

# MCF-A ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING 2022

The MCF AGM was held on the evening of Monday 14 November 2022 via zoom.
 The quorum was confirmed with 26 members. The meeting was opened by Stephen Neuhaus, MCF Chair at 1903 hrs. The agenda for the meeting at Annex A to these minutes.

#### **Attendees**

2. The following 26 members, excusing ranks, were present during the AGM:

Helen B	Sue G	Adam P
Russell B	Sam H	Geoff R
Thomas B	Santhosha H	Paul R
James B	Darren J	Ashleigh S
David C	Julie J	David S
Matt C	Darren K	Darren T
Steven C	Phil M	Tracey T
Peter E	Cath N	Mark W
Martin F	Stephen N	

# **Apologies**

3. The following apologies were received from MCF-A Members

Pinghan C <sup>2</sup>	Brett G	Christiaan P
Alan C	Patricia H <sup>2</sup>	Trevor R <sup>1</sup>
Noel C <sup>1</sup>	James L	Ian S <sup>1</sup>
Robin D <sup>2</sup>	Andrew L	Charles T <sup>1</sup>
Luke E	Peter M	Jamie v H
Dan F	R Wayne O'H	David W <sup>1</sup>
Ian G	Brendan P	Jim W

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Proxy vote received

#### **Previous Minutes**

- 4. Copies of the previous minutes were distributed prior to the meeting and the Secretary provided a summary of key points. There was no further discussion on the previous minutes.
- 5. David C proposed that the minutes be accepted as a true and accurate record of the 2021 AGM. This was seconded by Darren T and the motion was carried.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Postal vote received





#### **Chair Report**

- 6. Stephen Neuhaus delivered the Chair Report, which is attached at Annex B. He noted the desire to expand the focus of MCF to not only currently serving members but to provide support to families and veterans also.
- 7. Martin F proposed that the Chair's Report be accepted. The motion was seconded by Peter E and was carried.
- 8. Stephen Neuhaus welcomed the incoming MCF Patron, Sue Graham, who introduced herself and gave a summary of her involvement with MCF throughout her military career.

## **Treasurer Report**

- 9. David Schweinsberg delivered the Treasurer Report, which is at Annex C. The FY resulted in a \$33,776 surplus, due largely to a 59% increase in donations, limited opportunities for travel and an underspend in Staff Worker wages.
- 10. Steve Neuhaus proposed that the Treasurer's report be accepted. The motion was seconded by Matt C and was carried.
- 11. The draft budget at Annex D was presented and discussed. MCF projects a budget surplus of \$625 over the financial year 22/23. David Schweinsberg proposed that the budget be accepted. The motion was seconded by Helen B and was carried.

#### **Administrator Report**

- 12. Julie Jaensch presented her Administrator/Staff Worker report for 2022 at Annex E.
- 13. Steve N proposed that the Administrator/Staff Worker report be accepted. The motion was seconded by Sam H and was carried.

## **Election of Office Bearers**

14. The Chair declared all positions on the MCF Council open. The following members were then re-elected as office bearers:

Position	Nominated person	Nominated	Vote
Chair	CHAP Steve Neuhaus (2019 cont)	Continuing	Carried
Vice Chair	WO2 Darren Thomas (2018 cont)	Continuing	Carried
Secretary	Mr David Coleman (2017 cont)	Continuing	Carried
Treasurer	CHAP David Schweinsberg (2022 cont)	Continuing	Carried



Chaplains rep	PCHA Andrew Lewis	Continuing	Carried
	(2022 cont)		
Members rep	Mr Sam Hays	Continuing	Carried
•	(2009 cont)		
Members rep	MAJ Geoff Robertson	Continuing	Carried
	(2013 cont)		
Members rep	SGT Steve Cutts	Continuing	Carried
	(2022 cont)		

- 15. The following postal votes (of 3 in total, some individual votes were given to the Chair as proxy) were received for Council positions:
  - a. CHAP Stephen Neuhaus as Chair 3
  - b. WO2 Darren Thomas as Vice Chair 3
  - c. Mr David Coleman as Secretary 3
  - d. CHAP David Schweinsberg as Treasurer 3
  - e. PCHA Andrew Lewis as Chaplain's Representative 3
  - f. Mr Sam Hays as Member's Representative 3
  - g. MAJ Geoff Robertson as Member's Representative 3
  - h. WO2 Darren Thomas as Member's Representative 3
- 16. The following proxy votes were votes accorded to the:
  - a. Chairman 5
- 17. The meeting also agreed to the appointment of 3 assistants to work, one each, alongside each of the Members' Rep Council positions. Non-council positions selected were as follows:
  - a. Cath Neuhaus, working in support of Steve Cutts on Members.
  - b. Ashleigh Schweinsberg, working in support of Geoff Robertson on Veterans and families.
  - c. Tracey Thomas, working in support of Sam Hays on ADF Members and families.

