

Uniting Church in Australia

(Property Justice) Amendment Bill.

ACTION PACK

February 2006

*He has showed you, O man, what is good.
And what does the LORD require of you?
To act justly and to love mercy and to walk
humbly with your God. Micah 6:8 NIV*

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Dear friend,

Thank you for reading this document carefully and taking the time to become involved in this campaign. I encourage you to use this kit to invite people to be a part of this action. I invite you to:

Be bold. Please ask people in your church and your local community to sign both of the petitions.

Be respectful. Politely explain the situation and invite people to sign the petitions if they choose to participate. Thank them for their time and consideration even if they choose not to give their support.

Be careful. Please follow the included instructions carefully otherwise your hard work will not count.

Be prayerful. You will find two special prayers in this kit we ask that you use these prayers regularly. One prayer is for the Parliament the other is for those in positions of leadership in the Church.

We are asking for grace, mercy and justice we also need to demonstrate these qualities in our lives and actions.

Thank you again for your help and support.

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Why are we seeking to change the Uniting Church in Australia Act 1977?

Since the 10th Assembly 2003, many members of the Uniting Church in NSW have left the UCA as a result of Assembly decisions regarding sexuality and ministry. This is primarily the result of a profound disagreement over the authority and reliability of scripture. The sexuality debate has caused many people to feel as if their faith has been compromised. This accompanied with the reaction from some Uniting Church leaders has led to many to leave the Uniting Church even though that meant leaving property and money behind them. In some instances whole Congregations have voted unanimously to leave the UCA, and in doing so have relinquished use of property that they have funded, managed and cared for over the years.

We note that there have been some cases where Presbyteries have allowed these Congregations to lease back the property so that the Congregations can continue in their mission and ministry, but these Congregations have no control or guarantee over the use of these buildings into the future. In other places departing congregations have not been able to continue to use the property. Following the 1997 Assembly the Secretariat of the N.S.W. Synod issued a resource kit called (Resources for members, congregations and presbyteries as they consider the decisions of 2003 Assembly on sexuality and leadership.) In this kit the following advice was offered by Jim Mein (Current N.S.W. Moderator) and Chris Budden (at the time General Secretary of the N.S.W. Synod).

Congregations cannot leave the Uniting Church even if all or a majority of members decide to resign. Those who leave have no legal or moral right to the property, including finances or assets.

EMU is simply asking for a just and equitable solution in the face of what is essentially a breakdown in a relationship of trust. This is an issue about rights of access and occupancy to the "family home." It is about identity and a sense of belonging. We are asking for justice when there is a breakdown in the relationship between a congregation and the denomination.

Where would the justice be in a situation where a mother leaves the family home with the children if the husband denied her any property because she deserted him? Where is the justice for a congregation who raised the money for the land, built, furnished and maintained the property being told they are nothing more than caretakers of the denomination's property? The congregation is Christ's family engaged in his mission.

As a matter of justice and out of concern for some Congregations within the NSW Synod, EMU N.S.W. sought the advice of Synod officials about presenting a proposal to the 2005 Synod which would seek to return property to congregations with adequate grounds. The response we received from Synod is that it would be unable to legally do so because such action would be considered *Ultra Vires* (Latin for "beyond powers") with respect to the Uniting Church in Australia Act N.S.W. (1977).

EMU N.S.W. then invited the Synod to join us in seeking to have the act changed so that the moral and legal rights to a congregation's property are recognized, acknowledged and protected. The N.S.W. Council of Synod declined to support such action.

EMU has approached Rev Hon Dr Moyes MLC and asked that he sponsor the Uniting Church in Australia (Property Justice) Amendment Bill. The Bill will provide a framework for disaffiliated congregations to access property, which they have invested in that, would otherwise be held by the UCA.

EMU is not seeking property for itself or seeking to split the church. EMU accepts and understands the reality that loans and grants made by the wider church to the congregations would need to be repaid. This is a concerted effort to ensure that the moral and legal rights of a congregation to its property are properly recognised, acknowledged and protected. It will not change the structure of the UCA but it will protect rights of congregations if they chose to withdraw from the structure. We are serious in our attempt to have what we perceive as a law which perpetuates a structural injustice amended.

