

HAPPENINGS

News of Churches of Christ in Australia – September 2020

Welcome to the eighth issue of *Happenings* for 2020. If you have news, please send it to tedpaul@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

Queensland Baptism

The Cairns congregation rejoices with **John Burton** who was baptised into Christ in Freshwater Creek on Sunday August 23. He had been brought along to the church meetings by sister **Tamasi**, and he studied with **Vani Arua** who baptised him.



Graeme Offer who reported on this said that the crocodiles in the creek are usually 5km downstream, but occasionally they are just 2km away! (And we thought a virus was the only problem!)

Camp Challenge Cancelled

For the second time in a row it has been necessary to cancel Challenge Camp. Last time the cause was the bushfires, this time it's the virus.

Sydney Baptism

Jasmine Paull was immersed for remission of sins on Sunday afternoon August 9 by her father, **Timothy**. The picture shows **Jasmine** with her mum and dad, **Karyn & Timothy**, and her brother **Alexander**.



Baptisms are a great example and encouragement for children to see!



Melbourne Baptism

On August 29, a gloriously sunny Saturday in Melbourne, **Scott Bass** was baptised by his father, **Sandy**, a deacon at the Belmore Road congregation. Given the Stage 4 pandemic restrictions which are still in place in



Melbourne, the baptism took place in their backyard in an inflatable pool. This was Zoomed online so that family and fellow Christians from Melbourne, the Philippines, and New Zealand could witness it. Praise God!

Queensland Baptism

At the Gipps Street, Toowoomba congregation, **Janine Baldwin** was buried with Christ in



baptism on August 24. She had been meeting with the church since the congregation resumed meetings in their building at the beginning of August. She is very eager to grow and has already begun serving in the church.

Zoom Studies

The Southeast (Melbourne) congregation's Thursday night home study has developed into an interstate study, with people from five states regularly participating. Contributing teachers have included **Ian Coker, Daniel Smith, Bob Marks, Trevor Williams (from the UK) and Ted Paull.**

Southwest Quiz

The Southwest (NSW) annual Bible quiz was held via ZOOM on August 8. Those taking part were from three states and one territory, NSW, Queensland, Victoria and the ACT. A variety of questions and tricky puzzles on the OT book of Joel were set on the evening. Congratulations to Canberra who answered the most questions correctly and to each of the other teams who were all winners for studying God's word.



CALENDAR

September 25th-27th

Lectureship @ Toowoomba, QLD

CANCELLED

September 27th

Family Seminar @ Ambarvale, Campbelltown, NSW

POSTPONED

October

Saving Light Series @ Heidelberg West, Melbourne

CANCELLED

December 27th -January 1st

Camp Challenge @ Tahmoor, NSW

CANCELLED