceding Conference, was duly elected by a Standing Vote as Vice-President of the Conference (Resolution 1/2).
- 3/8/3 The Induction of the President and the Vice-President took place.
- 3/9 **ECUMENICAL AND WORLD CHURCH REPRESENTATIVES AND GUESTS**
- 3/9/1 The Conference welcomed the ecumenical representatives and ecumenical guests: The Very Revd John Hall, Dean of Westminster; The Most Revd Peter Smith, Roman Catholic Archbishop of Southwark; The Rt Revd John Sherrington, Roman Catholic Auxiliary Bishop of the Diocese of Westminster, representing the Archbishop; His Eminence Archbishop Gregorios, Greek Orthodox Archbishop of Thyateira and Great Britain; The Most Revd Father Olu Abiola, Council of African and Afro-Caribbean Churches; The Revd Canon Moira Astin, Church of England; The Revd David Tatem, United Reformed Church; The Revd Canon Robin Paisley, Scottish Episcopal Church.
- 3/9/2 The Conference welcomed representatives from the United Church of Zambia, the Methodist Church of Ghana, the Presbyterian Church Cameroon, the Evangelical Church in Bolivia, the Methodist Church of Mexico, the Methodist Church in Nicaragua, the Methodist Church of Chile, the Methodist Church in the Caribbean and the Americas, the Church of North India, the Church of Bangladesh, the Methodist Church in Singapore, the United Church in Papua New Guinea, the Methodist Church Upper Myanmar, the United Methodist Church, the UMC Central Conference of Northern Europe; the UMC Central Conference of Central and Southern Europe; the UMC German Central Conference, the Methodist Church in Italy, the Evangelical Methodist Church in Portugal, and the Methodist Church in Ireland.
- 3/9/3 The Revd Peggy Mulambya-Kabonde of the United Church of Zambia and the Dean of Westminster, The Very Revd John Hall, responded on behalf of the representatives and guests.
- 3/10 **PRESIDENT'S ADDRESS**
The President of the Conference delivered her inaugural address.
- 3/11 The Conference adjourned at 12.25.
- 3/12 The Conference reassembled at 14.15
- 3/13 **THE VICE-PRESIDENT'S ADDRESS**
The Vice-President of the Conference delivered his inaugural address.
- 3/14 The Conference adjourned at 14.53
- 3/15 The Conference reassembled at 15.07

- 3/16 **2. FIRST REPORT OF THE CONFERENCE BUSINESS COMMITTEE**
- 3/16/1 The Conference adopted Resolution 2/1 in the following form:
- The Conference adopts the Report of the Business Committee.
- 3/16/2 The Conference adopted Resolution 2/2.
- 3/17 **23. CONFERENCE DIACONAL COMMITTEE**
- 3/17/1 The Conference adopted Resolution 23/1,
- p 283,
1 Deacons who have died
For Marjorie Elizabeth Bates reading Marjorie Elizabeth Bate
- 2 Candidates**
For Jackie Wright reading Jacqueline Linda Wright
- 4 Training and Probation**
For Lianne Justine Elizabeth Kensett reading Liane Justine Elizabeth Kensett
[as corrected by 7/38/2]
For Susie Gidini Barony Viana reading Suzie Godinho Barony Viana
p 284,
For Guy Austin Bride reading Guy Austin-Bride
- 5 Ordinands**
For Ruth Marion Lakenby reading Ruth Marion Lackenby
For Sian Marie Street reading Siân Marie Street
- 3/17/2 The Conference adopted Resolution 23/2, noting the corrections in **4** above.
- 3/18 **24. CONNEXIONAL CENTRAL SERVICES BUDGET**
- The Conference engaged in discussion on this business.
- 3/19 **3. GENERAL SECRETARY'S REPORT**
- The Conference adopted Resolution 3/1
- 3/20 The Conference adjourned at 16.41
- 3/21 The Conference reassembled at 17.13
- 3/22 **4. METHODIST CHILDREN AND YOUTH ASSEMBLY REPORT**
- The Conference adopted Resolutions 4/1, 4/2, 4/3, 4/4 and 4/5.
- 3/23 **LETTERS**
- Letters of greeting and concern were sent in the name of the Conference to The Revd Albert J Ball and to the Bishop of Coventry, The Rt Revd Christopher Cocksworth.
- 3/24 The Conference adjourned at 18.29

- 4/1 The Conference assembled at 11.00.
- 4/2 The Conference shared in worship, during which the President preached, and the following business was transacted.
- 4/3 **RECEPTION INTO FULL CONNEXION AS PRESBYTERS**
The following persons were presented for admission into Full Connexion, the Presbyteral Session having judged that they were fit for such admission and, if appropriate, for ordination:
- 4/3/1 The preachers on trial:
- | | |
|----------------------------|------------------------------|
| Ann Miller Anderson | Helen Ruth Letley |
| Beverley Dawn Boden | Colin Marchment |
| Raymond Borg | Stella Freda Mills |
| Kathryn Anne Cook | Elizabeth Owusu Osei |
| Lynda Coulthard | Rosamunde Ellen Kitty Page |
| Gillian Margaret Daniel | Jennifer Rani Pathmarajah |
| Edson Dube | Alan James Patron Bell |
| Elizabeth Anne Dunning | Helen Ruth Penfold |
| Jacqueline Patricia Evans | Leonard Jerome Pereira |
| Janette Fraser | Paul Rees |
| Matthew Lewis Fugill | Valerie Jane Reid |
| Jane Elizabeth Gaffney | John Scrivens |
| Michael John Grimsley | Andrew James Stobart |
| Jonathan Hayes | Steven John Swann |
| Julie Herbert | Alexandra Jean Terrett |
| Stephen Pierre Ingrouille | Amy Louise Walters |
| Vincent Munyaradzi Jambawo | Andrew Michael Durham Wigley |
| Ruth Hazel Jeffries | Rachel Louise Williams |
| Debra Jane Keegan | Nicola Wooller |
| Elizabeth Anne Kirova | |
- 4/3/2 Three people to be received by transfer:
- Susan Dorothy May Howe
Oluyemisi Jaiyesimi
David John Muskett
- 4/3/3 Two people to be reinstated:
- Arnold Clough
Robert Graham Morton (not present)
- 4/3/4 The Conference resolved by a Standing Vote that those persons whose names had been read to the Conference and are printed in the Agenda and Daily Record be now received into Full Connexion with the Conference as presbyters, and that those not already ordained, be ordained by prayer and the laying on of hands on the afternoon of this day, the seventh of July, at:

Central Hall Westminster
Hanwell Methodist Church
Hinde Street Methodist Church
St Margaret's Westminster
Surbiton Hill Methodist Church
Trinity Church, Sutton
Walworth Methodist Church
Wesley's Chapel

(Resolution 52/6)

4/4 **RECEPTION INTO FULL CONNEXION AS DEACONS**

4/4/1 The following persons were presented for admission into Full Connexion and as full members of the Methodist Diaconal Order, the Conference Diaconal Committee having judged that they were fit for such admission and, if appropriate, for ordination:

Georgina Mary Brooks
David Keegan
Ruth Marion Lackenby
Deborah Marsh
Alison Margaret McCauley
Siân Marie Street
Terry Street
Samantha Mary Taylor
Helen Mary Webster

4/4/2 Two people to be reinstated to the Methodist Diaconal Order and received into Full Connexion:

Iley Hearle (not present)
Constance M Lawson (not present)

4/4/3 The Conference resolved by a Standing Vote that those persons whose names had been read to the Conference and are printed in the Agenda and Daily Record be now received into Full Connexion with the Conference as deacons and into full membership of the Methodist Diaconal Order, and that those not already ordained, be ordained by prayer and the laying on of hands on the afternoon of this day, the seventh day of July at Southwark Cathedral.

(Resolution 23/3)

4/5 The Conference adjourned at 12.48.

5/1 The Conference assembled at 9.30, and was led in worship by some of those ordained the previous day.

5/2 **HOURS OF SESSION**

The Conference agreed that these should be 09.30-11.00; 11.30-13.00; 14.15-16.30; and 17.00-19.00 on Monday, 8 July to Wednesday, 10 July and 09.30-11.00; 11.30-13.00 on Thursday, 11 July.

5/3 **APPOINTMENT OF ATTESTORS**

5/3/1 Mr John Robinson and Mrs Helen Woodall were appointed to attest the Daily Record and related documents.

5/3/2 The Revd Richard J Byass and Mr R Arfon Williams were appointed to attest the Journal and related documents.

5/4 **LETTERS**

5/4/1 The Conference directed that letters of thanks be sent to those responsible for the Conference and Ordination Services and those who took part in them.

5/4/2 Letters of greeting were sent in the name of the Conference to the following presbyters on the occasion of the 50th anniversary of their ordinations:

The Revd Richard T Baggott
The Revd Peter T Barker
The Revd Alan R Bidnell
The Revd David Blatherwick
The Revd John R Bolton
The Revd J David Bridge
The Revd W Paul Brook
The Revd Keith Bulcock
The Revd Malcolm Carter
The Revd Laurence H Churms
The Revd David N Clark
The Revd F Alan Cliff
The Revd Ian G Cramb
The Revd Elgin P Crewe
The Revd Peter R Dainty
The Revd Malcolm Daley
The Revd William J Davies
The Revd David E R Deacon
The Revd Raymond Goadby
The Revd Douglas Graham
The Revd David J Harding
The Revd Graham T Haslam
The Revd Ivor M Haywood
The Revd David M Johnson
The Revd Derek Kendrick

The Revd Jurat Peter G Lane
[as corrected by 6/19]
The Revd John F Macadam
The Revd David J Moody
The Revd Raymond H Norgate
The Revd Colin E Richards
The Revd Alec M Roberts
The Revd Donald G Rogers
The Revd Donald H Ryan
The Revd A E David Salmon
The Revd Brian N Shackleton
The Revd W J Brian Skinner
The Revd Colin V Smith
The Revd Alan Taplin *[added after
Conference]*
The Revd Ronald Taylor
The Revd Brian N Tebbutt
The Revd A Juan Thompson
The Revd Anthony G Trevithick
The Revd Raymond H Trezise
The Revd David A Watkins
The Revd G Michael Wearing
The Revd Gordon E Webster
The Revd Donald M Wilkes
The Revd Joseph A Wilson
The Revd Maurice H Wright

5/4/3 Letters of greeting were sent in the name of the Conference to the following presbyters on the occasion of the 60th anniversary of their ordinations:

The Revd John H Atkinson
The Revd James B Bates
The Revd George S Beck
The Revd Graham M Caink
The Revd Thomas F Cawthera
The Revd Herbert W Clark
The Revd Ernest A Clarke
The Revd John G Dawson
The Revd Joseph W Dickinson
The Revd Harry W Gillespie
The Revd Thomas Hall
The Revd Geoffrey B L Hawkridge
The Revd Raymond J Hodgkinson
The Revd Geoffrey C Huggett

The Revd Dr Harry Johnson
The Revd George W S Knowles
The Revd Keith F Lyon
The Revd David M Mason
The Revd Cledwyn Parry
The Revd W Henry Pittam
The Revd Ronald D Priestley
The Revd John H Roberts
The Revd Howard L Skinner
The Revd Denys O Terry
The Revd G Herbert Turner
The Revd Victor E Vine
The Revd George H Yates

5/5 **44. METHODIST COUNCIL REPORT**

5/5/1 The Conference adopted Resolution 44/1,

p 503, in line 4, *for '610' reading '510'* and in line 15, *for '510' reading '610'*.

5/5/2 The Conference adopted Resolution 44/3.

5/5/3 The Conference adopted Resolution 44/4,

p 509, SO 250(3), *for 'The Assembly shall be' reading 'The Assembly shall **be**'*,

p 510, SO 250(13), *for 'regulate their own procedures' reading 'regulate ~~their~~ **its** own procedures'*.

5/5/4 The Conference adopted Resolutions 44/5 and 44/6.

5/5/5 The Conference adopted 44/7,

for 'restatement' reading 'reinstatement' in the wording of the Resolution.

5/5/6 The Conference adopted Resolutions 44/8 and 44/9.

5/5/7 The Conference, with the required majority, adopted Resolution 44/10.

5/5/8 The Conference adopted Resolutions 44/11 and 44/12.

5/5/9 The Conference adopted Resolution 44/13,

for 'Standing Order 754 (5) and (6)' reading 'Standing Order 754' in the wording of the Resolution.

5/6 The Conference adjourned at 10.49 for the Annual General Meeting of the Methodist Missionary Society.

5/7 The Conference reassembled at 11.40.

- 5/8 **Notice of Motion 202 – Embedding the Legacy of the Belonging Together Project**
 In light of 1) the General Secretary’s report to the Conference and with reference to embedding an ethos of inclusion as a lasting legacy; 2) the Church’s recognition of racism being a denial of the Gospel (SO 013B); 3) the need for greater emphasis to be put on the realisation of a racially inclusive Church; and 4) the benefit of the ‘Belonging Together’ project which ends in August 2013, the Conference acknowledges the work which has been undertaken over a number of years, and therefore directs the Methodist Council to consider, in consultation with the appropriate bodies, the findings and recommendations of the ‘Belonging Together’ project and to report to the Conference of 2014 on how any recommendations may be implemented.
- The Conference adopted the Motion.
- 5/9 **26. UNIFIED STATEMENT OF CONNEXIONAL FINANCES**
 The Conference adopted Resolution 26/1.
- 5/10 **48. SUPREME COURT CASE**
 The Conference adopted Resolution 48/1.
- 5/11 **32. JOINT IMPLEMENTATION COMMISSION**
 The Conference adopted Resolution 32/1.
- 5/12 The Conference adjourned at 13.15.
- 5/13 The Conference reassembled at 14.15.
- 5/14 The Conference was led in Bible Study by The Revd Dr Deenabandhu Manchala of the World Council of Churches.
- 5/15 **9. WESTMINSTER COLLEGE OXFORD TRUST LIMITED**
 The Conference adopted Resolution 9/1.
- 5/16 **36. WESTMINSTER COLLEGE OXFORD TRUST LIMITED: ESTATE DEVELOPMENT**
- 5/16/1 The Conference adopted Resolution 36/1.
- 5/16/2 **Supplementary Report**
1. Since submitting the report on pp 406-420 of the Agenda, the directors of Westminster College Oxford Trust Ltd have continued to explore all the issues involved, and negotiations between the professional valuers acting for the trust company and for Oxford Brookes University (OBU) have moved forward constructively.
 2. This work has confirmed the directors in the view that the grant of a 99 year lease (or, possibly, the extension of the existing lease on varied terms for a further 99 years, if they were advised that that would be legally preferable) offers the greatest benefit in fulfilling the purposes of the trust, by building upon the current positive relationships whilst offering much greater clarity and flexibility for the future.
 3. Throughout this process the directors continue to be mindful that ultimately any such transaction would have to comply with the relevant requirements of the

Charities Act 2011, including the requirement to show that, in the context of fulfilling the trust purposes, the financial outcome is the best that is reasonably obtainable. What follows must be read against that background.

4. Negotiations are continuing and it is not possible to offer figures at this stage. It is, however, possible to set out the main features of what is proposed.

5. From a date to be agreed, the trust company would grant to OBU a new lease (or an extension of the existing lease). The significant provisions of this lease or extension would be these:

- The lease or extension would be for 99 years
- OBU would retain their existing full repairing and insuring obligations
- The permitted use would be use in accordance with the educational purposes currently specified by the Declaration of Trust
- A commercially negotiated rent (rather than the current subvention for certain activities) would be payable subject to agreed mechanisms for periodic review
- There would be no break clauses
- The lease would be within the security of tenure provisions of the Landlord and Tenant Act 1954 Part II, enabling the tenant to obtain a renewal at the end of the lease, subject to the landlord's rights to refuse a renewal on specified statutory grounds (which include circumstances where the landlord wishes to occupy the premises or intends to redevelop).

6. It is anticipated that the rent payable would initially be at a level which would enable the trust company to enter into a separate agreement with OBU for the trust to fund a large proportion of the activities currently associated with the subvention made by OBU (as outlined in the earlier report). This agreement would be renegotiable from time to time, to enable greater flexibility in what is funded by the trust – which might be either at OBU or elsewhere, as the trust purposes are not restricted geographically (see paragraph 8 of the report on p407 of the Agenda).

7. The grant of the new lease (or extension) on the proposed terms is expected to have the effect that the values both of the trust company's freehold interest subject to the new lease and of OBU's new leasehold interest will be greater than the value of their respective current interests. This 'marriage value' would be shared and, as the increase to OBU is expected to be the greater, a cash sum would be paid to the trust company.

8. The material benefits to the trust company, in fulfilling the purposes of the Methodist Church as expressed in the Declaration of Trust in this way, would therefore be that:

- a) the trust company would receive an annual income in the form of rent which would offer legal certainty, and flexibility in how it might be spent;
- b) there would be a one-off cash payment by OBU, to be invested for the purposes of the trust;

c) the freehold interest would be retained by the trust company and because the property would now be producing an income yield (through the annual rent) this reversionary interest would be a much more commercially saleable asset if the trust company, with the consent of the Conference, were to decide at a later date to sell. This renders the loss of the break clauses much less significant.

9. The resolution proposed below would enable negotiations to move forward on the basis that the Conference has given its consent in principle to the grant of the lease, but subject always to the final approval of the Methodist Council in due course to the details including the financial arrangements.

