

HAPPENINGS

News of churches of Christ in Australia – May 2019

Welcome to the fourth issue of *Happenings* for 2019. 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.

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Victorian Baptism

Natalia Glebova was baptised into Christ on Sunday evening, April 28. She's the 14-year-old daughter of **Jack and Nadya**, who are members at the Southeast congregation in Melbourne.

Autumn Camp

Excellent reports have been received about this event. There were 69 campers (plus day-visitors) from 13 congregations in all the eastern states (and territory), plus Switzerland. Teachers were **Peter & Carol Thomson, Gyula Cseszko, Rick Niland, Paul Kuleshov, Graham Wall, Peter & Claire Tickner, Geoff Thomas, Mandy Minder** and **Kathy Davison**.

Congregational Men's Retreat

The men of the Southeast (Melbourne) congregation are looking forward to a "Godly Guys' Getaway" on the second weekend of June 7-9. They will be focussing on how they can be the men God has called them to be, and **Kent Hartman** will lead their consideration of this.

Women's Singing Class

The next ladies' singing class at the Macquarie church in Sydney is planned for Monday May 6 at 7.30pm.

PICNICS...

Sydney Picnic

The Anzac Day picnic in Auburn attracted over 100 participants. Thanks go to the Hawkesbury brethren for arranging this.

Melbourne Picnic

Thirty-three people from six congregations enjoyed the picnic at Wheelers Hill.

MSOBS Lectureship

This is planned for July 17-21 at the Macquarie church in Sydney.

Singing

The Autumn Songfest is planned for Saturday, May 25 from 2:30pm, at a new venue, the Ferntree Gully Community Arts Centre, 1010 Burwood Highway, Ferntree Gully, in Melbourne. As well as encouraging one another and glorifying God in song, this is an opportunity to treat outsiders to a cappella singing. Further details are available from **Gyula Cseszko** on 043 756 4179.

Saving Light

This series is planned for Thursday-Sunday, October 10-13, at the Heidelberg West church with five lessons on the theme of: "Ancient Wisdom for Today's World".

Tassie Lectureship

Eastern Shore will be holding their 25th Annual Lectureship on May 2-4, on the topic: "Words from the Word", with 9 speakers from across Australia & New Zealand looking in detail at Biblical terms and concepts that are foundational to our faith. They will welcome visitors from across Tasmania and the mainland. For more information and content, please see <https://www.easternshore.church/words-from-the-word>.

Retreat

The 50-N-Over Retreat at Merroo, Kurrajong, NSW will run from May 3-6 with **Charles Hadfield, David Mowday, Bob Marks, Peter Tickner** and **Frank Cunningham** speaking 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.

Youth & Young Adult Retreat

This is conducted by the Southwest (NSW) church and is planned for Friday May 24 to Sunday May 26. The theme this year is "Stepping Out of the Crowd".



The venue is the Long Point Christian Centre at Ingleburn. Cost is \$115 for NSW participants and \$110 for those from interstate. Contact: 0418 618 415 or swcoc1@hotmail.com.

Toowoomba lectureship

This year the theme is "The Big Picture – God's Plan Through Time" and the date will be September 27-29. All are welcome to join them as they walk through Biblical history and find where we stand in God's plan of redemption.

Combined Seminar

This marriage seminar is a combined effort for the Bankstown, Campbelltown & Windang congregations and is to be held on Sunday September 29 in the hall used by the Southwest (Campbelltown) congregation. Speakers will be **David Payne** and **Michael Bargholz**.

CALENDAR

May 2nd-4th

Annual Lectureship @ Eastern Shore, Hobart

May 3rd-6th

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

May 6th

Ladies Singing Class @ Macquarie, Sydney

May 24th-26th

Youth & Young Adult Retreat @ Ingleburn, NSW

May 25th

Autumn Songfest 2019 @ Ferntree Gully, Melbourne

June 7th-9th

Congregational Men's Retreat @ Southeast, Melbourne

July 17th-21st

MSOBS Lectureship @ Macquarie, Sydney

September 27th-29th

Lectureship @ Toowoomba, Qld

September 29th

Family Seminar @ Southwest, NSW

October 10th-13th

Saving Light Series @ Heidelberg West, Melbourne