



ANGLICAN MISSIONS

February 28th 2011

Christchurch Earthquake Update – Archbishops Appeal

Dear Friends

I want to thank you once again on behalf of our Province for all the messages of support that have flooded in to Aotearoa, New Zealand from all over the World. At the time of writing, 147 people are confirmed dead in Christchurch and this number is expected to rise significantly, 200 are reported missing, rescue and recovery teams are still trying to locate survivors although the prospects for this are now small.

As the largest Christian Denomination in Aotearoa, New Zealand, the Archbishops and bishops of our Province which includes the Diocese of Polynesia, have launched an Appeal to better enable the Churches to respond to this disaster, particularly as the rebuilding phase is expected to take a significant amount of time. This Appeal was initially sent out to the Churches within our Province, but this has been extended to the International Community of our Church after offers were made from many of our International friends and partners.

The best way you can contribute at this stage is by donating unencumbered cash, and sending it to the Anglican Missions Board (AMB) of our Province. AMB coordinates all the overseas Mission activities of our Province, and although we usually send funds from our Province to the other parts of the World, we can also receive funds on behalf of the Church. Unencumbered cash ensures that the funds can be used in the best possible way in accordance with the priorities that exist at the time.

You can forward funds electronically to the following bank account.:

By Internet Banking

Name of the Account: Anglican Missions Board

Bank and Branch: BNZ, North End Branch

Bank Address: 100 Lambton Quay, Wellington, New Zealand

Bank Account No: 02 0585 0001796 00

SWIFT CODE: BKNZ22

Payee Particulars: "Chch Appeal"

Email us at: office@angmissions.org.nz advising the date and amount of your donation via the internet

Include your initials and surname, along with your postal address so that a receipt can be sent to you.

If you have any conditions related to the use of funds, please let us know what these are and we will do our best to comply with them. If we cannot comply the funds will be returned. Details of how funds can be sent and information update links are attached.

The people of Christchurch are a resilient and caring community, and we have so many stories of how they have rallied to help one another in this dark hour. The rest of the country is rallying, and it is a blessing to know that we have your support and prayers as well.

With warm Christian Greetings,

Rev Canon Robert Kereopa, Executive Officer

Anglican Missions Board of the Church in Aotearoa, New Zealand and Polynesia.

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