

HAPPENINGS

News of churches of Christ in Australia – September 2015

Greetings to all our readers for this month! Please email your 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 your personal email copy of *Happenings* please let us know. Ted Paull

Tassie Baptism

From northern Tasmania **Josh & Jane Marks** report that **Jocoby McKercher** was baptised on Sunday August 23.

Sydney Seminar

This year's Bankstown family seminar is planned for Saturday and Sunday September 26-27 (the second weekend of the school holidays). The theme is: "Family Life & Spiritual Development: The Hurdles". Speakers are **Roy Courtney, Peter Tickner, Frank Cunningham, Bob Marks, Les Totman, Michael Bargholz and Ted Paull**. The Saturday program is scheduled to go from 10:00am to 2:45pm. The Sunday session is planned to begin at 9:50am and end at 2:15pm. The address is Wattawa Heights Public School, cnr. Marion St and The Avenue, Bankstown. Entry is in The Avenue.

Saving Light

The 23rd "Saving Light" series is planned for October 8-11, Thursday evening through Sunday morning, at the Heidelberg West (Melbourne) congregation on October 8-11. Guest Speaker will be **Les Totman** from the Bankstown church in Sydney who will be presenting lessons on the topic of "Eternity".

Victorian Camp

"Growing for Good: Above All That We Ask or Imagine" is the theme for this year's Revive Camp. The venue is again Lyrebird Park, 510 Beenak Road, Yellingbo, Victoria 3139 and it starts at 7pm on Friday September 18 and ends at 1:30pm on Sunday September 20. Speakers are planned to be **Roberto Quintanilla, Stephen Jackel, David Tabe, Emma Payne and Graham Wall**. As of September 1, prices are \$150 for Victorians and \$130 for non-Victorians. Contacts are: **Laura Payne** 0468 719 023 or **Dale Christensen** on 0403 793 353.

Bible Quiz Result

Southwest held its annual Bible quiz on August 8th. The questions and activities were centred on Paul's letter to the Galatians. Over thirty participants from seven congregations (Blacktown, Bankstown, Canberra, Eastside, Gosford, Macquarie and Southwest) took part. The contest was close and although the Canberra team eventually took home the trophy, everyone who took part was a winner. The Southwest church family thanks all participants and congregations for their on-going support of this event.

Melbourne & Brisbane Workshops

Mary Nelson from New Zealand plans to conduct "Connecting Children with God" workshops for pre-school and primary Bible class teachers in Australia, organised by Klesis. Mary is the creator of the Bible teacher internet resource www.missionbibleclass.org - which has had around 3 million visits since its inception. In Melbourne, the workshop will be held at the Belmore Road Church of Christ building on Saturday October 10 (please register with **Rhonda Tabe** at drtabe@optusnet.com.au or on 0413 822 605). The workshop will be repeated in Brisbane and will be held at the Holland Park Church of Christ building on Saturday October 17 (please register with **Danielle Johnson** at daniellejohnson73@bigpond.com or on 0408 155 137). The workshops will be from 9.30am - 4.00pm. A \$5 per participant registration fee payable on the day will be charged to help offset the costs of the workshops. Current and prospective teachers from across Australia are welcomed. Klesis is grateful to the Belmore Road and Holland Park congregations for allowing the use of their buildings for these workshops.

Queensland Lectureship

The 'Set on a Hill Lectureship' in Toowoomba at the Gipps Street church of Christ will be presented from 3pm on Friday September 25 to 7pm on Sunday September 27. This year the theme will be "The Wisdom from Above - James 3:17-18" and the guest speakers are **Len Bestmann, Peter Mandalidis** and **Sam Willcut**. Information: at web www.tinyurl.com/gippsstreet or phone (07) 4630 1505.

Family Camp

The Malaga (Perth) church is again planning a family camp for next year and the date is March 4-7.

Summer Camp

Camp Challenge is planned for December 27-January 1 on the theme: "We are the Light of the World". It will again be at Kiah Ridge Christian Conference Centre, at TAHMOOR, NSW.

Retreat

The 50-N-Over Retreat is planned for April 29-May 2 next year, again at "Meroo" near Kurrajong, NSW.

CALENDAR

September 18th-20th

Camp Revive @ Yellingbo, Victoria

September 25th-27th

Lectureship @ Toowoomba, Qld

September 26th-27th

Family Seminar @ Bankstown, Sydney, NSW

October 8th-11th

"Saving Light" series @ Heidelberg West, Melbourne, Vic

October 10th

Children's Bible Class Workshop @ Belmore Road, Melbourne, Vic

October 17th

Children's Bible Class Workshop @ Holland Park, Brisbane, Qld

December 27th-January 1st 2016

Camp Challenge @ Tahmoor, NSW

March 4th-7th

Malaga Family Camp @ Serpentine, WA

April 29th-May 2nd

50-N-Over Retreat @ "Meroo", Kurrajong, NSW