# TONGAN LEADERSHIP AND ORGANIZATION

# MISSION LEADERS AND PRESIDENTS

# Presiding elders

Brigham R. Smoot June 15, 1891–October 24, 1892 Olonzo D. Merrill October 24, 1892–July 22, 1895 Alfred M. Durham July 22, 1895–March 25, 1896 James R. Welker March 25, 1896–April 15, 1897

## Samoan Mission presidents

Thomas S. Court October 23, 1904–April 12, 1908 William A. Moody April 12, 1908–July 31, 1910 Don Carlos McBride July 31, 1910–December 20, 1911 Christian Jensen December 20, 1911–January 12, 1913 John A. Nelson January 12, 1913–February 28, 1916 Ernest Wright February 28, 1916–April 3, 1916 422 APPENDIX C

Tongan Mission presidents Willard L. Smith April 3, 1916-April 9, 1920 Mark V. Coombs April 9, 1920-January 17, 1926 Jay A. Cahoon January 17, 1926–October 21, 1928 Newel J. Cutler October 21, 1928-October 13, 1932 Verl L. Stubbs October 13, 1932–November 9, 1933 Reuben M. Wiberg November 9, 1933–April 23, 1936 Emile C. Dunn April 23, 1936-April 30, 1946 Evon W. Huntsman April 30, 1946-September 17, 1948 Emile C. Dunn September 17, 1948-July 6, 1950 Evon W. Huntsman July 6, 1950-November 30, 1951 D'Monte Coombs November 30, 1951-October 3, 1955 Fred W. Stone October 3, 1955-May 20, 1959 Mark V. Coombs May 20, 1959-February 5, 1963 Patrick D. Dalton February 5, 1963-July 1, 1966 John H. Groberg July 1, 1966-July 1, 1969 James P. Christensen July 1, 1969–July 1, 1972 Charles Woodworth July 1, 1972-July 1, 1974 Tonga Toutai Paletu'a July 1, 1974-July 1, 1977 Sione Tu'alau Latu July 1, 1977-July 1, 1980 Pita F. Hopoate July 1, 1980-July 1, 1983 Melvin B. Butler July 1, 1983-July 1, 1986 Eric B. Shumway July 1, 1986–July 1, 1989 Isileli T. Kongaika July 1, 1989–July 1, 1992 Samisoni 'Uasila'a July 1, 1992-July 1, 1995 Alifeleti Malupo July 1, 1995-July 1, 1998 Taniela Kelikupa Kivalu July 1, 1998-July 1, 2001 Douglas C. Banks July 1, 2001-July 1, 2004 Siaosi R. Moleni July 1, 2004-July 1, 2007 Lynn C. McMurray July 1, 2007–June 30, 2010 'Aisake K. Tukuafu June 30, 2010–July 1, 2013 Leitoni M. Tupou July 1, 2013–June 30, 2016 Sione Tuione June 30, 2016-June 30, 2019 Hekeai V. Piutau July 1, 2019-

### TEMPLE PRESIDENTS

Tonga Toutai Paletuʻa September 28, 1982–August 17, 1987
Semisi Nukumovahaʻi Tonga August 17, 1987–January 12, 1990
Patrick D. Dalton January 12, 1990–August 18, 1992
Tevita Kaʻili August 18, 1992–September 1, 1995
'Uiha Tuikolovatu September 1, 1995–November 1, 1998
Sione T. Fineanganofo October 16, 1998–November 1, 2001
M. Veuki Kaumatule November 15, 2001–June 26, 2006
Eric B. Shumway March 13, 2007–November 1, 2010
Pita F. Hopoate November 1, 2010–November 1, 2013
Samisoni Uasilaʻa November 1, 2013–November 1, 2016
Taniela Langi November 1, 2016–November 1, 2019
'Aisake Tukuafu November 1, 2019–

# REGIONAL REPRESENTATIVES AND AREA AUTHORITIES

John H. Groberg September 9, 1969–October 1, 1976
Tufunga Samuela Atoa April 1, 1976–July 15, 1977
Tonga Toutai Paletuʻa July 1, 1977–December 1, 1981
Sione Tu'alau Lātū October 3, 1981–January 13, 1986
Tevita Kaʻili December 1, 1981–November 22, 1991
Vaikalafi Lutui January 15, 1986–November 22, 1991
Sione T. Fineanganofo November 22, 1991–August 15, 1995
Pita F. Hopoate January 17, 1992–April 5, 2003
Pita R. Vamanrav April 5, 2003–June 11, 2005
Sione T. Fineanganofo June 18, 2005–May 1, 2013
'Aisake K. Tukuafu April 6, 2013–2019
'Inoke Kupu 2019–

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### STAKES

Nuku'alofa Tonga September 5, 1968 Nukuʻalofa Tonga South July 26, 1970 Nuku'alofa Tonga West July 26, 1970 Nukuʻalofa Tonga East July 21, 1971 Neiafu Vava'u Tonga December 4, 1975 Neiafu Vava'u North August 27, 1980 Nukuʻalofa Tonga Liahona August 31, 1980 Ha'apai Tonga June 14, 1983 Nuku'alofa Tonga Vaini June 15, 1983 Nukuʻalofa Tonga North October 9, 1983 Nukuʻalofa Tonga Central July 31, 1994 Nukuʻalofa Tonga Halaliku August 3, 1995 Neiafu Vava'u West August 27, 1995 'Eua Tonga February 26, 1996 Nukuʻalofa Tonga Haʻakame March 10, 1996 Nuku'alofa Tonga Mu'a April 21, 1996 Nukuʻalofa Tonga Harbour June 22, 2008 Nuku'alofa Tonga Matahau May 20, 2012 Nuku'alofa Tonga Malapo December 8, 2013 Neiafu Vava'u Tonga Central November 26, 2017 Nuku'alofa Tonga Capital December 15, 2017

### **MONARCHS**

King Siaosi Tupou I December 4, 1845–February 18, 1893 King Siaosi Tupou II February 18, 1893–April 5, 1918 Queen Salote Tupou III April 5, 1918–December 16, 1965 King Taufaʻahau Tupou IV December 16, 1965–September 10, 2006 King Siaosi Tupou V September 11, 2006–March 18, 2012 King ʻAhoʻeitu Tupou VI March 18, 2012–