



Bulletin

New Zealand Fiji Tonga and Samoa Territory
Office of the Chief Secretary

Subject: ANNUAL GENERAL CHANGE 2027

Date: 17 September 2026

PRIVATE & CONFIDENTIAL UNTIL 10.00AM (NZ TIME) THURSDAY 17 SEPTEMBER 2026

I am pleased to announce that the Territorial Commander has approved the following appointments which will take effect on Thursday 14 January 2027, unless otherwise specified.

(*) denotes an additional appointment

(r) denotes an appointment in retirement

FIJI DIVISION

Major Amelia Naviko	Divisional Director of Women's Ministries (*)
Concluding appointment	Major Amelia Naviko - Divisional Secretary of Women's Ministries / Assistant Officer DHQ
Lieutenant Initi Tuiono	Divisional Secretary for Business Administration
Major Taburerei Ram	Divisional Candidates Secretary (*)
Concluding appointment	Major Jeremaia Naviko - Assistant Divisional Candidates Secretary
Concluding appointment	Major Marika Serevi - Divisional Secretary for Officer Coaching & Reviews
Major Arone Cheer	Divisional Secretary for Men's Ministries (*)
Cadet Makereta Manuapai	Officer, Western Court and Prison (*)
Cadet Makereta Manuapai Cadet Patrick Manuapai	Corps Officers, Nadi Corps and Chaplains, Nadi Airport (*) (Cadets Makereta and Patrick Manuapai will take up their appointments with the rank of Lieutenant following their commissioning on 12 December 2026, as part of the Proclaimers of Transformation Session—Daunikacikacivaki Ni Veivakavoui / Parivartan Ke Prachaarak / Kau Talaki 'O E Liliu.)
Envoy Vikashni Kumar	Assistant Corps Leader, Nasinu Corps
Cadet Adi Vasemaca Druku	Corps Planting Officer, Nausori Corps Plant (Cadet Adi Vasemaca Druku will take up her appointment with the rank of Lieutenant following her commissioning on 12 December 2026, as part of the Proclaimers of Transformation Session—Daunikacikacivaki Ni Veivakavoui / Parivartan Ke Prachaarak / Kau Talaki 'O E Liliu.)
Major Litiana Cola	Corps Planting Officer, Nausori Corps Plant

Appointment conclusion	Captain Mereani Betena - Chaplain, Nausori Airport
Captain Mereani Betena	Manager, Suva Family Care Centre & Women's Advocate—East
<u>TONGA REGION</u>	
Cadet Sesilina Palu	Director and Chaplain, Alcohol and Drug Awareness Centre (ADAC) (Cadet Sesilina Palu will be re-accepted as an officer with the rank of Lieutenant on 28 November 2026.)
Concluding appointment	Majors 'Ana and Frederick Vaea - Chaplains, Alcohol and Drug Awareness Centre (ADAC)
Cadet Lavenita Pasi Cadet Lopeti Pasi	Corps Officers, Nuku'alofa Corps (Cadets Lavenita and Lopeti Pasi will be joining Major 'Asena Sifa-Folau.) [Cadets Lavenita and Lopeti Pasi will take up their appointments with the rank of Lieutenant following their commissioning on 12 December 2026, as part of the Proclaimers of Transformation Session—Daunikacikacivaki Ni Veivakavoui / Parivartan Ke Pracharak / Kau Talaki 'O E Liliu.]
<u>TAI TIMU DIVISION</u>	
Cadet Bronson Blake Cadet Sharon Blake	Corps Officers, Pukekohe Corps (Cadets Bronson and Sharon Blake will take up their appointments with the rank of Lieutenant following their commissioning on 12 December 2026, as part of the Proclaimers of Transformation Session—Ngā Kaikauwhau i te Whakahoutanga.)
Major Bruce Tong Major Valerie Tong	Corps Officers, Cambridge Corps
Captain Christine Foreman Captain Karl Foreman	Corps Officers and Community Mission Officers, Rotorua
Major Phillipa van Abs Major Robert van Abs	Corps Officers, Dannevirke Corps (Majors Phillipa and Robert van Abs will continue in their appointment as Corps Officers, Woodville Corps.)
Appointment conclusion	Major Phillipa van Abs - Officer Team Leader, Tararua
Envoy Rosiane Haas da Silva	Corps Leader, Feilding Corps (Envoy Rosiane Haas da Silva will be joining Envoy Max Haas da Silva who commenced this appointment on 31 August 2026.)
Major Bruce Aldersley	Corps Officer, Foxton Corps
Major Allan Bateman Major Linda Bateman	Corps Officers, Hawera Corps [effective 1 April 2027] (Major Linda Bateman will continue in her appointment as Internal Auditor—based in Hawera [*.].)