# **MCF Mission and Objectives**

18. The current MCF Mission and Objectives are at Annex G. Stephen Neuhaus his desire for MCF to deepen relationships with ADF Chaplains and FCMM partners, and to see support for local groups enhanced. He also reiterated the need to expand the ministry to include veterans in addition to those currently serving in the military.



## **Other Business**

- 19. Helen B reported on the book that Russell is putting together on the history of the MCF in Australia. Peter E noted that his wife has skills and experience in this area and may be able to assist in the production.
- 20. Peter E noted his involvement with radio broadcast 1RBH. Peter will send information to the Administrator and the Council for consideration in terms of getting the work of MCF more widely known.
- 21. The meeting concluded at 2020 hrs. Darren Thomas (Vice Chair) closed the meeting in prayer.

# Stephen Neuhaus

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CHAP, Army Chair, MCF-A

#### **Annexes**

A. Agenda

B. Chair Report

C. Treasurer Report FY2021/22

D. Budget FY2022/23E. Administrator Report

F. MCF Mission and Objectives





ANNEX A

# **AGM AGENDA 2022**

# MILITARY CHRISTIAN FELLOWSHIP OF AUSTRALIA ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING 2022 Via Zoom 1900 (AEDT) – 14 Nov 2022

# **Agenda**

1.	1900 -1902	Prayer and Confirmation of quorum
2.	1902 - 1905	Previous Minutes
3.	1905 -1915	Chair Report
4.	1915 -1930	Treasurer Report
5.	1930 - 1935	Staff Worker Report
6.	1935 - 1950	Election of Office Bearers
7.	1950 - 1955	MCF Mission and Objectives for 2023 and beyond
8.	1955 - 2000	General Business and closing prayer





ANNEX B

#### **CHAIR REPORT AGM 2022**

#### Reflection

'I charge you in the presence of God and of Christ Jesus who is to judge the living and the dead, by His appearing and His kingdom; preach the word, be ready in season and out of season; reprove, rebuke and exhort, with complete with complete patience and teaching.' 2 Timothy 4:1-2

Here Paul is encouraging Timothy, who he mentored to carry on his work, to continue to preach faithfully and to be like a good soldier to be always ready. He goes on to predict that people will not endure sound teaching, they want feel good sound bites rather than meaty challenges. I am currently reading a small book called 'The end of thinking? By Mark Stephens and put out by the Centre for Public Christianity. It is indeed sobering to realise that many people are not really interested in thinking through problems and issues and only want to jump on band wagons and shout slogans.

This is not what we are about in the MCF. We stand for Christ and His Way, we stand ready to defend the Gospel message even when it is unpopular however we will do it with graciousness and compassion striving to ensure people are able to engage with the Gospel message in a true and Biblical manner.

#### Introduction

This year, despite it being a challenging year operationally within Australia, we have strived to get things moving in a manner that demonstrates that we as servants of Christ are good stewards of the blessing He pours out on us. To help with this I put together a document called Towards 2025. This gives us some vision and markers to work towards. Some of the projects outlined have not reached conclusion as there have been some more pressing things to happen thus they will be worked on next vear.

## 2022

Some things that have been achieved are regular catch ups with MCF Reps enabling the Executive to gain a greater understanding of the needs of various groups. We have placed rigour into the financials which David Schweinsberg will address however we are now confident that we are able to be good stewards of the donations and finances that we are provided with by people who donate and commit money to ensure the furthering of God's Kingdom in Defence. With the financing we have embarked on a faith journey where we lean on God for what we need confident that it will be provided. To date God has blessed the ministry mightily.

Another area that has seen a lot of work is developing and formalising the Staff Worker role with a Duty Statement as well as other criteria being added to it so that Julie has clarity of expectations, we are paying her correctly and the scene is set for





the future so that when people change on the committee and Julie decides to move on there is a foundation for continuing her work.

