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**Important opportunity for Hopenet congregations to declare Our Lord's Word on marriage at Synod level.
Synod Meeting November 23-25**

On Saturday Nov 25 SA Synod of Uniting Church will be considering and deciding its response to the Assembly on Marriage.

Would you please consider helping-

What you can do:

- You can attend and hear the proposals from HopeNet , and even participate in the table discussions.
- You can also write in now to Synod and express your support for marriage. Send emails to Gen Sec Assistant, Malcolm Wilson, mwilson@sa.uca.org.au.

How to write : Request that your email is included in Synod correspondence. The following are ideas to express:

- That you want your views and congregations views at grassroots, to be heard.
- That you believe our church must hold to Holy Scripture on marriage as our Lord taught us, "that at the beginning the Creator 'made them male and female,'¹ and said, 'For this reason a man will leave his father and mother and be united to his wife, and the two will become one flesh'¹ (Matt. 19:4-5 NIV)
- That you want our Synod to speak out publicly for marriage according to the received doctrine of the UCA.
- That it is up to churches like ours to restore strength and confidence in the God given blessing of marriage for the good of our nation.
- Be confident, positive, clear and straightforward in your email letter

This could be your last chance to help our denomination do what it should be doing. We are poised to make a difference. Be involved. Don't give up! Lets get on with it and honour our Lord's instruction on the matter of marriage; He knows what is best and will lead us in the ways that he can bless.

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