

CONGREGATION CHANGES

The Canberra Region Presbytery advised:

- a) That Pilgrim House's classification should be changed from a congregation and separated from Canberra City Uniting Church. It is a commercial building, not a congregation.
- b) That Wesley Uniting Church Forrest is a standalone congregation.
- c) That North Belconnen Uniting Church is a standalone congregation.
- d) The dissolution of Goulburn Multicentre
- e) The formation of a standalone congregation, Goulburn Congregation, continuing in Goulburn
- f) The formation of 6 faith communities: Big Hill, Marulan, Collector, Greendale, Gunning-Dalton and Gundaroo

The Far North Coast Presbytery advised:

- a) That Lismore Regional Mission is a Multi-Centre Congregation. It is made up of congregations at Lismore, Goonellabah, Bexhill, Coraki-Woodburn, Jiggi-Koonorigan, and Nimbin, with Marmung Fellowship being a part of Coraki.
- b) The following changes to Lismore Regional Mission effective 1 November 2022:
 - i. name change from Lismore Regional Mission to Lismore Regional Uniting Church
 - ii. Marmung Fellowship has disbanded and no longer operates
 - iii. services are no longer held at Koonorigan – remove from Jiggi-Koonorigan to show Jiggi only
 - iv. services are no longer held at Woodburn – remove from Coraki Woodburn to show Coraki only
 - v. the congregation at Nimbin has closed (approval to sell property is being explored)
 - vi. Lismore East congregation has closed and property sold (29/03/2019)
- c) the closure of Clunes Uniting Church, effective from 31 May 2023.

The Georges River Presbytery advised:

- a) That Jannawi Family Centre is no longer associated with Lakemba Uniting Church
- b) The change of beneficial stewardship of 20 Ercildoune Avenue, Beverly Park NSW 2217 (N051600) has changed from Georges River Presbytery to Kogarah Uniting Church, effective from 1 November 2021.
- c) The formation of the Beverly Hills Faith Community, effective 13 December 2022.

The Illawarra Presbytery advised:

- a) The name change of Bowral and Mittagong Uniting Church to Bowral-Mittagong Uniting Church, effective from 17 September 2021.
- b) That Kiama-Jamberoo Uniting Church is a standalone congregation.
- c) That Moss Vale Uniting Church is a standalone congregation.
- d) The following changes to Bay and Basin, Bomaderry and Nowra Uniting Churches:
 - i. the amalgamation of the Bay and Basin, Bomaderry and Nowra Uniting Churches to a single congregation
 - ii. the new name of the congregation is Shoalhaven Central Uniting Church
 - iii. that all finances and records be transferred to the new congregation
 - iv. that beneficial stewardship of all property be transferred to the new congregation
 - v. the amalgamation is effective from 1 July 2022

The Macquarie Darling Presbytery advised:

- a) The transfer of beneficial stewardship of 76 Kite Street, Orange to Uniting, effective from 30 September 2021. The building was previously under the stewardship of Orange Uniting Church.
- b) The following changes to Parkes Currajong/Cookamidgera:
 - i. The closure of the Parkes Currajong/Cookamidgera congregation
 - ii. That the Parkes Welcome congregation remains open and is now a standalone congregation
 - iii. That all property has been transferred to the beneficial stewardship of the Parkes Welcome congregation
 - iv. The title of the remaining congregations is Parkes Uniting Church – Welcome
- c) The closure of Marranbilla Mission Area, effective 30 April 2017.
- d) That the Mudgee Crossroads program has been included as an activity of the Cudgegong Cluster, effective 6 June 2022.
- e) The transfer of beneficial stewardship of 5 Broomfield Street Lot 20 Sec 1 DP974, Nymagee NSW 2831 from Cobar Far West Mission to Macquarie Darling Presbytery effective 7 October 2022.

The Mid North Coast Presbytery advised:

- a) The closure of Urunga Uniting Church.
- b) That Wingham Uniting Church has been approved by PSC as a small congregation.

