

ALISON MARGARET PITTS (née JOINER.)

Student nurse Wellington Hospital

Qualifications:

- Registered General and Obstetric Nurse. 1962
- Registered Midwife. 1967
- Diploma of Nursing (Hospital Nursing Service Management) 1970
- Licentiate of Theology 2000
- Hon RSCM. 2011.

Positions held after graduation:

1962-63. Staff Nurse, Combined Surgical Ward, Wellington Hospital.

1963-64. Ward sister (Charge Nurse) Combined Surgical Ward, Wellington Hospital.

1965. Staff Nurse, St Mark's Hospital, for diseases of the rectum and colon, London,

1966-67. Student Midwife, Simpson Memorial Maternity Pavilion, Edinburgh.

1967-68. Staff Nurse, Wusikili Mine Hospital, Anglo-American Corporation, Kitwe, Zambia.

1968 (August) Sister, Afternoon Supervising, Wellington Hospital.

1969. Ward sister (Charge Nurse), Combined Surgical Ward, Wellington Hospital.

1970. Student, School of advanced Nursing Studies, Wellington.

1971-72. Supervisor, Nursing Inservice Education Wellington Hospital. (resigned in March 1973 for family reasons.)

1973. Part time, "Return to Nursing" project.

1974. Nurse Project Officer, Management Development Unit.

1974-81. Assistant Principal Nurse, Wellington Hospital.

During this time she also served for four years on the Professional Services Committee of the New Zealand Nurses' Association. Also for a short time on a Department of Health Committee to facilitate the transfer of new graduate nurses from the Polytech Nursing Programmes into the hospital nursing service.



1982. Part time Staff Nurse, Relief Supervising, and assisting with Inservice Education, Kenepuru Hospital, Porirua.

1985. Charge Nurse, General Surgical and Orthopaedic Ward, Kenepuru Hospital.

During this time Alison served for some years on the Nursing Advisory Committee for Whitereia Polytechnic. This was about the time when they were seeking approval for the nursing diploma programme to become a degree qualification.

1997. Retired from Nursing.

This was to complete her studies for a Licentiate of Theology. Alison was ordained in the Anglican Church in 1996 as a deacon, and in 1997 as a priest.