



Department for Communication and Overseas Mission
Tabana ni Vakau I Tukutuku kei na Kaulotu
Report to 2015 Divisional Annual Meetings
Na Rivote kina Bose Vakayabaki ni Wasewase -2015

1. Introduction

- Warm greetings to you in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ from the Department of Communication and Overseas Mission!

Sa veikidavaki tiko yani ena yaca ni noda Kalou na Luvena kei na Yalo Tabu mai na Tabana Ni Vakau I Tukutuku kei na Kaulotu.

- This report is in two parts: (i) Communication, (ii) Overseas Mission, with recommendations at the end.

E na wase rua saka tiko na rivote ogo (i) Vakau I Tukutuku (ii) Kaulotu

2. Communication: (Vakau I Tukutuku)

- a. The department had a very active 2014 with a number of milestones achieved. These are:

E a dua na yabaki vinaka sara na 2014, ka rawata sara kina vakavinaka na tabana qo e levu na veika lelevu ka ra koto tiko qori era:

- i. Coverage of all major church events by local and overseas news media. We have also recorded all these events on video for the Church archives.

Na kena tabaki na veisoqo lelevu vakalotu mai vei ira na tabana ni vakau I tukutuku na kena I Viti kei na veiyasai vuravura. Sa katoni tale tu ga na veisoqo vakalotu ogo ka sa maroroi tu ena vale ni volavola ni vakau I tukutuku ni Lotu.

- ii. Newspaper Supplement and Television programme for John Wesley Conversion Day (24th May).

E a taba na Niusiveva ka vaka kina na raitio yaloyalo ena ka 24 ni Me nai tukutuku ni kena vakananumi nai tukutuku me baleta na tama ni noda lotu o Jone Wesele.

- iii. Live internet broadcast of Golden Jubilee celebrations – approximately 9,000 viewers.

E rauta ni lewe 9,000 na lewe ni lotu/ vanua I vuravura era a sarasara tiko mai ena mona livaliva ena noda marautaka na Jiupili Koula ni Lotu Wesele e Viti.

- iv. Publication of *Nai Tabe* – free church newsletter. The newsletter will be printed 4 times a year (March, June, August and November). We are looking for sponsors so that we can not only keep the *Nai Tabe* free but also have enough copies for each Division (only 20 per division at the moment). The newsletter can also be downloaded from the church website.

E sa mai tavoci ena yabaki sa oti nai takitaki vakarautaki ni Lotu Wesele e Viti ka vakatokai “Nai Tabe”. E taba vaka va nai takitaki qo ena loma ni dua na yabaki (Maji, Jiune, Okosita kei na Noveba). E sa tu talega ena “website” ni Lotu nai lavelave ni “Nai Tabe” ke ko ni gadreva mo ni wilika ena nomuni veimisini veikauyaki.

- v. The official Methodist Church in Fiji website is www.methodistfiji.org. All departments and institutions have a page on the website and there is other information about the church. Important documents are available for download from the website.

Ke o ni gadreva se via kila na veika esa vakayacora tiko na Lotu ena noda vanua se vuravura, na veitabana kece vaka koniferedi, yavu ni vakavulewa se tukutuku eso me baleta na noda Lotu, ni sikova ga na noda "website" sai koya na www.methodistfiji.org

- vi. The Church is now active on Social Media. Our official Facebook page www.facebook.com/MethodistChurchFiji currently has almost 8,000 followers and reaches up to 32,000 people. It is a very affordable and efficient way to reach our members with news and important information. We ask all our church members that use Facebook to please visit the Church page and click the "Like" button and follow our page. Our Twitter page is **@methodistfiji**

Ena vuku ni sa toso sara tiko na veika vaka mona livaliva ena noda vuravura, sa tiko talega edua na noda "page" ena Facebook kei na Twitter.

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E sa volekata toka yani e 8,000 na lewenilotu I Viti kei vanua tani era lewena tiko ka voleka ni 32,000 o ira e ra sikova oti mai na noda "Facebook Page". E sa vakarawarawataki sara vei ira na lewe ni lotu na kena vakadewataki eso nai tukutuku ni veika sa yaco tiko ena loma ni noda Lotu.

- b. Apart from the above regular work. The department has only 2 major activities for 2015: *Mai na veika e sa vakayacori tiko. Na tabana ni vakau I tukutuku e vakanamata tiko e 2 nai tuvatuva lelevu ena loma ni yabaki qo:***

i. Training for Divisional Correspondents (Communications Volunteers)

- The 2014 Conference has resolved that each Division will have a Divisional Correspondent from 2015. These correspondents will work with the divisional Superintendent and the Department of Communication and Overseas Mission to send news to the head office and provide communications assistance and education in the Division.

- Requirements for Divisional Correspondents:

1. *Must be a confirmed and active member(Siga Dina kei na Vavakoso Tudei)*
2. *Pass in FSLC with 60% or above in English*
3. *Be able to use Microsoft Word and Power-point*
4. *Have a valid email address and Facebook page*

- **Names to be forwarded to the Secretary for Communication and Overseas Mission as soon as possible.**

- 1st Training for Divisional Correspondents will be held in Suva on 8 – 12 June, 2015.

- 2nd Training – practical will be during the Solevu and Annual Conference: 17 – 30 August.

