

Ordained at 23 – Now Head Bishop!



Rangatahi from around the motu, including two of the Anglican Maori boarding schools, Te Aute College and Hukarere Girls, were amongst the hundreds who gathered on Saturday 7th of May at Poho-o-Rawiri Marae in Turanga, honouring the installation of the Right Reverend Brown Turei as the new Bishop of Te Pihopatanga o Aotearoa.

Bishop Brown Turei, who was but a rangatahi himself when he was ordained at the age of 23, was one of 4 elected Bishops in 1992 and appointed the first Bishop of the Hui Amorangi o Te Tai Rawhiti. Today, Bishop Brown stands as the 5th Pihopa o Aotearoa.

It was a joyful scene for bishops, clergy and people of the Anglican Church in Aotearoa, New

Zealand and Polynesia at the historic event. A highlight was that of Bishop John Paterson (see over the page), where rangatahi was a strong theme in the kauwhau he gave.

The hui represented a new start for Te Pihopatanga o Aotearoa, rangatahi included.

Bishop John Paterson Says "Make room for Rangatahi"

Ko te tuatoru o nga wero: Te mahi o te Hahi kei waenganui i nga taitamariki. Anei tetahi kupu Karaipiture: *Na, tenei ake ka ringihia e ahau toku wairua ki nga kikokiko katoa, a e poropiti a koutou tama, a koutou tamahine, ka moemoea o koutou kaumatua, a ka kitea te kitenga e a koutou taitamariki.*

The third challenge is that presented by the young people of Te Pihopatanga, by the fact that such a vast percentage of the Maori population is under the age of thirty. Brown, you have long since passed the age of thirty, but I do not subscribe to the view that a man of your age is incapable of speaking to the young. Look at your long association with the young women of Hukarere, who



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are so well represented here today because of their aroha, their respect, for you. The whole Church faces the challenge of presenting the demands of the Gospel, of telling the story of our Christian faith, to succeeding generations. Te Pihopatanga is blessed with young people of extraordinary talent, extraordinary commitment. It cannot be too much longer before some of you, present day leaders in Te Pihopatanga, will have to move over to make room for these younger leaders. Let them help

you with their technology, their language, their infectious faith. Make room for them. Let their voices be heard as well. We often quote that passage from Joel, and it is often true in our experience: *'Thereafter the day shall come when I will pour out my spirit on all mankind; your sons and daughters shall prophesy, your old men shall dream dreams and your young men see visions.'*

Well, the rangatahi have spoken to us, they have shared their visions. While they are still amongst us, speak to them, inspire and support them, teach them and nurture them, encourage them and listen to them.

TE KUPU NEWS

Te Parekereke: Otautahi, 3-5 June

Te Māra Rangatahi Ministry School are holding a Parekereke hui at Otautahi from 3-5 June. This hui is designed to identify and support rangatahi aged 16-40 called to minister and serve in Te Pihopatanga o Aotearoa. For more information contact terry@rangatahi.org.nz

Youth Council Hui

Te Manawa o Te Wheke Youth Council are holding their next meeting 27-28 May at Taapapa, Holdens Bay, Rotorua. For more information contact Reverend Arthur Hokianga hok-1@xtra.co.nz

Te Parekereke: Waiwhetu, 8-10 July

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Rarangī

A haere mai ana a Karaiti Ihu, kauwhau ana i te maunga rongo ki a koutou i tawhiti, ki te hunga hoki e tata ana. Nana hoki tatou, i whai tatanga atu ai i roto i te Wairua kotahi ki te Matua. Epeha 2.17-18

Christ Jesus came and preached peace to you who were far off, and peace to those who were near; for through him we have access in the one Spirit to the Father. Ephesians 2.17-18



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