Lieutenant Naomi Tong	Corps Officer and Community Mission Officer, Palmerston North
Major John Fitness Major Karen Fitness	Corps Officers, Palmerston North Corps (r) (Majors John and Karen Fitness will continue their appointment as Secretaries for Retired Officers remotely from Palmerston North.)
To be advised	Corps Officer/s, Central Taranaki Corps

TAI PARI DIVISION

Appointment conclusion	Captain Janet Green - Assistant Corps Officer, Johnsonville Corps
Lieutenant Nicholas Moffat Lieutenant Rebecca Moffat	Corps Officers, Tawa Corps
Lt-Colonel Garth Stevenson Lt-Colonel Suzanne Stevenson	Corps Officers, Christchurch City Corps and Directors, Christchurch City Community Ministries [effective 1 March 2027]
Aux-Captain Kerry Harris	Corps Officer, Christchurch City Corps (change in appointment title)
Captain Scott Noakes	Team Lead—Christchurch Metro Youth Development
Major Annette Bray	Support Officer, Linwood Corps (Major Annette Bray will continue her appointment as Spiritual Life Development and Prayer Coordinator—based in Oxford [*].)
Nicola Mellsop Philip Mellsop	Corps Officers and Community Mission Officers, Nelson Tasman Bays (Nicola and Philip Mellsop will take up their appointments as re-accepted officers with the rank of Captain on 14 January 2027.)
Captain Emma Frunt	Mission Officer, Rolleston Corps Plant
Major Glenys Fairhurst	Corps Officer and Community Mission Officer, Invercargill and Corps Officer, Gore Outpost (r)
Major Joanne Wardle	Corps Officer and Community Mission Officer, Invercargill and Corps Officer, Gore Outpost
Major Ross Wardle	Administration Support Officer, Invercargill Corps
Major Katherine Sonntag	Corps Officer, Mosgiel Corps (includes Chaplain, Mosgiel Salvation Army Social Housing)
Colonel Heather Rodwell	Corps Officer, Oamaru Corps (r)

TERRITORIAL HEADQUARTERS

Major Allan Bateman	SALT / Communications Writer (*)
Major Bruce Tong	Spiritual Life Development and Prayer Coordinator—based in Cambridge (*)
Captain Janet Green	Spiritual Life Development and Prayer Coordinator—based in Napier (location change) [r] [*]

Captain Charlene Whybrow	Spiritual Life Development and Prayer Coordinator—based in Alexandra (*)
Concluding appointment	Aux-Captain Neil Henderson - Spiritual Life Development and Prayer Coordinator and Major Katherine Sonntag - Spiritual Life Development and Prayer Coordinator

