

Geoff Barnes Memorial Prize

The Society manages the Geoff Barnes Memorial Prize which honours the Rev. Dr Geoff Barnes (1926–2005), ordained 1951 as a Congregationalist minister, and one time Principal of Camden Theological College. Prizes are awarded each year to the best essay on a historical topic from a student enrolled in one of the UCA theological colleges. Donations to the Prize can be sent to the Honorary Treasurer at robert.renton@bigpond.com.

Publications

The Society publishes a newsletter every quarter on various historical topics that are related to the story of the Uniting Church or its predecessors, the Congregational Church, the Methodist Church and the Presbyterian Church in Australia, or missions associated with the Australian churches.

The newsletter will be sent via email to members and those without email will receive a paper copy. The newsletter will also be posted on the website. We publish a book of the collected papers presented at our biennial conferences. Occasional papers are also published.

We invite members of the Society and others to submit papers for publication to the Editor, the Rev. Robert Renton, via email at robert.renton@bigpond.com or by post to 15 Buffalo Crescent, Manor Lakes, Vic. 3024.

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Pilgrim Uniting Church, Flinders St, Adelaide, formerly Stow Memorial Congregational Church, opened in 1867.

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Uniting Church National History Society

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The Uniting Church National History Society: what's it all about?

The Uniting Church National History Society was formally launched at the inaugural UCNHS Conference held in Adelaide in June 2017. Established by the Assembly of the UCA, to promote and advance the study of the history of the UCA and its predecessor churches, it seeks to complement and strengthen work already undertaken by UCA historical societies in the states and territories. It works closely with Uniting Archives, the Assembly body responsible for the archives of the UCA. The patron of the Society is the President of the Assembly.

The objects of the Society are:

- To promote and advance the study of the history of the UCA and its predecessor churches.
- To encourage and facilitate research into and publication of the history of the UCA and its predecessor churches.
- To organise conferences, public lectures and workshops.
- To establish connections with other national and international history organisations.
- To award prizes and scholarships which advance public knowledge of UCA history, including the Geoff Barnes Memorial Prize for excellence in church history.
- To draw to the attention of the Assembly significant dates, events and people in the history of the UCA and its predecessor churches, with the aspiration that appropriate resources may be provided for

their celebration of or reflection on their relevance to the contemporary life of the UCA.

- To do all things necessary, including fund-raising, to enable the UCNHS to meet its objectives.

In accordance with its constitution, the UCNHS is managed by a board elected from among its members and with power to co-opt extra members to ensure appropriate competencies. The names and contact details of the current board members are listed on this form.

Your invitation to be part of us

You can support the preservation and promotion of the history of the UCA and facilitate further research into and reflection on that history by becoming a member of the UCNHS. Membership is offered on an annual basis and you will find a membership application form overleaf.

As a member you will be able to participate fully in planning the future direction and priorities of the Society by participating in its AGMs and biennial conferences, and you will be kept up to date with information about events, publications and resources through the UCNHS website and through a quarterly newsletter.



Membership Application Form

To become a member or to renew your membership, there are two options. Membership is for a calendar year (1 Jan–31 Dec).

Preferably, please pay by **direct deposit** to the Society's bank account at:

BSB 032-828, A/c No. 301985.

Please do include your SURNAME and FIRST INITIAL as the REFERENCE, and **email your name, address, phone number and email address** to the Treasurer at robert.renton@bigpond.com.

OR

Please complete this form and post it with your cheque for \$25 made out to the Uniting Church National History Society, to UCNHS, 26 Clyde Street, Oakleigh, Vic. 3166.

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