

HAPPENINGS

News of churches of Christ in Australia – February 2019

Welcome to the first issue of *Happenings* for 2019. If you have news please send it to tedpaul@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

Perth Baptism

Luke Crompton was welcomed into the Malaga family after being baptised for forgiveness of sins and the Holy Spirit on



December 16 at the home of **Peter & Diane Coleman**. **Paul Tyers** (left) had

been sharing the Gospel with Luke after meeting him early in December.

Sydney Baptisms

From the Warringah church is a report of the baptisms of **Cameron and Caitlin Wilson** by



Peter Tickner on Friday evening, January 11. They have been

attending the “Escape to Reality” series on Thursday evenings.

At the Macquarie church **Erika Kelly** was immersed by her dad **Chris** when she obeyed the gospel on Wednesday evening January 16.



Also at the Macquarie church, **Alex Burress** was immersed for forgiveness on Monday evening January 28 after being taught during the last few weeks by **Peter Tickner** and **Ricci Jenkins**.



Victorian Baptism

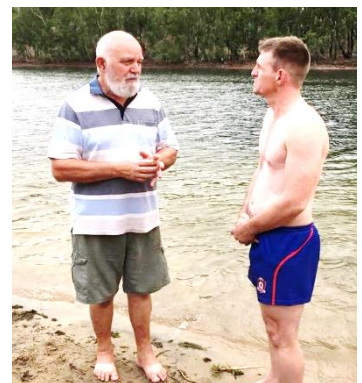
From the Southeast congregation comes news of the baptism of **Emma Bamford** on January 30. She was contacted through World Bible School, and **Lesley Christensen** has been teaching her over the last five years. She was in Melbourne when she first started her studies, but has moved to Gippsland since then.

Adelaide Baptism

At the Metro church of Christ there is rejoicing because at the baptism into Christ of **David Macumlaa** in December 2018.

Queensland Baptism

In Townsville, **Peter Paton** (right) was baptised by his father-in-law **Derek Winstanley** in Ross Creek on December 4.



Lecture Series

The Eastern Shore (Hobart) congregation will be holding a public lecture series delivered by **Daniel Smith**, evangelist for the Gipps St church in Toowoomba, QLD. The date is February 22-24 and the messages are on the topic of "Who is Jesus? Man; Messiah; Saviour; King".

Women's Singing Class

The next ladies' singing class at the Macquarie church in Sydney is planned for Monday February 4.

New Location

The Central North congregation in Perth began meeting in their new premises at 15 Moolanda Boulevard, Kingsley, Western Australia on December 16.

Meeting change

After a year with **Steve Wilson** assisting with most of the preaching, the Wynnum (Brisbane) congregation has returned to meeting for worship at 9:30 am, followed by Bible class at 11:00 am.

Location change

The Balfour Street (Launceston) church sold its building in Launceston and relocated to the town of Longford in December. It will now be known as the Northern Midlands church of Christ. They aim to evangelise in this region of the state, whilst still being close enough to continue to try to reach people with the gospel in Launceston. Currently, they are meeting in the War Memorial Hall, 55 Wellington Street, Longford, however they are in the process of buying a new building in the heart of Longford, and they hope to be able to have meetings there by the end of February. The new church phone number is 0474 477 182 with a new website linked to their existing one at www.nmcoc.com.au. Meeting times are: Sunday Worship: 10am and 5pm, Bible Study 11:15am and Thursday 7:30pm.

Autumn Camp

The Victorian Autumn Camp is again planned for Lake Nillahcootie during April 19-22. This year's theme is "Wisdom from Above".

Retreat

The 50-N-Over Retreat at Merroo, Kurrajong, NSW will run from May 3-6, 2019 with 5 speakers on the theme, "My God and I". Fees will be the same as for 2018: \$240.00 for 4 days and \$180.00 for 3 days. Attendees coming from in excess of 300km again receive a discount of \$100.00, and first-timers coming for 3 or 4 days also receive a discount.

Melbourne Combination

The Southeast and Greater Dandenong churches plan to assemble with the Belmore Road congregation on Sunday February 3. **Roberto Quintanilla** will be preaching and lunch together is planned afterwards.

Preacher

After a six-month probation period, **Daniel Smith** has been hired by the Gipps St (Toowoomba, Qld) church to work full-time with them. Daniel comes originally from Gympie. The church is seeking assistance from other congregations to help support Daniel with the goal of taking over his full support by 2030. If you want to help you can contact them at gipps.church@gmail.com or 0439 576 595.

Website

The Western Melbourne church has a new site: www.cocwesternmelbourne.org.au/. They meet for worship on Sundays at 5.30-7pm at the Brookside Community Centre, 17 Federation Way, Caroline Springs, Victoria.

CALENDAR

February 4

**Ladies Singing Class @
Macquarie, Sydney**

February 22nd-24th

**Public Lecture Series @ Eastern
Shore, Hobart**

April 19th-22nd

**Victorian Autumn Camp @
Lake Nillahcootie, Vic**

May 3rd-6th

**50-N-Over Retreat @ Merroo,
Kurrajong, NSW**