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## Good Relationships

On 30th August 1986, Ruth walked down the central aisle of her local church to marry the man of her dreams. It was the day the engagement ended, the honeymoon started and the real work of relationship commenced. Ruth and I look back on that day as the start of our journey together as a married couple and now we celebrate our 30 year anniversary.

A good relationship has very little to do with luck. A good relationship between two different people requires sacrificial love, compromise, willingness to confront differences, honesty, loyalty and faithfulness. It takes a contribution from both individuals, a desire from both to see the other flourish and the humility to admit you are wrong. (I do remember doing it once!)

Good relationships require work, but they are worth it. Work on your relationship with your spouse, your friends and your family, the riches returned to you are immeasurable.

By the way, Happy Anniversary Ruth, the day you walked down the aisle to me, my eyes were filled with tears. Today they are filled again, as I thank God and you, and for what has been an amazing journey. My love for you began in my teenage years and keeps growing stronger.

**Wayne Swift**  
**National Leader**

# From the Office - Admin

## Church Audits

Local Church audits have now begun. Church audits are conducted to ensure that matters related to governance and financial management are in line with both legal and Apostolic Church requirements. It is essential that each church registered under the Apostolic Church Australia Limited is compliant in all areas of the audit.



All Senior Ministers will be receiving an email with further details and the new audit scope.

## Maternity Leave

It is essential that the National Office is advised of any maternity leave prior to the commencement of the leave. We pay two weeks in advance so notice will need to be given to the office 4 weeks prior to the leave commencing. If maternity leave needs to commence earlier than planned, please advise the National Office immediately. Failure to notify the National Office of maternity leave can lead to over payment and issues with paid parental leave.

## Report from International Conference 2016

The Apostolic Church officially commenced 100 years ago with a group of Welsh pastors joined quickly by other ministers from around the UK over the next few years.

In late July, the UK Apostolic Church held their annual convention and celebrated the beginnings of the movement and its current reach into close to 100 nations.

Many visitors gathered from around the world to celebrate the moment and to recommit to the missionary nature of the early Apostolic Church. On the Sunday morning of the conference, Pastor Timothy Jack was installed as the National Leader of the UK Apostolic Church for an initial four year term. Tim and Ailita knelt before the conference crowd of over 1500 people and committed themselves to the challenge of leadership, and they are both ready for the workload it will entail.



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The conference was filled with many highlights and many different nationalities. On Tuesday of the conference, 7 coach loads of people travelled to see the building which housed the initial prayer meetings that precipitated the Welsh revival. For many it was a moving moment. Later in the day we visited the Penygroes Conference Centre which for many years was the location of the annual Apostolic Convention. Next to the complex is a graveyard where some of the early pioneers are buried along with plaques dedicated to the martyrs who died on the

The early beginnings of the Apostolic Church were characterised by a focus on reaching lost people in the nations of the world. May our next 100 years be devoted to the same challenge.

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Ablaze 2016 - Apostolic Church UK's Centenary Conference

## Update your details!

Moved house? New number? Changed email? Church Name Changed?

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