Julie has outlined much of what has been achieved over the year in her report so I commend that to you and will not double up. However some of the things that she has ensured occurred were liaising with Bible Society Australian and have 40 Scriptures for Life produced, an extended version is in the pipeline for early next year. Getting more pens, banners and many other things. Being the glue that has been holding MCF together on a day-to-day basis.

I want to thank her and the whole committee but particularly the Executive, without that team my job would have been totally impossible. Darren Thomas has been an extremely active Vice Chair and organised and run many events both in Victoria and Nationally, David Coleman has been the steady hand at the wheel and provided the depth of knowledge and backup whenever I needed it in Canberra. David Schweinsberg has toiled tirelessly to ensure that our finances have been brought into the light and are correct, transparent and in line with our ethos and with good governance structures put around them. In many ways the year has been one of consolidation and laying the foundations for the future and ensuring that in future people involved at the committee level are well set up for success. The other members of the Council have also been there when needed and providing their wisdom at meetings.

MCF Dinners, BBQs and other functions have been held or are yet to be held. It has been good to see more small group home grown gatherings happening across Australia and these are of great encouragement. Julie has detailed these in her report.

#### **Future**

Next year the focus will be to work on those items that have not been able to be completed this year. The Deployment Booklet has paused while we rethink how and what, as we discovered that there was no focus on Domestic Operations and that it did not reflect the mix of the ADF with Reserve and Fulltime members. As well as this we hope to get the '40 Scriptures for Life – Extended' out.

I also wish to highlight that I would like next year to adjust our constitution, if needed, to reflect where we actually are as an organisation. Part of the 'Towards 2025 Vision' was to engage more with families, veterans, contractors, public servants and encourage more women to join the National Council.

I would like people to start thinking about the inclusion of an Assistant Treasurer and Assistant Secretary to the executive as we have no redundancy and when Dave Schweinsberg was ill during the year only through his courage and dedication was Julie Jaensch able to be paid and the financial situation continue to move forward.

Further to that I wish us to look at the three member's representatives being changed from being traditional concept of Army, Navy, Air Force to ADF Members & Families,





Civilian Members & Families and Veterans & Families. The MCF Constitution gives us this flexibility without necessarily having to make any formal changes.

#### **Patron**

With the retirement of AVM Alan Clements and his new civilian role meaning that he was unable to engage with the MCF as much as he would have wished to, Allan graciously offered to relinquish his role as the patron. After much prayer and exploration including Julie, David C and myself meeting with her in Canberra – we are excited to announce that MAJGEN Sue Graham has accepted the position of MCF Patron and we welcome her to that role and pray that the Lord will bless her and protect her in both her work in Defence as well as the MCF. Sue is writing an article for the December eNews and so you will be able to get to know her better from it.

## **Finally**

It is my intention to renominate for the position of Chair in order to complete the work that has been begun. As we head to the Advent Season remembering the birth of our Lord and the reason He came to earth - May you all have a Holy Christmas and a blessed New Year.

Godspeed,

CHAP(LTCOL) Stephen Neuhaus MCF-A Chair





ANNEX C

#### **TREASURER REPORT FY 2021/22**

The following report outlines the financial position of the Military Christian Fellowship of Australia (MCF-A) for the Financial Year (FY) 2021-2022 (21/22). MCF-A is a small not-for-profit organisation, as stipulated by the Australian Tax office (ATO) and the Australian Not-For-Profit Commission (ACNC). MCF-A has DGR status and during the FY 21-22, MCF-A has met the financial requirements requires of the ATO, ACNA and its own constitution.

Under the MCF-A Constitution and the requirements of the ATO, a statement of accounts is presented to this AGM in the form of a: balance sheet, profit and loss account, profit and loss detail and a trial balance. As a small organisation as defined by the ACNC, this meets the requirements for an annual financial reporting. A review or audit is not required by either ACNC, the ATO and the MCF-A Constitution. During the September 2022 Executive Meeting it was decided that an audit or review was not required for this FY 21/22.

During the FY 21/22, the MCF-A Executive in accordance with the requirements of the constitution, operated in accordance with the agreed budget except for agreed marketing products. To date, MCF-A Executive has operated in accordance with the agreed budget for FY 22/23 For transparency, a copy of the financial operations compared to the budget 21/22 is provided. Of note, income for MCF-A was 59% greater than forecasted in 21/22 Budget.

A significant action that was taken during the FY 21/22 was the AMCF was removed from the financial accounts of MCF-A, agreed to at November 2021 Executive Meeting. Money donated to AMCF and accrued interest for AMCF was transferred to a new separate AMCF account on 1 Feb 2022.

