

HAPPENINGS

News of churches of Christ in Australia – July 2014

Welcome to the latest edition of *Happenings*! Please email news 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 an email copy of *Happenings* please let us know. Ted Paull

NSW Baptism

Andrew Allard was baptised at Bellambi Beach, Wollongong on Thursday, June 26. He had been studying with **Jason Whaley** and **Les Totman** for quite some time.

Melbourne Baptisms

At the Belmore Road church there were four baptisms during June:

Felippe Roma Lara - is a young man from Colombia who had come to Melbourne to study. He was introduced to Christ and His church through **Angelica Quintero**. Angelica has been a Christian for over 10 years in Colombia and recently relocated to Melbourne to study.

Michael and Thelma McGaw - are husband and wife who have been searching for the Lord's church for some time. A couple of months back, Michael and Thelma found the church on the internet and had the courage and the desire to come to their Sunday assembly and within a few weeks were baptised into Jesus.

Mark McGaw - is Michael's younger brother and he too was baptised into Jesus on the same night as Michael and Thelma.

Project Barnabas

On the Queen's Birthday weekend (June 6-9), the entire Darwin congregation (5 members) flew down to Coffs Harbour for a weekend of fellowship with the Coffs Coast (NSW) congregation. This was the 2nd Project Barnabas event and the theme for the weekend focused on "Building Relationships in and out of the congregation". **Peter Tickner** (from the Macquarie church) provided encouraging lessons about building relationships, sharing the gospel and developing a faith that can have a genuine impact on lives and prospect of

salvation. **Len & Jan Bestmann** (from the Morayfield congregation) also attended for the second time. **David Carr** (from the Hunter Valley) gave a wonderful devotional after the Friday night BBQ. The weekend's activities included fellowship meals, prayers, visiting local attractions, along with singing in English and Swahili with the Congolese brethren. On the Sunday, there was an attendance of 35 people.

MSOBS Lectureship

"Faith in Operation" is the theme for the Lectureship at the Macquarie (Sydney) church planned for July 9-13.

Session times:

Wednesday July 9: 7pm

Thursday July 10: 10am-3pm

Friday July 11: 10am-3pm; 7.30pm

Saturday July 12: 1-4.30pm

Sunday July 13: 9.30am-3pm

Teachers include **Roberto Quintanilla, Dale & Sheila Hartman, Russel Bell, David & Chris Payne, David Carr, Les Totman, Stephen Males, Brett & Lesley Christensen** and **Bob & Lynne Marks, Frank Cunningham** and **Colin Thompson**.

Singing Workshops

John Wiegand, song leader and hymn book editor from San Francisco, plans another trip to Australia in August to conduct song-leading workshops. He is bringing 5 other brethren to assist with these events. They will be leading the workshops at The Point (Brisbane) during August 2-6 and Metro (Adelaide) on August 7-10. Contact for The Point church is **Steve Wilson** stevew@thepoint.org.au, and for the Metro church is **Earl Lam** 0403 431 186 or lamfuyuan@hotmail.com.

Queensland Mission

Gladstone Central Church of Christ is hosting Steven Deaton from the USA and he will speak at a Mission from Wednesday to Sunday, August 23-27. All visitors welcome. The venue is the Fresh FM building at the corner of Dixon Drive and Glenlyon Road, Gladstone. More information is available from **Carol Zussino** gladstonechristians@gmail.com or phone 0417 333 016.

Revival - Victoria

This year's Camp Revive (at Yellingbo) has the theme: "I am...finding my purpose in God" with speaker **Tim Rosengarten** from the Malaga church in Perth. The date is September 19-21. Cost: Earlybird (by Sept 4), Victorians: \$135; non Victorians \$115; after Sept 4 Vic: \$148; non Vic: \$128 Contacts: **Dale Christensen** 0403 793 353 or **Laura Payne** 0468 719 023 or camprevive@belmoreroadchurch.org.au.

Annual Series

The Heidelberg West (Melbourne) church is holding its annual Saving Light Series during October 9-12. The theme this year is "Discovering True Wealth" with **Benny Tabalujan** as the presenter.

Four Decades

The Eastside (Sydney) congregation will be celebrating the 40th anniversary of the establishment of the congregation on Sunday October 12. For more information contact **Peter Mandalidis** 9662 6024 or mobile 0439 877 643.

Ladies' Day

Blacktown (Sydney) church of Christ plan to hold their annual Ladies' Day, on Saturday August 30. The theme for this year is: "Discover the Jewel that is You".

Quiz Date

The Southwest (NSW) church Bible Quiz will be held on Saturday August 9 this year. The questions are on the Book of Nehemiah.

Eldership Weekend

The Klesis Institute with the support of the Malaga (Perth) church plans to conduct a session for elders and their wives at that congregation on October 31-November 1. Guest speaker is **Evertt Huffard**. For information contact **Alan Rowley** on 0419 264 931 or rowley@klesis.com.au.

Bankstown Seminar

The Bankstown (Sydney) congregation's seminar to be held during September 19-21 is a "Family Enrichment weekend". Guest speakers will be **David Payne, Peter Tickner, Brett Christensen, Roy Courtney, and Bob & Lynne Marks**.

Blacktown Lectureship

The Blacktown (Sydney) church plans its one-day Western District Lectureship for Saturday, October 18 on the theme of "Worship: Simple, Spiritual and Solemn". **Les Totman** from the Bankstown church will present the lessons.

Ladies' Day

The Morayfield church in Brisbane is planning a Ladies' Day on Saturday, August 30. For details email **Sarah Lee** at morayfieldcoc@hotmail.com.

CALENDAR

July 9th-13th

MSOBS Lectureship @ Macquarie, Sydney

August 9th

Bible Quiz @ Southwest, NSW

August 2nd-6th

Singing Workshop @ The Point, Brisbane

August 7th-10th

Singing Workshop @ Metro, Adelaide

August 23rd-27th

Mission @ Gladstone, Qld

August 30th

Ladies Day @ Morayfield, Brisbane

August 30th

Ladies Day @ Blacktown, Sydney

September 19th-21st

Family Enrichment Week-end @ Bankstown, Sydney

September 19th-21st

Camp Revive @ Yellingbo, Victoria

October 12th

40th Anniversary @ Eastside, Sydney

October 9th-12th

Saving Light Series @ Heidelberg West, Melbourne

October 18th

Western District Lectureship @ Blacktown, Sydney

October 31st-November 1st

Eldership week-end @ Malaga, Perth