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Rev Stephen Estherby
EMU National Spokesperson

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LETTERS AND EMAILS

1. Sample letters and emails are included in this pack.
2. Please handwrite letters and address them to your local member and to at least one member of the Legislative Council.
3. Please communicate with your local ministers fraternal and ask for their help and support.
4. Please write letters to your local newspapers and help them to see that this issue is of local importance.

APPOINTMENTS WITH LOCAL MEMBERS

1. You may choose to make an appointment with your local member in order to present your petition to the Legislative Assembly and discuss your concerns. Make your visit polite and brief.

Please read these important instructions

Meetings with Members of Parliament

Getting Organized

- If others are going with you, meet in advance. Select a spokesperson and agree on the presentation.
- Research the background of the Member(s) of Parliament (MP).
- Know what you want the Member or staff to do.
- Know your arguments.
- Present handouts which can be easily understood by the staff and the Member.
- Learn your opposition's arguments in case you are asked.
- Try to think through the political as well as the legislative impact.

Guidelines for Meetings

One of the most effective ways to influence the decisions of a legislator is in face-to-face visits. The purpose of your visit is to be an advocate and to draw attention to the reality that this issue is of local importance. Whether you will meet one-on-one or with a group, plan the meeting and develop an agenda to cover all the points you wish to make. Pick just one or two issues to discuss.

Some simple steps to follow:

Make an appointment - state that you want to discuss the *Uniting Church in Australia (Property Justice) Amendment Bill* and that you would like no more than 15 minutes. Identify any other individuals who will attend. Be sure you will be meeting with the appropriate staff person. It is best if you do not drop by without an appointment.

Be on time! - Try to meet with the Member of Parliament but don't be upset if the Member cannot see you personally and asks that you meet with a staffer. Treat the staffer with the same respect and courtesy that you would extend to the Member of Parliament. He or she is in a position to advance your cause.

Always introduce yourself - Also introduce members of your group, even at a second or third meeting. Don't put the Member of Parliament or the staffer in the awkward position of having to grope for your name.

Thank him/her for previous support - Members of Parliament like to know that you know what they have been doing in the community.

Get down to business quickly - Begin on a positive note that you are asking for support of the *Uniting Church in Australia (Property Justice) Amendment Bill*, which is being sponsored by Rev Hon Dr Moyes MLC.

Be specific, be clear and be simple - Provide information about how this issue impacts his/her constituency and public. Present the facts in an orderly, concise, positive manner. Use fact sheets, charts, statistics, etc. If you don't know the answer to a question, tell him/her that you don't know, but will obtain the information and get back to him/her. Ask for favourable consideration.

Use personal stories or anecdotes - Remember, your job is to persuade. A personal story will leave an image that the staffer will remember when he/she votes on the issue.

Encourage questions and discuss them. Do not make up answers to questions. For questions you cannot answer, tell the staffer that you will get back to them.

Ask what you can do - Ask if you can provide further information. Leave written materials

The staffer will file the materials and refer to them when questions come up later and/or when his or her Member votes on the issue. Be sure to leave your name, address and phone number.

Thank him/her again - Send a written thank you, recapping the meeting, as soon as you return home. Identify follow-up steps to which you or the staffer committed to. Ask for a commitment from the staffer and request a reply.

The Do's and Don'ts of Legislative Letter Writing

Letters are effective barometers that measure political interest. Letters are counted, and they do count!

Not just any letter is influential, it is important that your letter be personal, thoughtful, specific, and concise. Your letters should be written with the expectation that they will be read by someone of sensitivity and intelligence, but who may be slightly less well-informed than you are on your particular issue.

Here are some do's and don'ts to consider in writing a convincing letter.

Do spell the Member of Parliament's name correctly.

Do write as an individual constituent. Because legislators pay the most attention to personal letters from their constituents, it's important that your letter express your own views. To make this clear, it will help to use personal stationery rather than a postcard or form letter; express your views in your own words rather than those of another.

Do write one page or less. Because MPs and staffers are so busy, they do not have much time to read through a long, involved letter in order to discover your point. If your letter is limited to one page, they can scan it quickly. If you have more information than will fit on one page, include it as background material, clearly marked as such and attached to the letter.

Do be as specific as possible.

Do ask the MP to do something specific. It is important to ask for a specific action such as, "Please vote for the Uniting Church in Australia (Property Justice) Amendment Bill, sponsored by Rev Hon Dr Moyes MLC".

