Regional Partnership: Riverina Presbytery Newsletter

March 2025







The Regional Partnership is the Committee charged with oversight and responsibilities of the Riverina. We meet monthly and this Newsletter is a summary of the meeting held on 12 March 2025.

At each Regional Partnership meeting we begin our conversation with discussion around theology, the Church and then in prayer together. The Regional Partnership, as part of the practice of Saltbush, grounds our work and conversation within our faith rather than our faith within our work.

Message from the Chair, Regional Partnership

We have toppled over into the Season of Lent. A season in which we pause to reflect, seeking to give up that which distracts us so we can focus on God's voice in our lives. A season in which we wait.

Many years ago, as I was sitting in worship during my formation-for-ministry journey, the preacher told us that "giving something up for Lent" was a particularly Roman Catholic thing. Protestants, he advised, viewed Lent as a time for taking something up. Jokingly he suggested that if there was a particular vice we wanted to take up, this was the time. Much more seriously, however, he reminded us that Lent is a time to engage more deeply in the disciplines of faith: prayer, study, reflection, worship, discernment, and so on. Somehow, in my desire to "include everyone", I have linked the two practices together ever since: giving up something in order to take up something else! (As a side note, one year I gave up chocolate for Lent. My family has forbidden me from doing so ever again. I really don't know what their problem was…?)

Perhaps we don't automatically consider Lent as a time of change, and yet that is one of the great potentials of this season. As we engage more fully, more deeply, in the faithful practices that draw us closer in alignment with God and God's plan (for us, for our communities, for our Church, for the world), we are opening ourselves to being changed as people of God. Further, we are creating opportunities for change to happen through us, because of us. Closer alignment with God will impact our relationships and our actions, all of which will lead us to become more Christ-like.

As I started in the role of Chair of the Regional Partnership, Far North Coast was facing the threat of Tropical Cyclone Alfred. Over the last few weeks, they have faced the devastation of floods and damaging winds. Part of me was filled with utter helplessness as "all I could do was pray." I had to wrench myself away from those thoughts and reframe them deliberately into "I can pray!" So I did. A lot. As did countless others. I fervently hope that those in the midst of the effects of ex TC Alfred felt the love and care of innumerable people holding them in prayer.

For those who have not yet heard, Rev. Simon Hansford has needed to relinquish the Chair of Regional Partnership role. We would like to thank him for his willingness to take up the reins over the last months and acknowledge his contributions to the Regional Partnership. His faithful service is deeply appreciated.

Since taking up the role at the beginning of this month, I have reflected with enormous gratitude on the joyful privilege of visiting almost every congregation within the Far North Coast and Riverina presbyteries over the past year or so. I feel like I know you a little and love you a lot already, and that fills me with renewed joy as I seek to support, encourage and equip you to the best of my ability in preparation for the meeting of the Synod in July, where discernment will occur around the structuring of our Synod and its Presbyteries. I am looking forward to our journey together in the next few months ever so much.

God, this Lenten Season, draw us ever closer to you that we might discern the future you yearn for us to embrace. Fill us with grace as we tread the path before us in faithful obedience to your call, knowing you are with us every step of the journey.

Finance Report for YTD October 2024

The YTD January Finance Reports were presented at the March meeting providing an update on the Riverina Presbytery financial performance for the Year to Date (YTD) January 2025.

The financial report is attached for your information.

Vital Leadership UME Update

Incarnate Gathering

Ben Gilmour, Head of Vital Ministry provided an update on the recent Incarnate Gathering for Lay Leaders.

Hosted by Sawtell Uniting Church, 73 people attended this first dedicated lay leadership training initiative.

UME plan to hold more and to assist with future planning had a feedback discussion following the event to hear ways we could improve, encourage and develop further. There was good representation from the Far North Coast and we are keen to explore this in the Riverina.

For further details click on this link to the website: https://www.nswact.uca.org.au/blog/lay-leaders-gather-for-incarnate/

Presiding at the Sacraments Online Refresher - Saturday, 31 May 2025

For further information and to register please visit the website via this link: https://www.nswact.uca.org.au/calendar/presiding-at-the-sacraments-refresher-may-2025/

PreachFest 2025

Will be held on 24th and 25th October 2025 at St Stephen's Uniting Church. We have a dedicated day for lay ministry on the Saturday, for those interested it is a good opportunity for lay preachers as part of their continuing education.