5/16/3 The Conference adopted as Resolution 36/2:

Pursuant to clause 3 of the Declaration of Trust referred to in paragraph 7 of the Westminster College Oxford Trust Company report (Agenda p407), the Conference:

a) consents to the grant of a new lease to Oxford Brookes University of the premises currently leased to the University, or alternatively to the extension of the existing lease, as the directors of the trust company may be advised is preferable, such lease or extension to be on the basis of the terms set out in the above report and, subject thereto, to be in such a form and for such financial consideration as is approved by the Methodist Council; and

b) directs the trust company to report to the 2014 Conference upon progress in this matter.

5/17 **20. SUPPORTING MINISTERS WITH ILL-HEALTH**

5/17/1 The Conference adopted Resolution 20/1,

p 194, para 8.2 line 24, *for* '2013/13' *reading* '2012/13',

p 197, **Appendix 1** – Guidelines on holidays, para 6:

for 'For the health and wellbeing of churches and ministers, ministers and circuit stewards should seek to operate within the framework of the European Working Time Regulations and encourage' *reading* 'The relationship between the ministers and the Methodist Church is not legally governed by the European Working Time Regulations but for the health and wellbeing of churches and ministers, ministers and circuit stewards should seek to apply the principles underlying those regulations and encourage',

In **A good practice guide**, p 211, line 3, *for* 'the relevant courts, officers, Deacons and Ministers' *reading* 'the relevant courts, officers and ministers'.

[see 6/19 for text to be inserted here]

5/17/2 The Conference adopted Resolution 20/2, *noting* the amendments to **A good practice guide** above. *[as corrected by 6/19]*

5/17/3 The Conference adopted Resolution 20/3.

- 5/17/4 The Conference adopted Resolution 20/4,
for '30/2' reading '20/2' in the wording of the Resolution.
- 5/17/5 The Conference adopted Resolutions 20/5 and 20/6.
- 5/18 The Conference adjourned at 16.41.
- 5/19 The Conference reassembled at 17.05.
- 5/20 **44. METHODIST COUNCIL REPORT (continued)**
- 5/20/1 The Conference adopted Resolution 44/2 in the following form:
 The Conference directs the Methodist Council to:
 a) Appoint a working group with the terms of reference as set out in paragraph 2 of this report.
 b) Ensure that the membership of the working group contains a sufficient breadth of theological opinion, age, race, gender and experience so as to reflect the life of the whole connexion.
 c) Ensure that the working party makes an initial report to the 2014 Conference.
- 5/20/2 **Memorials M35 and 36 – Same Sex Marriage**
Memorial M37 – Same Sex Partnership and Marriage
 The Conference received Memorials M35, M36 and M37 and adopted as its replies those recommended by the Memorials Committee, both Memorials and replies appearing on pp 38-40 of the Supplement to the Agenda entitled 'Memorials to the Conference' (hereinafter 'Agenda Supplement').
- 5/21 **DAILY RECORD**
- 5/21/1 The Daily Record of the Presbyteral Session was presented, taken as read, and adopted as printed,
 at 2/2/3, in the 2nd line of the Obituary of Ronald Cheffings, 'King Edward VI Grammar School' *reading* 'King Edward VI Grammar School',
 at 2/12/1, *for* 'the President had received' *reading* 'the President had accepted'.
- 5/21/2 The Written Portion of the Daily Record of the Presbyteral Session was presented in headings only and adopted.
- 5/21/3 The Daily Record for Saturday, 6 July and Sunday, 7 July was presented, taken as read, and adopted as printed.
- 5/22 **49. REVIEW OF THE MEMBERSHIP OF THE CONFERENCE**
- 5/22/1 The Conference adopted Resolutions 49/1 and 49/2.
- 5/22/2 The Conference declined Resolution 49/3.

5/23 **21. LAW AND POLITY COMMITTEE**

5/23/1 The Conference adopted Resolutions 21/1, 21/2 and 21/3.

5/23/2 The Conference, by the required majority, adopted Resolution 21/4. *[for direction as to consultation, see 8/34]*

5/23/3 The Conference adopted Resolutions 21/5, 21/6 and 21/7.

5/23/4 The Conference adopted Resolution 21/8,

p 251, SO 124(9), adding '**The Constitutional Practice and Discipline of the Methodist Church**' at the end of the first sentence.

5/23/5 The Conference adopted Resolution 21/9.

5/23/6 The Conference adopted Resolution 21/10 in the following form:

The Conference amends SO 013 as set out below:

013 (4) Any two persons, being ministers or members, may request the responsible officer in writing to exercise his or her powers under clause (3) above and, if dissatisfied with the response, may refer the matter to the Pastoral Committee.

(4A) On a reference under clause (4) above the Pastoral Committee shall determine its own procedure, shall consider whether the office-holder should be informed of the hearing, and may impose any suspension within the scope of clause (3) above. If it does so clause (3A) above shall apply to the Committee as it does to a responsible officer in like case.

(5) The office-holder may appeal to the Pastoral Committee against any suspension by the responsible officer under clause (3) ~~or (4)~~ above ***and against any suspension imposed by a Pastoral Committee under clause (4A) above.***

~~(6) On a reference under clause (4) above,~~ an appeal under clause (5) above or an application by anyone other than the office-holder to the Pastoral Committee under clauses 8(ii) and (9) below the committee shall ensure that the office-holder is informed of, and has an adequate opportunity to deal with, the reasons why suspension is requested, has been imposed or is sought to be varied or extended, and the facts relied upon in support of those reasons, and subject to that shall determine its own procedure. It may discharge, vary or extend any suspension already imposed and may itself impose any suspension within the scope of clause (3) above. If it imposes or extends a suspension clause (3A) above shall apply to the committee as it does to a responsible officer in like case.

(7)(a) Where an office is held by virtue of an election or appointment (including the stations) for a finite period not exceeding one year, the maximum term of any suspension imposed under this Standing Order, including any extension, shall be until the expiration of the period of office arising from the latest election or appointment made before, at or not more than three months after the beginning of the suspension.

(b) Where sub-clause (a) above does not apply the maximum term shall be one year.

(8) **Save as provided in clause (5) above** there shall be no appeal from a decision of the Pastoral Committee under this Standing Order, but without prejudice to:

(i) fresh recourse to the procedures of this Standing Order on the basis of facts not previously existing or not previously known;

(ii) the right to apply for the discharge, variation or extension of any subsisting suspension on the ground of change of material circumstances.

(9) Any application under clause (8) (ii) above shall be made to the responsible officer unless another reference, appeal or application to the Pastoral Committee under clause (4) or (5) above or this clause is already pending or has been dealt with, in which case it shall be made to the Pastoral Committee. Application may be by the office-holder or by any two persons, being ministers or members, or (if to the Pastoral Committee) by the responsible officer. The office-holder or the applicants may appeal to the Pastoral Committee against any decision of the responsible officer on such an application.

(10) The Pastoral Committee may be differently constituted on different references, applications or appeals, **and there shall be no common members of a Committee who imposed a suspension under clause (4A) above and any Committee considering an appeal against that suspension.**

5/23/7 The Conference adopted Resolutions 21/11 and 21/12.

5/23/8 **NEW SECTION J - AMENDMENTS TO STANDING ORDERS 150 AND 210**

Further to the Law and Polity Committee report found at p 241-255 of the Agenda there are two further Standing Order amendments that the Committee proposes to the Conference.

The amendments to SO 210(1)(vi) are minor and consequential in light of changes made to SO 213(1) which sets out the membership of the Strategy and Resources Committee.

The proposed amendment to SO 150(2)(ii) reflects the fact that this Standing Order has previously been amended to require two rather than three presbyters to be appointed to serve for three years and therefore one retiring each year is no longer possible.

210 The Methodist Council

(1)(vi) the chair and two of the members of the Strategy and Resources Committee appointed under Standing Order 213(1)(i)~~A~~, nominated by the committee;

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(2) (ii) two other presbyters appointed by the Conference in its Presbyteral Session to serve for three years, ~~one retiring each year~~ **sequentially**, with power for the Methodist Council to fill casual vacancies;

The Law and Polity Committee proposes that SO 210(1)(ix) is amended to remove reference to the Committee for Racial Justice given the recommendation in the report of the Methodist Council that SO 336 be suspended for a further year. The proposed amendment seeks to ensure that whether or not there is a Committee for Racial Justice, the concerns of racial justice are represented on the membership of the Council.

210 The Methodist Council

(1)(ix) two representatives, not being members of the Connexional Team, ~~nominated by the Committee for Racial Justice~~ **representing the concerns of racial justice.**

The Conference adopted as Resolution 21/13:

The Conference amends SO 210(1)(vi), 150(2)(ii) and SO 210(1)(ix) as set out in the report.

5/24 **37. FAITH AND ORDER COMMITTEE**

5/24/1 The Conference adopted Resolutions 37/1, 37/2 and 37/3.

5/24/2 **Notice of Motion 205 – Cohabitation**

The Conference notes the significant work the Faith and Order Committee carry out throughout the year on behalf of the Methodist Connexion.

The 2012 Faith and Order Report to the Conference noted that the resource (produced in consultation with young people) on exploring cohabitation was delayed but assured the Conference that the Committee was “now pressing ahead and conversations are ongoing with the various members of the Connexional Team as to the most appropriate ways to disseminate the resource when it is ready.” (Para 2.3 of Faith and Order Report, 2012)

The Conference notes that the Faith and Order Report 2013 does not contain any update on this resource or any information about why it has not yet been made more widely available.

The Conference notes the ongoing interest in the subject as shown in the Report on the Methodist Children and Youth Assembly (Para 27 on p.52 of the Agenda).

The Conference therefore directs the Faith and Order Committee, in conjunction with the Methodist Council, to ensure that the above resource is made more widely available through the Connexion before the 2014 Conference, in a manner which enables different age groups throughout the Methodist Church to engage with the issue of cohabitation.

The Conference adopted the Motion.

5/25 **11. SPECIAL RESOLUTIONS**

The Conference, with the required majority, adopted Resolutions 11/1, 11/2 and 11/3.

5/26 **LETTERS**

5/26/1 Letters of greeting and concern were sent in the name of the Conference to Mr Rob Lolley and The Revd Stephen R Mares.

- 5/26/2 Letters of thanks we were sent to those who ran the Presbyteral Ordinands' Retreat: The Revds Michael J Lewis, Kathryn Stephens, D Paul Wood, and The Revd Dr Jennifer H Smith.
- 5/27 The Conference shared in worship and adjourned at 18.57.

6/1 The Conference assembled at 9.30, and shared in worship.

6/2 **24 CONNEXIONAL CENTRAL SERVICES BUDGET 2013/2016**

6/2/1 **FIRST REPORT OF THE CONFERENCE FINANCIAL COMMITTEE (CFC)**

1 The Committee has met as required under SO 136A. It is charged with drawing the attention of the Conference to matters of business that have a financial impact. It has identified the following:-

Resolutions 45/1, 45/2, 45/3 Scotland District Resolution.

The Committee notifies the Conference that the approximate unbudgeted cost of funding the post of Connexional Liaison Officer for Scotland for an additional year would be £70k. If met from the Methodist Church Fund (MCF) this would increase the proposed budgeted deficit in 2013/14 from £169k to £239k. The Scotland District proposed a similar motion during the budget debate at the April meeting of the Methodist Council. The motion was not passed.

2 NOM 105 proposing the modification of resolution 24/4 by potentially removing the additional 1% management charge on the World Mission Fund (WM) from the proposed budget.

If this Notice of Motion is adopted and resolution 24/4(a) defeated this would have the impact of reducing the income to the MCF by £30k per annum. The budget paper in paragraph 20 reminds the Conference that this additional charge reflects the Church's desire to continue to develop and deepen relationships with partners worldwide. Removing this additional 1% would either increase the size of the proposed budgeted deficit in 2013/14 from £169k to £199k or would require commensurate savings to be made, particularly as it would be a recurring reduction in income over the three years of the budget.

3 Notice of Motion 210: Inter-faith policy.

It is not for the Committee to comment on the matter of Inter-faith policy and strategy mentioned in Notice of Motion 210, however, part b) requests that the Conference allocates £70k to fund the work of Touchstone, Bradford. The Committee therefore makes the following observations:-

- i. The Notice of Motion refers to "the non renewal of Connexional grant funding". The CFC's understanding is that Touchstone was awarded a Connexional grant in 2008 for £448,000 spread over four years; the last payment being made in the 2012/13 year. The Connexional Grants Committee (CGC) had liaised with Touchstone management over the last two years, stressing throughout that further funding could not be guaranteed, particularly at the same level. A new application was made for a further £510k spread over five years from 2013/14 and this was not approved by the CGC. Any mention of "renewal" is slightly misleading.
- ii. The Committee recognises that the CGC has been appointed to scrutinise applications and take difficult decisions on behalf of the whole connexion. It feels that for the Conference to allocate funding to any project that has not

been successful in obtaining connexional funding through the appropriate channels sets a dangerous precedent.

- iii. Accepting this Notice of Motion would increase the MCF deficit by £70k in 2013/14, but not affect subsequent years.

4 Working Parties of the Conference and Council.

Working parties established by either the Council or the Conference are not cost free. The Committee understands that a typical cost of a working party would be approximately £5,000 plus staff time. The Conference may correctly feel the need to establish working parties that are not already part of the agenda papers, but needs to understand that directing these to commence within the following year means that they are likely to be unbudgeted. It also seems unlikely that supporting any number of additional working parties would not be sustainable within the existing complement of Connexional Team staff without other work being sacrificed.

5 Costing of Notices of Motion.

The Committee is aware that a new 'Submission of a Notice of Motion' form has been introduced this year which encourages proposers to liaise with the Connexional Treasurer regarding the budgetary implications. However, it is apparent that few proposers have taken this encouragement on board so the Committee now proposes that the Business Committee should make this mandatory for future meetings of the Conference.

6/2/2 The Conference adopted as Resolution F/1:

The Conference receives the Report.

6/2/3 The Conference adopted as Resolution F/2:

The Conference directs the Business Committee to prepare a form as set out in paragraph 5 of the Report.

6/3 **Memorial M22 - Methodist Ministers' Housing Society**

The Conference received Memorial M22 and adopted as its reply that recommended by the Memorials Committee, both Memorial and reply appearing on pp23-25 of the Agenda Supplement.

6/4 **Notice of Motion 208 - Accessibility to the Conference**

The Conference confers every year around issues that are important to the church and to the society within which we live. Therefore, it is important that people from all parts of the church are able to engage in the way the Conference does its business and can engage in these issues.

The Conference recognises there is work to be done to improve the accessibility of the Conference, making use of the learning in the field of participation which has taken place over the past five years, and taking into account the full breadth of traditions, cultures and ages within the church.

The Conference directs the Methodist Council to appoint a working party to consider, in consultation with the EDI Stakeholder Forum, ways of making the Conference more accessible and to report to the Conference in 2015 with any recommendations for how accessibility to the Conference could be improved.

The Conference adopted the Motion.

6/5 The Conference adjourned at 11.02.

6/6 The Conference reassembled at 11.26

6/7 **38. REPORT OF THE METHODIST MISSIONARY SOCIETY WORKING PARTY**

6/7/1 The Conference adopted Resolution 38/1,

p429, para 2.4 line 17 *for 'Purpose' reading 'Purposes'.*

p429, para 2.4, 2nd column, line 6, *for 'Purpose' reading 'Purposes'.*

p430, para 3.2, line 2, *for 'Purpose of Mission' reading 'Purposes for Mission'.*

6/7/2 The Conference adopted Resolution 38/2.

6/7/3 The Conference adopted Resolution 38/3,

for 'the Purpose for Mission Statement for Mission' reading 'the Purposes for Mission Statement' in the wording of the Resolution.

6/7/4 The Conference adopted Resolution 38/4.

6/7/5 The Conference adopted Resolution 38/5 in the following form:

- a. The Conference, in the exercise of its power under section 24 of the Methodist Church Act 1976, hereby declares that as from the 1st September 2013 the body and offices set out in the second column below shall correspond to the abolished body and offices set out against them in the first column below to the extent of all and every one or more of the functions of or assets held by or for such abolished body or office:

Abolished body or office	Corresponding body or office
The Methodist Missionary Society	The Methodist Church
The secretary of the Methodist Missionary Society	[The General Secretary of the Methodist Church]
The honorary treasurer of the Methodist Missionary Society	[The lead Connexional Treasurer of the Methodist Church]

- b. The Conference directs that the above declaration be embodied in a Deed Poll and executed by the President and enrolled in accordance with sub-section (3) of the above section.

6/7/6 The Conference adopted Resolutions 38/6 and 38/7.

6/7/7 The Conference adopted Resolution 38/8,

p438, SO 735(1) *For 'Overseas aAppointments under Article 9 of the Constitution of the Methodist Missionary Society and'*

Reading 'Overseas aAppointments under Article 9 of the Constitution of the Methodist Missionary Society under Standing Order 780(1)(vi) and',

p438, SO 772(1), for **'to an overseas appointment or as'** reading **'to an overseas appointment under Standing Order 780(1)(vi) or as'**,

p439, in the amendment to **SO 1152 (1)**, for **'the appropriate member of the Connexional Team'** reading **'the Secretary of the Conference'**,

and adding the following amendments:

1110(6) (iii) is not, and is not expected to be, the subject of a complaint entertained by a competent church court or other appropriate body outside the home Districts, or in respect of whom such a court or body has referred the case to the Church or has declined to reach a decision as to whether the matters complained of are established or as to the action to be taken or both the local complaints officer is the ~~secretary of the Methodist Missionary Society~~ **Secretary of the Conference**.

