



TYTANZ TALANOA

Sunday, 5th February 2017

Questions from the TYC '17 participants:

Filo:

1. What is your current relationship status?

Ozee:

1. What inspired you the most to never give up on those who are in need of God?

MCNZ:

1. Where do you see the church in 5 years? 10? 30?
2. Do you believe the MCNZ bicultural journey is working? (collaborating well)?
3. If you were Donald Trump of the church and you could change anything immediately; what would it be?
4. Do you think all Methodist congregations in NZ should be under the MCNZ?

General:

1. What do we do if we have already accepted Jesus into our life but we feel like we are not good enough?
2. What innovation and technology has the most important impact on your life for ministry?
3. How do you think TYC can grow? Do you think we can have TYC with Te Taha Maori Youth to GROW together?
4. What is ministry to you?
5. Tell me about when you developed a group of volunteers into a working group?
6. Growing up, who was your favourite superhero?
7. Is it bad to show that you're feeling the spirit when you're not, or to feel the spirit and not show it?
8. Is it wrong to question tradition?
9. Does a good leader lead from the heart OR mind?
10. If your love for God hurts people around you, what do you do?
11. Is it better to do your duty as a leader if it means going against your loved ones?
12. In the bible it says honour your parents, what if your calling is something they don't want you to do?
13. Was the bible falsely made to civilize man?
14. Is God's existence man made, made by man only to give answers that an cannot answer?
15. Egyptians one of the first civilizations worshipped their own God's, then they passed. Greeks had Olympians, Romans had their own etc. and now Christianity is one of the largest. How do we know that in another 2000 years, the world and civilization will serve another God? Are God's made up?
16. How can we close the generational gap we have?

Questions for TYTANZ TALANOA

(Group: High School Students)

1. What is the stats of teen suicide within the Methodist churches? (e.g. how many per day) How are we supporting it?
2. How do you engage a conversation about your own beliefs with others that have a different belief/morals to you?
3. Is Science against Religion?
4. How do you confidently express your faith in public?
5. How can we overcome the addiction of desires that are against our religion?
6. What do you do when someone disses your religion?
7. How do you follow the bible when different scriptures have two different messages that contradict each other?
8. Why is it that when you pray, you only say it but you don't feel it?
9. If we go to a gay wedding, are we celebrating a sin?
10. How are our children/youth supposed to grow spiritually, if our elders or role models showcase hypocrisy regarding their lifestyle which tends to be a contrast to their teachings?
11. Why are there so many religions when we all believe in one God?
12. How do we get into a pattern of praying or reading the bible?

Questions for TYTANZ TALANOA

(Group: Age 19-22)

1. What can we do to maintain and attract more youth into the Methodist church?
2. How can we prevent our own youth leaving to other churches?
3. Why are youth seeking other modern churches? What are we doing & what aren't we doing? How can we meet those needs so 'our' church is the place they need?
4. A lot of our own youth are branching off to new generation churches (e.g. Arise, Gateway), can Methodist forms of traditional worship & praise evolve into to contemporary styles of worship & praise?
5. Do we TYTANZ have our own vision? What is that vision?
6. Can the church make the process of becoming a church/confirmed member in youth language (simple/easy to understand)?
7. What is the relationship with Taha Maori and the cultural groups within Tauwiwi?
8. What are the expectations of us Methodist Youth?

Questions for TYTANZ TALANOA

(Group: 25 plus group)

1. What is the Methodist church doing to engage and let our youth know what the mission is?
2. Why do we hear stories about Methodist churches shutting down due to low attendance? What is MCNZ strategy for church closing down?
3. How can Tauwiwi have a youth mentoring programme?
4. How will the church equip our young people for the future?
5. In VTOA, do you see the vision "let the children live" being executed in our youth today? If yes, how?
6. How can Tauwiwi unite as a wider group of congregation? (e.g. youth - TYC)
7. Is it possible for more trips for high school/university students to serve overseas?
8. Does Trinity College have a social practice paper?
9. What is Trinity College working towards in terms of the Sinoti Samoa?
10. How would young youth's voice in church?
11. How often can we have a TYC? Last one was in 2013.
12. What is the Trinity College doing to let the children live?
13. Can the youth have their own camp site please???? Can you build one?
14. How do we build the bridge between youth and church?
15. What is the possibility of having a combined geographical synod?
16. How can I get young people to attend any event with church apart from sport and performance?
17. What are your thoughts on the number of youths attending church?
18. What is the law about alcohol in the Methodist church?