



**MU Australia**  
Part of the World Wide Mothers' Union

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July is almost over and AC is approaching quickly. I hope that you have had discussions that will enable you to answer the questions relating to our theme in your report to AC. Here are the topics again for your consideration:

1. **Who travels with us?**
2. **Who would you like on board?**
3. **How would you achieve your goals?**

This last question will also be part of a group discussion and feedback.

Bp Bill Ray will be our Chaplain and his wife Dr Robin Ray will be the guest presenter on our theme "*Journeying Together*".

For roughly half of us, this will be the end of our journey together as Executive Members and Diocesan Presidents. I thank you all for your hard work and support on our journey together. We all need to make preparations for the handover on 1<sup>st</sup> January, 2011. Please refer to the MU Handbook, (revised December, 2009), Handover Procedures on page 59. If you are fortunate enough to know who your successor will be, invite them to observe and visit with you for the remainder of the year.

As we begin our next MU journey, our role changes. On our new executives we take on new roles or become an encourager to our successor. Every new leader has their own style and vision and change will be in the air. Pray for those to be elected and for yourselves to be encouragers and not critics. Stepping back from a role you have had for some time can be difficult.

I hope you have met all the deadline dates for motions, discussions and nominations. We are beginning to work on the outline of the Program and Agenda for AC. We need your cooperation and input to make this a successful gathering. I understand that we will have a number of observers with us again this year. On the home front, we are settling into the uneasy routine of knowing that we may have to go away at any time. Allan is coping well with treatments and has no pain. We are still unsure what the future holds. Thank you all for upholding us in prayer at this time. I am conscious that others are also coping with family or personal illness and I ask you all to continually keep each other in your prayers. This is one of our great strengths.

May God bless you, your members and the work you do in 2010.

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18 July, 2010.