1130 (6)(c)(iii) where Standing Order 1110(6) applies, the copy must be sent to the ~~secretary of the Methodist Missionary Society~~ **Secretary of the Conference**.

1131(2) The reporting officer, acting with the ~~secretary of the Methodist Missionary Society~~ **Secretary of the Conference** as necessary, must as soon as possible choose the members of the connexional discipline committee which is to hear the charge. The composition of the discipline committee must satisfy the requirements of clauses (3) to (7) below.

1131 (3) The discipline committee is to consist of five members. Except where Standing Order 1110(6) applies, the members of the committee are to be chosen from the connexional Panel. Where Standing Order 1110(6) applies, three members are to be chosen from that Panel and two are to be chosen by the ~~secretary of the Methodist Missionary Society~~ **Secretary of the Conference**. Account must be taken of any known disqualifications under Standing Order 1102(2).

1141(2) The reporting officer, acting with the ~~secretary of the Methodist Missionary Society~~ **Secretary of the Conference** as necessary, must as soon as possible choose the members of the connexional Appeal Committee which is to hear the appeal. The composition of the Appeal Committee must satisfy the requirements of Standing Order 1131(3) to (7) with the substitution of references to the appeal for reference to the charge or charges.

1151 (5) (iii) the ~~secretary of the Methodist Missionary Society~~ **Secretary of the Conference** is satisfied that the complaint can fairly be investigated in the home Districts.

6/8 Notice of Motion 210 - Inter-faith policy

In view of the multi-faith context in which we are called to be disciples, and the growth of racist politics targeted at various faith groups, the Conference affirms the work of Touchstone, Bradford, as a centre of excellence in faith to faith relations.

Following the non-renewal of Connexional grant funding to Touchstone and the limited progress made on Interfaith Policy through the Review Group and the Methodist Council, the Conference:

(a) directs the Council urgently to develop an Inter-faith policy and strategy for the Methodist Church using the expertise of its centres at Touchstone, at The Queen's Foundation, Birmingham and in relation to the Discipleship and Ministries Learning Network;

(b) allocates £70,000 interim funding to allow the work of Touchstone to continue for a limited period of one year, in order that vital work is not lost as alternative ways of working are developed, and so that the resource continues to be available to the Connexion as it develops an Inter-faith policy.

The Conference adopted the Motion.

6/9 **15. METHODIST MINISTERS PENSION SCHEME (MMPS)**

The Conference adopted Resolutions 15/1, 15/2, 15/3, 15/4, 15/5, 15/6, 15/7, 15/8, 15/9, 15/10 and 15/11.

6/10 **LETTERS**

A letter of greeting and concern was sent in the name of the Conference to Mr Robin Harris.

6/11 **14. METHODIST HOMES (MHA)**

6/11/1 The Conference adopted Resolution 14/1,

p103, Contact Name, *for 'Keith Alban' reading 'Keith Albans'*

6/11/2 The Conference adopted Resolution 14/2.

6/12 The Conference adjourned at 13.08.

6/13 The Conference reassembled at 14.15.

6/14 The Conference was led in Bible Study by Professor Judith Lieu, Lady Margaret Professor of Divinity at the University of Cambridge.

6/15 **45. DISTRICT RESOLUTION (Scotland)**

The Conference adopted as Resolution 45/1:

The Conference reaffirms the principle that the representation of Methodism, its doctrines and emphases in the contexts of ecumenical and public/civic life within its nations and jurisdictions, is ultimately a Connexional responsibility.

6/16 **34. THE FUTURE OF WESLEY HOUSE, CAMBRIDGE**

6/16/1 The Conference adopted Resolution 34/1.

6/16/2 **Additional information**

1. In paragraph 27 of their report, the Trustees of Wesley House (Agenda p.364) explained that when the Conference met it would be informed of the current position relating to the Trustees' proposed application to the Charity Commission

for a scheme to amend the provisions of the Trust Deed in the light of the decisions of the Conference of 2012 on the *Fruitful Field*. This addition to the report gives that information.

2. As the report explains, the Trustees are under a legal duty to make such an application; the power of amendment contained in the Trust Deed (which requires the consent of the Conference) cannot be used because it does not permit amendments which would alter the objects of the trust. Although the consent of the Conference to the application for a scheme is not required, it is right that the Conference should be consulted in relation to the proposed scheme, bearing in mind the long and close links between Wesley House and the Conference and the Trustees' proposals for maintaining those links.

3. After the report had been written, the Trustees received a letter written on behalf of the *Fruitful Field* Implementation Executive stating that legal advice had been received by the Executive which gave a different view of what amendments to the Trust Deed were likely to be acceptable to the Charity Commission. In particular, the advice was to the effect that the Charity Commission would be more likely to favour the removal of the present geographical restriction. At the same time, the Implementation Executive recognised the importance in the original gift of a presence in Cambridge and encouraged a period of dialogue between the Implementation Executive and the Trustees.

4. Following receipt of that letter, the Trustees took further legal advice from their solicitors, who reconsidered the issue of the founder's intention, but in the event remained of their original view that the form of amendment which would come nearest to reflecting his intention was not the removal of the geographical restriction but the expansion of the class of potential recipients of theological and pastoral education in an institution offering access to the benefits of university life in the precincts of the University of Cambridge. (See paragraphs 10 and 11 of the main report for the original advice given by the Trustees' solicitors as to the Trustees' duties and the purposes of the Trust Deed.) It is significant, in this regard, that the references to Cambridge are not purely "geographical" (as would be the case, for example, for a charity established to benefit residents of a particular local area), but are instead primarily educational.

5. The Trustees' solicitors further advised that since there was a difference of legal views, including legal views as to the likely response of the Charity Commission, the practical way forward was to approach the Commission with a draft scheme and to seek its views. That advice was given bearing in mind that not only is it for the Trustees to apply for a scheme, but also it is their duty to apply for the *cy-près* scheme which they think is appropriate in the light of Wesley House's current circumstances and the legal advice they have received. (As explained in paragraph 10 of the main report, a *cy-près* scheme is one which comes as near as possible to the original purposes in the new circumstances which have arisen.) The Trustees accepted that advice and have therefore approached the Charity Commission with a draft scheme based on the principles set out in the main report, while making clear that this is not yet the formal application. Unfortunately, the timescales involved have meant that no response has yet been received from the Charity Commission and it is not expected that there will be a response before the business comes before the Conference.

6. At the same time, the Trustees have engaged in dialogue with the Implementation Executive with a view to exploring the basis of its concerns and coming to a better understanding. The Trustees have not seen the full legal advice given to the Implementation Executive or the instructions which precipitated it, but have raised a number of concerns in relation to it in the light of the summary they have been given, including concerns as to the documentary and factual basis on which the advice was sought and given. Several of those points at present remain unanswered and it is hoped that further progress may be made when the basis of the advice on both sides is better understood.

7. Representatives of the Trustees have also held a meeting with representatives of the Implementation Executive. The Trustees' representatives were encouraged to hear that the Implementation Executive is sympathetic to the Trustees' retaining a physical presence in Cambridge, maintaining a link with the Cambridge Theological Federation, continuing to offer access to scholarship and research in the University of Cambridge and realising trust assets to enable them to do so. A particular concern of the Implementation Executive was the Trustees' decision that the retained presence should be on the present site of Wesley House in Jesus Lane. The Trustees were able to offer reassurances as to the processes which underpinned that decision and the quality of professional advice on which it was based, as well as to dispel some misunderstandings about the Trustees' business plan. It appears, therefore, that there is common ground, even allowing for the different legal advice which has been received. The Trustees remain willing to engage in further discussions with representatives of the Methodist Council, the Ministries Committee or other appropriate body (following the establishment of the Network) in relation to the business plan as well as on the legal issues.

8. The Trustees assure the Conference, as they assured the Implementation Executive, that they are well aware of their obligations to comply with the relevant requirements of the Charities Act 2011, including the obligation to obtain the best price reasonably obtainable on the disposition of any interest in land and are acting in accordance with professional advice in their exploration of possible transactions. That advice has included consideration of the possibility of a move to a different site, but the Trustees have been advised that such a move would be detrimental to the present proposals.

9. It would clearly be inappropriate to ask the Conference to decide between different sets of legal advice, neither of which is before the Conference in any detail. In any event it would remain the duty of the Trustees to act in the light of the legal advice provided to them, so that such a decision would not in fact achieve a resolution. Instead, the Trustees hope that through their approach to the Charity Commission and the continuing discussions envisaged in the previous paragraphs the current uncertainties may be resolved. In addition, the Trustees need to establish the new terms of their trusts as soon as possible, given that after the end of the connexional year 2013 to 2014 there will be no further candidates for ordination at Wesley House. In those circumstances, it appears to the Trustees that it would be helpful for the Conference, having had the opportunity to consider the present report, to delegate to the Council its formal response to consultation on the proposed scheme, either in its present form or in any variant which may emerge through the processes outlined above, if the Conference is willing to do so.

10. It appears that both the Trustees and the Implementation Executive take the view that it is likely that in order to give effect to any scheme the whole or part of

the present Wesley House site will be sold, although the Trustees' proposals envisage that if the whole of the site is sold there will be a leaseback of part of it. It would therefore be helpful in any event if the Conference were willing to approve in principle a disposition of the whole or part of the site, while again delegating to the Methodist Council the exercise of its formal power, as further explained in paragraphs 28 and 29 of the main report.

11. The Trustees therefore propose to move Resolutions 34/2 and 34/3 in the amended form set out below.

6/16/3 The Conference adopted as Resolution 34/2:

The Conference

(i) approves the Trustees approaching the Charity Commission to seek to clarify the legal situation prior to making a formal application for a scheme;

(ii) encourages continued discussions between the Trustees and the Methodist Council, the Ministries Committee or other appropriate Connexional body to resolve uncertainties and to establish common ground;

(iii) delegates to the Methodist Council responsibility for making a formal response to any invitation to consultation received from the Charity Commission, after the Council has undertaken appropriate further consultation and exploration with the Trustees, the Ministries Committee and other appropriate Connexional bodies.

6/16/4 The Conference adopted as Resolution 34/3:

The Conference approves in principle that the whole or part of the Wesley House site should be sold or leased, whether or not subject to a leaseback of part in the case of a sale, to provide funds for carrying out the purposes of a cy-pres scheme and delegates to the Methodist Council its power of consent to such a sale or lease (such delegation being conditional, so far as necessary, on the making of a scheme pursuant to which it has power to enter into such a delegation).

6/17 The Conference adjourned at 15.35 for representatives to attend workshops.

6/18 The Conference reassembled at 17.00.

6/19 **DAILY RECORD**

The Daily Record for Monday, 8 July was presented, taken as read, and adopted as printed,

at 5/4/2, for 'The Revd Peter G Lane' reading The Revd Jurat Peter G Lane',

at 5/17/1, adding:

'and replacing the text which appears at pp 223-224 of the Agenda (**Appendix 1 of A good practice guide**) with:

Appendix 1
Model Support Plan for the Recuperative Year

Preamble

The Support Plan for the Recuperative Year is intended to reflect the covenant relationship between the Conference and its ministers. A Support Plan is not intended to create a contractual relationship between the parties.

1. Parties:

Name (Minister)

Revd A

Name (Connexional Team representative)

Revd B

2. Duration:

The plan commences on 1 July 2012 and concludes on 31 August 2013.

3. Stationing arrangements:

Revd A has agreed to a curtailment of his/her appointment at Circuit C. This curtailment takes effect on 31 August 2012, and Revd A agrees to enter the stationing process in September 2012 in accordance with the Church's timetable and requirements.

4. Manse provision:

Revd A will remain in his/her current manse in Circuit C until August 2012. He/she will vacate this manse by the week of the first Monday in August 2012.

For the connexional year 2012/13 he/she will be provided with accommodation appropriate to his/her needs, at the Connexion's expense (including water rates and Council tax). He/she will move to a new manse as provided in his/her new appointment in accordance with SO 785(5)(b).

5. Stipend and expenses arrangements

Revd A will receive a stipend for the duration of this agreement. Reasonable travel expenses will be reimbursed by the Methodist Church Fund. These will include travel to pastoral meetings, coaching sessions and attendance at medical appointments arranged by the Connexional Team or the Secretary of the Conference. Any other expenses will only be paid if agreed with Revd B in advance.

6. Person exercising oversight of the minister:

The Secretary of the Conference.

7. Person providing pastoral support to the minister:

District Chair D.

8. Monitoring and review arrangements pertaining to this Support Plan:

Revd A will meet with Revd B as a minimum at three monthly interviews during the period covered by this Support Plan. Further medical evidence will be sought during the period of the Plan to ensure that he/she is fit to undertake a ministerial role from 1 September 2013.

9. Actions which the minister agrees to undertake:

- a) To participate fully in the stationing process, and assume a new appointment on 1 September 2013, on the understanding that this may be in a location other than his/her current one.
- b) To continue to undertake regular coaching sessions as deemed necessary.
- c) To receive pastoral support from District Chair D.
- d) To submit to appropriate medical processes, either review by Interhealth or by the Connexional Medical Adviser obtaining a medical report from his/her GP/specialist.

10. Outcomes:

Revd A will be stationed to a new appointment on 1 September 2013. If he/she declines an appointment which the Secretary of the Conference deems to be suitable he/she will be considered to be without appointment at his/her own expense and will forfeit any entitlement to stipend or manse provision from that date. Equally, if he/she is not fit to take up a new appointment on 1 September 2013 he/she will be considered to be without appointment at his/her own expense and will forfeit any entitlement to stipend or manse provision from that date. If he/she is unfit to be stationed on medical grounds Standing Order 774 (9) will apply.

11. Signatures:

Minister:

Date:

Connexional Team Representative:

Date:

and at 5/17/2, for 'amendment' reading 'amendments'.

6/20 24. CONNEXIONAL CENTRAL SERVICES BUDGET 2013/2016 (continued)

6/20/1 The Conference noted the following amendments to the Report:

p294, Table 3, for '2013/15' reading '2014/15'

p294, Table 3, for '2013/16' reading '2015/16'

p295, Table 4, for '2013/15' reading '2014/15'

p295, Table 4, for '2013/16' reading '2015/16'

p299/p300, Table 7, for '2014/16 2014/17 2014/18 2014/19' reading '2015/16 2016/17 2017/18 2018/19'

p301, para 42, line 1, for 'Scotland and Shetlands' reading 'Scotland and Shetland'

6/20/2 The Conference adopted Resolution 24/1.

6/20/3 Resolutions 24/2 and 24/3 were not put.

6/20/4 The Conference adopted Resolution 24/4 in the following form:

(a) The Conference agrees to a 1% increase in the management charge on ring-fenced funds.

(b) The Conference agrees to a further 1% increase in the management charge on the World Mission Fund.

6/20/5 The Conference adopted Resolution 24/5,

for 'Table 5' reading 'Table 7' in the wording of the Resolution.

6/20/6 The Conference adopted Resolution 24/6.

6/21 **Memorials M15, M16 and M17 – Releasing money for God's mission**

The Conference received Memorials M15, M16 and M17 and adopted as its replies those recommended by the Memorials Committee, both Memorials and replies appearing on pp17-19 in the Agenda Supplement.

6/22 **41. THE DISCIPLESHIP AND MINISTRIES LEARNING NETWORK**

The Conference adopted Resolution 41/1,

p451, para 2.4b, line 6, for 'exercises' reading 'exercise'.

6/23 **44. METHODIST COUNCIL REPORT (continued)**

6/23/1 **Discipleship and Ministries Learning Network**

As noted in paragraphs 1.3 and 1.4 of Agenda Item 41 (The Discipleship and Ministries Learning Network), when the Methodist Council considered item 38 on its agenda at its meeting in April this year, it was presented with a paper showing the variances from the 2012 *Fruitful Field* report which had arisen in the process of implementation. The Council's resolutions included a resolution to recommend to the Conference that it approve the changes in the staffing arrangements proposed for the Network and that where appropriate the Council would seek ratification of its decisions from the Conference. The Council brings two matters before the Conference as a result.

First, it has been necessary for the Council as the employer of existing staff and the proposed future staff of the Network to take steps required by employment law in order to ensure that the new configuration of staff is in place by the appropriate time. In fulfilment of its resolution to recommend to the Conference that it approves the changes in staffing arrangements, the Council now proposes resolution 44/14 as set out below.

Secondly, the governance arrangements now proposed in relation to the Queen's Foundation differ from those in paragraph 254 of the *Fruitful Field* report, in that instead of the envisaged variation of the Queen's Foundation governing arrangements, intended to enable the Foundation fully to participate within the Network, there is to be a partnership agreement which will formalise and regulate the relationship between the Foundation, the Network Committee and the Council. The Council has approved that proposal and now brings it to the Conference for ratification in accordance with the resolution passed at its April meeting. The Council therefore proposes resolution 44/15 as set out below.

The Conference, recognising that the Methodist Council is the employing body for the staff of the Network, endorses the Council's acceptance of the proposed staffing structure explained in Agenda Item 41 (The Discipleship and Ministries Learning Network) and the steps taken by the Council to give effect to those proposals.

