

# ***HAPPENINGS***

## ***News of churches of Christ in Australia – June 2016***

This is your latest issue of *Happenings* for 2016! This marks the end of ten years of me editing *Happenings*! Thanks to all who have helped with this! Thanks again to Stephen Randall for editing the first 20 years! 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***

Another baptism at the Blacktown congregation is that of **Karima Bennetts** who was buried with Christ on Thursday May 19.

### ***NSW Retreat***

Southwest church of Christ held its 14th annual Youth and Young Adult retreat during the last weekend of May. Over 45 young people attended the retreat with an additional 20 joining the campers for worship on the Sunday. Youth from 12 congregations in NSW, ACT and Victoria attended. The theme of the camp was UNDEFEATED, with thoughtful, uplifting and challenging lessons on humility, love, truth and faith brought to the campers by the speakers **Stephen Males, Salomon Murillo** and **Christian Bargholz**.

### ***Summer Camp***

Camp Challenge in NSW is planned from December 27 2016 to January 1 2017. Guest Speaker this year will be **Kent Hartman** on the

theme of: "Tell Me the Story of Jesus: Finding the Gospel Story in Your Life!" If you want more information, you can contact [www.campchallenge.org.au](http://www.campchallenge.org.au) or [bobmarks@hotmail.com](mailto:bobmarks@hotmail.com) or 0414 238 581.

### ***Sydney Lectureship***

The annual MSOBS Lectureship at the Macquarie church is planned for July 13-17 on the theme, "Healthy Teaching for a Healthy Church." **Dale and Sheila Hartman** will be visiting guest speakers. Other participants include **Marvin Ancell, Satish Samuel, Bob Marks, David Carr, Les Totman, Kyle Keese, Brett Christensen** and **Stephen Males**.

### ***Singing***

The "Autumn Songfest" at the Southeast congregation in Melbourne on Saturday, May 21 was a smaller-than-usual affair due to activities at two other congregations. About 20 brethren from five congregations attended.

### ***Bible Quiz***

The congregation meeting at Campbelltown (NSW) is planning its annual Southwest Bible Bowl for Saturday August 13. This year the questions and challenges will be based on the book of Micah. Contacts: **Frank Cunningham** 0418 618 415 or [stand\\_firm@hotmail.com](mailto:stand_firm@hotmail.com) or alternatively **Kyle Keese** at [keese.kyle@gmail.com](mailto:keese.kyle@gmail.com) or 0436 237 977.

### ***Revive***

This year's Camp Revive is planned for September 23-26 at Candlebark Farm, Yellingbo in Victoria. The guest speaker is **Eddie Legg** and the theme is "Be transformed...by the renewing of your mind!" The early bird pricing if you register by September 9 is \$130 for Victorians and \$110 for others. After that date the full price is \$150 for Victorians and \$130 for others. If you want more information, you can email [infocamprevive@gmail.com](mailto:infocamprevive@gmail.com), or phone **Dale Christensen** on 0403 793 353 or **David Tabe** on 0431 057 397.

### ***New Congregation***

On Sunday, April 10, a new assembly of brethren began meeting in Dandenong, Victoria. Known as the "Church of Christ, Greater Dandenong", they meet at 11am on Sundays at The Castle — next to Hemmings Park on the Princes Highway. **Jimmy Forbes**, formerly of the Belmore Road church, was one of the organisers of the new group and several of the members are part of his extended family.

### **CALENDAR**

#### **July 13th-17th**

**MSOBS Lectureship @  
Macquarie, Sydney**

#### **August 13th**

**Bible Quiz @ Southwest,  
NSW**

#### **September 23rd-25th**

**Camp Revive @ Yellingbo,  
Victoria**

#### **September 24th-25th**

**Family Seminar @  
Bankstown, Sydney**

#### **December 27th 2016-January 1st 2017**

**Camp Challenge @  
Tahmoor, NSW**