A new contract was agreed to for our staff work on 10 October 2022. The staff worker from 1 July 2022 will be paid in accordance with the award Clerks – Private Sector, Level 3. This has the benefit of providing a clear financial requirement and outline the financial benefits to our staff worker.

Blessings,

Rev David Schweinsberg MCF-A Treasurer



# **Balance Sheet**

Assets	30 Jun 22
<ol> <li>I-Saver account 20380708</li> <li>National Access 20514572 (old recurring deposits)</li> <li>Payments 20753492 (for event and merch payments)</li> <li>Term Deposit 171539441</li> <li>Term Deposit – 171552393</li> </ol>	60,299.53 155.21 0.04 30,060.49 30,000.00
Total Assets	120,515.27
Liabilities	30 Jun 22
Employee PAYG Payable Employee SGC Super Payable	1,974.00 782.19
Total Liabilities	2,756.19
Net Assets	117,759.08
Equity	30 Jun 22
Current Earnings Previous Financial Years (Retained) Earnings	33,776.14 83,982.94
Total Equity	117,759.08





# **Profit & Loss Summary**

Income	01 Jul 21 to 30 Jun 22
General Income - Interest - Donations and Gifts (incl Grants) Income Total	463.65 68,633.21 <b>69,096.86</b>
Cost Of Sales Gross Profit	0.00 69,096.86
Expense	
Administration Costs - Accounting Software	440.00 <b>440.00</b>
Marketing Costs - Marketing, Advertising and promotional items - Web Site Hosting and Maintenance	3,816.62 325.00 <b>4,141.62</b>
Ministry Resources - Ministry/Small Group Resources (+\$2000 from BS to spend at	·
Personnel Costs - Insurance (Workers Compensation)	565.40
<b>Tithing</b> - External Ministry Support (\$300 per ministry, \$1800 additional)	<b>565.40</b> 596.67
Employee Base Pay Employee SGC Super	<b>596.67</b> 29,460.10 2,946.08 <b>32,406.18</b>
Expense Total	38,214.82
Other Income - AMCF Donations, Interest and Gifts (incl Grants) Other Income Total Other Expense	3,000.00 <b>3,000.00</b>
<ul><li>Clothing/merch sales/postage</li><li>Other Expense Total</li></ul>	105.90 <b>105.90</b>
Operating Surplus	33,776.14



ANNEX D

625.00

# **Budget FY 2022/23**

# Income

**Nett Profit** 

Interest	500.00
Donations and Gifts (incl Grants)	53,000.00
	53,500.00
Expense	
Accounting Software	550.00
Bank Fees	5.00
External Ministry Support (\$300 per ministry, \$1800 additional)	3,600.00
Insurance (Workers Compensation)	570.00
Marketing, Advertising and promotional items	2,000.00
Ministry/Small Group Resources (+\$2000 from BS to spend at Kooyong)	1,500.00
Office and Administration	600.00
Thank you Gifts	250.00
Travel	3,000.00
Web Site Hosting and Maintenance	500.00
Event Attendance (e.g. Tickets)	300.00
Employee Base Pay	35,000.00
Employee SGC Super	5,000.00
	52,875.00





**ANNEX E** 

# **Administrator Report 2022**

## Greetings all,

This past 12mths seems to have flown by and I have had the privilege of working with many of you in various ways again this last year. There have again been many challenges but also a number of praise points, and I can see God's hand in what MCF-A, and Christians as a whole, are able to do in Defence and am humbled and encouraged by the dedication and commitment of so many of our MCF-A members and supporters. The following is a small snippet of what's been happening in the MCF-A Office the past 12 months. If you have any questions from my report, or would like arrange a time for me to come visit you, feel free to contact me any time: mcf.office@defence.gov.au

### Membership

This year we have remained stable with memberships as some members have retired or passed away, we have also had a steady stream of new members come in. I am hopeful that as we come out of COVID the Small Groups will start to build back up and people will be encouraged and keen to become members. Since the last report our membership (ordinary and associate) numbers are similar to last year at 695 (24 Oct, 2022). The MCF-A eNews goes out to 969 email addresses, with 221 of those being subscribe only. This is very similar to last year's numbers. At present there are 50 Centurions along with 6 Honorary LIFETIME Centurions. Thank you to all of you who support MCF financially, as well as through other means. MCF-A can only keep doing what it does with your support as we get little to no Government funding, apart from the office space in Campbell Park.