Do include your name, return address and email on the letter.

Do hand write letters if they are legible; otherwise type letters. Write to each MP individually, avoiding photocopies or carbons.

Don't write letters that demand the MP's vote for or against a certain bill.

Don't threaten the MP with defeat at the next election.

Don't become a chronic letter writer.

Don't send carbon copies.

Use this generic outline for letters and emails.

1. Indicate who you are and the purpose or nature of your problem or request. If you are a voter in the Member's electoral district, mention this in your letter.
2. State specifically what you want your Member to do about your problem or request.
3. Indicate why it is important to you for your member to take action regarding your problem or request.
4. Put a "hook" in your letter. Ask for something that will require a substantive reply to your letter or communication. For example, ask your member to advise you as to the status of the pending legislation.
5. Indicate your thanks, reiterate your most important message, and say that you expect a response.

An Example letter for a Local Member:

The Hon. David Campbell
Member for Keira
Parliament House
Macquarie Street
Sydney NSW 2000

Dear Mr Campbell (Use the person's first name in the salutation of your letter only if you know him/her personally).

My name is Stephen Estherby; I have been a resident in the Keira electorate for almost 13 years and have appreciated your concern for the people of this electorate. I am writing because I have a concern about what I perceive to be a structural injustice in N.S.W. Law which disadvantages people within your electorate and across the whole of N.S.W.

The Uniting Church in Australia Act NSW (1977) as it stands has led to congregations who have decided to leave the Uniting Church being given by the denomination no rights or any compensation with respect to property to which have contributed. Many people who have faithfully and sacrificially given to the work of the local church are now disregarded and disadvantaged by a law which favours the institution over those who have contributed to the institution. The institution now claims moral and legal ownership over property that originally was seen to be held in trust for congregations and their local mission.

I draw your attention to the Uniting Church in Australia (Property Justice) Amendment Bill. This amendment sponsored Rev Hon Dr Moyes MLC provides a framework for disaffiliated congregations to receive property justice. It would guarantee that the moral and legal rights of a congregation to property are acknowledged and protected.

I ask you to support the Uniting Church in Australia (Property Justice) Amendment Bill when it is dealt with in the Parliament. As this matter is being dealt with through the means of a private members bill I also ask for your support and advocacy when this matter is discussed by the Labor Party prior to its debate.

This is a matter of justice and is of significant importance to myself and other members of this electorate. I would be happy to meet with you personally and discuss this matter with you. If you need any additional information that would help you as you make an informed decision on this matter please ask for it in your reply to this letter.

Thank you for your consideration of this letter.

Yours Sincerely

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19/2/2006

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An Example letter for a Member of the Legislative Council:

The Hon. Gregory Pearce
Member NSW Legislative Council
Parliament House
Macquarie Street
Sydney NSW 2000

Dear Mr Pearce (Use the person's first name in the salutation of your letter only if you know him/her personally).

My name is Stephen Estherby; I have been a resident in the Keira electorate for almost 13 years. I appreciate the role of the Legislative Council in legislative review and in providing good government. I am writing because I have a concern about what I perceive to be a structural injustice in N.S.W. Law which disadvantages people across the whole of N.S.W.

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Example Cover Letter for Petitions to the Legislative Assembly

The Hon.
Member for
Parliament House
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Sydney NSW 2000

Dear (Use the person's first name in the salutation of your letter only if you know him/her personally).

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Would you please present on my behalf the enclosed petitions to the Honourable the Speaker and Members of the Legislative Assembly.

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Prayer for the N.S.W. Parliament

Dear God, we are thankful for open spaces, for freedom to move around and travel, for many natural resources, for fresh water, for green grass, trees, flowers, animals, birds, and nature in all of its magnificence and splendour.

We take so much for granted. Forgive us. We know that every good and perfect gift comes from you.

Our State is home to millions of people, from many different backgrounds. May there be order, progress; and prosperity for all. We ask for effective, skilful and dedicated leadership.

We pray for wisdom and strength for our State leaders, especially for the Premier Morris Iemma and his family—may they be aware of our prayerful support. We pray for the cabinet ministers and all the members of the N.S.W. Parliament as they deliberate on issues and legislation. We pray also for their families. May our leaders take time with their loved ones to create a positive, loving atmosphere in their homes and to build good family relationships.

