



## Fiji Truth and Reconciliation Commission

### OFFICIAL CONDOLENCE STATEMENT

#### On the Passing of Rev. Simione Tugi

The Fiji Truth and Reconciliation Commission conveys its deepest condolences to the family, loved ones, and the wider Christian community on the passing of **Rev. Simione Tugi**, former Secretary of the Fiji Council of Churches.

Rev. Tugi was a faithful servant of God and a respected church leader whose life was devoted to unity, service, and the strengthening of relationships across Christian denominations in Fiji. His contribution to the ecumenical movement and national faith discourse has left a lasting legacy.

During the formative stages of the Fiji Truth and Reconciliation Commission in 2025, Rev. Tugi played a pivotal role in connecting the Commission with the Pentecostal Churches. Through his wisdom, credibility, and relational leadership, he helped build trust and opened pathways for meaningful engagement between the Commission and Pentecostal leaders at a critical time in the national reconciliation process. His efforts ensured that faith communities were actively and constructively involved in the journey toward truth, healing, and reconciliation.

The Commission honors Rev. Tugi as a bridge-builder, peacemaker, and servant leader whose quiet but impactful contributions strengthened both church unity and national reconciliation. His guidance and support will be deeply missed.

We pray that God grants comfort, strength, and peace to his family and all who mourn his passing. May his life of faith and service continue to inspire reconciliation, compassion, and unity in our nation.

*“Well done, good and faithful servant.” (Matthew 25:21)*

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