6/23/2 The Conference adopted as Resolution 44/14:

The Conference, recognising that the Methodist Council is the employing body for the staff of the Network, endorses the Council's acceptance of the

proposed staffing structure explained in Agenda Item 41 (The Discipleship and Ministries Learning Network) and the steps taken by the Council to give effect to those proposals.

6/23/3 The Conference adopted as Resolution 44/15:

The Conference, noting the changes in the proposed governance arrangements relating to the place of the Queen's Foundation in the Discipleship and Ministries Learning Network from the arrangements proposed in the *Fruitful Field* report to the Conference of 2012, ratifies the acceptance of those changes by the Methodist Council at its meeting in April 2013.

6/24 **41. THE DISCIPLESHIP AND MINISTRIES LEARNING NETWORK (continued)**

6/24/1 The Conference adopted Resolution 41/2.

6/24/2 The Conference adopted Resolution 41/3,

p471, SO 32A3(1), line 2, *for* 'shall work collaboratively with the Council, the Ministries Committee' *reading* 'shall report to the Council and work collaboratively with the Ministries Committee',

and in SO 32A3(2), *changing* the second (v) to (vii).

6/24/3 The Conference adopted Resolution 41/4 in the following form:

The Conference appoints the following as members of the Network Committee and directs that all future appointments to the Committee shall be the responsibility of the Methodist Council.

Mr Ted Awty (*ex officio* – *voting*) Connexional Treasurer

Ms Jean Jackson

Ms Jackson serves on the Birmingham District Policy and Chair's Reference groups, and as Lay Representative to the Methodist Council. She is a Chartered Marketer with 25 years' senior management experience in the IT, telecoms and renewable energy industries.

Ms Sharon Lam

Ms Lam is a member of Epsom Methodist Church, a local church steward and a local preacher. She is a solicitor with experience of employment law.

Ms Jude Levermore (*ex officio* – *non-voting*) Head of the Discipleship and Ministries Cluster in the Connexional Team.

The Revd Dr Calvin Samuel

Dr Samuel has been engaged in adult education and ministerial formation for both lay and ordained people over many years. He is committed to theological education for all the people of God, from grassroots to post doctoral approaches, and to research at the heart of the Academy.

The Revd Alistair Sharp

Mr Sharp is Superintendent Minister of the Rotherham and Dearne Valley Circuit, and has been instrumental in the formation of several innovative

missional development projects. Prior to becoming a minister he was Managing Director of an international company and formerly head of a Post Office department.

The Revd Jayne Webb

Ms Webb is a presbyter in the Birmingham Circuit. A former psychiatric nurse tutor, she developed skills relating psychology and spirituality to business and change management, and the study of leadership.

Mr Richard Wills

Mr Wills undertakes a number of roles in the Lincoln and Grimsby District, including the Ministerial Development Review. He has served on the Methodist Council in recent years and is a senior local government official with experience in training and strategy development.

Revd Dr Andrew Wood

Dr Wood has been the Chair of the Southampton District since 2006. He has served as Chair of the Candidates and Probationers Committee since 2008, was chair of the Fresh Ways Working Group and a member of the Ministries Committee.

Ms Helen Woodall

Ms Woodall is a local preacher, the treasurer for Birmingham Methodist City Centre Mission, and worships in a new Methodist/URC LEP. A former member of the SRC, the Methodist Council, and a chair of a Council Reference Group, Helen is a Community Services Area Manager for MHA and member of the Board of Adullam Homes Housing Association.

6/24/4 **Memorials M1, M2, and M3 – The Fruitful Field Project**

The Conference received Memorials M1, M2 and M3 and adopted as its replies those recommended by the Memorials Committee, both Memorials and replies appearing on pp 4-6 of the Agenda Supplement.

6/24/5 **Memorial M5 – Ecumenical relationships in ministerial training**

The Conference received Memorial M5 and adopted as its reply that recommended by the Memorials Committee, the Memorial and reply appearing on pp 8-9 of the Agenda Supplement.

6/25 **45. DISTRICT RESOLUTION (CORNWALL)**

The Conference adopted as Resolution 45/4:

The Conference receives the Cornwall District Resolution.

6/26 **42. MINISTRIES COMMITTEE**

6/26/1 The Conference adopted Resolution 42/1,

p473, para 2.1 line 9, *for* 'initiative and' *reading* 'initiative. The 2007 Conference' and in the penultimate line of para 2.1 *for* 'fourth' *reading* 'sixth'
p474, para 2.7 line 2, *adding* 'year' prior to '2012/13'
p494, para 10.1 line 6, *deleting* 'and the Council'

p494, SO 32A1(1), for 'The committee shall **report to and** work collaboratively with the Methodist Council' *reading* 'The committee shall **report to work** collaboratively with the Methodist Council'

p495, line 6, SO 32A1(3), for 'Stationing Advisory Committee and the Stationing Committee' *reading* 'Stationing Advisory Committee ~~and~~ **or** the Stationing Committee'.

- 6/26/2 The Conference adopted Resolutions 42/2, 42/4, 42/5, 42/6 and 42/7.
- 6/26/3 The Conference adopted, with the required majority, Resolution 42/8. [for direction as to consultation, see 8/34]
- 6/26/4 The Conference adopted Resolution 42/9.
- 6/26/5 The Conference adopted Resolution 42/10, *noting* the further amendment to SO 32A1 above.
- 6/26/6 **Notice of Motion 103 - Recording pioneering Fresh Expressions**

The Conference affirms the ongoing work to “develop and respond to growth in the life of the Connexion” (para 2.2 p 473, Ministries Committee report) and also welcomes the General Secretary’s endorsement of Fresh Expressions, as indicated in his report.

However, the Conference recognises that there are a number of weaknesses in the current way we record the variety and creativity of FX communities and Pioneering Projects in our Statistics for Mission. In particular we do not have a mechanism for recording those Fresh Expressions of Church that are truly pioneering and therefore not linked to an existing Methodist Society (or LEP). Many of them are, or are emerging into, churches in their own right but are not recorded as such. Secondly, recording them as ‘groups’ within existing churches does not inspire the desired intention that they grow to become an ecclesial community in their own right and mature as a fresh expression of church.

The Conference directs that:

- a) the Faith and Order Committee and the Law and Polity Committee consider the implications of this work for the Methodist Church’s understanding of its ecclesiology;
- b) the Ministries Committee liaise with the Connexional Team to develop proposals for how this immensely significant work can be properly supported, celebrated and recorded; and
- c) an interim report on a) and b) be brought by the Methodist Council, in collaboration with the Ministries Committee, to the 2014 Conference and a full report to the 2015 Conference.

The Conference adopted the Motion.

6/27 **Memorial M7 – Local Preachers on trial**
Memorial M8 – Responsibilities of Worship Leaders
Memorial M9 – Length of appointment for worship leaders

The Conference received Memorials M7, M8 and M9 and adopted as its replies those recommended by the Memorials Committee, both Memorials and replies appearing on pp 11-13 in the Agenda Supplement.

6/28 The Conference shared in worship and adjourned at 19.04.

- 7/1 The Conference assembled at 9.30.
- 7/2 The Conference shared in a celebration of Holy Communion, during which the Vice-President, Dr Daleep S Mukarji, preached, and in which prayers of thanksgiving were offered for the lives of the following who have died in the last year:
- (a) the presbyters remembered in the Presbyteral Session and listed at 2/17;
 - (b) the deacons remembered in the Conference Diaconal Committee:

Marjorie Elizabeth Bate
Rosalie Margaret James
Agnes Davidson Notman
Emily Elizabeth Florence Sherwood
Dorothy Jean Taylor
 - (c) the following lay people especially remembered in the Conference as servants of the Church:

Mr John Ware
Mr Derrick Telford
 - (d) those who have served as Mission Partners;
 - (e) 284 accredited Local Preachers whose names are recorded in a Book of Thanksgiving held at Methodist Church House;
 - (f) many others whose service is known to others and to God.
- 7/3 The Conference adjourned at 10.50.
- 7/4 The Conference reconvened at 11.10.
- 7/5 **DESIGNATION OF THE PRESIDENT OF THE CONFERENCE**
The Revd Kenneth G Howcroft was designated for appointment as President of the Conference of 2014.
- 7/6 **DESIGNATION OF THE VICE-PRESIDENT OF THE CONFERENCE**
Ms Gillian M Dascombe was designated for appointment as Vice-President of the Conference of 2014. *[7/5 and 7/6 omitted in error and added after Conference]*
- 7/7 **49. REVIEW OF THE MEMBERSHIP OF THE CONFERENCE (continued)**
- 7/7/1 The Conference agreed that Resolution 49/4 be not put.
- 7/7/2 **Notice of Motion 109 – Diaconal Membership**
The Conference directs the Methodist Council to explore further the most appropriate way in which the current Diaconal membership of the Conference can

be maintained without disadvantaging the District representation and report no later than the Conference of 2015.

The Conference adopted the Motion.

7/8 **12. ECUMENICAL REPORT**

The Conference adopted Resolutions 12/1, 12/2 and 12/3.

7/9 **32. JOINT IMPLEMENTATION COMMISSION (continued)**

The Conference adopted Resolutions 32/2, 32/3, 32/4, 32/5 and 32/6.

7/10 **31. SAFEGUARDING**

The Conference adopted Resolutions 31/1 and 31/2.

7/11 **60. REFERRED MEMORIALS AND NOTICES OF MOTION**

The Conference adopted Resolution 60/1,

p583, 2nd para, line 3, *for 'that' reading 'have'*

p584, M1-M3, column 3, insert '2013'.

p585, M18, column 4, line 2, *for 'Budget proposals' reading 'Law and Polity report'*

p585, M32, column 3, *insert 'None set'*

p585 M45, column 3, *insert 'None set'*

p585, heading, *for 'refereed' reading 'referred'*

7/12 **5. METHODIST INDEPENDENT SCHOOLS TRUST**

The Conference adopted Resolutions 5/1, 5/2, 5/3, 5/4, 5/5, 5/6, 5/7, 5/8 and 5/9.

7/13 **7. ACTION FOR CHILDREN**

The Conference adopted Resolutions 7/1, 7/2 and 7/3.

7/14 **8. METHODIST RELIEF AND DEVELOPMENT FUND (MRDF) SUMMARY ANNUAL REPORT AND ACCOUNTS 2011/12**

The Conference adopted Resolution 8/1.

7/15 **10. TRUSTEES FOR THE BAILIWICK OF GUERNSEY METHODIST CHURCH PURPOSES**

The Conference adopted Resolution 10/1,

1 a. *For '1 Rue les Joy' reading '1 rue Les Joy'.*

7/16 **13. MANAGING TRUSTEES OF THE NEW ROOM BRISTOL (WESLEY'S CHAPEL)**

The Conference adopted Resolutions 13/1, 13/2 and 13/3.

7/17 **16. PERSONNEL FILES FOR MINISTERS**

The Conference adopted Resolution 16/1.

7/18 **17. METHODIST DIACONAL ORDER GENERAL REPORT**

The Conference adopted Resolutions 17/1 and 17/2.

- 7/19 **18. TRUSTEES FOR METHODIST CHURCH PURPOSES REPORT & FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2012**
The Conference adopted Resolutions 18/1, 18/2 and 18/3.
- 7/20 **27. RELIEF & EXTENSION FUND FOR METHODISM IN SCOTLAND**
The Conference adopted Resolutions 27/1 and 27/2.
- 7/21 **28. METHODIST MINISTERS HOUSING SOCIETY**
The Conference adopted Resolution 28/1.
- 7/22 **29. EDUCATION PROJECT – PROGRESS REPORT**
The Conference adopted Resolution 29/1.
- 7/23 **30. METHODIST ACADEMIES AND SCHOOLS TRUST**
The Conference adopted Resolution 30/1.
- 7/24 **33. CENTRAL FINANCE BOARD: REVIEW OF THE YEAR ENDED 28 FEBRUARY 2013.**
The Conference adopted Resolutions 33/1 and 33/2.
- 7/25 **39. MANAGING TRUSTEES OF CENTRAL HALL WESTMINSTER**
7/25/1 The Conference adopted Resolution 39/1.
7/25/2 The Conference adopted Resolution 39/2,

Adding Mr David Morgan and The Revd Graham Thompson

Reasoned Statements

Mr David Morgan

Mr Morgan has been a Local Preacher since 1982 and is a former Treasurer of the South East Berkshire Circuit. Mr Morgan brings to the role of Secretary of the Trust, strong technical expertise in statistical strategies for regulatory success, excellent communication skills and strong commercial awareness.

The Revd Graham Thompson

The Revd Thompson is Chair of the East Anglia District and a member of the Central Finance Board Council. He is a former Director of the Methodist Ministers' Pension Scheme.

- 7/26 **40. SHARING AGREEMENTS AND ECUMENICAL PARTNERSHIPS**
7/26/1 The Conference adopted Resolution 40/1,

pp444-445, 2 Local Ecumenical Partnerships, adding in the table:

14/1	St Faith CC	CE	SCP	NP	DI
21/3	Trinity, Great Harwood CC	URC	SCP	NP	DI
28/20	Trinity CC	CE	CCP	NP	-
29/33	Copmanthorpe CC	CE	CCP	NP	-

and for 'St Andrew's CC' reading 'St Andrew's New Brighton CC'.

7/26/2 The Conference adopted Resolution 40/2,

p446, first row, second column, for 'Christ Church CC' reading 'ChristChurch CC',

p448, **2 Terminations**, adding

36/25	Centrepiece CC	Bank Street Ashford (Church: M)	URC	13/6/13	31/3/87	38/588
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7/27 **54. WORLD METHODIST COUNCIL MINISTERIAL EXCHANGES**

The Conference adopted Resolution 54/1,

p557, for 'K Andrew Lindley (11/24 Staffordshire Moorlands)' reading 'Andrew J Lindley (29/33 York)'.

7/28 **55. METHODIST FORCES BOARD**

The Conference adopted Resolution 55/1.

7/29 **35. LARGER THAN CIRCUIT**

7/29/1 The Conference adopted Resolutions 35/1 and 35/2.

7/29/2 The Conference adopted Resolution 35/3,

adding

The Conference further directs each Synod to ensure that there is adequate opportunity for the participation in this process of children and young people in the District including by finding appropriate ways to consult with children and young people.

7/29/3 The Conference adopted Resolution 35/4,

the names to be supplied under b) being:

The Revd Loraine N Mellor (Convenor)

Miss Kathleen Burrell

The Revd Rodney Hill

Mr Michael J Noble

The Revd Dr John K Nyota

The Revd Carla S Quenet (nee Hall)

Reasoned Statements

The Revd Loraine N Mellor (Convenor)

Loraine is a member of the Larger than Circuit working party and will therefore provide valuable continuity for the development of Larger than Circuit. Loraine is a District Chair and a member of the Methodist Council.

Miss Kathleen Burrell

Kathy was a member of the Co-ordinating Group for the regional review of the four London Districts. Kathy is about to retire as Synod Secretary of the Bedfordshire, Essex and Hertfordshire District and fulfils various roles within

her Circuit. Kathy was a senior civil servant with HMRC and has experience in organisational, strategic and project management.

The Revd Rodney Hill

Rod is a member of the Larger than Circuit working party and was a member of earlier groups which considered similar issues. Rod can therefore provide a considerable recollection as to the evolution of the issues around Larger than Circuit over the years. Rod is currently District Development Enabler in the Liverpool District.

Mr Michael J Noble

Michael is District Development Enable in the Leeds and West Yorkshire Districts. He has been appointed as from 1 September 2013 to the role of Regional Co-ordinator of the Yorkshire Region of the Discipleship and Ministries Learning Network. Michael also brings his experience from University management and administration.

The Revd John K Nyota

John is the Managing Director of 'The Wesley', Methodist International Centre in London. John has served as a chaplain and circuit minister and will bring with him a wide range of skills developed from his experience of circuit ministry and developing 'The Wesley' as an ethical brand.

The Revd Carla S Quenet (nee Hall)

Carla is a member of the Larger than Circuit working party and will therefore provide continuity for the development of Larger than Circuit. Carla is a circuit minister and Presbyteral Synod Secretary.

and *adding*

d) The Conference directs the co-ordinating group to work with those planning for 3Generate 2013 with the aim of enabling consultations to start at the event about the issues being explored.

7/29/4 The Conference adopted Resolutions 35/5, 35/6, 35/7 and 35/8.

7/29/5 The Conference adopted Resolution 35/9,

the names to be supplied under c) being:

The Revd D Paul Wood (Convenor)

The Revd Olufemi R W Cole-Njie

The Revd David Hinchliffe

Mrs Charlotte Osborn

Mr David Ridley

Reasoned Statements

The Revd D Paul Wood (Convenor)

Paul is Superintendent minister in the Coventry and Nuneaton Circuit and has led the process for circuit reorganisation in light of the 'Regrouping for Mission'. In his former role as a Synod Secretary Paul coordinated a District Chair's nomination committee and has led ordinands retreats.

The Revd Olufemi R W Cole-Njie

Mrs Cole-Njie is Superintendent minister of the Forest Circuit. She has close connections with the Methodist Women in Britain and the Women's Work in

The Gambia. She has served as chair of the Race Stakeholder Forum and is a member of the Methodist Council.'

The Revd David Hinchliffe

David is a member of the Larger than Circuit working party and therefore provides valuable continuity for this evolving work through the small group. David is District Chair and leads the induction processes for nominated and designated District Chairs.