The Parramatta Nepean Presbytery advised:

- a) The St Marys/Rooty Hill congregation, as it has ceased to exist, effective from 28 February 2015. Note: this is to ensure correct minuting.
- b) The amalgamation of Picton Uniting Church and Tahmoor Uniting Church, to be known as Wollondilly Uniting Church, effective from 30 September 2021.
- c) That the newly created congregation from Picton Uniting Church and Tahmoor Uniting Church, Wollondilly Uniting Church, will be the custodian of the property from those former congregations.
- d) That the beneficial custodianship of the property at 621 Victoria Road, ERMINGTON, NSW 2115 has been transferred to Parramatta Nepean Presbytery.
- e) The transfer of beneficial stewardship of the following properties from Parramatta Nepean Presbytery to Leura Uniting Church, effective 1 August 2018:
 - i. 39 Lurline Street, Katoomba NSW 2780 (Property ID 4000124)
 - ii. 142 Katoomba Street, Katoomba NSW 2780 (Property ID 4000125)
 - iii. 223 Katoomba Street, Katoomba NSW 2780 (Property ID 4000123)
- f) The transfer of beneficial stewardship of the following properties from Parramatta Nepean Presbytery to Bidwill Uniting, effective 1 July 2022:
 - i. Lot 104 Carlisle Avenue, Bidwill NSW 2770 (Property ID 3005719)
 - ii. Lot 104 Carlisle Avenue, Bidwill NSW 2770 (Property ID 3005718)
 - iii. Lot 104 Carlisle Avenue, Bidwill NSW 2770 (Property ID 3007321)
- g) The transfer of beneficial stewardship of 6 Wentworth Street, Ermington NSW 2115 (Property ID 3005584) from Parramatta Nepean Presbytery to Sydney Vision Church, effective 3 November 2021.
- h) The transfer of beneficial stewardship of Jersey Street, Richmond NSW 2753 (Property ID 3011580) from Parramatta Nepean Presbytery to Synod of NSW/ACT, effective 11 June 2021
- i) The transfer of beneficial stewardship of Lot 10 DP 734875 [Property IDs 3005599, PRO 101753, AST10001436] from Greystanes Uniting Church Child Care Centre to Greystanes Uniting Church effective 12 October 2022.
- j) The transfer of beneficial stewardship of properties 3001275, 3001274 & 3001273 at 621 Victoria Road, Ermington NSW 2115 from Parramatta Nepean Presbytery to Sydney Vision Church, effective 3 November 2021.
- k) The closure of Fairfield Uniting Church, effective from 1 July 2023 and the transfer of beneficial stewardship of all properties to Parramatta Nepean Presbytery
- l) The amalgamation of Grantham Heights Uniting Church and Blacktown Uniting Church to one congregation, to be named Blacktown Regional Uniting Church, effective from 1 July 2023.
- m) The closure of Fairfield Uniting Church, effective from 1 July 2023.

- n) The closure of Kenthurst Uniting Church and the transfer of beneficial stewardship of all property to Parramatta Nepean Presbytery
- o) The closure of St Mary's Uniting Church and the transfer of beneficial stewardship of all property to Parramatta Nepean Presbytery

The Riverina Presbytery advised:

- a) The closure of Barellan Uniting Church, effective 31 December 2021.
- b) The closure of Tumut Uniting Church and the transfer of beneficial stewardship of all property to Riverina Presbytery
- c) The closure of Temora Uniting Church and the transfer of Beneficial Stewardship of all property to Riverina Presbytery, effective from 1 July 2023.
- d) The split of Wagga Wagga Uniting Church into two standalone congregations – Wagga Wesley Congregation and Wagga Pilgrim Congregation, effective from 31 December 2022.