For further information please visit the website: https://www.nswact.uca.org.au/calendar/preachfest-2025/ or contact the PreachFest Team: preachfest@nswact.uca.org.au

Expression of Interest to the Strategic Growth Fund

The Regional Partnership approved Expression of Interest's (EOI's) received by Wagga Wagga Wesley and Wagga Pilgrim. The EOI's will be submitted by the Chair for consideration by the Strategic Growth Fund. The EOI is the first stage of the application process and we are hopeful they will both progress to the second stage of providing a clear vision for the proposed projects.

Presbytery Project Update

2024 was a year of discernment for the Uniting Church. <u>The Presbytery Project</u> will be processing the draft proposal that came out of the fourth Summit.

All 12 presbyteries are making a response to the draft proposal, and we encourage everyone to register and attend one of the Virtual Town Hall Leading up to Synod gatherings. For further information and to register please visit the website via this link: https://www.nswact.uca.org.au/blog/virtual-town-halls-leading-up-to-synod-2025/

Saltbush Team Update

Saltbush sends our greetings to the Regional Partnership and the Far North Coast and Riverina Presbyteries.

Our next Gathering for lay leaders will be in The Hunter Presbytery (Singleton) on 17th May and information can be found here:

https://www.eventbrite.com.au/e/saltbush-gathering-singleton-the-hunter-presbytery-tickets-1250818244039?aff=oddtdtcreator

We have also just published our next set of conversations for groups, Church Councils, and congregations called Salt in the Wound. You can find these here: https://saltbushcommunity.uca.org.au/salt-in-the-wound/



For lay leaders who would like to attend, as they are able, our weekly Saltbush Lectionary Group each Monday morning at 9.30am for one hour, simply get in touch saltbush@nswact.uca.org.au and we will send you the link.

Good News Stories

Riverina Gathering

An excellent gathering of the Riverina Presbytery in Wagga on 1 March 2025. There was a lot of time spent connecting with one another socially and in worship. Deep engagement with the collective proposal to reshape the 12 Presbyteries of the Synod of Uniting Church NSW & ACT and create 3 new better-resourced Presbyteries.

Great local leadership from George Thomas, Cindy James, Kepueli Vaka, Jen Lawlor & Andrew Watts. Equally great to have Rob McFarlane and leaders from other Presbyteries proposed to be part of the new Southern Presbytery: Amy Junor & Liz McMillan from Canberra Region, Barbara Moore, Steve Aynsley & Matt Wilson from Georges River, and Meredith Yabsley from the Illawarra. All local and visiting leaders have been keen participants in our Discernment Summits that led us to be here.



Jen Lawlor introducing the Presbytery Project presentation



Map showing where participants at the Gathering (n person and on zoom) came from (excl. Sydney and Illawarra - too far away to fit on the map).

Induction of Rev Kepueli Vaka

The weekend of 15th and 16th February was a special time in the life of Griffith Uniting Church.

Saturday was the Induction of Rev Kepueli (Keps) Vaka with the former Moderator Rev Simon Hansford preaching. The induction was a multicultural event with hymns sung in English, Fijian and Tongan and the Cook Islanders lead the congregation in a traditional hymn - Imene tuki. The leaders of each worship group participated in the service.

There were many visiting ministers in Griffith to support Keps and his family. Special mention to the Moderator, Rev Faaimata Havea Hiliau, Rev Geoff Wellington, Rev Ivan Roberts, Rev Liva Tukutama and Rev Alimoni Taumoepeau for the work they have done to have the placement settled.



After the service was completed, everyone adjourned to the hall to continue the celebrations with lunch (feast) and entertainment. There was singing, drums and dancing (Keps was able to show his Tongan dancing skills). A highlight was to watch the children in traditional garb performing the dances from their ancestral island homes.

On Sunday the Moderator preached with Holy Communion. Another celebratory lunch followed.

It was a beautiful multicultural celebration, a great occasion being in worship, fellowship and celebration, in the spirit of unity and shared joy.





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Jerilderie Holiday Youth Program

The Jerilderie Uniting Church Congregation is hosting the Wesley International Youth Group 'DIGJC' from Sydney's Wesley Mission to experience country life and to run the holiday youth program. DIGJC are an inspirational and talented group of young Christians who want to share their time, their faith, and their gifts with the young people from our region.