Mrs Charlotte Osborn

Charlotte is Chaplain at Newcastle International Airport. Charlotte has trained as a worship leader and serves as a chair on the Connexional Selection Panel. Charlotte brings the valuable experience of being the wife of a District Chair and is therefore aware of the developments in the role of a District Chair.

Mr David Ridley

David is Synod Secretary for the South East District and member of the District Policy Committee. He attends St Mark's Crescent Methodist Church in the Thames Valley Circuit and is a Methodist local preacher. David has served on the 'Review of Conference Membership' group and is vastly experienced in marketing and business development and brings all these skills and roles to the life of the group.

7/29/6 The Conference adopted Resolution 35/10.

7/29/7 **Memorial M25 - Larger than Circuit**

The Conference received Memorial M25 and adopted as its reply that recommended by the Memorials Committee, the Memorial and reply appearing on pp26-27 of the Agenda Supplement.

7/30 The Conference adjourned at 13.00.

7/31 The Conference reassembled at 14.15.

7/32 The Conference was addressed by the Archbishop of Canterbury, The Most Revd and Rt Hon Justin Welby, on the theme '**Resourcing a Search for the Common Good**'.

7/33 The Conference was led in Bible Study by The Revd Dr Elizabeth A Smith, Chair of the Leeds District.

7/34 **19. JOINT ADVISORY COMMITTEE ON THE ETHICS OF INVESTMENT (JACEI)**

7/34/1 The Conference adopted Resolution 19/1 in the following form:

The Conference receives the report of the Joint Advisory Committee on the Ethics of Investment for the year to 31 March 2013.

7/34/2 **Notice of Motion 211 – Tax and transparency**

The Conference: -

- a) notes that at the recent G8 meeting world leaders committed to create a new multilateral system of automatic exchange of tax information that makes it more difficult for global companies to avoid paying their taxes

and that has the potential to save poorer countries billions of dollars each year;

- b) is concerned that as yet world leaders have not agreed a timeframe for the implementation of the automatic exchange of tax information;
- c) is aware that the world leaders while agreeing to develop country by country reporting for corporations have not agreed to make these reports available to the general public; public disclosure would enable scrutiny by expert groups so that the public can see that the problem of tax dodging is being tackled effectively;
- d) recognises that the G20 on 5-6 September 2013 is a key opportunity for world leaders to address areas of financial secrecy which facilitate tax dodging, agree a time frame for the facilitation of an automatic exchange of tax information and commit to making country by country reporting information public; and
- e) directs the Secretary of the Conference, working where possible in dialogue with Christian Aid, the Methodist Relief and Development Fund and the Methodist Tax Justice Network, to bring the concerns of the Conference to the attention of Her Majesty's Government as a matter of urgency.

The Conference adopted the Motion.

7/34/3 **Notice of Motion 212 – Tax Justice**

The Conference welcomes the increased emphasis on tax justice in the Methodist Church and beyond, and urges the Church at all levels to develop this further, including: -

- a) in any follow-up to the G8 Conference;
- b) in its educational work through the Joint Public Issues Team;
- c) in its ongoing work on economic justice issues with World Church partners;
- d) in its conversation with companies in which the church invests, through the Joint Advisory Committee on Ethical Investment;
- e) by actively supporting the work of the Methodist Tax Justice Network;
- f) and by creating awareness of the need for alternative economies for those jurisdictions facing loss of business as 'tax havens'.

The Conference adopted the Motion.

7/34/4 **Memorial M32 - Nestlé**

The Conference received Memorial M25 and adopted as its reply that recommended by the Memorials Committee, the Memorial and reply appearing on pp34-35 of the Agenda Supplement.

7/35 **6. CONNEXIONAL ALLOWANCES COMMITTEE**

7/35/1 The Conference adopted Resolution 6/1.

7/36 The Conference adjourned at 16.27 for representatives to attend workshops.

- 7/37 The Conference reassembled at 18.00.
- 7/38 **DAILY RECORD**
- 7/38/1 The Daily Record for Tuesday, 9 July was presented, taken as read, and adopted as printed.
- 7/38/2 The Daily Record for Saturday, 6 July was, with the required majority, corrected as follows:
- at 3/17/1, *deleting* 'For Margaret Eleanor Patchett reading Margaret Eleanor Pratchett'.
- 7/39 **Memorial M14 - Ministerial stipends**
- The Conference received Memorial M14 and adopted as its reply that recommended by the Memorials Committee, the Memorial and reply appearing on pp16-17 of the Agenda Supplement.
- 7/40 **METHODIST COUNCIL REPORT (continued)**
- 7/40/1 The Conference, with the required majority, rescinded Resolution 44/2 (5/20/1).
- 7/40/2 The Conference adopted as Resolution 44/2A:

The Conference appoints the following as the working party with terms of reference as set out in paragraph 2 of 44. Methodist Council Report:

Mrs Susan R Howdle (chair)
 Dr Joselyn M Bryan
 Mr Gerry Davis
 Mrs Louise Wilkins
 The Revd Dr Stephen Mosedale
 The Revd Colin A Smith
 Revd D Paul C Smith
 Revd Samuel E McBratney
 Advisor – Ms Rachel Lampard

and directs the working party:-
 - to operate in ways that are open and inclusive so as to ensure that all voices are heard;
 - to make an initial report to the 2014 Conference.

Reasoned Statements

Mrs Susan R Howdle (Chair)

Mrs Howdle, a former Vice-President, lecturer in law, local preacher, and member in the Leeds (North-East) circuit is highly respected and trusted throughout the Methodist Church. She brings to the group a long and deep knowledge of the life of our rich and varied Connexion and its peoples, and a merited reputation for integrity, fairness and competence.

Dr Jocelyn M Bryan

Dr Bryan is Director of Postgraduate Studies and a tutor at Wesley Study Centre. She teaches Pastoral and Practical Theology, Human Sexuality, Gender and Christian Ministry and Psychology and Christian Ministry. Jocelyn is a member of the Faith & Order Committee and a Methodist Local Preacher. She served on an earlier working party of the Conference dealing with issues

related to human sexuality and therefore provides continuity and valuable theological expertise to the group.

Mr Gerry Davis

Mr Davis is the Synod Secretary for the London District and a member of the Methodist Council. He is currently Chair of Governors for a large London Further Education college. Before retiring he was Deputy Director of Education in a London borough and a Circuit Steward. Gerry currently worships in the Wembley circuit.

Mrs Louise C Wilkins

Mrs Wilkins is a member at Wesley Memorial Methodist Church in Oxford and is Officer for Legal and Constitutional Practice in the Governance Support Cluster of the Connexional Team. She is a lay woman and member of the Conference. This combination of Christian commitment in a local church and expertise in relation to themes key to the brief of the working party make her particularly suited to serve on it.

The Revd Dr Stephen E Mosedale

Dr Mosedale is a member of the Faith & Order Committee and served on an earlier working party of the Conference dealing with issues relating to human sexuality, and thus provides valuable continuity to the group. He is an experienced superintendent minister, particularly in ecumenical contexts and is a recognised and respected New Testament specialist.

The Revd Colin A Smith

Mr Smith trained and qualified as a Barrister and is a member of the Law and Polity Committee. A Methodist superintendent minister he brings to the group experience of circuit life in a variety of contexts, a deep knowledge of Methodist polity and a reputation for clarity and competence.

Revd D Paul C Smith

The Revd D Paul C Smith is Superintendent of the Plymouth Methodist Mission Circuit, former Chair of Methodist Evangelicals Together, and former member of the Working Party on 'Pilgrimage of Faith'.

Revd Samuel E McBratney

The Revd Samuel E McBratney is Tutor for International Students, the Queens Foundation, Birmingham, a member of the Faith and Order Network, and former Director of the Lesbian and Gay Christian Movement.

Rachel Lampard, Team Leader of the Joint Public Issues Team (JPIT) will serve the working group as an advisor. (JPIT serve, assist and resource the Methodist Church, enabling it to engage in various processes relating to key issues that include significant aspects of public policy.)

7/41 **22. STATIONING COMMITTEE**

7/41/1 The Conference adopted Resolution 22/1,

p266, para 7.4, line 15, *for* 'The Committee therefore recommends that the Committee declines the proposal contained with the memorial' *reading* 'The Committee therefore recommends that the Conference declines the proposals contained in the first part of the Memorial. The proposals contained in the second part of the Memorial are dealt with in the reply to M5(2012) below.'

- 7/41/2 The Conference adopted Resolution 22/2,
p269, SO 545(3H), line 9, *deleting* 'a' prior to 'descending order'
p269, SO 546(9), line 9, *for* '**consider**' reading '**receive**'.
- 7/41/3 The Conference adopted Resolution 22/3, *noting* the amendments above.
- 7/41/4 The Conference adopted Resolution 22/4.
- 7/41/5 **Notice of Motion 204 – Complexity and strategy: ministry**
Only a few years ago, the Methodist Church was projecting that there will soon be insufficient presbyters to fill the stations. Now there appears to be a radical shift, with many circuits appearing to be reducing the number of presbyteral and diaconal appointments, and the possibility that in years to come there may be more presbyters and deacons available than there are stations to be filled. There may well be a complex range of issues that have given rise to this situation including finance, reshaping for mission, and an increase in the number of circuits employing lay people.
- This complex picture requires further investigation including our current policy in relation to candidating for ministry. The Conference therefore directs the Methodist Council to appoint a working party to explore these and all relevant issues, to present an interim report to the Conference of 2014 and a final report to the Conference of 2015.
- The Conference adopted the Motion.
- 7/42 **42. MINISTRIES COMMITTEE (continued)**
The Conference adopted Resolution 42/3,
further *amending* SO 484 **Probationers Committee** by adding
(3) A deacon nominated by the Diaconal Candidates and Probationers Oversight Committee shall have the right to attend the committee when a diaconal probationer is being discussed and to speak, but not to vote.
- 7/43 **LETTERS**
- 7/43/1 A letter of greeting and congratulation was sent in the name of the Conference to Bishop Young Jae Jun on his appointment as the Presiding Bishop of the National Conference of the Korean Methodist Church.
- 7/43/2 A letter of greeting and congratulation was sent in the name of the Conference to The Revd Kang Myong Chol and The Revd Ri Jong Ro on their appointment as Chairman and Vice-Chairman of the Korean Christian Federation, Democratic People's Republic of Korea.
- 7/43/3 Letters of thanks were sent to The Revd Michaela A Youngson for organising the 'London Methodism – Our Story' photographic exhibition at the Conference, and to Mrs Daphne Horder and her team for the flower arrangements.
- 7/43/4 Letters of greeting and concern were sent to Mr Steve Jones and Mrs Larissa Jones, Deacon Christine Walters, The Revd Tony Walton and Mrs Kate Woolley.
- 7/44 The Conference shared in worship and adjourned at 19.08.

- 8/1 The Conference assembled at 9.30, and shared in worship.
- 8/2 **APPOINTMENT OF ATTESTORS**
The Conference appointed Deacons Lorraine Brown and Myrtle A Poxon to attest the written portion of the record of the Conference Diaconal Committee.
- 8/3 **CONFERENCE-ELECTED REPRESENTATIVES**
The Conference elected the following to serve as Conference-elected Representatives at the Conferences of 2014-2016:
- The Revd Nicola G Jones
The Revd Alison F Tomlin
Ms Hayley Moss
- 8/4 **CONFERENCE BUSINESS COMMITTEE**
The Conference elected the following to serve on the Representative Session Business Committee for the Conferences of 2014-2016.
- The Revd Sylvester O Deigh
Mr Stephen Cooper
Mr Rodney Betts
- 8/5 **Memorial 26 – Use of alcohol in churches which are community centres**
The Conference received Memorial 26 and adopted as its reply that recommended by the Memorials Committee, the Memorial and reply appearing on pp27-28 of the Agenda Supplement.
- 8/6 **Notice of Motion 203 – Policing of Protests**
The Conference, mindful that freedom of assembly is a precious right which has been hard won over the years and is vital to democracy:
1. Expresses its concern at recent revelations about the policing of protest;
 2. Supports the call of Mrs Doreen Lawrence for a public enquiry into such methods of policing; and
 3. Directs that a letter be sent to (a) the Prime Minister and (b) Mrs Lawrence expressing support for the calls made by Mrs Lawrence.
- The Conference adopted the Motion.
- 8/7 **Notice of Motion 206 – Marking the role of women in the ministry**
The Conference notes with joy and thanksgiving that 2014 marks the fortieth anniversary of women being ordained as presbyters within the British Methodist Church.
- Whilst both the Primitive Methodist Church and the Bible Christians had ordained women, it was not until 1974 that the Conference ordained the first women

presbyters following Union in 1932. The ministry of women and men in the life of the church represents the fullness of Christ as described by Paul in Galatians and we rejoice that there are no structural barriers to the full participation of women in the life of our Church.

Recognising that there are still parts of church life where women are under-represented, the Conference notes and welcomes work underway at Southlands College and within the Connexional Leaders' Forum to explore issues relating to women in leadership within the Church.

The Conference directs the Methodist Council to make arrangements for a service of thanksgiving and celebration of the 40th anniversary of women being ordained as presbyters, to take place at an appropriate date in 2014.

The Conference adopted the Motion.

8/8 **Notice of Motion 207 – Supporting the Church of Bangladesh**

The Conference records its sorrow at the loss of at least 1,127 lives, mainly garment workers, in the nine-storey Rana Plaza which collapsed in Savar, Bangladesh in April 2013. It assures its partner church, the Church of Bangladesh, of its solidarity in prayer and action.

The Conference welcomes the liaison taking place among UK churches as they seek to respond to the calls by the Church of Bangladesh for action and affirms the steps being taken to partner the Church of Bangladesh in its advocacy and help for garment workers.

The Conference also notes the establishment of the international Accord on Fire and Building Safety in Bangladesh which now has the support of a large number of retailers and hopes that this initiative becomes an effective tool to encourage significant and widespread improvements in the working conditions of garment workers.

The Conference therefore invites Methodist members and friends to join in acts of solidarity by using material to be launched by the UK Churches' Bangladesh Group in September to:

- Learn about the situation for workers in Bangladesh
- Pray for the Church and its work with those injured, exploited and unemployed
- On buying a garment, write to the retailer asking questions about conditions for garment workers in the manufacturer's factory.

The Conference adopted the Motion.

8/9 **Notice of Motion 209 – One Mission Statement**

The One Mission Statement contained within the report of the Methodist Missionary Society Working Party on pp433-434 of the agenda calls us to encourage and participate in networks of Church to Church relationships. Included in the list of how we have committed ourselves to do this is: "facilitating encounters between people across denominational, national and cultural boundaries that enrich the Church at every level."

Two of the enriched ways in which this happens is through the ministry of those who seek for a period of time to serve the Methodist Church in Britain as presbyters and deacons and through those from other Connexions and denominations who seek to

transfer from their own churches to be in Full Connexion with the Methodist Church in Britain. At best their ministry is well received, the gifts and insights they bring are well offered and used and there is enrichment of the mission and ministry of both sending church and receiving church through the encounter. At worst much pain can be caused through a lack of common understanding of what is expected of those who seek to serve in such a way, through inadequate induction and training for both ministry and circuit and through a lack of clear understanding of the processes which are used to make recommendations to the Conference about that ministry and potential extensions to such ministry.

In addition the categories of ministry currently only allow for medium or long term ministry within our church and increasingly ministers of other Methodist churches find themselves in Britain for shorter periods whilst undertaking study or following spouses who have been sent on short term contracts.

There is both an urgent task of ensuring processes are well known and understood by all involved and a longer term, but none the less urgent task of reviewing the expectations of and possibilities for such ministry and ensuring adequate training and induction.

1. The Conference directs the Ministries Committee in consultation with the Methodist Council to:
 - a. review the literature and processes for presbyters and deacons who seek to serve the Methodist Church in Britain for a period of time or seek to be received into Full Connexion to ensure that they are both in keeping with our existing Standing Orders
 - b. ensure that any revised literature is circulated to all who are currently serving as Recognised and Regarded together with those who are looking to do so from 2015 onwards.
 - c. review the induction and training offered to ministers of other churches and denominations who seek to serve the Methodist Church in Britain and to circuits who receive such ministers and to ensure that from 2015 adequate training and induction is available for all ministers and circuits.
2. The Conference directs the Ministries Committee in consultation with the Faith and Order Committee and Law and Polity Committee to:

review the Deed of Union clauses 44 - 45 A and the existing categories in section 73 of Standing Orders (transfer and recognition) with a view to bringing new and/or revised categories and any changes to the Deed and consequentially to Standing Orders that may be required, if found to be necessary, to the Conference of 2015 to ensure that the ministry of presbyters and deacons from other connexions and denominations can be offered and received. This will give authentic effect to the commitment given in the *One Mission Statement* to "facilitating encounters between people across denominational, national and cultural boundaries that enrich the church at every level."

The Conference adopted the Motion.

Notice of Motion 213 – Methodist Children and Youth Assembly

When the Methodist Youth Conference was replaced by the Methodist Youth Assembly (now the Methodist Children and Youth Assembly), the rules of procedure formerly used by the Youth Conference were no longer appropriate. The Assembly developed its own ways of working, which, as anticipated, have continued to develop over time. The Assembly rightly views it as important to continue a way of working which evolves dynamically and is not constricted by overly complex procedures.

The organisers of the Assembly have recognised the importance of members of the Assembly being fully aware of how the Assembly works and are already working to provide more explanatory material for members this year. It however remains the case that there are not currently written rules of procedure for the Assembly. These are needed, at a minimum, to provide procedures for the elections specified in SO 250(10)-(12).

