

THE ANGLICAN CHURCH OF NORTH WEST AUSTRALIA

BROOME: AN AUSTRALIAN FRONTIER TOWN NEEDING YOUR HELP

The town of Broome in the top end of W.A. has a permanent population of around 18,000, 40% of whom are Aboriginals or Thursday Islanders. Hundreds of thousands of tourists visit the town each year for long and short stays.

The Anglican Church in Broome is part of the Diocese of North West Australia, a Diocese committed to Biblical ministry. The resident Minister is Archdeacon Tim Mildenhall who is married to Kathy. They have four young children and are in their sixth year in the Parish. Tim is passionate about reaching out to the Indigenous community and has this year, been adopted as the Pastor of an independent Indigenous Church. Tim spends time in the Broome prison each week teaching some of the inmates the Bible!

The work is such that Tim needs a colleague. In early 2012, a young couple from Perth will join Tim in full time ministry. Eion & Claire Simmons have two small children and are expecting a third later this year. Eion is completing his initial Theological Training during 2011. Eion's appointment will make it possible to have a great ministry amongst Indigenous people. Tim is also talking to others about serving in Broome with them.



The Simmons Family

That's the good news. The challenging news is that we don't have a house or stipend to pay them! We have two big needs:

- Housing: we don't have a house and to rent a 4x1 house can cost from \$700 per week and a \$650K to purchase a 4x1 house.
- Stipend package (including travel, LSL, Super): \$65K p.a.

We urgently need generous partners who might catch the vision to have a significant and specialist Indigenous ministry in Broome. With all the other demands upon your resources, I invite you to prayerfully consider this possibility.

Sincerely in Christ,

David Mulready

Bishop
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BROOME MINISTRY PARTNERSHIP RESPONSE

Yes, I would love to be a partner in this vital ministry. Please find attached my/our gift of \$.....

I will seek to contribute to this fund for years.

Yes, our Church would love to be a partner in this vital ministry. Please find attached our gift of \$.....

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