The program will run from 14th-16th April at the Jerilderie Racecourse. Registration forms are available from jacquirobertson58@gmail.com. Cost is \$10 per day or \$20 max per family. Ages 5-years through to year 12.



Jerilderie Holiday Youth Program



Pancake Day Uniting Church Leeton

Leeton Uniting Church ran their annual "Free Pancake morning" in Pine Ave. The event was held on Shrove Tuesday, 4th March (Pancake Day) to celebrate the beginning of Lent. Traditionally, Pancake Day was the time to use up all the extra foods before Lent. During Lent believers give up one or more foods until Easter.

Fresh, hot pancakes were made at the kiosk, in the main shopping area and were available from 8 am to 10.30am. There were tables and chairs set up and people dropped in for a chat on the way to work or school or later while shopping.



Story and pictures from Jackie Strempel



Junee-Illabo Retreat with Saltbush

On 1st and 2nd February, I had the opportunity to facilitate a retreat for the Junee/Illabo Congregation lay leaders.

It was a time of deep reflection, rejuvenation, and reconnection. We gathered and openly shared the emotional burdens of stress and fatigue that often come with our roles (in whatever capacity that might be) while recognising the incredible joy of creating worship and music together. It was good to be reminded of the balance between challenge and fulfilment in our journey as leaders.

In quiet moments of reflection, we embraced the stillness, allowing our spirits the nurture they needed to breathe and discover inner peace. Through art, we expressed our thoughts while exploring our understanding and images of God in Matthew 8, sparking creativity and calmness. The congregation came together in the evening for games and a delightful meal. A great night filled with laughter and meaningful connections.

On Sunday morning, we celebrated communion and held a Blessing of the Backpacks in Junee. It was heartwarming to see so many children participating. In the evening, it was great to take part in the monthly ecumenical service in Illabo. It was a lovely opportunity to connect with the community and share in life and faith together.

Story and pictures from Rev. Natasha He





Chop & Chat at Wagga Wagga Wesley

Since 2023 a group of young men from Papua New Guinea, who work at the local abattoir under the PALM scheme, have been attending Wagga Wesley Uniting Church. Their work is exhausting, there is little time to shop and prepare food, and some are responsible for cooking for themselves for the first time.

Similarly, some older members of our congregation are adapting to changed circumstances and are now taking on new roles in preparing meals in their household. An opportunity for intercultural and intergenerational learning was recognised.



One of our members previously worked as a cook in aged care facilities, and with function catering. Her help was enlisted to trial some cooking classes to teach skills in preparing food, maintaining hygiene in the kitchen, and creating nutritious and economical menus to suit a limited budget.

The cooking sessions have been popular with both the PNG group, and some older members of our congregation. This has created a truly intercultural and intergenerational experience with learning not only about food and preparation techniques, but also about cultures and life. The sessions have provided participants with new skills, opportunity to try new cuisines, and encouraged socialising and friendships across different ages and cultures in a relaxed, friendly and caring atmosphere.

Food brings people together and because they have prepared the meal themselves, those involved are proud of their skills and have become more confident in their own ability.

This year we are expanding the activity to include a mid-week lunch class as well as a Saturday evening class, to broaden the opportunity and involve more members of the community.



Story and pictures from Lyn Butler



Please let us know if you have particular needs or if you have any good news stories to share, we would love to hear from you: regionalpartnership@nswact.uca.org.au.

Blessings to you all.

Rev. Jenny Ducker

Chairperson, Regional Partnership



Riverina Presbytery Regional Partnership

WP 7.2

Finance Report as at 31 January 2025

Meeting Date: For Noting and Approval

Executive Summary

This report provides the Regional Partnerships with an update on the Riverina Presbytery (RP) financial performance for the Year to Date (YTD) January 2025 (FY25).

The Synod Office Finance Team closed Financial Year 24 with net deficits of \$12.8k.

Summary highlights are:

- YTD Result was a net deficit of \$178k which is \$2.57m favourable to budget. This large variance is essentially a timing difference relating to losses on sale of properties yet to be realised, as budgeted property sales have not yet taken place.
- Balance Sheet The Net Assets/Equity balance is \$15.4m with a YTD movement of \$1m that relates to \$178k deficit and \$1.2m of net assets absorbed into Riverina Presbytery accounts upon closure of Ardlethan Congregation which officially took place end of December 24.

