

MISSIONS COMMITTEE MANAGEMENT ORDINANCE 2002

AN ORDINANCE to provide for the management of the Diocese of Newcastle Missions Committee.

WHEREAS the Church of God must ever obey the Divine Commission given by Jesus Christ to “go and make disciples of all nations”

AND WHEREAS a Diocesan Missions Committee has functioned within the Diocese of Newcastle pursuant to a resolution of Synod

AND WHEREAS it is desirable that the management of the Committee be controlled by Ordinance

BE IT THEREFORE Ordained and ruled by the Bishop, Clergy and Laity of the Diocese of Newcastle in Synod assembled as follows:

PART 1 – PRELIMINARY

Short Title

1. This Ordinance may be cited as the ***Missions Committee Management Ordinance 2002***.

PART 2 – OPERATIVE PART

2. There shall be established a Committee to be called the Newcastle Diocesan Missions Committee [hereafter referred to as the Committee].
3. The Committee shall consist of:
 - a. The Bishop of Newcastle who shall be the President of the Committee;
 - b. The Bishop shall appoint a Canon to the Ordinary entitled Canon-in-Charge of Missionary affairs who shall be an ex-officio member and chairperson of the Committee;
 - c. Five clergypersons elected by Synod;
 - d. Five laypersons elected by Synod;
 - e. Two persons, one clergy and one lay appointed by the Canon-in-Charge of Missionary Affairs.
4.
 - a. The Canon-in-Charge of Missionary Affairs shall be spokesperson on missionary matters within the Diocese of Newcastle.
 - b. In the absence of the Canon-in-Charge of Missionary Affairs, the Committee shall appoint one of its members to perform the duties of chairperson.
 - c. The Committee shall appoint one of its members to be secretary of the Committee.
 - d. The secretary shall record the minutes of meetings and circulate them to members prior to the next meeting.
 - e. The Canon-in-Charge of Missionary Affairs shall convene meetings of the Committee which shall meet at least five times in any one calendar year.
 - f. Seven members shall form a quorum of the Committee.

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5. The powers and duties of the Committee shall be:
- a. The Committee shall be responsible for missionary promotion and education within the Diocese of Newcastle and may organise functions and speakers in support thereof.
 - b. The Committee shall encourage financial contributions to and prayerful support of missionary organisations.
 - c. The Committee shall encourage parishes and other Diocesan organisations, including sector ministries, to set an annual target for giving to missions and monitor their performance.
 - d. The Committee shall recommend to Diocesan Council for its approval such missionary organisations as may be recognised recipients of the Diocesan Missions Target Schedule.
 - e. The Committee may recommend to Diocesan Council the removal of a missionary organisation from the list of recognised recipients on the Diocesan Mission Target Schedule.
 - f. The Diocesan Office shall record all missionary monies received and remit them promptly to missionary organisations and advise the Committee accordingly.
 - g. The Committee shall report to and supply audited accounts for each session of Synod.
6. The list of Missionary Organisations approved by Diocesan Council as at the commencement of this Ordinance is listed in the Schedule and the Diocesan Council is authorised to add or delete organizations from the schedule to this ordinance upon recommendation of the Diocesan Missions Committee.

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PART 3 – SCHEDULES

Schedule One

- (a) Anglican Board of Mission Australia (ABMA)
- (b) Anglican Aid Abroad
- (c) Bible Society
- (d) Bush Church Aid Society (BCA)
- (e) Church Army (CA)
- (f) Church Missionary Society (CMS)
- (g) Mission to Seafarers
- (h) National Home Mission Fund (NHMF)
- (i) Society for Promoting Christian Knowledge Australia (SPCKA)
- (j) Sharing of Ministries Abroad (SOMA)

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PART 4 – ORDINANCE ADMINISTRATION

Table of Amendments

Date	Current Section	Amending Instrument	Section Amended
2006	6 Schedule 1	<i>Missions Committee Management Ordinance 2002 Amending Ordinance 2006</i>	5 Schedule 1

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