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How can anyone put his faith in Christ if he's never even heard about Him? How can he hear about Him if no one tells?
Romans 10:14 (Clear Word)



**Keep sowing seeds... you don't know
which one will take root...
Ecc 11:6**

VIC YOUTH BASKETBALL TOURNAMENT

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May 26th 2012
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Run or walk with us or support us through your donation

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Adventist Education...

God has blessed our church body with a unique gift to pass on to the community; an excellent education program that is spiritually minded.

At administration level decisions are being made to invest time, effort and finances to improve what we have to offer; to improve infrastructure and technology, to incorporate the latest curriculum initiatives, to promote and ensure the best in professional learning for our teachers.

At the school level teaching, chaplaincy and support staff invest in the children under their care; they invest their effort, engage their emotional energy and spend countless hours to achieve the best possible outcomes for them.

Which brings us to the family level. There are many ways families invest in Adventist Education; school families spend many hours volunteering in the class room or canteen, on committees and school councils, or at working bees while others contribute through donations and education offerings at their local churches and we thank you all for this.

Not all of our young people attend an Adventist school and there are many reasons for this. In the past one often cited was that it was too insular an environment. Our schools are now attracting families from their local communities, many are non Christian and by coming to our schools they are experiencing Christ's love on a daily basis in a nonconfronting way.

Furthermore, our own children are being given the opportunity to grow up rubbing shoulders with children from many other religious affiliations, learning to be different AND comfortable with that; to be proud of who they are and able to witness naturally while accepting other views and lifestyles. All within an environment where principles similar to those taught in their own homes are consistently modelled.

Adventist Education is an important part of the mission of our Church - sharing Christ with our world; a part of the mission where we may never know, this side of Christ's return, which seeds took root, which plants thrived. But in Ecclesiastes we are encouraged to never stop sowing.

In this issue we are looking at Adventist Education and the exciting developments taking place in our schools, enabling us to continue sowing seeds.

This is a wonderful time to be part of Adventist Education and we want you as a Church, as individuals and as parents to be active participants in what we have to offer as Conference Administration and Adventist Schools Victoria are working toward realising the potential God has blessed us with.

Our education system IS worth investing in.

Sherrie Courtney

Get started on your day's planting in the morning and keep going until evening, because you don't know which will do well... whether one, or another...

Ecclesiastes 11:6

For over 150 years the Adventist Schools network has been committed to providing a learning environment that not only caters for the academic success of each student, but provides a strong spiritual program that encourages a personal and life-long relationship with Jesus Christ - our Creator, Redeemer and Friend.

The Principals and Staff at our schools are committed to delivering a quality teaching and learning program incorporating Christian values integrated with service focused opportunities.

From the Early learning years when the adventure of learning begins, through to the VCE when a young person becomes a responsible and independent learner, our staff work with parents to ensure a positive learning environment and spiritual community.

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"Chosen For Such A Time As This"

