

# HAPPENINGS

## *News of churches of Christ in Australia – September 2013*

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### *Perth Baptism*

The Malaga congregation welcomes their new sister, **Naomi Harris**. Naomi was baptised into her Lord on the afternoon of August 17 by her dad, **Lindsay**. It was reported that a blessed few witnesses and myriads of angels rejoiced with her resurrection from the waters of baptism.

### *Sydney Baptism*

At the Macquarie church **Frank Yuan** was welcomed into God's family at his baptism on August 11. Frank has been studying Translation and Interpretation at Macquarie University and has now returned to be with his wife and daughter in China.

### *Saving Light*

The Saving Light series this year at the Heidelberg West (Melbourne) church will be taught by **Ian Coker** from Townsville and will feature lessons on "The Family." The date will be October 10-13. Subjects will be: "Can broken homes be rebuilt?"; "How to grow a lasting marriage"; "Keys to successful parenting"; "How to navigate the teenage years"; and "How to build a strong family."

### *Songbooks Needed*

The Gladstone Central (Qld) church of Christ sends their greetings to sister churches along with the news that their membership has grown from two to fourteen due to families going there for the gas plant construction. Because of this they do not have enough songbooks and they are appealing for used unwanted books rather than buying new ones. They are willing to pay something for them, plus postage.

They currently have "Songs of the Church" compiled by Alton Howard. For more information contact **Carol Zussino** at [cazuss@tpg.com.au](mailto:cazuss@tpg.com.au) or phone her on 0417 333 016.

### *Coffs Harbour Venue Change*

The Coffs Coast (NSW) church of Christ has moved from the CWA and will commence worshipping at the Bayldon Community Centre, Toormina Rd, Toormina—about 8 kilometres south of Coffs Harbour--from Sunday September 1, 2013. Service times include Sunday School at 10am, Worship at 11:15am and mid-week fellowship meal and Bible study on Wednesday night at 6pm. The kids club will also meet there on the first and third Wednesday night of the month, starting at 6pm. For any further information, ring **Marvin Ancell** on (02) 6652 4549 or **Satish Samuel** 0422 778 226.

### *Blossom 2013*

Blacktown (Sydney) ladies day--Blossom 2013--will be held on October 12, 10am-3pm. You can arrive anytime after 9am for registration. The topic will be: "Building Generational Bridges". Morning tea and lunch will be provided. A Facebook page has now been set up for this Blacktown Ladies Day. Click onto Events and all the details are there for you to RSVP and you could also send the invite to your family and friends using the details there. Teenage girls and women of all ages are encouraged to attend. Contact: **Hellen George** on 0419 647 404 or email [hellen\\_zims@live.com.au](mailto:hellen_zims@live.com.au) or **Colleen Golafshan** on 0430 447 770 or email [colleen@freak.com.au](mailto:colleen@freak.com.au)

### ***Ladies Retreat***

The 2013 Brisbane Ladies Retreat is planned to be held on October 25-27 at the Alexandra Park Conference Centre, Alexandra Headland, on the Sunshine Coast QLD. The theme will surround the topic of "Seeking Justice, Loving Mercy and Walking Humbly with God." Cost for the weekend is \$160. If you plan to attend, a \$60 deposit is due by September 20th. For registration forms and information about direct deposit, where to post forms, and details about the weekend, email **Ronya Johnson** on [ozibelle@tpg.com.au](mailto:ozibelle@tpg.com.au). It is sure to be a great weekend, and there is NO age limit, on either end!

### ***Old Lectureship***

The "Set on a Hill Lectureship 2013" is planned by the Gipps St church in Toowoomba (Qld) on the theme of "Leadership". The date is September 27-29. Guest speakers are **Barry Smith** and **Bennie Pinkley** from the USA. For information phone (07) 4630 1505 or 0431 365 531 or contact [preachchrist@hotmail.com](mailto:preachchrist@hotmail.com).

### ***Revive Camp***

Camp Revive 2013 begins at 7pm on Friday September 20 and ends at 1:30pm on Sunday September 22. The location is Lyrebird Park, 510 Beenak Rd, Yellingbo, Victoria and the cost is \$110 for Victorians and \$100 for others if you let them know by September 6. After that date the cost will be \$120. Guest speakers are **Benny & Pauline Tabalujan**. The theme is: "The Born Again Identity-Who am I?" For information email [camprevive@belmoreroadchurch.org.au](mailto:camprevive@belmoreroadchurch.org.au) or ring **Rachael Cornock** 0435 526 429 or **Laura Payne** 0468 719 023.

### ***Challenge Camp***

Camp Challenge will be held at a new location this year: Kiah Ridge Christian Conference Centre, 25 Bargo River Road, TAHMOOR, NSW 2573. The theme is: "We're in this Together!—Eternity for Me, You, Us and Them". Date for the camp is December 27, 2013 to January 1, 2014. Details are at [campchallenge.org.au](http://campchallenge.org.au).

### ***Bible Quiz***

The annual Southwest (NSW) church of Christ Bible Bowl was held on August 10. With teams attending from the Canberra, Gosford, Warringah, Wollongong, Eastside, Macquarie and Southwest churches. Bible knowledge was tested on the letters of 1st and 2nd Timothy. With even some "seniors" testing their knowledge. The event was led by **Eric Hamilton**. The competition was friendly, fun and was close, with Southwest the eventual winners by just one point! Congratulations to all who took part and encouraged others.

### ***Salt Foundation***

The Salt Foundation was established by **Roger Donnelly** of the Belmore Road (Melbourne) church as a means of providing a way in which people could do "good works". They established a small children's home in southern India in 2009 and in 2012 became a registered charity. They have been active in helping needy families in the Heidelberg area of Melbourne and they have also been able to conduct Bible studies there. Anyone is welcome to become a member of the Foundation for a \$20 fee and then to join in current projects or create other projects. For information go to [www.thesaltfoundation.org.au](http://www.thesaltfoundation.org.au) or ring 0468 317 258.

### **CALENDAR**

#### **September 5th-19th**

**Mission Trip to Papua New Guinea**

#### **September 20th-22nd**

**Revive Camp @ Yellingbo, Vic**

#### **September 27th-29th**

**Set on a Hill Lectureship @  
Toowoomba, Qld**

#### **October 10th-13th**

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

#### **October 12th**

**Blossom 2013 @ Blacktown, Sydney**

#### **October 25th-27th**

**Brisbane Ladies' Retreat @  
Alexandra Headland, Sunshine  
Coast, Qld**

#### **December 27th, 2013-January 1st, 2014**

**Camp Challenge @ Tahmoor, NSW**