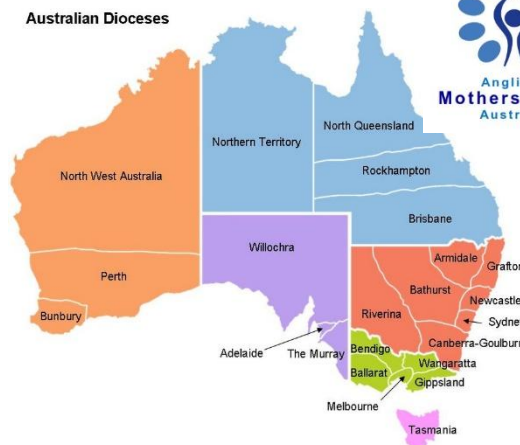


Overseas & Northern Outreach Newsletter – May 2026



Dear Members,

I would like to thank each and every one of our branches for your support of the Overseas and Northern Outreach Fund. The Northern Outreach Fund supports the mission and the promotion of Christian family life in the Northern Territory, North West Australia and North Queensland. Our funds support projects already at work in these areas. The Northern Outreach Committee met to consider the 2026 projects proposed for these areas and recommended the allocation of funds for the following, which was agreed to by the Diocesan Presidents. These projects are consistent with the aims and objectives of Mothers Union. The Northern Outreach Fund, and the Fund for Indigenous Women were used to support the following projects:



The Diocese of North Queensland

- Yarrabah Indigenous training to support the development and implementation of a Domestic Violence Program.
- Support for the travel and accommodation costs of the Diocesan President, the Torres Strait Vice President and the North Queensland executive members for one meeting and support for visiting communities across Cape York and the Torres Strait.

The Diocese of Northern Territory

- Enable two delegates to attend the Anglican Church of Australia Domestic and Family Violence Conference in 2026.
- Support urban Aboriginal Ministry in Alice Springs to:
 - Support families in crisis
 - Work with Aboriginal women to encourage participation in church related events such as church camps.
 - Provide transport to encourage young families to attend church with their children
 - Hold family nights where a meal is provided.
- Deliver Safe Ministry Training and refresher courses for church leaders and church workers in remote areas.

The Diocese of North West Australia

- Parenting Training and Support run from Geraldton and livestreamed to hubs and other centres across North West Australia.
- Support for clergy family children in regional remote centres (eg Kununurra, Port Hedland, Karratha or Newman) to attend youth ministry camps
- Support the travel costs of the bishop's wife and MU Executive member to visit remote towns to support clergy wives and other women living remotely.

Let us keep the AMUA members and the people of the Northern Dioceses of Australia in our prayers and may our support for these projects enable better outcomes for the people we serve.

Yours in Christ,

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