The Sydney Central Coast Presbytery advised:

- a) That Pymble Chapel is a standalone congregation.
- b) The following changes to Kincumber Faith Community:
 - i. Confirm that the Kincumber Congregation was closed on 30 September 2021.
 - ii. Confirm that Sydney Central Coast Presbytery recognised the Kincumber Uniting Faith Community (KUFC) from 1 October 2021.
 - iii. Note that the members of the closed Kincumber Congregation have been given the opportunity to determine where their membership is held and have chosen to be members of Broken Bay Uniting Church.
 - iv. Note that the oversight of the KUFC remains the responsibility of Presbytery [Reg 3.9.2(c)].
 - v. Note that the Broken Bay Uniting Church has agreed to provide day to day oversight and pastoral care support for KUFC.
 - vi. Note that a Memorandum of Understanding is being prepared to confirm the expectations and responsibilities of Presbytery, Broken Bay Uniting Church and the KUFC.
- c) The transfer of beneficial stewardship of all of Kincumber Uniting Church's property to Broken Bay Uniting Church, due to the closure of the congregation, effective from 30 September 2021.
- d) The change of name for Killara Seoul Uniting Church to Killara Good Seed Uniting Church, effective from 31 August 2021.
- e) The transfer of beneficial stewardship of all of Kincumber Uniting Church's property to Sydney Central Coast Presbytery, due to the closure of the congregation, effective from 30 September 2021.
- f) The closure of Ryde Uniting Church, effective 31 December 2021.
- g) The closure of Pymble Chapel.
- h) The separation of the Northern Beaches Uniting Church – Manly from the Northern Beaches Uniting Church. The congregation is now a stand-alone congregation, named Manly Uniting Church, effective from 2 May 2023.

The Sydney Presbytery advised:

- a) That Sydney Presbytery transfer the Responsible Body classification of "Trinity" - 62 The Boulevard Strathfield, to the Hoju Congregation effective 1 July 2022.
- b) The transfer of beneficial custodianship from Sydney Presbytery to Mustard Seed Uniting Church.
- c) The recognition of the Surry Hills Neighbourhood Community, under the oversight of Newtown Mission, effective from 21 July 2022.
- d) The withdrawal of recognition of Camperdown Stanmore Community Uniting Church and the transfer of beneficial stewardship of buildings to Sydney Presbytery, effective from 1 July 2023.

- e) The transfer of Beneficial Stewardship of the below properties from Sydney Presbytery to the Tonga Parish, effective from 1 July 2023:
 - i. 3005978 - 344-350 Punchbowl Road, BELFIELD, NSW 2191
 - ii. 3005979 - 344-350 Punchbowl Road, BELFIELD, NSW 2191
- f) The withdrawal of recognition of Belfield Faith Community, effective from 1 July 2023.
- g) The name change of the Surry Hills Neighbourhood Centre faith community to the Surry Hills Gathering, effective from 16 November 2022.

The Hunter Presbytery advised:

- a) the transfer of beneficial stewardship of one of Wallsend Shortland Multicentre Congregations' property to The Hunter Presbytery, due to asbestos issues that the congregation is unable to remedy, effective from 1 July 2021. The Property ID numbers are as follows: DP779503 and DP197345.
- b) The following changes to Maitland Eastside and Black Hill
 - i. the correct structure of the Maitland Eastside and Black Hill congregations, due to error:
 - ii. Black Hill Uniting Church is classified as a congregation
 - iii. Maitland Eastside Uniting Church is classified as a Multi Centre with two worship sites of Morpeth and East Maitland.
 - iv. the transfer of the following properties from Maitland Eastside Uniting Church to Black Hill Uniting Church:
 - v. 3006504 Amenities
 - vi. 3006506 Pergola
 - vii. 3006505 Church
 - viii. 4000591 Hall
 - ix. 4001009 Cemetery
- c) the transfer of beneficial stewardship of Lot 3 Scenic Drive DP811759 Assessment 74817-8 from Caves Beach Uniting Church to Uniting effective 5 June 2022.
- d) the closure of Mereweather Uniting Church, effective from 31 December 2022.