

## Expression of Interest Form for Assembly Committees or Task Groups

**Basis of Union:**

The Uniting Church recognises that responsibility for government in the Church belongs to the people of God by virtue of the gifts and tasks which God has laid upon them.


**Constitution:**

The Assembly shall have determining responsibility in matters of doctrine, worship, government and discipline, including the promotion of the Church’s mission, establishment of standards of theological education and the reception of ministers from other denominations, and is empowered to make final decisions on all matters related to the Constitution of the UCA.

**Name of the Committee / Task Group:** [UnitingWorld Board](#)

**Brief description of the Mandate / Terms of Reference for this body:** see attached

**Personal Information:**

<p>A</p>  <p><i>fix photo here</i></p>	<p>Name: <a href="#">Viniana Ravetali</a></p> <p><i>(Please complete as relevant)</i></p> <p>Congregation: <a href="#">Senior Chaplain, MLC School, Burwood NSW</a>          Presbytery: <a href="#">Sydney Presbytery</a>          Synod: <a href="#">NSW-ACT Synod</a></p>
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**What skills and experience will you bring to the Committee / Task Group?**

My credentials in the area of multicultural cohesion and inclusion means that I make great connections/ networks in the various migrant communities including the PI diasporas..(this was witness in the NSW/ACT Uniting Multicultural Festival ever held in any synod in 2014 & 15 etc... as well as holding a multicultural Xmas carols Dec 2017, a multicultural UCA anniversary celebration in June 2018 with Indigenous, European, Pacific, Asia, Africa, and Middle East, South American cultures participating. I do similar contextual programs at MLC School. It can be said that I bring to this committee my theological, academic, multicultural, ecumenical, and social justice advocacy background, reputation and experience.

Ministry skills & gifts as identified by others:

- Creative
- Confident
- Assertive, yet open to other views & compromise.
- Visionary
- Competent
- Highly Strategic
- Influential & life creating to a wide variety of people.
- Trustworthy, Supportive and Experiential.
- With Integrity, Maturity, Humor, and untiring support given by family.
- Excellent Time Management
- Encourager

My Own Understanding of my Ministry Skills & Gifts

- Practical
- Strategic
- Generally Reflects & Discern

- Effective Communicator – listener, interprets & conveys information in a clear & accurate manner and selects a communication medium appropriate to the target audience.
- Collaborator & Team-player.
- Trustworthy
- Pastoral
- Know my limits.
- Prayerful & Spirit Led
- Have a deep love for God, Church & Others

**What if any relevant experience have you had in the life of the Church?**

- Current Chairperson – Sydney Presbytery
- Current Executive Vice Chair – Fiji National Conference
- Current Board Member – Parramatta Mission
- Pacific Island Diaspora Representative to the Pacific Church Partnership Advisory Network
- Chairperson – Synod Multicultural Advisory Group

2012 - 2015

- Chairperson – Synod Admission of Ministers Committee 2014 – 2017
- Facilitator – Ethical Ministry Training, Sacramental Course, Living Our Values & Authorized Professional Supervisor
- Director of Community Care Board of Parramatta Mission 2000 – 2005.
- Director of Pacific Peacebuilding Initiatives & Peacebuilders International; 2003-2008.
- Vakatawa (Lay Pastor) – Ermington Fijian Congregation

2002-2006

- SBS Radio Announcer – Weekly Fijian Program 1997-2012
- Translator – Language Professionals International Aust Pty Ltd; 2000 to present.
- Served in other Committees & Councils such as JNC, PRC, Church Councils, Synod Standing Committee & Synod Selection Panel.
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**What if any relevant qualifications do you have?**

- Diploma in Admin Management & Leadership
- Diploma in Management & Life Insurance
- Advance Cert in Management
- Lay Preachers Certificate
- Bachelor of Theology
- Master in ministry
- Many other continuing education programs, intensive courses and training were taken over the years!

Age range	Under 30	30-59	60+
Ministry category	Lay	Ordained	
Location	Remote	Rural	Regional Centre City

**What cultural and linguistic background do you have?** Fijian

**Referees:** (Please list the names and contact details of two people to act as referees for you in regard to this role)

- Dr Sureka Gorringer
- Rev Dr Apwee Ting

If you are not appointed to this body, are you willing for Assembly to retain a copy of this form, and to consider you for appointment to a relevant task group in the future? **YES** / NO

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Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_17 June 2022\_