PERSONNEL

Major Bronwyn Aldersley	Personnel Support Officer—based in Foxton
Major Christopher Collings	Personnel Projects & Support Officer
Captain Lashana Dale	Personnel Officer, Lower North Island—based in Upper Hutt (*) (Captain Lashana Dale will continue in her appointment as Territorial Candidates Secretary.)
Captain Missy Ditchburn	Candidates Secretary, Lower North Island—based in Feilding (*) (Captain Missy Ditchburn will conclude her additional appointment as Candidates Officer.)
Lieutenant Benjamin Cola	Candidates Officer—based in Auckland (location change) [*]
Lieutenant Naomi Tong	Candidates Officer—based in Palmerston North (location change) [*]
To be advised	Candidates Officer—based in Upper South Island (*)
Major Joanne Wardle	Candidates Officer—based in Invercargill (location change) [*]
Major Brenda Luscombe	Territorial Secretary for Retired Officers—part time (r) (Major Brenda Luscombe will conclude her appointment as Territorial Personnel Support Officer.)
Major Janette Waugh	Secretary for Retired Officers—based in Feilding (with responsibility for Missionary Fellowship); Territorial Silver Star Secretary—based in Feilding (*) and Silver Star Officer, North Island—based in Feilding (*) (Major Janette Waugh will continue in her appointment as Corps Officer, Feilding Corps for one day per week [*].)
Major Wendy Sanson	Secretary for Retired Officers—based in Christchurch and Silver Star Officer, South Island—based in Christchurch (*)
Concluding appointment	Major Annette Bray - Secretary for Retired Officers and Major Katherine Sonntag - Secretary for Retired Officers
Captain Logan Bathurst	Safeguarding Policy Support Officer (*) (Captain Logan Bathurst will continue his appointments as Community Ministries Support Officer and Senior Food Security Advisor [*].)
Captain Janet Green	Officer Coach—based in Napier—part time (r)

Captain Andrew Green	Senior Representative Chaplain, NZ Defence Force Chaplaincy (*)
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MISSION

Concluding appointment	Major Julie Cope - Women's Ministries Officer
Lieutenant Benjamin Cola	Next Gen Mission Officer—based in Auckland
Captain Aimee Noakes	Next Gen Mission Officer—based in Christchurch
Major Jocelyn Smith	Emergency Services Coordinator—based in Dunedin (location change) [*] [effective 1 November 2026]

SOCIAL MISSION

Captain Michael Bryan	Mission Team Leader, Auckland Bridge Programmes
To be advised	Mission Officer, Auckland Bridge Programmes
Major Karl Saunders	Mission Officer, Waitakere Bridge—part time (r) [effective 1 November 2026]
Major Peter Macdonald	Mission Team Leader, Midland, Waikato and Tauranga Bridges —based in Hamilton (r)
Major Timothy Malton Major Zelma Malton	Mission Officers, Midland, Waikato and Tauranga Bridges —based in Hamilton
Major Keith Tyson	Mission Team Leader, Wellington Bridge [effective 1 November 2026]
Captain Daniel Buckingham	Mission Officer, Wellington Bridge [effective 1 November 2026]

BUSINESS

Major Amanda Kennedy	Business Advisory Officer—Pacific Support—based in Wellington
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BOOTH COLLEGE OF MISSION—TE WHARE WANANGA O NGĀ TOA WHAKAORA

Major Sarah Healey	Principal
Captain Doctor Malcolm Irwin	Assistant Principal

SCHOOL FOR OFFICER TRAINING—UPPER HUTT

Major Sarah Healey	Training Principal
Major Andrew Moffatt	Senior Training Officer
Major Rochelle Moffatt	Mission Training Officer

CENTRE FOR LEARNING AND DEVELOPMENT—UPPER HUTT

To be advised	Director
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Project Manager Missional Development Stream

Project Manager Officer Development

Major Rochelle Moffatt

Chaplain

30 November 2026

31 December 2026

31 January 2027

Lt-Colonel Russell Malcolm

Major Julie Cope

Major Stephanie Herring

Major Brenda Luscombe (appointment in retirement listed above)

Major Miriama Simanu (in retirement, Major Miriama Simanu will continue in her current appointment.)

Commissioner Astrid Herring

Commissioner Andrew Westrupp

Commissioner Yvonne Westrupp

Major Denise Crump

Major Stephen Crump

Major Murray Sanson

Major Marika Serevi

Major Glenton Waugh

We pray for God's continued blessing upon these leaders as they prepare for and transition into their new appointments.

Jennifer A. Gravo

Jennifer Groves

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CHIEF SECRETARY