A big thankyou to MCF-A Treasurer, David Schweinsberg, who even through many health issues this year, has given great guidance and governance of the MCF books and kept us afloat to be able to purchase and support so much this past 12mths.

#### **Events**

As times have changed this has meant a lot of the usual MCF-A meetings and events have been postponed or have gone online, which has also meant we can include all across Australia at the same time, which is great! We have managed some face to face events toward the end of 2022 and at the time of writing this we have had the Defence Christians Dinner in Puckapunyal – Vic, with the Adelaide Dinner to be held on 19 Nov. We also have a drop in Sausage Sizzle in Canberra on 5 Nov and I was privileged to have been able to attend the Mental Health week event at RAAF Williamtown – NSW in Oct. Thanks to the many people who have made these events possible and have donated their time and often extras to make these successful events. It has been great that some members of the Exec/Council have also been able to attend some of these events. Online is great to connect across Australia but nothing beats meeting in person! As we step into 2023, please feel free to ask the office for support for your area's events that you have in mind or are currently





planning, or for material that may be of use for your event or Small Group. I'll take this opportunity to thank MCF-A Chair, Steve Neuhaus, for his enthusiasm and drive, ideas, and material input that has meant we are continuing to grow the Defence Christian resources available to all Defence Christians and organisations. It's been hard work but really exciting and we are receiving wonderful feedback and stories. It's been great to help other ADF ministries too and to post or give our Reps and supporters Christian Defence material. Keep an eye on the eNews for more resources to come!

The Forum of Christian Military Ministries (FCMM) annual gathering was able to go ahead this year and it was a wonderful time of prayer and fellowship. It was so nice to see people face to face after a couple of years of mostly emails and phone calls. We were also privileged to have Tina King from Bible Society Australia join us for the day as well as some Reps from Did You Know Education who gave a presentation. Thank you to Solid Rock Defence Ministry for use of their ACT facilities for the day. It was great all the MCF-A Exec were able to join with the other FCMM leads for the day. MCF-A Chaplain Rep, PCHAP Andrew Lewis, was available to give us an update on what's happening across Defence in the Chaplaincy space. I'll take this chance to publicly thank Bible Society Australia, Chris Melville and Tina King in particular, for their amazing support to MCF-A and FCMM. Their sponsorship and grants pay for ADF Bibles, Devotionals and many other books and material that MCF Small Groups and others use. Please remember to send in any stories and photos of how these materials are useful and changing lives. They can be made anonymous if preferred and are then sent to the Bible Society as part of reporting which helps secure future funding and support. Thank you to all the other people and organisations who also support MCF-A and share info, stories and supply MCF-A with free or reduced rate material or services. We couldn't support and build God's Kingdom in Defence without you! If you're not sure what material or help MCF-A has on offer, drop the office an email to find out. This is for Chaplains use too.

#### **Travels**

As mentioned, I've only just started traveling again and I have plans to do more in 2023. I am trying to make the best use of time and money so being able to meet with larger groups of people from an area, or incorporate a few places into a visit is preferred. The MCF-A Exec are also trying to spread visits around, so you may only see one of us at a time, but hopefully this will mean you will see us a bit more often. Please let the office know if you're planning a special gathering or event so one of us can try to visit at that time. Remember, if you're in Canberra I'm always happy to meet up with you there too. I love meeting you in person as well as online!

### **Small Groups**

Some MCF groups have managed to keep meeting and build their attendance but for a lot of groups it's been a challenge. Some places have only just gone back into the office, some are doing a rotation of work from home and office, and some are finding their members are required to work during what was lunch time or are required to catch up on exercises or courses that had to be postponed the past few years. Many





quick notice local deployments due to extreme weather have also complicated meeting together. I encourage you to keep on trying to meet and for those of you who are unable to attend your Small Group, keep in contact with your MCF Rep/POC and encourage and pray for them. Also spread the word in your work space about MCF-A meetings and events and get creative as to when and how you meet. It doesn't always need to be a lunch time Bible Study. Maybe a quick prayer meeting before work from time to time, a coffee catch up, go out for dinner and invite family members, the list goes on. The MCF-A Office is here to support the Reps/POCs and group members, so feel free to make contact any time to discuss any of this or to ask for materials to help support your group. If the Office doesn't have it there may be another way for the Office to obtain it. This offer also goes to ADF Chaplains if they have exhausted the usual avenues. I feel MCF groups in all forms (Bible Studies, prayer, coffee groups etc) are the heart-beat of MCF. However you decided to meet, the Council and Office are here to support you.