Proposal

That the Regional Partnership resolve to:

1. Note this report.



Report

Riverina Presbytery YTD to 31 January 25

	Current N	Month - Jan	2025	Year-to	o-Date - Jan	2025	Full Year
ome	Actual	Budget	Variance	Actual	Budget	Variance	FY Budge
Bequests	0	0	0	21,986	0	21,986	(
unds -Total	0	0	0	21,986	0	21,986	
Stewardship Contribution	0	0	0	95,350	103,350	(8,000)	103,350
Distributions Received -Total	1.008	0	1.005	95,350	103,350	(8,000)	103,350
Interest Income Interest Income: Int Fi Inv	1,998 1,163	993 2,747	1,005 (1,584)	10,549 20,359	6,954 19,230	3,595 1,128	11,92: 32,966
Unrealised Gains & Losses: Int Fi Inv	0	2,747	0	37	0	37	32,30
Dividends & Distributions Received	0	0	0	4,000	2,500	1,500	2,500
inancial Income -Total	3,161	3,741	(580)	34,945	28,684	6,261	47,38
Rental Income	6,433	6,126	307	45,862	42,883	2,979	73,51
roperty Income End-Total	6,433	6,126	307	45,862	42,883	2,979	73,513
Insurance Recovery Income: General	0	0	0	0	0	0	4,779
Recoupments/ Recoveries Recovery Income -Total	0	0	0 0	800 800	0	800 800	4,779
Conference And Workshops Income	0	1,517	(1,517)	7,227	10,617	(3,389)	18,200
Other Income - Total	0	1,517	(1,517)	7,227	10,617	(3,389)	18,200
ncome End-Total	9,594	11,383	(1,790)	206,170	185,534	20,636	247,230
erating Expenses							
Salary & Wages Staff	4,037	6,786	2,749	21,344	47,503	26,159	81,434
S&W Superannuation	464	828	364	2,505	5,797	3,292	9,938
S&W Annual Leave Taken	0	415	415	579	2,908	2,329	4,986
S&W Annual Leave Provision	0	138	138	0	969	969	1,662
Ministers Stipends	(2,315)	10,921	13,236	43,249	85,608	42,359	140,21
Ministers Superannuation Expenses	462	1,401	939	5,795	9,804	4,008	16,80
Ministers Benefits	4,308	2,525	(1,783)	14,711	17,675	2,964	30,30
Ministers Appual Leave Provision	6,800	0 310	(6,800)	6,800	1 470	(6,800)	2.52
Ministers Annual Leave Provision S&W Workers Compensation	(350) 0	210 0	560 0	350 1,198	1,470 1,198	1,120 0	2,52 1,19
Recruitment Fees	0	0	0	1,198 563	1,198	(563)	1,19
Employment Support and Supervision	(315)	188	503	315	1,313	998	2,25
Training & Development (Staff)	0	465	465	125	3,252	3,127	5,57
Staff Amenities	(65)	54	119	65	379	314	65
Sundry Staff Expenses	(20)	29	49	20	204	184	35
Payroll Congregation Cost Recovery	0	(6,688)	(6,688)	(18,297)	(58,413)	(40,116)	(93,65
mployment Expenses-Total	13,006	17,272	4,266	79,323	119,668	40,346	204,23
Council Rates	491	780	289	4,796	5,461	665	9,36
Electricity	334	470	136	2,609	3,290	681	5,64
Gas	148	133	(15)	(377)	929	1,306	1,59
Water Cleaning & Pest Control	370 340	104 12	(266) (329)	688 340	725 81	37 (260)	1,24 13
Security Expenses	0	2	(329)	0	16	16	2
Property Management Fees	440	379	(61)	2,900	2,654	(245)	4,55
Other Property Costs	0	1,123	1,123	99	7,858	7,759	13,47
Survey & Valuation Fees	0	3,000	3,000	0	21,000	21,000	36,00
Repairs & Maintenance: Buildings	138	2,080	1,942	8,493	14,559	6,066	24,95
Repairs & Maintenance: Gardens	895	409	(486)	3,200	2,860	(340)	4,90
Repairs & Maintenance: Other	0	8	8	0	55	55	9
Repairs & Maintenance: Equipment	0	258	258	95	1,808	1,713	3,09
roperty Expenses -Total	3,156	8,757	5,601	22,843	61,296	38,453	105,07
Other Professional Fees rofessional Fees -Total	0 0	33 33	33 33	0 0	229 229	229 229	39 39
Grants Paid (For Internal Use)	0	1,250	1,250	10,000	18,750	8,750	45,00
Donations (for external use)	0	8,976	8,976	10,000	62,830	62,830	107,70
Computer Equipment <\$2000	0	48	48	0	336	336	57
IT Support	0	42	42	0	292	292	50
Telephone	0	65	65	0	453	453	77
Software Licences	0	42	42	0	292	292	50
formation Technology Expenses End-Total	0	196	196	0	1,372	1,372	2,35
Travel: Domestic	(520)	479	999	1,068	3,354	2,287	5,75
Accomodation: Domestic	0	116	116	453	813	361	1,39
ravel Expenses End-Total	(520)	595	1,115	1,520	4,167	2,647	7,14
Repairs & Maintenance: Motor Vehicles Fuel & Oil	0	88	88	43	614	571	1,05
Fuel & Oil Road Side Assistance	49 0	306 33	258 33	600 521	2,145 233	1,545 (288)	3,67 40
Registration	903	175	(728)	1,678	1,223	(455)	2,09
Insurance: Motor Vehicles	0	122	122	406	852	446	1,46
lotor Vehicle Expenses End-Total	952	724	(228)	3,248	5,068	1,820	8,68
Meeting Expenses	(165)	142	307	165	992	827	1,70
leetings & Conferences - Total	(165)	142	307	165	992	827	1,70
Insurance Premium- General	0	0	0	5,269	5,269	0	18,74
Insurance Premium- Motor Vehicles	0	0	0	1,342	1,342	0	4,77
surance Expenses -Total	0	0	(2,404)	6,611	6,611	0	23,52
Initiatives & Programmes	5,397	1,917	(3,481) (3,481)	6,207	13,417	7,210	23,00
itiatives & Programmes - Total Management Fees	5,397	1,917 0		6,207	13,417	7,210	23,00
Loss on Sale of Assets	0	375,237	0 375,237	104 245,312	2 626 662	(104) 2,381,350	4,502,84
Postage, Freight & Couriers	(20)	46	66	243,312	321	301	4,302,64
Stationery & Office Supplies	18	54	36	103	379	276	65
Printing Expenses	(20)	54	74	115	379	264	65
Resources & Supplies	0	52	52	0	366	366	62
Food & Beverage	0	16	16	0	110	110	18
	(308)	320	628	429	2,240	1,811	3,84
Mobile Phone	(308)	275 700	376,109	246,083	2,630,457	2,384,374	4,509,35
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Key variances:

