

HAPPENINGS

News of churches of Christ in Australia – August 2017

Welcome to the seventh issue of *Happenings* for 2017. If you have news please send it to tedpaull@hotmail.com or ring (02) 9888 9664, (02) 9878 3008 or (02) 9878 1078, or mail it to **P O Box 41 NORTH RYDE NSW 1670**. If you would like to receive your personal email copy of *Happenings*, please let us know. Ted Paull

Sydney Baptism

Grant McFarland was attending the weekly home Bible studies hosted by the Bargholz family at Mosman where he met **Saeed Abghari**. They commenced a personal Bible study culminating in Saeed obeying the Lord in baptism at the MSOBS lectureship on Wednesday night, July 12.

NSW Baptism

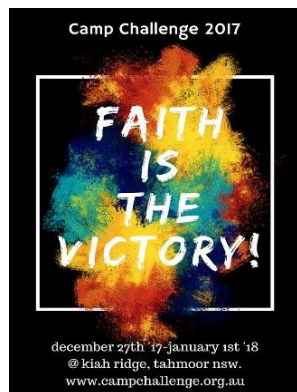
Peter Sherwood was baptized into Christ by **Don Males** at Windsor on the afternoon of Sunday July 9. He has been attending meetings at the Kurrajong and Hawkesbury churches for the past several years. He is the husband of **Esther** and father of **Carlie** who are already Christians.

Camp Revive

This is planned for September 22-24 with **Kyle Keesee** as speaker. The location is Lyrebird Park, 510 Beenak Road, YELLINGBO VIC. The costs are as follows: Earlybird - register by 10/9/17, Victorians: \$130, Non-Victorians: \$110; Full price - Victorians: \$160 Non-Victorians: \$140. Contact: **Nancy wu Won** at tranquillilly@gmail.com.

Challenge Camp

This camp is planned again and set for December 27-January 1 at the usual site at Tahmoor, NSW. The theme for this year is "Faith is the Victory!". Contact: **Bob Marks** 0414 238 581 or bobmarks.au@gmail.com or check the Facebook site for Camp Challenge.



Family Seminar

At the Bankstown (Sydney) congregation, a seminar on "Does Love make it Right?" is planned for the week-end of September 23-24. Speakers will be **David Payne, Frank Cunningham, Steve Keddie, Bob Marks** and **Ted Paull**.

Teachers' Workshops

Mary Nelson from New Zealand plans to visit Australia again to conduct Bible school teachers' workshops and these will be at Malaga (Perth) on October 28 and Macquarie (Sydney) on November 4.

Bible Quiz

The Southwest (NSW) church is inviting youth and young adults for another Bible Quiz on Saturday August 12. This will be on the books of 1 & 2 Peter. Contacts: **Frank Cunningham** 0418 618 415 or stand_firm@hotmail.com or **Kyle Keesee** 0435 237 877 or keesee.kyle@gmail.com.

Changes at the Valley

In the past several months, Hunter Valley Christians, East Maitland, NSW, has experienced quite a change in the makeup of its congregation. After several years with no children, now the congregation has been blessed with 5 children, and a Sunday school class has begun. **Angela Vite**, oldest daughter of **John and Denise Gray**, has moved up from Sydney, and though not yet a Christian, she has been consistently attending church with her three children. As well, the recent arrival of a South African Christian couple, **Angelo & Zoe Williams** and their two children, has given the church in East Maitland a big boost.

Saving Light

This series of lessons at the Heidelberg West (Melbourne) congregation is planned for October 5-8 with **Peter Tickner** as the guest speaker. The theme is, "Living a Life that Matters."

Books

David Roper's book, "Voices Crying in the Wilderness" is in print again. This does not have the photos that were in the original, but the diagrams and map have been redrawn, the index has been expanded, the type is larger and clearer than the original and the design of the book has been improved. It is a perfect binding paperback. The cost is \$55, including postage, and it is available from Howard Hampton, Unit 44, 5 Kayak Course, Delahey, Victoria, 3037.

Marvin Ancell has authored a book entitled, "The Cords of Harmony: Christian Logic in the 21st Century Church". The book deals with the logic needed to achieve a state of spiritual harmony with the biblical text and between others of like faith in this postmodern world. This is applied to music in Christian worship. The book is available from MSOBS at tedpaull@hotmail.com or from Marvin at lancell50@optusnet.com.au for \$20 and an eBook is available at Amazon.

Women's Singing Class

The next session at the Macquarie (Sydney) church will be on September 4. If you or your friends would like to join the women's singing class, please contact **Stephanie Klempfner**, phone (02) 9878 0207 or email sklempfner@gmail.com.

Tasmanian Camp 2018

Camp Warana for next year is on January 8-13 at Myrtle Park. For more information, you can contact **Glen Tattersall** phone 0419 374 426 or balfourcoc@bigpond.com.

Elders & Deacons seminar

The Point (Brisbane) church is pleased to advise that it is planning to host a seminar for elders and deacons on March 27-29, 2018. Any interested Christians are very welcome and would benefit from participating in the conference. The cost will be capped at \$300 per person.

Evangelism Workshop

The workshop on "Taking it to the People" is scheduled for 1.30–4.30pm on Saturday August 5 and will be held at the church building in Canberra. Any brethren interested in more details can contact **Chris van Reyk** 0450 799 456 or csvanreyk@gmail.com or **Joel Gough** at joelgough1@gmail.com or 0421 833 265.

MSOBS Lectureship

More than 200 people attended the Lectureship in July, including Christians from India, Nepal, China and the USA. We also had brothers and sisters from 18 Australian congregations in 4 states and territories. Thanks to all the Macquarie members and brethren from other places who volunteered to serve which helped make the week so beneficial.

CALENDAR

August 5th

Evangelism Workshop @ Canberra, ACT

August 12th

Bible Quiz @ Campbelltown, NSW

September 4th

Women's Singing Class @ Macquarie, Sydney

September 22nd-24th

Camp Revive @ Yellingbo, Victoria

September 23rd-24th

Family Seminar @ Bankstown, Sydney

October 5th-8th

Saving Light Series @ Heidelberg West, Melbourne

October 28th

Teachers' Workshop @ Malaga, Perth

November 4th

Teachers' Workshop @ Macquarie, Sydney

December 27th-January 1st, 2018

Camp Challenge @ Tahmoor, NSW

January 8th-13th, 2018

Camp Warana @ Myrtle Park, Tas

March 27th-29th, 2018

Elders & Deacons Conference @ The Point, Brisbane