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LEA SERVICE AWARD

Elisabeth Uebergang

For services to Lutheran schooling 1971 – 2005

The Lutheran Church of Australia thankfully acknowledges the faithful and committed service of Elisabeth Uebergang to Lutheran education over a period of 24 years.

Lis began her service in Lutheran schools in 1971 when she was called to St Michael's Lutheran School, Hahndorf SA, as a graduate of Lutheran Teachers College. She taught at St Michael's for three years, quickly establishing herself as a highly capable educator with a quiet, faithful and caring nature. It also became evident that Lis' skills in music and the Performing Arts would be a significant asset to the school and wider community. These gifts have been effectively used by Lis in every school where she has served.

In 1974 Lis accepted a Call to teach at St Peter's Lutheran Primary School, Dimboola Vic. She spent four years at Dimboola teaching the middle grades and, similarly, then served for four years at Good Shepherd Lutheran Primary School, Hamilton Vic, from 1978 to 1981. Lis' work at Good Shepherd is still remembered, particularly by members of the school choir.

In 1982 Lis taught part time at Tabor Lutheran School, before taking a break from teaching for family reasons.

Lis' first twelve years of service to Lutheran education were dedicated to four schools, whereas the second twelve year period from 1994 to 2005 was totally committed to Tarrington Lutheran School. Lis has made significant contributions to the music life of the school, particularly through the school choir. She is meticulous in her preparation and her passion for music can be seen in the high quality of student engagement and performance. Her quiet and determined approach, as well as her shining Christian faith, have been clear for all to see as she continues to live a life of faith, leadership and service.

Lis is remembered by her colleagues, her students and the community as a dedicated and professional teacher. Her enthusiastic approach to her teaching and the Performing Arts has helped numerous young people develop a love of, and confidence for, learning. She has been exceedingly generous with her time and talents, serving her Lord tirelessly. It is also noted that Lis has always shown interest in, and concern for, the wellbeing of others and her gentle, approachable nature has always been greatly appreciated.

Lis' faithful and conscientious service to the Lutheran Church of Australia, through her service in Lutheran education has been outstanding and is humbly recognised through this Award.

Stephen Rudolph Executive Director Lutheran Education Australia

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