YTD January 2025 Actual vs Budget:

- Income favourable to budget by \$20k primarily due to:
 - Bequests \$22k favourable variance due to addition of shares because of absorption of Ardlethan Congregation assets, upon closure end of December 24.
 - Interest Income \$3.5k favourable variance Walbundrie Sales Proceeds account added end of November 24 due to Sale of Property.
 - o **Interest Income (including FTI)** \$1.1k favourable variance more interest received than budgeted, derived from bank accounts absorbed on closure of Ardlethan Congregation.
 - Dividends & Distribution Received \$1.5k favourable variance more funds received from Southern Newell than budgeted.
 - Rental Income \$2.9k favourable variance more funds received than budgeted due to Holbrook and Tumut Hall Hires.
 - Stewardship Contribution \$8k unfavourable variance overbudgeted based on higher expected congregation income.
 - Conference and Workshop Income \$3.3k unfavourable variance timing difference, as
 Youth activity and retreat have not yet taken place
- **Operating Expenses** favourable to budget by \$2.5m primarily due to:
 - Loss on Sale of Assets \$2.38m favourable variance timing difference as properties have not yet been sold. Walbundrie property sale was reflected in December 24 in the budget.
 - Salary & Wages, Superannuation, Annual Leave Taken and Provision \$32k favourable
 variance Admin Officer role for Riverina Presbytery was not filled until end of October 24.
 - Minsters Stipends, Superannuation, Benefits \$49k favourable variance budgeted cost for Riverina Presbytery & Griffith Minister was higher than actuals.
 - Training & Development (Staff) \$3.1k favourable variance timing difference.
 - Other Property Costs \$7.7k favourable variance timing difference.
 - Surveys & Valuation Fees \$21k favourable variance timing difference as no hazmat survey fees yet; expected to start soon.
 - **Repairs & Maintenance: All** \$7.5k favourable timing difference.
 - Grant Paid (for internal use) \$8.7k favourable variance timing differences: grant for Adults & Young People Development not yet paid and Seeds of Growth will be paid next month.
 - Donations (for external use) \$62k favourable variance due to timing and overestimated cost. Once properties are sold 5% commission to SMS is not payable, only 3% First Nations Initiatives will be made.
 - o **Initiatives & Programs** \$7.2k favourable variance timing as payments for all programs have not yet been made (ties in with Conference and Workshop Income account).
 - Ministers Rental \$6.8k unfavourable variance relates to Griffith Minister cost not budgeted.
 - Payroll Congregation Cost Recovery \$40k unfavourable variance timing difference as have only re-charged Griffith Admin position up until end of October 24. Griffith Minister cost have not yet been charged and will only start September 24 due to the absence of oversight committee.