Presented by

Dr. Hyveth Williams

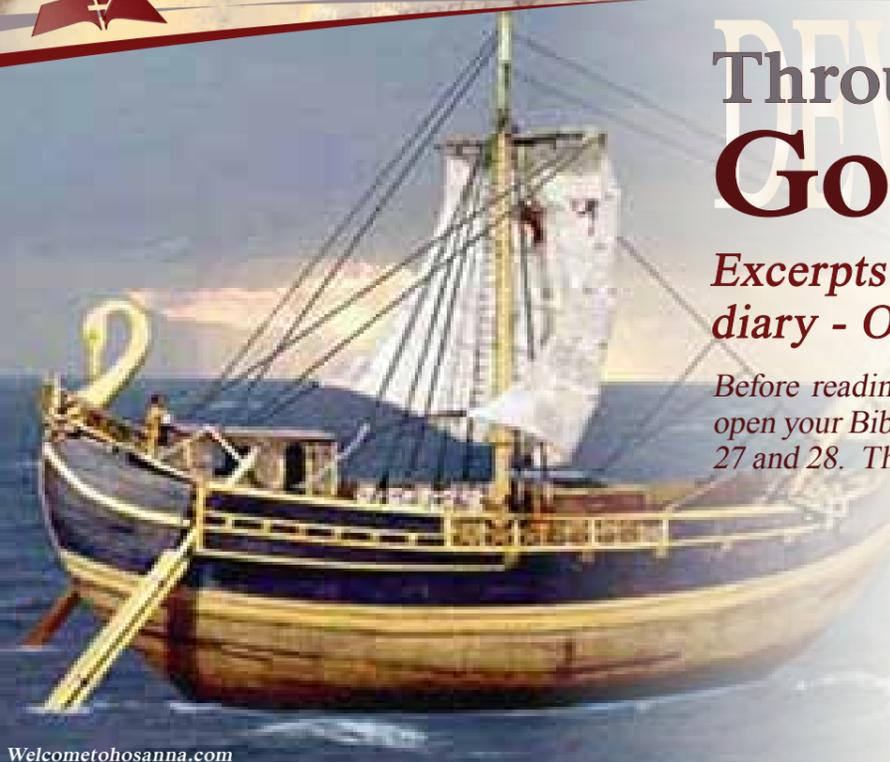
Dr. Hyveth Williams, Professor of Homiletics and Director of the Homiletics Program at The Seventh-day Adventist Theological Seminary (SDATS) at Andrews University, Michigan, is also a Pastor and prolific author. She is the first black female pastor at Sligo Church in Takoma Park, Maryland, and the first female Senior Pastor (Boston Temple, Boston, MA), in the Seventh-day Adventist denomination. Prior to her 2009 appointment as Professor, she served as an Adjunct Professor of Religion on the Loma Linda Faculty of Religion and The SDATS. For almost fourteen years, she served as the Senior Pastor of Campus Hill Church in Loma Linda, California.

Dr. Williams' influence is profoundly felt around the world by countless participants in her ground-breaking counseling and internationally applauded television series, *A Painted World: Portraits of Illusion and Reality*. Her conversion story and spiritual journey is televised regularly on Trinity Broadcasting Network and Hope Channel Television. Dr. Williams appreciates every opportunity to share the Gospel and approaches her role as teacher, preacher and counselor as a sacred trust.



More details of the conference are online at vic.adventist.org.au on the Women's Ministries pages, where you can register. Registration deadline July 6, 2012

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Through God's Eyes

Excerpts from Centurion Julius' diary - October 59 AD

Before reading this devotional by Pr Darren Croft, open your Bible to the book of Acts and read chapters 27 and 28. Then free your imagination and read on...



New Assignment - Day 1. Transport prisoners to Rome from Palestine

Today the prisoners were delivered to us without complication. I have 100 soldiers, men in top shape and itching to move. They are keen to return to Rome and sample her pleasures.

I've found a ship that will take us further round the coast and there I'll arrange passage on a grain transporter. We must reach Rome before winter. A challenge, to be sure, but if the gods are willing, so let it be.

Most of the prisoners are enemies of the state. Some no doubt will end up entertaining the crowds in the arena! There is one though, an old man and Roman citizen no less, who seems a threat to none. Apparently he appealed to Caesar – he would probably have been set free otherwise. He is allowed by law to bring a slave and a doctor and he has both. I must say I have grave doubts that slave is in fact a slave. But he declares it is true so it's not my problem. Strange... one would choose to be a slave?

Day 2. The port of Sidon

The trip up the coast to Sidon was uneventful with calm seas and favourable winds. With not much to do while sailing, I found myself conversing with the old prisoner, Paul. He's not afraid of any person or circumstance, but he seems no danger to anyone. He desired to meet friends in Sidon and seeing no harm I allowed it, with a guard. He lived up to his end of the bargain and returned in time for us to weigh anchor.

Day 3. The Port of Myra in Lycia

The winds were against us but the crew did well and we sailed under the lee of Cyprus to the open sea off Sicilia. Progress was slow but we arrived at Myra in reasonable time to find the Alexandrian ship as I had hoped for - ready to continue its journey to Rome. A typical grain trader with a sea-hardened captain who did the job

at a price and no more - it is purely about function and that suits us fine. Function – Get to Rome. ASAP!

With 250 passengers (mostly my men and the prisoners) and loaded with Egyptian grain headed for the voracious appetites of the populace of Rome, the captain is going to be little richer by the end of this journey!

