

# HAPPENINGS

## News of churches of Christ in Australia – June 2017

Welcome to the fifth issue of *Happenings* for 2017. If you have news please send it to [tedpaull@hotmail.com](mailto: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

### *Adelaide Baptism*

At the Metro congregation, **Jenny Lam** in faith put on her Lord in baptism on Sunday May 7.

### *ACT Baptism*

At the Canberra congregation, **Jackson van den Bos** was baptised into Christ on Monday evening May 29. Water temperature was about 11°C and the apparent air temperature was -1°C.

### *Students visit*

**Kent and Nancy Hartman** arrived in Australia with six students from Oklahoma Christian University on May 6. They have visited several congregations including Ballina, Coffs Harbour, Canberra, Blacktown, Southwest and Macquarie and assisted with Southwest's Youth and Young Adult Retreat. They plan to leave on June 5.

### *MSOBS Lectureship*

This event in Sydney is planned for July 12-16 this year and guest speakers will include **Dale & Sheila Hartman, Tim Lewis, Roger Tyers, Kyle Keese, Pamela Paull, David Carr, Billy Kumar** and **Stuart Bassett**. Singing will be led by **Jules Cseszko**. The theme is "Making Choices--God's Way!"

### *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.

### *Elders Appointed*

The Metro Church in Adelaide, which meets in the suburb of Stepney, appointed two elders in November 2016. They are **William Wang** and **Andy Ezis**.

### *Women's Singing Class*

This is on again, on the first Monday in June, the 5th, at 7.30pm at the Macquarie church building in Sydney. It will not be held in July and August, so the next session will be in September. If you or your friends would like to join the women's singing group, please contact **Stephanie Klempfner**, phone (02) 9878 0207 or email [sklempfner@gmail.com](mailto:sklempfner@gmail.com).

### *Women's Retreat*

On Friday and Saturday June 23-24, a retreat is planned in Marysville, Victoria. Speaking on "Spiritual Growth – Living Intentionally" will be **Dr Anessa Westbrook** from Searcy, Arkansas, USA. For costs and more information you can contact **Debby Rowley** on 0419 005 300 or [burlington.dkr@bigpond.com](mailto:burlington.dkr@bigpond.com), or **Lesley Christensen** on 03 9776 6215 or [qoheleth@optusnet.com.au](mailto:qoheleth@optusnet.com.au).

### *Evangelism Workshop*

The Canberra church is conducting a workshop based on conversational /relationship evangelism to identify ways we can be brave, motivated and loving in sharing God's word with friends and family - those closest to us. The workshop is scheduled for 1.30 – 4.30pm on Saturday August 5 and will be held at the church building. Any brethren interested in more details can contact **Chris van Reyk** 0450 799 456 or [csvanreyk@gmail.com](mailto:csvanreyk@gmail.com) or **Joel Gough** at [joelgough1@gmail.com](mailto:joelgough1@gmail.com) or 0421 833 265.



### **Youth Camp**

The annual youth and young adult camp "Camp Soul" was held on the weekend of May 26-28, with over 50 young people attending from Victoria, Canberra, NSW and the USA. The camp theme was "Rising Up" with **Graham Wall** from Melbourne being the main speaker, giving lessons entitled Know, Grow, Go. The lessons were to inspire the young people to Know Christ, Grow in Christ and Go out for Christ and consider their roles in the church as leaders of the future.

### **Moree Mission**

Mission Moree is on again in 2017 and the dates are July 3-8. This is an opportunity to spend five days working with Aboriginal children in the NSW town of Moree. Go to <http://www.ozgraceandpeace.com/mission-moree-2017-1>. For more information you can contact **Brad Johnson** at [bradjohnson@tpg.com.au](mailto:bradjohnson@tpg.com.au).

### **2018 Camp**

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](mailto: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 greatly from participating in the conference. The cost, including accommodation and meals, will be capped at \$300 per person.

### **Challenge Camp**

This camp is on again and set for December 27-January 1. The theme for this year is "Faith is the Victory!".

### **Vale David Hanley**

**David** was born in Bairnsdale, Vic. He married **Gloria** in 1964, he was a Catholic and she was a Methodist but they decided to marry in the Church of England as they were not happy with any of the denominations around. In 1967 they moved north to Maryborough, then Gympie in Queensland.

On a drive around town they met **Thurman Self** practicing his sermon in a local park. They expressed their love for God and their concern for the spiritual welfare of their young children. Thurman encouraged them to think about their own souls and they were both baptized in 1970. They then moved back to Bairnsdale and met with the church there until 1985 when they moved back to Maryborough. Initially they travelled to Gympie to worship. Then in 1987 **David & Gloria**, along with their son **Alister** and his fiancée **Janene** began the Lord's church at Maryborough, and this work continues today. David passed away on April 1 with Gloria by his side, happy to be going to meet his Lord.

## **CALENDAR**

### **June 5th**

**Women's Singing Class @  
Macquarie, Sydney**

### **June 23rd-24th**

**Women's Retreat @ Marysville,  
VIC**

### **July 3rd-8th**

**Mission Moree @ Moree, NSW**

### **July 12th-16th**

**MSOBS Lectureship @  
Macquarie, Sydney**

### **August 5th**

**Evangelism Workshop @  
Canberra, ACT**

### **September 4th**

**Women's Singing Class @  
Macquarie, Sydney**

### **September 23rd-24th**

**Family Seminar @ Bankstown,  
Sydney**

### **October 5th-8th**

**Saving Light Series @  
Heidelberg West, Melbourne**

### **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**