A huge thanks once again to all the MCF Reps and Small Group leaders who have kept in contact with their group members in various ways and worked on ways to meet. I'd also like to publicly thank the ADF Chaplains for their support of MCF-A and myself, especially as we've been able to meet up again. They have stepped up to organise Small Groups or run Bible Studies, either as an MCF Rep themselves or when Reps are unavailable. They have welcomed MCF-A members to talk at or be part of events, and they also answer the difficult questions that come via the Office, and are always happy to support in any way they can. Special thanks to PCHA Andrew Lewis, who is the Chaplain Rep to MCF-A, and also to PAC James Cox and PRINCHAP Darren Jaensch for giving guidance on Christianity in Defence going forward, amongst much other support. I'll also take this chance to thank MCF-A Vice Chair, Darren Thomas, and the 3 Member Reps, Sam Hays, Steven Cutts and Geoff Robertson for their amazing energy and support, especially in the Small Group space. They give me ideas and help to keep things rolling in this part of MCF-A. Also a huge thanks to all the MCF Reps/POCs who joined in the monthly online gatherings of support, info and trouble shooting. Reps/POCs, you are the backbone of MCF-A!

#### Communication

Apart from the MCF-A eNews, this year has again seen the MCF-A Facebook page (around 589 followers) the main source of extra material and encouragement to members and supporters. The ForceNet page is slowly gathering members and the website is still bringing in questions about MCF, new members and donations on a fairly regular basis. I've been able to connect people to Chaplains, connect schools and other organisations to ADF Christians for talks, and connect people to their local MCF-A group, amongst many other things. I always find it amazing and praise God for the way He uses so many different ways and people to connect, support and build His Kingdom in Defence. I'll take this chance to say a huge thank you to Dr Brendan Pell who works tirelessly to keep the MCF-A prayers flowing. Brendan is the MCF-A Prayer Coordinator and writes the monthly Prayer Calendar as well as sending out urgent prayer requests to the MCF-A Prayer Warrior group. Brendan, along with Darren Thomas, also runs the online prayer meetings. If you'd like to pray





for the ADF and MCF members through the Prayer Warrior group please contact the MCF-A office.

In finishing, I'd like to say a huge thankyou to the MCF-A Secretary, David Coleman. Many of you don't see the hours David puts in to keeping the MCF-A minutes and other parts of MCF-A rolling along, making sure the AGM runs smoothly and he also gives help, encouragement and advice to many Staff Worker aspects and events. Thank you David! Also special thanks to all the many others who work tirelessly behind the scenes volunteering their time to help me, the whole MCF-A community and other Defence Christians to grow God's Kingdom. It's very much appreciated and doesn't go unnoticed. Lastly, a huge thank you for your prayers and support since the last AGM. A big thanks to those of you who contact the office with words of encouragement, stories, suggestions and the like. You guys keep me going! I love hearing from you and am here to help you wherever possible. Feel free to contact the office at any time about anything! I pray I can serve you better in 2023.

Lastly, remember MCF-A is yours, it's here for you! Keep sending in those ideas and things that are helpful to you, as they may also be helpful to other members and groups. Keep communicating with each other. Hang in there and keep working through how to stay connected and supporting each other, how to get the groups back up and running face to face after COVID and the usual posting cycle, and how to bring in new people, both Christians and seeking. All ideas, info, enquiries, stories for reporting, anything really are very welcome so please email mcf.office@defence.gov.au

Blessings to each one of you as we walk together in faith into whatever 2023 has in store for the MCF-A community.

Julie Jaensch
MCF-A National Administrator/Staff Worker



ANNEX F

# **MCF Mission and Objectives**

The MCF Mission and Objectives are outlined in the Constitution.

## Mission:

The mission of MCF is to promote Christian faith in the Australian Defence Force (ADF).

# Objectives:

- To be an instrument through which others in the ADF are led to Christ
- To encourage, support, and develop Christians in the ADF, especially when deployed
- To support actively the ministry of ADF Christian Chaplains
- To manage MCF legally, effectively and efficiently

In order to achieve these objectives MCF acknowledges God's leading towards the following non-core objectives:

- support Christianity in the wider ADO
- Support international MCFs
- Support other military ministries active in the ADF
- Advocate on moral and ethical issues that impact upon Christian faith in the ADF.