Additionally, currently all ministerial members of the Conference are automatically members of their District Synods, as are all lay people elected by their District, lay Conference-elected representatives and all past Vice-Presidents. Therefore the vast majority of Conference members are members of their District Synods, the exceptions being lay representatives of Connexional bodies, principally the Methodist Children and Youth Assembly and those appointed to represent concerns of racial justice (two of whom must be under 26), and potentially any lay officers of the Conference or the Methodist Council (though these members frequently hold other qualifications for Synod membership). It would appear to benefit both the Conference and District Synods for these members of Conference to be members of their Synod in the same way as the rest of the members of Conference are. A simple amendment to Standing Orders is offered to cover most cases for the next year whilst the Law and Polity Committee is asked to examine how best to enact this change in Standing Orders for the long term.

The Conference therefore

- a) affirms the principle of the Methodist Children and Youth Assembly regulating its own procedures and notes that it has the power to do so as laid out in SO250(13);
- b) affirms the principle of the Assembly keeping its procedures under constant review and encourages it to adopt procedures which are simple to amend;
- c) reminds the Assembly that procedures are necessary to enable the Youth President, Youth Assembly representatives to the Conference and representatives to the Methodist Council to be elected in accordance with SO250(10)-(12);
- d) recognises that the Assembly has the power to decide the ages of those of its members who may represent the Assembly at the Conference and the ages of those who may vote on resolutions sent by the Assembly to the Conference, but reminds the Assembly that these opportunities may not be denied to members of the Assembly on the basis of age unless the Assembly itself has agreed this as part of its procedures;

- e) notes that the Assembly has not found it feasible to implement its responsibility under SO410(1)(viii) to appoint two young people to each District Synod and directs the Law and Polity Committee to consider this issue, in consultation with the Youth President's Advisory Group and Synod Secretaries, and to report to the Conference of 2014; and
- f) directs the Law and Polity Committee to review Standing Orders with a view to ensuring that all members of the Conference be members of their District Synods and to report to the Conference of 2014;
- g) and amends SO410 as follows:

410 (1) Subject to Standing Orders 785(8) and 791(3) and clause (6) below the Representative Session of the district Synod shall consist of:

...

(ix) all eligible lay persons who are Conference-elected representatives to the Conference, ***representatives to the Conference of the Methodist Children and Youth Assembly or are appointed to the Conference to represent the concerns of racial justice;***

The Conference agreed that the Motion be not put.

8/11 **30. METHODIST ACADEMIES AND SCHOOLS TRUST (continued)**

The Conference adopted as Resolution 30/2:

The Conference appoints The Revd Paul Martin (A) as a member of the Methodist Academies and Schools Trust.'

8/12 **Notice of Motion 110 – The Methodist Church in Scotland**

The Conference directs the Methodist Council:

- (i) to consult with an appropriate range of stakeholders in order to reassess the work which has been undertaken by the Connexional Liaison Officer for Scotland (CLOfS), especially with the ecumenical partners (notably in active consultation through the EMU Partnership between the Scottish Episcopal, Methodist and United Reformed Churches);
- (ii) to determine which tasks of the CLOfS role are of continuing significance and importance; and
- (iii) to bring proposals to the Conference of 2014 as to how such tasks can be undertaken and resourced to make possible the effective future representation of Methodism in and from Scotland.

The Conference adopted the Motion.

8/13 **Memorial M4 - Academic and ecumenical relationships in ministerial training**

The Conference received Memorial M4 and adopted as its reply that recommended by the Memorials Committee, the Memorial and reply appearing on pp6-8 of the Agenda Supplement, but with the following substituted for the fifth paragraph:

The Conference has affirmed repeatedly the importance of ecumenical relationships. The Ministries Committee, in its report to the 2013 Conference, noted the significant progress that has been made in developing the partnership between the Methodist Church and the Church of England in relation to the Common Awards being developed by Durham University. Agreement concerning the Common Awards provides a tangible expression of the Anglican-Methodist Covenant and a significant opportunity to enhance shared work. Further information can be found in the Ministries Committee report to the Conference. The Conference however regrets that joint decision-making with the Church of England as recommended by the Joint Implementation Committee was not undertaken in the Fruitful Field process.

8/14 **Memorial M6 – Configuration of ministerial training**

The Conference received Memorial M6 and adopted the following reply in substitution for that appearing in the Agenda Supplement (pp9-11):

The Conference thanks the Darlington Synod for its memorial and notes the Synod's concerns.

The Conference directs the Methodist Council, in consultation with the Ministries Committee, to initiate an appropriate process through which a review of ministerial training is conducted in line with the request of the memorial, to ensure that the vision outlined by the Ministries Committee in the *Fruitful Field Project* is delivered.

The Conference directs the Council to bring a report to the 2014 Conference.

8/15 **Memorial 24 – Inter faith relations**

The Conference received Memorial M24 and adopted the following reply in substitution for that appearing in the Agenda Supplement (p26):

The Conference thanks the Birmingham Synod for its memorial.

The Conference is very grateful to the time, expertise and energy given by all of those who served on the Inter Faith Relations Working Group. It notes the discussions and decisions of the Methodist Council, as detailed in the Council's report to the Conference, and recognises that following these decisions work relating to inter faith issues has been undertaken in various parts of the Connexional Team and meetings with ecumenical partners have commenced.

Nevertheless, the Conference directs the Council to ensure that work to produce a robust and coherent policy relating to inter faith work is continued. The Conference directs that a report is brought to the Conference of 2014 explaining this policy and outlining how work undertaken on inter faith issues will be reported to the Conference in future. The Conference agrees that discussions with ecumenical partners and others which are already underway should continue in the meantime.

8/16 **Memorials M18-M21, M23, M27-M31, M33, M38**

The Conference received Memorials M18, M19, M20, M21, M23, M27, M28, M29, M30, M31, M33, and M38 and adopted as its replies those recommended by the Memorials Committee, the Memorials and replies appearing on pp19-23, 25-26, 28-34, 35-37 and 40-41 of the Agenda Supplement.

8/17

Memorial M34 – Personal tracking software

The Conference received Memorial M34 and adopted the following reply in substitution for that appearing in the Agenda Supplement (pp37-38):

The Conference thanks the Liverpool Synod for its memorial. The memorial raises difficult questions about what is public and what is private, and the rights over what lies in between. The recent disclosures about the use of PRISM, covered widely in the international press, and which implicated social media platforms and governments alike, make the issues outlined in the memorial even more pressing.

The growth of social media, internet transactions and the use of mobile technologies means that there are massive amounts of data available which can help build up a detailed picture of a person's behaviours, locations, activities and preferences. There are concerns, such as those expressed in this memorial, that such data may be used by government or private companies to infringe the privacy of individuals.

It is important for individuals to recognise that once they have an online presence, they will create a significant amount of data about themselves. Some of this can be restricted by an active use of privacy settings; much of it is hard to avoid.

Many people will feel uncomfortable about having personal data freely available, and particularly if such data may be mined and exploited by commercial organisations. While the use of such data does fall under the Data Protection Act and other legislation, it is clear that in the age of Big Data and while the government remains uncertain about whether to create new legislation covering this issue, the situation is extremely complex.

It is clear that the Connexional Team would need to develop a wide body of knowledge and experience to respond directly to this memorial, necessarily entailing a disproportionate use of time and resources, which should be used to greater effect on other issues. However, the Conference notes that there are good Methodist links with the CODEC research team at St John's College, Durham University. CODEC's remit is to explore Christianity within the digital age and issues related to theology in the digital age. The Conference therefore directs the Methodist Council to address the concerns raised in the memorial by inviting CODEC to work with the Connexional Team to produce a report, drawing on academic, ecumenical, governmental and digital industry links, to provide further guidance for the Church on these matters.

8/18

24. CONNEXIONAL CENTRAL SERVICES BUDGET (continued)

The Conference adopted Resolution 24/7,

for 'The Council' reading 'The Conference' in the wording of the Resolution,

noting the amendments recorded at 6/20/1,

substituting Table 1 and para 14 below for those appearing on Agenda p291:

Table 1 - Proposed Income and Expenditure for MCF

		Budget 2012/13	Budget 2013/14	Budget 2014/15	Budget 2015/16
		£000	£000	£000	£000
Income	District Assessment – MCF only	12,114	12,349	12,595	12,844
	Donations	586	552	565	579
	Grants	102	36	46	56
	Investment Income	150	10	10	11
	Legacies	25	50	50	50
	Miscellaneous Income	719	529	513	515
	Rental income	309	124	124	12
	Trading Income	1,176	939	894	851
	Internal Transfer – Fund levies	1,447	1,535	1,519	1,511
Total Income		16,628	16,124	16,316	16,429
Expenditure	Committee Costs	893	882	891	909
	Cost of Sales	729	551	525	500
	Facilities	674	504	497	503
	Grants Payable	3,506	588	499	493
	Insurance	27	52	54	56
	Other Costs	2,939	3,108	2,996	2,961
	Salaries	6,698	9,144	9,213	9,448
	Stipends	1,838	1,534	1,489	1,529
Total Expenditure		17,304	16,363	16,164	16,399
MCF Net Deficit(-)/Surplus +		(676)	(239)	152	30

14. This proposes a MCF net movement in funds as follows:-

	Target	Proposal
2012/13	£676k	N/A
2013/14	£400k	£239k (deficit)
2014/15	£200k	-£152k (surplus)
2015/16	zero	-£30k (surplus)

substituting Table 5 below for that appearing on Agenda pp295:

Table 5 – Connexional Central Services Expenditure

Costs	Actual 2011-12	Budget 2012/13	Budget 2013/14	Budget 2014/15	Budget 2015/16
	£000	£000	£000	£000	£000
Committee Costs	1,583	1,001	906	909	948
Cost of Sales	892	729	551	525	500
Facilities	593	699	595	590	585
Grants Payable	11,873	13,894	8,711	8,781	12,782
Insurance	136	28	104	106	107
Mission Partners	1,138	-	1,532	1,455	1,547
Other Costs	3,173	3,726	4,979	3,513	3,278

Salaries	8,495	8,044	10,901	10,989	11,140
Stipends	1,953	2,913	2,691	2,649	2,632
Internal Transfer	2,430	1,507	1,535	1,519	1,511
	32,266	32,541	32,505	31,036	35,030

and noting the following information:

Overall Impact on Funds - The overall predicted movement in funds resulting from the proposed budget is as follows:

Fund Type	Fund Name	Fund Opening Bal 2012-13 £000	Budget 2012/13 £000	Budget 2013/14 £000	Budget 2014/15 £000	Budget 2015/16 £000	Fund Closing bal 2016 £000
General Fund	MCF General	14,026	(676)	(239)	152	30	13,293
Designated Fund	Connexional Priority Fund	10,357	1,177	257	208	387	12,386
	Epworth Fund	6,159	(437)	(294)	(322)	(206)	4,900
	Pension Reserves Fund	10,156	3,025	2,591	2,507	2,439	20,718
	Training Assessment Fund	964	(964)	-	-	-	-
Restricted	Training Ring Fenced Fund	7,693	(334)	(2,043)	(184)	357	5,489
	Lay Mission Superannuation	2,537	-	(200)	(205)	(212)	1,920
	World Mission Ring Fenced Fund	21,683	(102)	(83)	(48)	(4,160)	17,290
	Long Term Renewal Fund	2,215	-	12	12	13	2,252
	Centenary Hall Trust	1,467	2	4	5	7	1,485
	Property Ring Fenced Fund	4,346	(56)	6	(1)	(2)	4,293
	Diaconal Order	429	-	(63)	(65)	(66)	235
	Education and Youth	899	(356)	(125)	(125)	(125)	168
	Modern Christian Art-Development	21	-	4	4	4	33
	Forces Chaplaincy Revenue	963	23	(38)	(39)	(41)	868
	Methodist Heritage	-	-	11	38	45	94
	Mission in Britain Ring Fenced Fund	2,390	(132)	222	223	222	2,925
	Auxiliary Special Purposes	503	-	(3)	(3)	(3)	494
	Trinity Hall Trust	619	27	1	-	-	647
	Computers for Ministry	(2)	133	-	(5)	(11)	115
	Connexional Travel	239	6	4	4	4	257

	Fund						
	Sabbatical Fund	605	(35)	(70)	(70)	(70)	360
	Fund for the Support of Presbyters & Deacons	7,236	(118)	(233)	(220)	(222)	6,443
	Medical Benevolent Fund	1,575	45	12	19	18	1,669
	Ministers Children's Relief Association	50	-	(1)	-	-	49
Grand Total	Net surplus/deficit (+/-)	97,130	1,228	(268)	1,885	(1,592)	98,383

8/19 **MEMORIALS M10-M13**

The Conference received Memorials M10, M11, M12 and M13 and adopted as its replies those recommended by the Memorials Committee, the Memorials and replies appearing on pp13-16 in the Agenda Supplement.

8/20 **25. CONNEXIONAL CENTRAL SERVICES BUDGET 2013/14 – DISTRICT ALLOCATIONS**

The Conference adopted Resolution 25/1.

8/21 **43. CONFERENCE ARRANGEMENTS**

The Conference adopted Resolutions 43/1, 43/2 and 43/6.

8/22 **Notice of Motion 201 – Continuing occupation of the West Bank**

Recognising the call of the prophet Micah to “do justice, to love kindness and to walk humbly with your God,” the Conference directs the Methodist Council to ensure that the Joint Public Issues Team prepare a briefing document for the Methodist People upon the arguments for and against the Boycott Disinvestment Sanctions Movement, and for the Methodist Council to bring a report based upon the briefing to the Conference of 2014.

The Conference adopted the Motion.

8/23 The Conference adjourned at 11.16.

8/24 The Conference reconvened at 11.33

8/25 **53. PRESBYTERS AND DEACONS BECOMING SUPERNUMERARY OR RETURNING TO THE ACTIVE WORK**

8/25/1 The Conference adopted Resolution 53/3,

p 555,
in **3. Presbyters requesting permission to become supernumerary,**
adding Dennis H J Smith (14)
for ‘J Graham Wassell (11)’ *reading* ‘J Graham Wassell (21)’.
deleting Jane M Willcock (12)

8/25/2 The Conference adopted Resolution 53/4,

p 554, in **1. Recommended to return to the active work** adding ‘Carl Howarth’,
and for ‘presbyter’ reading ‘presbyters’ in the wording of the Resolution.

8/25/3 The Conference adopted Resolution 53/5.

8/26 **23. CONFERENCE DIACONAL COMMITTEE (continued)**

The Conference adopted as Resolution 23/4:

The Conference resolves, by a Standing Vote, that it accepts for training, unconditionally or conditionally as the case may be, the candidates for ministry recommended by the Diaconal Committee whose names are recorded in the report of that Committee in the Agenda.

8/27 **52. PRESBYTERAL CANDIDATES AND PROBATIONERS OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE (continued)**

The Conference, by a Standing Vote, adopted Resolution 52/3.

8/28 **57. PRESBYTERS AND DEACONS FROM OTHER CHURCHES**

8/28/1 The Conference noted that on p 563, in line 1 of **(1) Presbyters of the Irish Conference**, 'all ministers' should read 'all presbyters'.