Me vakatura na veiwasewase e yadua na nona vakaillesilesi bole ni vakau I tukutuku ka me rau cakacakavata kei na Liuliu ni Wasewase ka vaka kina na tabana ni vakau I tukutuku ena

vale ni volavola liu ena veika me baleta na kena vakau nai veitukutuku eso, mai na loma ni Wasewase ki na Vale ni Volavola Liu ni noda Lotu.

ii. Radio Project

- The department is working on a church radio station. Until a community radio license is secured from the Government the station will be an internet radio service only.

E sa cakacaka sara tiko vakaukauwa na tabana ogo ena kena vinakati me dua na siteseni ni biau livaliva/raitio ni Lotu Wesele e Viti. Ogo me vakarawarawataki na vakau ni tukutuku vei ira na lewe ni lotu ena veiyasai Viti ka vaka kina e na monalivaliva se “internet” vei ira mai na veiyasai vuravura.

3. Overseas Mission:

- a. The department now has a separate committee for Overseas mission – includes former missionary ministers, radinis and lay people. *E sa mai tauyavutaki edua na komiti ni Kaulotu ka ra lewena o ira era sa vakaitavi taki ira oti ena cakacaka vaka kaulotu, Radini Talatala kei ira na lewe ni vavakoso lotu.*
- b. We are connecting with former mission partners PNG and Caribbean as well as Solomon Islands to explore mission opportunities. *Sa vakayacori tiko na veitaratara vei ira era sa vakaitavi taki ira ena cakacaka vaka kaulotu ena wasa pasifika, kei vanua tani ena vuku ni kena vakatetei na cakacaka vaka dau ni kaulotu.*
- i. We are developing formal relationship with Youth With a Mission for training and placement of young lay missionaries: YWAM Mission 21 - Vocational Discipleship Training School – Nadi. Training in practical trade skills plus YWAM DTS – preparation for overseas mission. Set up by Emosi Tatukivei (YWAM USA)
 - ii. Mrs. Losalini Tuwere is YWAM Fiji Office rep on Overseas Mission Committee
- c. United Methodist Church is offering mission opportunities for young people (20-30years) Global Mission Fellows International Track – 2yrs programme.
E sa mai tauyavutaki edua na veiwekani vou kei na soqosoqo rogo levu ni kaulotu na “Youth With A Mission” –YWAM ka me ra vakayagataki nai tabagone ena cakacaka vaka kaulotu ki vanua tani. Sa tiko edua na kena koronivuli vakarutaki ena mua ira ni noda vanua (Nadi)

However applications can only be made online: <http://www.umcmision.org/Get-Involved/Generation-Transformation/Global-Mission-Fellows/Fellows> Ke o ni gadreva mo ni vakalewena na kena fomu sa tiko qori e cake na kena “website”, mo ni muria na kena sala sa vakarautaki ka gadrevi kina na monalivaliva.

- d. Cabe Ni Lotu 2015: The department will host a gathering of former Methodist Church in Fiji missionaries on Monday 12th October, 2015. Details will be given out at conference. *E na vakarautaka tiko na tabana ogo edua na soqo ni nodra sota vata mai o ira kece era sa vakaitavi taki ira oti ena cakacaka vaka kaulotu ena loma ni noda Lotu Wesele e Viti.*

● **Recommendations To Annual Meeting:**

1. *That the report be accepted. Ni na ciqomi saka na vakatutu qo.*
2. *That a suitable person be selected from each Division to be a volunteer Divisional Correspondent (As per 2014 Annual Conference resolution). Me digitaka saka mai na vei Wasewase edua e ganiti koya vinaka nai tutu oqo na “dau ni vakau I tukutuku”.*
3. *Proposed Communications Committee 2016*
Na komiti ni Vakau I Tukutuku ka me vakatutu taki ena 2016
 - a. *Members:*
 - i. *President*
 - ii. *Vice President*
 - iii. *General Secretary*
 - iv. *Assistant General Secretary*
 - v. *Secretary for Communication and Overseas Mission*
 - vi. *Rev. Iliesa Naivalu, Secretary for CC&SS*
 - vii. *Deaconess Meresiana Kuricava, Administrator Deaconess Order*
 - viii. *Rev. Sekaia Ratumudu, Church Accountant*
 - ix. *Deaconess Salanieta Naucabalavu, Secretary for Women*
 - x. *Mr. Simione Valenatabua – Church Legal Advisor*
 - xi. *Rev. Jeremaia Waqribete, Divisional Superintendent - Wesley*
 - xii. *Mr Sakiusa Bolaira*
 - xiii. *Ratu Seru Verebalavu, Manager – Methodist Bookstore*
 - xiv. *Mrs. Violet Savu, Fiji Media Watch (Member Wesley Lami)*
4. *Proposed Overseas Mission Committee 2016*
 - i. *President (Served in mission in UK)*
 - ii. *General Secretary (Served in mission in Belize)*
 - iii. *Deputy General Secretary*
 - iv. *Secretary for Evangelism*
 - v. *Divisional Superintendent Wesley Division – or representative*
 - vi. *Divisional Superintendent Indian Division – or representative*
 - vii. *Divisional Superintendent Suva Division – or representative*
 - viii. *Mrs. Losalini Tuwere – former missionary to Bangladesh and Fiji YWAM Executive*
 - ix. *Mrs. Titilia Vakadewavosa – served in mission in Belize*
 - x. *Mrs. Aneeta Reuben – served in mission in Guyana*
 - xi. *Rev. Nam Gun Cho – Vision Circuit/College (Korean mission coordination)*
 - xii. *Rev. Anil Reuben – Principal DTC (Served in mission in Guyana)*
 - xiii. *Secretary for Communication and Overseas Mission*