Balance Sheet as at 31 January 2025

	Riverina Presbytery				
	Jan-25	Jun-24	YTD mvmt		
ASSETS					
Current Assets					
Cash and Term Deposits	1,622,556	1,187,188	435,368		
Accounts Receivables (Current)	17,006	4,474	12,532		
Accrued Income	7,916	25,582	(17,666)		
Other Current Assets	0	6,611	(6,611)		
Current Assets -Total	1,647,478	1,223,855	423,623		
Non-Current Assets					
Fixed Assets and Accumulated Depreciation	13,698,348	13,083,233	615,115		
Other Non-Current Assets	131,986	110,000	21,986		
Non-Current Assets -Total	13,830,334	13,193,233	637,101		
Assets -Total	15,477,812	14,417,088	1,060,724		
Liabilities					
Current Liabilities					
Accounts Payable	526	0	526		
Accrued Expenses	32,233	34,869	(2,636)		
Current Liabilities - Total	32,759	34,869	(2,110)		
Liabilities -Total	32,759	34,869	(2,110)		
Net Assets	15,445,054	14,382,219	1,062,835		
Equity					
Contributed Equity	9,612,324	8,370,990	1,241,334		
Retained Earnings	(59,751)	(46,910)	(12,842)		
Asset Revaluation Reserve	6,070,980	6,070,980	0		
Current Year Surplus (Deficit)	(178,500)	(12,842)	(165,658)		
Equity End-Total	15,445,054	14,382,219	1,062,835		

Key Variances:

- Cash and Term Deposits \$435k increase primarily due to operating surplus, net of increase in accounts receivables and pay down of June 24 accrued expenses, sale of Walbundrie property and addition of Ardlethan Congregation bank accounts. Cash includes the following Sales Proceeds account:
 - o Barellan \$88.6k
 - o Temora \$201k
 - o Walbundrie \$152k
 - o Ardlethan \$55k
- Accounts Receivables increased by \$12k as all Stewardship and Seeds of Growth invoices are issued yearly in July 24 and congregations pay monthly instalments.
- Accrued Income decreased by \$17k due to settlement of Geoff Wellington true up invoice and rental income for June 24 paid in July 24.
- Other Current Assets decreased by \$6.6k due to amortisation of general & motor vehicle insurance prepayments.
- **Fixed Assets & Accumulated Depreciation** \$615k increase due to assets acquired as result of Ardlethan Congregation closure.
- Other Non-Current Assets \$21.9k increase as shares added upon closure of Ardlethan Congregation.



Aged Debtors as at 31 January 2025

Name	↓ I Number	ų.	Balance Due	Current	0-	30 31-	-60	61-90	91+
Wagga Wesley Uniting Church	C00025		5,250.00		-	-	-	-	5,250.00
Young Uniting Church	C00026		5,200.00		-	-	-	-	5,200.00
The Rock Uniting Church	C00022		2,000.00		-	-	-	-	2,000.00
Junee Uniting Church	C00015		1,600.00		-	-	-	-	1,600.00
Grimwoods Store Inc	C000047		1,540.00		-	1,540.00	-	-	-
INFLUENCE GLOBAL CHURCH	C000045		720.00		-	-	-	720.00	-
Tumbarumba Uniting Church	C00023		696.00		-	-	-	-	696.00
Grand Total			17,006.00		-	1,540.00	-	720.00	14,746.00

• All stewardship and seeds of growth yearly invoices have been issued in July 24 and congregations pay monthly instalments.

List of attachments - None

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