

# UNITING CHURCH QLD Jargon / Acronyms/ Terminology / Links

Please note the below are not exact/correct definitions, rather simplified explanations for the purpose of the Bookkeeping team.

## Finance Team Terminology

CPMP Combined Presbytery Mission Pool

Fund run by Synod on behalf of the Presbytery's/ Monthly invoices to Congregation from Synod, based on Presbytery provided figures. Collected funds to go into the CPMP. Those funds are then distributed in the form of grants by monthly journal to the Presbytery's, who use the funds for administrative & project purposes.

CEM - Continuing Education for Ministries (CEM is payment to ministers to cover education expenses)

CEMT - Continuing Education for Ministries travel (CEMT is on cost congregations pay to reimburse Synod for travel expenses)

SAAP - Sickness and Accident Assistance Plan

MDF Mission Development Fund

Funds from the sale of property, kept in a Dynamics Vendor account in the Congregation name. Funds accessible by Congregation. Refer website.

UCF/Foundation

Uniting Church Foundation. Money from deceased estates, Living bequests and donation received by the Synod office held in perpetuity and distributed as per the instruction of the will. To be recorded as GST Free Income by the Congregation

Bequest

Money from deceased estates, received by the Synod and distributed as per the instruction of the will. To be recorded as GST Free Income by the Congregation

Stipend Monthly Salary and allowances paid to Ministry Agents

Wages Paid fortnightly to LAY staff e.g., Congregation admin, Synod staff.

Manse Title of the house where Ministry Agent resides. Either owned by Congregation or rented.

Faith Community

Group of church members which is not yet big enough to be a Congregation in its own right. Falls under the responsibility of a Presbytery.

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### Congregation

A UC church approved by Presbytery, that has its own ACNC & ABN. Has its own /shares a Ministry Agent.

### Presbytery

The head office for a group of Congregations in a geographic location. Roles include: Presbytery Minister (Pres Min); Presbytery Treasurer; Admin team

Synod Head office for the UC for each state.

Tithe Donation from church members to Congregation

Redress Annual invoice to Congregation to recover the costs paid by Synod to abuse survivors.

Donations / Appeals.

Congregation collect funds and give to Synod office or donate direct to an organisation eg Frontier Services

### Church Council

Elected church members that do the administration for the Congregation. Roles include Chairperson, Treasurer, Secretary, committee. There can also be subcommittees e.g., Property.

### Annual Return

Annual form to be completed by Congregations with summary of financial & other information sent to Synod and Presbytery.

### Audit Declaration

Annual form to be completed by Congregation. Submitted to Synod and Presbytery.

### GST Religious Group Member Listing

Invoices to / from each member does not include gst, it will be reported as BAS Excluded.

### USEFUL EMAIL ADDRESSES

[accounts@ucaqld.com.au](mailto:accounts@ucaqld.com.au)

for copies of Synod issued invoices, DD advice, statements are sent monthly.

[Pres.accounts@ucaqld.com.au](mailto:Pres.accounts@ucaqld.com.au)

for accounting query's like CPMP, Annual Return, MDF

[ucis@ucaqld.com.au](mailto:ucis@ucaqld.com.au)

for query's relating to Cash or Term Investment accounts. Interest is paid quarterly either to Congregation bank account or compounded. Statements are sent monthly.

[UCAQldSynodDirectory@ucaqld.com.au](mailto:UCAQldSynodDirectory@ucaqld.com.au)

For changes roles / email addresses, please forward details to the directory team so the Sugar CRM can be updated.

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UCAQ Acronym song

**Welcome to the UCAQ**  
**You know we got a couple of acronyms too.**  
**From Presmins over to UCQ**  
**We're making life easy for people like you.**

Well you can talk to the Mod or the Gen Sec,  
Pitch your idea at the B.C.F  
You could try to figure out the MC3  
Or take it straight up to the SSC.

How can we support the presbytery  
Fund more people in ministry  
Is it the FIPBoard, Rhubarb or BDU  
No it's the Queensland Synod Resourcing Review.  
(QSRR)

**Welcome to the UCAQ**  
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**We're making life easy for people like you.**

If the old hall needs a new dunny  
the FIPboard's the one with the money  
But the church don't belong to me and you  
It all belongs to the UCAPT(Q)

There's help at the synod office I guess  
HR, IT and WHS  
If it's Raymont, Alex or UEL  
P&I can help with your P&L

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The CYAF and I  
trying to make sure the church won't die  
We've got PLENTY of things to try  
Between the DC, LT and CPI

Well if your PresChair is under the weather  
The PRC will send him to Heather  
Dress him down with a REG or two  
And refresh his grasp of the BOU

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Presbytery Minister, Uniting Care QLD

Moderator, General Secretary  
Board for Christian Formation  
Mission Collaboration, co-ordination, Committee  
Synod Standing Committee

Finance, investment, Property Board  
Business Development Unit

Uniting Church in Australia Property Trust, QLD

Human Resources, Information Technology,  
Workplace Health and Safety  
Alex Park, Uniting Early Learning  
Property and Insurance, Profit and Loss

Children, youth, young adults and families  
Project Plenty  
Discipleship Culture. Life Together, Church  
Planting and Innovation

Presbytery Chair  
Pastoral Relations Committee  
|  
Regulations  
Basis of Union

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