8/28/2 The Conference, by a Standing Vote, adopted Resolution 57/1,

pp 563-4, **(2) Presbyters of other autonomous Methodist Conferences**

	P Kofi Amisah	<i>for 35/10 reading 2/18</i>
<i>Deleting</i>	Philip Corrigan	26/FC
<i>Deleting</i>	Stephen Hancock	26/FC
<i>Deleting</i>	Susan D M Howe	24/22
<i>Adding</i>	Duncan B Ibuuri	11/4 Methodist Church, Kenya
<i>Deleting</i>	Oluyesimi Jaiyesimi	7/2
	Jimione Kaci	<i>for 22/19 reading 22/16</i>
<i>Deleting</i>	C Mark Liddicoat	12/3
	David A Markay	<i>for 25/3 reading 25/1</i>
<i>Deleting</i>	Leslie Middleton-Weaver	35/28
<i>For</i>	Moon-Chan (Michael) Moon	35/33 <i>reading Michael Moon 35/33</i>
<i>Deleting</i>	Richard Rowe	26/FC
<i>Deleting</i>	Christoffel H Van Staden	31/2
<i>Deleting</i>	Colin M Weir	26/FC

8/28/3 The Conference, by a Standing Vote, adopted Resolution 57/2,

p 564, **(3) Presbyters of other communions applying to be recognised and regarded**

<i>Deleting</i>	Geoffrey S Clarke	19/15
<i>Deleting</i>	John S Currie	36/21
<i>For</i>	Dee Dee Haines	15/1 <i>reading G Dee Haines 15/1</i>
	Albert Jackson	<i>for 26/23 reading 26/FC</i>
<i>Deleting</i>	R Glyn Jones	1/1
<i>For</i>	Hee Gon Moon	<i>reading Heegon Moon</i>
<i>Deleting</i>	Douglas Morris	14/20
<i>Deleting</i>	David I Rankin	23/2
	Edward Sakwe	<i>for 23/8 reading 28/8</i>

8/28/4 The Conference adopted Resolution 57/3,

pp 565-568, **PRESBYTERS OF OTHER COMMUNIONS TO BE AUTHORISED TO SERVE
THE METHODIST CHURCH**

<i>Deleting</i>	David J A Adams	7/2
<i>Deleting</i>	Barbara E Bennett	24/20
<i>Adding</i>	Ernest G Bosse	14/7
<i>Deleting</i>	Lynn Britten	27/32
	Michael J Claridge	for 5/8 reading 28/12
<i>Adding</i>	Peter T Clark	26/20
<i>Deleting</i>	Christine H Clements	35/30
	Ian K Duffield	for 25/6 reading 25/1
<i>Adding</i>	Graham Dunn	23/22
<i>Deleting</i>	Alison R Evans	7/7
<i>Adding</i>	Susan Golden	12/4
	Susan L Graham	for 7/2 reading 7/16
<i>Deleting</i>	Peter Heckels	20/1
	David Henson	for 17/9 reading 17/7
<i>Deleting</i>	Helen M Higgin-Botham	21/11
<i>Deleting</i>	Brian A Howden	23/26
<i>Deleting</i>	Andrew J Howell	6/4
<i>Deleting</i>	Irfon James	2/27
	Timothy E Jessiman	for 26/4 reading 26/7
<i>Deleting</i>	Elizabeth Kitching	29/31
<i>Deleting</i>	Murray McBride	28/3
<i>Deleting</i>	Gary S McGowan	18/13
<i>Adding</i>	David Michaels	12/17
<i>Deleting</i>	Timothy Mitchell	22/13
<i>Deleting</i>	David J Muskett	26/9
<i>Adding</i>	Linda C Munt	25/1
<i>Deleting</i>	Patricia A Nimmo	23/26
	Gavin D Parker	for 22/19 reading 22/16
<i>Adding</i>	John M Parry	23/28
<i>Deleting</i>	Marilyn A Peters	28/21
<i>Deleting</i>	Catherine R Pickford	20/2
<i>Deleting</i>	Matthew R Pollard	27/32
<i>Deleting</i>	Eileen Poore	35/40
<i>Deleting</i>	Alan Priestley	5/1
<i>Deleting</i>	Ian A Pullinger	23/21
<i>Deleting</i>	Peter S Rand	20/1
<i>Adding</i>	Justine C Richards	24/25
<i>Deleting</i>	Gordon Smith	18/5
<i>Adding</i>	Graham R Tarn	19/23
<i>Adding</i>	Andrew M Taylor	27/32
<i>Deleting</i>	Eileen C Thompson	31/1
<i>Adding</i>	Mark E Watson	27/32
	Maurice A Whittaker	for 22/19 reading 22/16
<i>Deleting</i>	Dinah A Whittall	7/20
<i>Deleting</i>	Michael J Withey	7/7
<i>Deleting</i>	both repeats of:	
	Ronald J Willoughby	11/18
	Jeffrey Wilson	17/11
	Ronald Wilson	9/16
	Michael J Withey	7/7
	Brian Woollaston	7/7
	Alan W Wright	17/11
	Michael Yates	22/28
	Ernest W N Yu	35/39

8/28/5 The Conference adopted Resolution 57/4.

8/28/6 The Conference adopted Resolution 57/5,

pp 569-571, **PRESBYTERS OF OTHER COMMUNIONS APPLYING TO BE ASSOCIATE
PRESBYTERS OF THE METHODIST CHURCH**

<i>Adding</i>	Timothy J Atkins	13/15
	Christine Bandawe	<i>for 16/4 reading 16/2</i>
<i>Deleting</i>	D Owain Bell	28/20
	Michael Benwell	<i>for 16/4 reading 16/2</i>
<i>Adding</i>	Linda Bond	34/1
<i>Deleting</i>	Peter L Dunbar	16/14
<i>Adding</i>	Sylvia Earle	29/16
<i>Adding</i>	Brendan A Giblin	29/16
<i>Adding</i>	Alan Middleton	13/11
	Andrew Myers	<i>for 16/5 reading 16/1</i>
	Andy J Nicholson	<i>for 16/4 reading 16/2</i>
	Barry R Parker	<i>for 16/5 reading 16/1</i>
	Paul J Payton	<i>for 16/4 reading 16/2</i>
<i>Adding</i>	Trevor Pitt	13/15
<i>Adding</i>	Amanda Rhodes	16/17
<i>Deleting</i>	Ian T Rodley	16/7
	Hannah J Smith	16/1
<i>Deleting</i>	Andrew M Taylor	27/32
	James H Turner	<i>for 16/5 reading 16/1</i>

8/28/7 The Conference adopted Resolution 57/6.

8/29 **47. APPOINTMENT OF DISTRICT CHAIRS**

8/29/1 The Conference adopted Resolutions 47/1, 47/2, 47/3, 47/4, and 47/5.

8/29/2 The Conference, with the required majority, adopted Resolutions 47/6, 47/7, 47/8 and 47/9.

8/30 **Secretary of the Faith and Order Committee**

The Conference appointed the Revd Nicola V Price-Tebbutt as Secretary of the Faith and Order Committee for a period of six years from 1 September 2013,

Reasoned Statement

Accepted as a candidate for the ministry in 1999 Mrs Price-Tebbutt trained at Hartley Victoria College where she obtained a first in theology at the University of Manchester. Going on to read for a masters degree in social and pastoral theology, she is now completing doctoral research on re-imaging the theology of human sexuality in the Methodist Church. This reflects not only her academic ability, but also her commitment to theological enquiry against a broad context of social and ecclesial change. As a member of the Complaints and Discipline Review group, she took a lead role in the exploration of the theological principles that underlie the revised processes. In both circuit ministry and as a tutor in an ecumenical context at Hartley Victoria College (where she has served since 2008), she has displayed the ability to facilitate conversations on controversial issues in a way that permit all participants to express their views. She has a clear understanding of both historical and

contemporary Faith and Order issues and is alert to and engaged with a range of theological perspectives.

Mrs Price-Tebbutt has strong administrative, organisational and planning skills and is able quickly and concisely to summarise complex documents for presentation in either written or verbal forms. Through a variety of experiences she has a proven record of being able to communicate theological ideas to groups of differing cultures and ages. Such skills, combined with her commitment to theological enquiry equip her for the role of secretary of the Faith and Order Committee.

8/31 **58. COMMITTEE APPOINTMENTS**

8/31/1 The Conference adopted Resolution 58/1,

p 572, *for* '(2 vacancies names to be brought on the order paper)' *reading* The Revd Susan Keegan von Allmen and Mr Robert J Harrison.

Reasoned Statements

The Revd Sue Keegan von Allmen

The Revd Sue Keegan von Allmen is Superintendent Minister of the West London Mission Circuit. She has extensive circuit and ecumenical experience and brings expertise in the management of community work projects.

Mr Robert Harrison

Mr Robert Harrison is an Executive Director of Harrogate and District NHS Foundation Trust. He has wide experience of general health service management including human resources, finance and performance. He is a member of Acomb Methodist Church in York.

8/31/2 The Conference adopted Resolution 58/2.

8/31/3 The Conference adopted Resolution 58/3,

p 573, *deleting* from 'Chairs' Mr Brian Rollins, and *deleting*, from the paragraph beginning 'The Revds', Veronica M S Faulks

8/31/4 The Conference adopted Resolution 58/4,

p 573, *adding* The Revd Valerie Reid.

Reasoned Statement

The Revd Valerie Reid is a presbyter appointed to the West London Mission Circuit. Valerie is experienced in developing and running family mediation services and in the selection and training of Samaritan volunteers.

8/31/5 The Conference adopted Resolution 58/5,

p 574, *adding* The Revd Joanne Archer-Siddal, The Revd Ian Hu, Deacon Clare Gill, Mrs Sylvia Gnanapragasam

Reasoned Statements

The Revd Joanne Archer-Siddal

A presbyter in the Huddersfield Circuit with experience as a Local Preachers' Tutor and as a mentor for student ministers. Before entering ministry Ms

Archer-Siddal was a serving police officer involved in the training of new officers in law, procedure and diversity.

The Revd Ian Hu

Superintendent minister, originally from the United Methodist Church; experienced in supporting individuals through the candidating process. Mr Hu regularly helps visitors or placement students at 'Somewhere Else' in Liverpool City Centre to explore and discern calls to ministry.

Deacon Claire Gill

A member of the former Diaconal Leadership Team, with experience in mentoring student and probationer deacons. Ms Gill was a senior teacher of Religious Education before entering the ministry, and brings a wealth of experience in education.

Mrs Sylvia Gnanapragasam

A member in the Southwark and Deptford Circuit in the London District, previously a local church and Circuit Steward. Mrs Gnanapragasam is an NHS consultant in Programme Management and a health care specialist.

8/31/6 The Conference adopted Resolution 58/6.

8/31/7 The Conference adopted Resolution 58/7,

p 574, *deleting* '**Eastern Region Ministry Course**'

p 575, **Hartley Victoria College, Manchester:** for '*Dr Anthony Moodie (Principal), the Revd Dr Andrew Pratt, the Revd Nicola Price-Tebbutt' *reading* '*The Revd Dr Andrew Pratt, The Revd Dr Susan Rowe'

Queen's Foundation, Birmingham: *adding* Deacon Eunice Attwood, The Revd Samuel E McBratney, The Revd Dr Judith A Rossall, Deacon Kerry R Scarlett South East Institute for Theological Education: for '*To be confirmed*' *reading* The Revd Cameron Kirkwood

Southern Theological Education Training Scheme: *deleting* '*The Revd Dr Judith A Rossall'

York Institute for Community Theology: *deleting* 'The Revd Richard Andrew (Director)'

8/31/8 The Conference adopted Resolution 58/8,

p 575, *deleting* Helen D Cameron

adding Deacon Eunice Attwood

Reasoned Statement

Deacon Eunice Attwood became a Local Preacher in 1991 and was ordained in 2001 and has served in the Little Lever and Farnworth Circuit, and the Newcastle Central & East Circuit. She is currently Methodist Tutor (Diaconal Formation) at The Queen's Foundation, Birmingham. Eunice served as the Vice-President of the Conference from 2010-2011.

8/31/9 The Conference adopted Resolution 58/9.

8/31/10 The Conference adopted Resolution 58/10,

p 576. 1(d) for 'The Revd David P Easton' *reading* 'The Revd Dr David P Easton'

p 577, 2 (i) The British Methodist-Roman Catholic Dialogue Commission:
adding Miss Rebecca Belshaw
Details: Local Preacher with a degree in theology

2 (j) The Methodist-United Reformed Church Liaison Group:
deleting Roger K Hides

8/31/11 The Conference adopted Resolution 58/11,

p 577. (i) *for* 'The Revd David P Easton' *reading* 'The Revd Dr David P Easton'.

8/31/12 The Conference adopted Resolution 58/12.

8/31/13 The Conference adopted Resolution 58/13,

p 578, at (v) *deleting* The Revd Dr Martyn D Atkins

for '(vi) Prof Peter Howdle, Mr Adrian Burdon, Mrs Alison Jackson'
reading '(vi) Prof Peter Howdle, The Revd David M Goodall and Mrs Heather Shipman'

p 580 in **Details of New Nominations**, *for* 'The Revd Jade Bath Nominated to the Council be the Lincoln and Grimsby' *reading* 'The Revd Jade Bath Nominated to the Council by the Lincoln and Grimsby District'

8/31/14 The Conference adopted as Resolution 58/13A:

The Conference delegates responsibility for the appointment under SO 210(1)(iv) of the vacant District representatives to the Methodist Council for the ensuing connexional year.

8/31/15 The Conference adopted Resolution 58/14,

p 578. *for* '**By a minister or deacon**' *reading* '**By a presbyter or deacon**'.

8/31/16 The Conference adopted Resolutions 58/15, 58/16 and 58/17.

8/31/17 The Conference adopted Resolution 58/18,

for 'the Revd Elizabeth Hunter' *reading* 'The Revd Elizabeth J Singleton',
for '(2 vacancies)' *reading* 'The Revd Stephen Lindridge (1 vacancy)'

Reasoned Statement

The Revd Stephen Lindridge

Mr Lindridge has been the Connexional Missioner for Fresh Expressions for four years and has served as a consultant to the Ministries Committee regarding Fresh Ways of being Church. He has wide experience from over 20 years of ministry and gifts in encouraging strategic development in mission, evangelism, church growth and leadership. He is a reflective pragmatist with a desire to see the Church be relevant and fruitful in all its contexts and forms.

8/31/18 The Conference adopted Resolution 58/19.

8/32 **59. APPRECIATIONS**

8/32/1 The Conference adopted as Resolution 59/2:

The Conference expresses its thanks to the Revd Stephen Poxon for his service to the Methodist Missionary Society and wishes him well for the next stage of his ministry.

The Revd Stephen J Poxon, Secretary of the Methodist Missionary Society

The Revd Stephen J Poxon has been Secretary of the Methodist Missionary Society since 1999. His interest in, and passion for, the Church throughout the world has been demonstrated in many ways during the last fourteen years; chairing the World Church Committee (now World Mission Forum) with District representation; being alongside Connexional Team staff in the World Mission Group; involvement with the Connexional Grants Committee; being available for advocacy of God's mission throughout the Connexion. He has offered untiring leadership during a decade that has included the last overseas District (The Gambia) becoming an autonomous Church, radical staffing changes, and the evolution of the Society into a new form under the decisions in relation to the 'One Mission' vision for all Methodists in Britain.

8/32/2 The Conference adopted as Resolution 59/3:

The Conference thanks Mr Andrew Gibbs for his service to the Methodist Missionary Society and wishes him well for the next stage of ministry.

Mr Andrew M Gibbs, Treasurer of the Methodist Missionary Society

In serving as treasurer of the Methodist Missionary Society Andrew Gibbs has brought to the role a wealth of experience and professionalism. He has insisted on rigorous scrutinizing of the annual figures, alongside the encouragement for longer-term budgeting and stewardship of the funds. Andrew's life-long interest in world church affairs, allied to his attention for detail, has been very much appreciated in recent years as the Society has evolved into the One Mission strategy.

8/32/3 The Conference adopted Resolution 59/1.

8/33 **46. AUTHORISATIONS COMMITTEE**

8/33/1 The Conference adopted Resolutions 46/1 and 46/2.

8/33/2 The Conference adopted Resolution 46/3,

LIST A (pp 516-9)				
<i>Deleting</i>	28/4	Walsall	Linda Joy Brown	M
LIST B (pp 519-20)				
<i>Deleting</i>	22/19	Dove Valley	Stella F Mills	P
<i>For</i>	26/10	Wimborne and Christchurch		
<i>reading</i>	26/10	Christchurch and Wimborne		
<i>Deleting</i>	28/5	Vale of Stour	Gillian M Daniel	P
<i>Adding</i>	35/30	Lesnes Abbey	James A Cruddas	P
LIST C (pp 520-1)				
<i>Adding</i>	22/11	Ashbourne	Merle Wilde	D
<i>Deleting</i>	23/11	Hinckley Circuit	Tim Lea	L

8/34 **REPORT OF THE LAW AND POLITY SUB-COMMITTEE**

Consultation on special resolutions

The Conference, having considered the advice of the Law and Polity Conference Sub-Committee, directed in accordance with Standing Order 126 that the appropriate consultation in respect of special resolutions 21/4 and 42/8 shall be by submission to the Methodist Council under Standing Order 126(1)(c).

8/35 The Conference delegated to the Methodist Council the making of any outstanding appointments and the completing of any outstanding business required to be made or done by the Conference of 2013, and directs that any such actions be reported to the Conference of 2014.