We pray for the Speaker of the Legislative Assembly, John Aquilina, and the President of the Legislative Council Meredith Burgmann. We ask that you give them wisdom so that they may ensure procedural fairness and respect. We pray that our State leaders will always be mindful of the essential qualities necessary to provide good leadership and that they will be servant leaders who serve people with integrity, sound morals, strong principles and compassion. May their influence be positive, morally sound, inspirational and filled with compassion, love and respect.

May our leaders seek you and secure a personal knowledge of your love and presence in their hearts.

Thank you for their personal commitment and dedication. They have made numerous sacrifices to be our leaders. They balance budgets, enact laws and regulations, develop a vision for the days and years ahead, and help create a future for N.S.W. and its people. We acknowledge our leaders are human and have limitations. But God, we know that you are almighty and awesome, and we ask that you bless our leaders, the Premier, and the leaders of the other political parties who make up the political structure.

Bless those with ministerial responsibilities and staff who combine with the public service to assist in the leadership and governance of N.S.W.

God bless and protect our leaders may their lives decisions and actions please you. In Jesus' name we pray, amen.

Prayer for the Church

Dear God, we are thankful for the Church and for your people who are the Church. We thank you for the good things you do through our local congregations and through the denominations of which we are a part. Lord we ask for forgiveness when our actions, statements and behaviours displease you. Forgive us. We know that you want our lives to demonstrate your good and perfect will. We commit ourselves to seek your will rather than our own will and we ask that your will be done in our lives and in our institutions.

We pray that our denominations will be led well because our leaders are open to your Holy Spirit. May there be wisdom, discernment, justice and mercy for all. We ask for godly, effective, skilful and dedicated leadership.

We pray for wisdom and strength for our leaders, especially for the heads of various churches —may they be aware of our prayerful support. We pray for those who administer the denominations. May they seek your plan and purpose and remember that they are called to serve the church and that the church is not there to serve them. We pray also for their families. Help our leaders take time with their loved ones to create a positive, loving atmosphere in their homes. Help them to build good family relationships in which you Lord Jesus are celebrated?

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We ask for your blessing particularly on the Moderator of the Uniting Church in N.S.W. Jim Mein and for the General Secretary of the Synod and all who assist in the leadership and governance of N.S.W.

We pray for Gordon Moyes as he offers leadership to the people of N.S.W. in the church and in the community. Lord, supply each and every one of his needs in this time.

We pray for the organisers of this action that they may listen carefully to your voice and be honest, correctable and obedient.

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NSW Legislative Assembly Members – Fifty-Third Parliament

Allan, The Hon. Pamela Diane Wentworthville ALP
Amery, The Hon. Richard Mount Druitt ALP
Andrews, Ms Marie Therese Peats ALP
Aplin, Mr Gregory John Albury Lib.
Aquilina, The Hon. John Joseph *Speaker*
Riverstone ALP
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Maguire, Mr Daryl William Wagga Wagga Lib.
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Megaritty, Ms Alison Patricia Menai ALP
Merton, Mr Wayne Ashley
Mills, Mr John Charles Wallsend ALP
Moore, Ms Clover Bligh Ind.
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Newell, Mr Neville Joseph Tweed ALP
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Oakeshott, Mr Robert James Port Macquarie Ind.
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Pearce, Mr Paul Ronald, Coogee ALP
Perry, Mrs Barbara Mazzel, Auburn ALP
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Stoner, Mr Andrew John, Oxley NP
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Turner, Mr Russell William Orange NP
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West, Mr Graham James Campbelltown ALP
Whan, Mr Steven (Steve) James Monaro ALP
Yeadon, The Hon. Kim Granville ALP

Key to Party Names:

ALP - Australian Labor Party

IND – Independent

LIB - Liberal Party of Australia (NSW Division)

NP - The Nationals of Australia (NSW)

Note all Members have as their
postal address:

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St, Sydney, New South Wales
2000.**

NSW Legislative Council - Fifty-Third Parliament

MEMBER	PARTY	MEMBER	PARTY
Breen , The Hon. Peter, MLC	Ind.	Lynn , The Hon. Charlie, MLC	Lib.
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Hatzistergos , The Hon. John, MLC	ALP		
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Kelly , The Hon. Tony, MLC	ALP		

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