

Outgoing Moderator's Address to General Assembly 2021 by Very Rev Fakaofu Kaio

Good Evening. Greetings in the name of our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ.

Kia ora, Shalom, Talofa, Malo, Fakaalofa, Kia orana, Namaste, Halo oloketa, Malo ni.

My Moderator theme: Relationships with God, and with others in Jesus Christ.

The time has come to say thank you and goodbye. My wife, Ruth, our children, our families, our church Onehunga Co-operating Parish, have been blessed.

The last three years have been a wonderful journey with God, with our PCANZ family and with our people community wide.

Thank you for the privilege and opportunities given. The many lives, churches, colleagues, communities, opportunities to talk/talanoa. It has been an honour and a pleasure, representing you, being welcomed by all.

Coronavirus Covid-19 changed the landscape. But nonetheless, the PCANZ, we moved on as with everyone else.

We visited our presbyteries, our churches, and colleagues. All these events were very special. In the first and third year - my children set up our love devotion in the second year. Zoom of late is a new form of meeting. We all adapted, adjusted, and move on as best we can.

I want to acknowledge our AES, Rev Wayne Matheson, and our PCANZ Office staff in Wellington. They made the role so fulfilling. and they were the best.

My apology to anyone who felt let down or did not get a response that they sought in my term. Keep trying, seek out your issues please.

If there are any Inductions, Ordinations, Queens Service Medals, special occasions in our churches over the past three years - 2019, 2020, and 2021 - that took place and you did not receive a letter from PCANZ, I can rectify that. Get in touch and I will respond.

Well, that is it. Time to go, catch some fish, pick some avocado, catch up with friends and families. My dear wife Ruth, our children, precious grandsons Kalos and Jonas, family and Church, thank you for your loving, supporting and devotion to Jesus Christ.

What a journey.

Blessings

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