8/36 **THE STATIONS**

8/36/1 The Stations were presented to the Conference in the form of the Draft previously circulated with the following amendments:

THE CYMRU SYNOD

1/1 Cymru
Adding Roger K Hides
Supernumeraries
Deleting Emrys W Evans

THE WALES SYNOD

2/25 Welshpool and Bro Hafren
Supernumeraries
Deleting Emrys W Evans

THE BIRMINGHAM DISTRICT

5/1 Birmingham
For A Stephen Willey
reading A Stephen Willey (*Also Permission to Study*)
For Kerry R Smith (D) (*Workplace Chaplain*)
reading Kerry R Scarlett (D) (*Workplace Chaplain*)
Adding † Deborah Humphries
† Karen Webber
Deleting James Pritchard (*University Chaplain*)
Kerry R Scarlett (D) (*Workplace Chaplain*)

Birmingham City Centre Project

Deleting **Birmingham City Centre Project**
† Deborah Humphries

The Queen's Foundation

For Eunice Attwood (D)
reading Eunice Attwood (D) (*Tutor*)
Adding Judith A Rossall (*Tutor*)
Kerry R Scarlett (D) (*Adavu Project and Tutor*)
Raymond G Gaston (AP) (*Tutor*)
Deleting † Karen Webber

5/10 Coventry and Nuneaton

Deleting Harry Salmon

5/18 Bromsgrove and Redditch
Adding Julia M Pellett

THE BOLTON AND ROCHDALE DISTRICT

6/7 Leigh and Hindley
Adding Carl Howarth (S)
Supernumeraries
Adding Jeffrey D Walker
Deleting Carl Howarth

THE BRISTOL DISTRICT

7/2 Bristol and South Gloucestershire
Adding † Peter J Brazier
Supernumeraries
Adding Paul E Hardy

7/7 Gloucestershire
For reading Nicola V Price-Tebbutt (WA)
For reading Nicola V Price-Tebbutt (*Connexional Team*)
For reading Roxanne Simpson (WA) *who shall act in respect of ministerial duties under the direction of the Chair of the District*
For reading Roxanne Simpson (WA) *who shall act in respect of ministerial duties under the direction of the Secretary of the Conference.*

7/16 Somerset Mendip
Adding Susan L Graham (AP)

7/20 Wiltshire United Area
Adding † Simon C Edwards
Deleting † Peter J Brazier

THE CHANNEL ISLANDS DISTRICT

10/1 Bailiwick of Guernsey
For reading Sian Street (D)
For reading Siân M Street (D)

THE CHESTER AND STOKE-ON-TRENT DISTRICT

11/5 Dane and Trent
Supernumeraries
Adding Philip J Lockett

11/15 Stoke-on-Trent North
Supernumeraries
Deleting Philip J Lockett

11/22 North Staffordshire
Adding James Pritchard (*Chaplain, Keele University*)

THE CORNWALL DISTRICT

12/1 Camborne-Redruth
Adding D Mark Richards (*Hospital Chaplain*)

12/3 Falmouth and Gwennap
For reading Celia M Phillips
For reading Celia M Phillips (S) *and reorder list*

12/4 Truro
Adding Susan Golden (AP)
Supernumeraries
Deleting Jane M Willcock

12/13 Isles of Scilly
For Charles R Gibbs
reading Charles R Gibbs (S)
Deleting Celia M Phillips (S)

12/22 Saltash
Adding Jane M Willcock

THE DARLINGTON DISTRICT

13/11 Durham and Deerness Valley
For Rosario Leto (*Permission to Study*)
reading Rosario Leto (*South Yorkshire Workplace Chaplaincy. Also Permission to Study*)
For Julie A Lunn (*Permission to Study*)
reading Julie A Lunn (*Lecturer, Nazarene Theological College, Manchester. Also Permission to Study*)
For Peter M Phillips (*Director of Research, CBLC*)
reading Peter M Phillips (*Director of Research, CODEC*) *who shall act in respect of ministerial duties under the direction of the Chair of the District*

THE EAST ANGLIA DISTRICT

14/2 Ipswich
Reorder list

14/7 Lowestoft and East Suffolk
Adding Ernest G Bosse (AP)

14/13 North Norfolk
Supernumeraries
Adding Arnold Clough

14/15 Central Norfolk
Deleting Manivasagan N Pillay

14/22 The Fens
Supernumeraries
Adding Nigel J Hannah
Diane M Hare

14/25 St Neots and Huntingdon
Deleting Heather M Walker
Supernumeraries
Adding Heather M Walker

14/26 Cambridge
Deleting Hilary M Cheng

Wesley House
Reorder list

VentureFX Pioneer

For † Simon M Oliver
reading Simon M Oliver

THE LEEDS DISTRICT

16/1 Leeds (South and Central)

For Victoria J Atkins (D)
reading Victoria J Atkins (D) (*Also District Evangelism Enabler*)
Delete Jennifer A J Jones (D)

Adding **Leeds City Centre Mission**
 Jennifer A J Jones (D) *who shall act in respect of ministerial duties under the direction of the Chair of the District*

16/2 Leeds (North and East)

For Mark Harwood (S)
reading Mark Harwood *and reorder list*

16/3 Leeds (Headingley and West)

For † Charity Hamilton
reading Charity Hamilton

THE LINCOLNSHIRE DISTRICT

17/2 Lincoln (North)

Supernumeraries
Adding Terrence M Nowell

17/12 Sleaford

Adding Denise Bulloss

17/15 South Holland

Supernumeraries
Adding Maurice L Perry
 Robert G Pritchard

THE LIVERPOOL DISTRICT

18/8 Crosby

Supernumeraries
Adding Harry Salmon

18/9 Wirral

Reorder list
Supernumeraries
For Lily Twist
reading Lily P Twist

Deleting Iris P Musgrove

18/13 Sankey Valley

Deleting Rodney Hill (*District Development Enabler*)
Supernumeraries
Adding Iris P Musgrove
Deleting Geoffrey P Farthing

18/19 Lancashire West
Supernumeraries
Adding Geoffrey P Farthing

THE MANCHESTER AND STOCKPORT DISTRICT

19/1 Manchester
For Graham R Kent
reading Graham R Kent (*Moravian Church*) and reorder list
Adding Rodney Hill (*District Resourcing Mission Enabler*)

19/23 Ashton-under-Lyne
Deleting Jocelyn F Bennett (WA) (WA)
Adding Graham R Tarn (AP)

THE NEWCASTLE DISTRICT

For Carla S Hall (Secretary of the Synod)
reading There is a Lay Secretary of the District Synod

20/1 Newcastle upon Tyne (Central and East)
Supernumeraries
Deleting David G Driver

20/2 Newcastle upon Tyne (West)
For Leslie Dinning
reading † Leslie Dinning

20/5 North Shields and Whitley Bay
For Carla S Hall
reading Carla S H Quenet

20/6 South East Northumberland Ecumenical Area
For Hee Gon Moon (RR)
reading Heegon Moon (RR)

20/8 Tynedale
For † Jane L Cook
reading Jane L Cook

20/16 Sunderland
For † Gareth P Phillips
reading Gareth P Phillips
Deleting W Andrew J Palmer
Supernumeraries
Adding W Andrew J Palmer

THE LANCASHIRE DISTRICT

21/11 Preston Ribble
For † Katharine J Bland
reading Katharine J Bland
For S Mark Slaney
reading S Mark Slaney (S) and reorder list
Deleting Helen M Higgin-Botham (AP)
Supernumeraries
Adding Gerald Stanger

21/12 Blackpool
Deleting † Timothy A Coleman (D)

21/16 North Lancashire
Reorder list

THE NOTTINGHAM AND DERBY DISTRICT

22/1 Nottingham (North)
For Steven A Bennett
reading Steven A Bennett (S)

22/2 Nottingham (South)
Supernumeraries
Adding Michael W Lees

22/4 Nottingham (Trent Valley)
Adding Anna L Ratcliff (AP) (*Trent University*)
Supernumeraries
Deleting Bernard J Ward

22/5 Nottingham Central Mission
Adding Steven A Bennett (S)

22/6 Derby
Supernumeraries
Deleting William F Podmore

22/13 Borders Mission
Supernumeraries
Adding Lynnette Houghton

22/15 Grantham & Vale of Belvoir
For Andrew Carter (D)
reading Andrew Carter (D) *who shall act in respect of ministerial duties under the direction of the Chair of the District*
Supernumeraries
Adding Raymond W Hinch
Ruth M Hinch (D)

22/20 Erewash Valley
Supernumeraries
Adding Peter Willis

22/23 Mansfield
Supernumeraries
Adding Andrew Orton

22/25 Derbyshire Dales
Deleting Lynnette Houghton

22/26 Newark and Southwell
Supernumeraries
Adding Bernard J Ward

THE NORTHAMPTON DISTRICT

23/3 Witney and Faringdon
Adding Eleanor Griffin (D)

23/7 Leicester (Trinity)
Supernumeraries
Deleting Kenneth Wilson

23/9 Leicester (West)
Adding Paula Hunt (WA)

23/10 Loughborough
Adding Janet Sutton (D) (*University and Colleges Chaplain*)

23/13 Northampton
For Martin R Swan (S)
reading Martin R Swan *and reorder list*

23/21 Peterborough
Deleting Dale S Sherriff (WA)

23/22 Stamford and Rutland
Adding Graham Dunn (AP)
Sara P Cliff (*Teacher*) *who shall act in respect of ministerial duties under the direction of the Secretary of the Conference*

23/23 Nene Valley
Adding Dale S Sherriff
Deleting Sylvia J Kempson (D)
Supernumeraries
Adding Sylvia J Kempson (D)

23/26 Milton Keynes
Deleting Brian A Howden (AP)
Patricia A Nimmo (AP)

23/28 Amersham
Adding Roger B Hardman

THE PLYMOUTH AND EXETER DISTRICT

24/1 Plymouth and Devonport
Adding Nicola Slateford

24/2 Plymouth Methodist Mission
For David P Martin (S) (*also District Mission and Development Enabler*)
reading David P Martin (S)

24/3 Exeter, Coast and Country
Adding Linda M Chester
Supernumeraries
Deleting Paul E Hardy

24/10 South Devon
Adding Peter J Pillinger (S)
Deleting Janet K Nendick (S)

24/22 South Molton and Ringsash
For Susan D M Howe (RR)
reading Susan D M Howe

24/25 West Somerset
For Andrew T Vidamour
reading Andrew T Vidamour (S)
Adding Justine C Richards (AP)

24/28 Teignbridge
Supernumeraries
Adding John C Newton

THE SHEFFIELD DISTRICT

25/1 Sheffield
For K Stephen Pratt (S)
reading K Stephen Pratt
Adding Linda Munt (AP)
Supernumeraries
Deleting Jane Sharpe

25/10 Chesterfield
Deleting Diane M Hare

25/13 The Peak
Cliff College
Deleting Peter W Ensor

25/15 Barnsley
For Oluyemisi Jaiyesimi (RR)
reading Oluyemisi Jaiyesimi
Supernumeraries
Adding Jane Sharpe

THE SOUTHAMPTON DISTRICT

26/2 Winchester and Eastleigh
Supernumeraries
Adding Robert J Powell

26/7 East Solent and Downs
For David J Muskett (AP)
reading David J Muskett *and reorder list*
Deleting Karen Jobson (*University Chaplain*)

26/20 Bridport and Dorchester
Adding Peter T Clark (AP)

26/23 Salisbury
Deleting Judith A Rossall (*STETS*)

THE WEST YORKSHIRE DISTRICT

27/32 Bradford North
Adding Andrew M Taylor (AP)
Mark E Watson (AP)

27/34 Calderdale
Deleting Heather M Taylor

27/36 North Kirklees and Morley
Deleting Christine A Hawke
Supernumeraries
Adding Christine A Hawke

THE WOLVERHAMPTON AND SHREWSBURY DISTRICT

28/1 Wolverhampton
For reading Ruth J Reynolds-Tyson (*also MEME*)
Ruth J Reynolds-Tyson (*Also MEME*)
Adding Mark R Sherman

28/3 Shropshire and Marches
Deleting Margaret Crompton (D)
Adding Lynne R Sylvester-Tonge (D) (WA)
Supernumeraries
Adding Iley Hearle (D)
Margaret Crompton (D)
Deleting Lynne R Sylvester-Tonge (D)

28/12 Tipton and West Bromwich
Adding Phillip A Rees (WA)

28/21 Telford
Deleting Mark R Sherman
Supernumeraries
Deleting Robert J Powell

THE YORK AND HULL DISTRICT

29/14 Pocklington and Market Weighton
Adding Neville Simpson (S)
Supernumeraries
Adding Constance M Lawson (D)

29/24 Ripon and Lower Dales
Supernumeraries
Adding J Barry Lumley

29/31 North Yorkshire Coast
Supernumeraries
Adding Bruce Russell

29/33 York
Adding Ian C Hill
Gordon Morton (WA) *who shall act in respect of ministerial duties under the direction of the Chair of the District*
Deleting Neville Simpson
Supernumeraries
Adding Gerald E Wilson

York Institute for Community Theology
Deleting Richard M Andrew (*Director*)

29/34 Ryedale
For Tania J Brosnan
reading Tania J Brosnan (*Mammographer*) and *reorder list*

29/35 Driffield-Hornsea
Deleting Ian C Hill

THE SCOTLAND DISTRICT

31/2 Glasgow
For John A Butterfield (*Part-time*)
reading John A Butterfield (*Also United Reformed Church*)
Supernumeraries
Adding Robert G Morton

31/5 Ayrshire and Renfrewshire
Adding Clare Burl

31/10 North of Scotland Mission
For Martin L Keenan
reading Martin L Keenan (S) and *reorder list*

31/13 Inverness
For Nigel Rodgers
reading Nigel Rodgers (S) and *reorder list*

THE BEDFORDSHIRE, ESSEX AND HERTFORDSHIRE DISTRICT

34/4 South Bedfordshire
For Jennifer A Spouge (WA) (WA)
reading Jennifer A Spouge (*Training Consultant*)

34/6 Colchester
For Alan L Wright (WA) (WA)
reading Alan L Wright (WA)

THE LONDON DISTRICT

**35/2 West London Mission
Methodist Church House**
Adding Jocelyn F Bennett (WA)
Hilary M Cheng (WA)
† Timothy A Coleman (D) (WA)
Janet K Nendick (WA)
Christopher J Mabb (WA)
Heather M Taylor (WA)

Supernumeraries
Adding Graham J Matthews

35/24 Ealing Trinity
Deleting David A L Jenkins (AP)

35/25 Richmond and Hounslow
Adding Hazel H Yu

Southlands College

For David A Innes
reading David A Innes (*Chaplain*) who shall act in respect of ministerial duties under the direction of the Chair of the District

- 35/32 Romford**
For James R Poch (D)
reading James R Poch (D) (WA)
For Ruth Poch (D)
reading Ruth Poch (D) (WA)
- 35/34 Enfield**
For Mark H Wakelin (Connexional Team)
reading Mark H Wakelin (*Permission to Study*)
- 35/36 Harrow and Hillingdon**
Adding Richard M Andrew (*Connexional Team*)
- 35/39 Sutton**
Adding † Gillian P Long
- 35/42 Bromley**
Adding Karen Jobson (*Mental Health Chaplain*)
- 35/41 Croydon**
Adding Valerie J Ogden (*Permission to Study*)
- 35/43 Orpington and Chislehurst
 Farringtons and Stratford House School**
For Jacqueline D Quarmby
reading Jacqueline D Quarmby (*Chaplain*) who shall act in respect of
 ministerial duties under the direction of the Chair of the District

THE SOUTH EAST DISTRICT

- 36/4 Thames Valley**
Supernumeraries
Deleting John C Newton
- 36/9 Worthing**
Deleting Christine E Keyte
- 36/11 Redhill and East Grinstead**
Adding Graham W Hindle who shall act in respect of ministerial duties
 under the direction of the Chair of the District
- 36/13 Central Sussex United Area**
Supernumeraries
Deleting Andrew Orton
- 36/21 North Kent**
Adding John S Currie (RR)
Deleting Alan Thorpe
Supernumeraries
Adding Alan Thorpe

SERVICE IN OTHER CONFERENCES AND CHURCHES

- APPOINTED TO SERVE ABROAD
Adding Peter W Ensor

PERMISSION TO RESIDE ABROAD
Adding Manivasagan N Pillay (South Africa)

PERMISSION TO SERVE ANOTHER CHURCH
Adding David Cooper (Church of Scotland)

THE CONNEXIONAL TEAM

Adding Richard M Andrew (35/36)
Nicola V Price-Tebbutt (7/7)
Deleting Mark H Wakelin (35/34)

FORCES CHAPLAINS

(c) Royal Air Force
Deleting Roger B Hardman

ASSOCIATE MINISTERS

For reading Adding **ASSOCIATE MINISTERS**
ASSOCIATE PRESBYTERS
Timothy J Atkins (13/15)
Linda Bond (34/1)
Sylvia Earle (29/16)
Brendan A Giblin (29/16)
Alan Middleton (13/11)
Trevor Pitt (13/15)
Mandy Rhodes (16/7)
Hannah J Smith (16/1)
Deleting D Owain Bell (28/20)
Peter L Dunbar (16/14)
Ian T Rodley (16/7)

8/36/2 The Conference, by a Standing Vote, adopted the Stations.

8/37 **DAILY RECORD**

8/37/1 The Daily Record for Wednesday, 10th July was presented, taken as read, and adopted as printed.

8/37/2 The Conference adopted the Daily Record for Thursday, 11th July.

8/37/3 A Written Portion relating to business conducted in a closed session of the Conference Diaconal Committee held on 9th May 2013 was presented in headings only and adopted.

8/38 **EXPRESSIONS OF THANKS**

8/38/1 The Conference expressed its thanks to the Conference Arrangements Committee, the Superintendent, trustees and staff of Methodist Central Hall, Westminster, the volunteers, those who led worship and Bible studies or were involved in Ordination services, those in the Record Office, the Business Committee, and others.

8/38/2 The ex-President, The Revd Dr Mark H Wakelin, and the ex-Vice-President, Mr Michael P King, expressed the thanks of the Conference to the President and Vice-President of the Conference.

8/39

ATTESTATION

During the closing worship of the Conference, the Daily Record of the Presbyteral and Representative Sessions and associated documents were signed by the President, the Vice-President, and the Secretary of the Conference, and were duly attested.

8/40

THE JOURNAL

The Conference, by a Standing Vote, directed that the Resolutions, Orders, Elections, Consents, Delegations and Appointments, and each of them, and every Act and all Acts whatsoever made and done by the Conference begun on Thursday, 4th July 2013, be duly entered in the Journal of the Conference, subscribed by the President, the Vice-President, and the Secretary, and be taken as, and shall be, the Acts of the Conference to all intents and purposes whatsoever.

8/41

ADJOURNMENT

The Conference, by a Standing Vote, resolved to adjourn to the Conference of 2014, which would meet in Birmingham on Thursday, 26th June in its Presbyteral Session, and on Saturday, 28th July in its Representative Seseession.

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The Conference adjourned at 12.31.

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(b) not put

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(c) referred to the Methodist Council

None

II. Responses to Notices of Motion referred by previous Conferences

For a report about work done and work in progress on Notices of Motion brought to previous Conferences, see 7/11.

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For a report about work done and work in progress on Memorials sent to previous Conferences, see 7/11.