



Hi everyone

There's less than a week to go until General Assembly. The White Book has been updated with the late papers. Commissioners can access the the updated White Book using the link and password provided to you via email. For those who have requested a printed book, we will have updated papers for you to collect at registration.

Thank you all for being so prompt in replying to the many emails we have sent. We are still able to take registrations for Friday night activities, so if you have not signed up for one yet, please let us know.

Thank you,  
Abi Trevathan and Liz Whitehead  
Assembly Co-coordinators

### **Registration**

Registration for GA opens at 2pm on Wednesday, 3 October. Registration will be in the Senior College at St Andrew's. For those who are staying on site and arriving before 2pm, a bag drop will be available in the Senior College area.

### **Opening Service**

The opening service for Assembly will commence at 7pm on Wednesday. The powhiri will take place **outside** the St Andrew's Chapel. Please gather promptly for the beginning of the service as we are expecting a large number of people to attend. We will move into the chapel following the powhiri. There will be a light supper provided following the service.

### **Programme**

The programme for GA is now online. If you have not yet registered for an activity as part of the Friday evening programme, please let us know ASAP. You can view the full programme here <http://ga2018.nz/programme/> and more information about what is happening in the evenings can be found here <http://ga2018.nz/evening-programme/>

## **Ministers' Resourcing Day**

Registrations close on **Sunday** so we can organise catering. Knox Centre for Ministry and Leadership is hosting a day focused around Resourcing the Spirituality of Lifelong Learning from 10.30am - 3.30pm on Wednesday 3 Oct, prior to Assembly beginning.

The full programme and registration form can be found online.

<http://ga2018.nz/ministers-resourcing-day/>

## **Message from the Moderator-elect**

Greetings

What a journey this year has been, with God, with Church, and with family. It has been a wonderful and an extraordinary experience. Praise God. For me it will never be repeated again.

I want to say thank you to folks who have worked endless hours to make General Assembly 2018 a reality. Some are in the forefront and many, many behind the scenes. To name folks, I will surely miss some - that is not good. Please know that you contributed and God knows all. Bless you.

We acknowledge our Assembly Executive Secretary, Wayne; Heather, deputy clerk of Assembly; Moderator Richard; Council of Assembly, Jenny and Richard; Communications Angela and Jose; Local Arrangements from Alpine Presbytery Barry, Abi and Liz; Business Convenors Shona and Alistair; Musicians Darryl and Hemi; Chaplains Martin and Charissa; and so many others; Pamela, Chris, Steve... all these folks and many with them, serve our Church faithfully and have helped make GA 2018 possible.

Presbyteries and parishes with your selected commissioners, welcome and thank you for your love, your time and your commitment to our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ.

May our meeting and our business be in worship to God.

Manuia, Blessings

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