

SUSTAINING OUR WORK AND OURSELVES AS CELEBRANTS Kia tautīneia ā tātou mahi, me tātou anō hei kaiārahi ritenga

## He manga wai koia, kia kore e whitikia

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## How we arrived at this year's logo - the icon

The theme for this year's conference:

## Sustaining our work and ourselves as celebrants Kia tautīneia ā tātou mahi, me tātou anō hei kaiārahi ritenga;

reflects an understanding of the challenges that COVID has brought to us as individuals and celebrants. It highlights the need for self-care to enable us to keep doing the important and relational work we are engaged in.

The whakatauki speaks to these challenges metaphorically – It is a big river indeed that cannot be crossed! This is represented in the icon with the three blue lines – the big river.

The explanation of the whakatauki allows us to see that given time and effort most things are achievable, but we must always understand our human limitations. This is represented in the icon with the stepping stones. Lets take one step at a time, carefully moving forward to overcome the challenges.

The icon can also be taken to represent:

- + Coming together as one at a conference/hui (water) but their thoughts/minds unique (individual stones)
- + Keeping your head above water in challenging times
- + The horizon (future), the moon, the sun (cycle of constants)

## Join a huddle

This conference offers you the opportunity to connect and converse in person at branch level. We encourage you to attend the branch huddles to enjoy the reciprocity that coming together brings.

I roto i tēnei hui e taea ai e koutou te tūhono ā-rōpū ki ō koutou ake peka. Ko tā mātou whakahau ki a koutou, me kuhu atu ki aua hui-ā-rōpū ki ō koutou nā peka kia pai ai te whakawhitiwhiti whakaaro.