Day 6. Fair Havens at last

I should have known from experience - the journey started too well. The wind has been against us for three days now. It's frustrating the men, and working the sailors hard. Everyone wants to push on. We do not want to winter on Crete! We sailed under the lee of Crete to escape the wind and it was gruelling, but it brought us to Fair Havens.

Never has a place been so misnamed – it's neither fair nor a haven! The town is inconsequential and unable to house 100 soldiers plus prisoners in a way that I am happy with – let alone keep the men adequately occupied for an entire winter. I am eager to push on. The prisoners remain well behaved and under control, but the credit's hardly ours. That old prisoner Paul has proven remarkable. Always positive, he seems to have something unique and it's starting to rub off on one or two. I must talk further with him about it - it seems worth having.

Day 8 – Fair Havens still – impatient to be gone

Surprisingly old Paul, who seems to be much travelled, is the only one in favour of wintering here. He warns of danger if we continue. The captain is keen to move on – which sits well with me. I didn't become a centurion by being afraid of a little danger – so what's

to lose. At the very least, while Rome now seems out of reach for winter, Phoenix is suitable and only a day's sailing away – two at most. Push on, I say!

Day 11 – The storm breaks

A gentle southerly sprang up last evening and we departed at first light. But what a shocker this day has become. As we sailed along the coast line, a North Easterly blasted us from out of nowhere and we had no choice but to go with it.

We were driven past Cauda and the situation just kept getting worse. The sailors undergirded the boat with ropes and dropped the sea anchor but to little avail – it continues to leak. With night approaching we are fearful of being blown onto Syrtis Major which is, as the captain says, "a boat graveyard if ever there was one", full of shifting sand bars and reefs.

The men are struggling with fear. Everyone that is, but old Paul, and the prisoners are increasingly drawn to him. He is no revolutionary so I am happy for him to continue doing whatever it is he is doing.

Day 20 – No time to write

We have been driven before this wretched storm for nine days, and our world is so small day and night are one. At first the cargo went overboard. I realised then how bad things were, if the captain was willing to sacrifice profit. Then the ropes, sails and weights were lugged over too. We did sail a little higher for a while...

My men were pressed into duty and strain weighs heavily on us all. Fear has given way to grim resignation. Everything is hopeless. Even if this vessel could be manoeuvred, we have not seen the sun or stars for so many days we wouldn't know which way to turn. Yet the tempest rages on. There is no hope.

Day 23 – What is it about Paul?

Today Paul spoke – I'll quote him while I remember - "Men, you should have taken my advice not to sail from Crete; then you would have spared yourselves this damage and loss. But now I urge you to keep up your courage, because not one of you will be lost; only the ship will be destroyed. Last night an angel of the God whose I am and whom I serve stood beside me and said, 'Do not be afraid, Paul. You must stand trial before Caesar; and God has graciously given you the lives of all who sail with you.' So keep up your courage, men, for I have faith in God that it will happen just as He told me. Nevertheless, we must run aground on some island."

Is there hope afterall?

Day 26 – We are still alive

So many days and still the wind and waves rage in the darkness. Tonight Paul saved us all. The sailors said we were nearing land and dropped four anchors from the stern. Then they headed to the bow to drop more, so we thought, but Paul spoke up. He must have known it was all a ruse. I've watched him, he's trustworthy. So when he quietly said "Unless these men stay with the ship, you cannot be saved," I believed him. We rushed to the bow where we found the lifeboat and cut it loose. Like it or not we're all in this together now.

Day 27 – The last morning?

This is my last entry, I fear. At Paul's urging, we ate our first decent meal in two weeks. Curiously it started with a prayer from Paul to his God, which seemed to calm and comfort most. Today we

throw the remaining grain overboard, then with this leaky death-trap riding as high as possible, we will make a run to shore. Paul might yet be right and we may live. I have commanded the soldiers to let the prisoners live. It seems a risk worth taking, if only for Paul. I will not be responsible for his death.

Day 28 – Alive on Malta

We are alive! Every last one of us! Thanks be to Paul's God we are now gathered round a fire warming ourselves and enjoying the hospitality of the natives. We have landed on Malta of all places – some 1000 km's from Crete. These are extraordinary times...

3 months Later – Departing Malta

Winter has breathed her last chilled breath. On to Rome at last! It is with mixed feelings we leave. It has been a worthwhile winter. I just pray that God will deliver my friend Paul from Caesar.

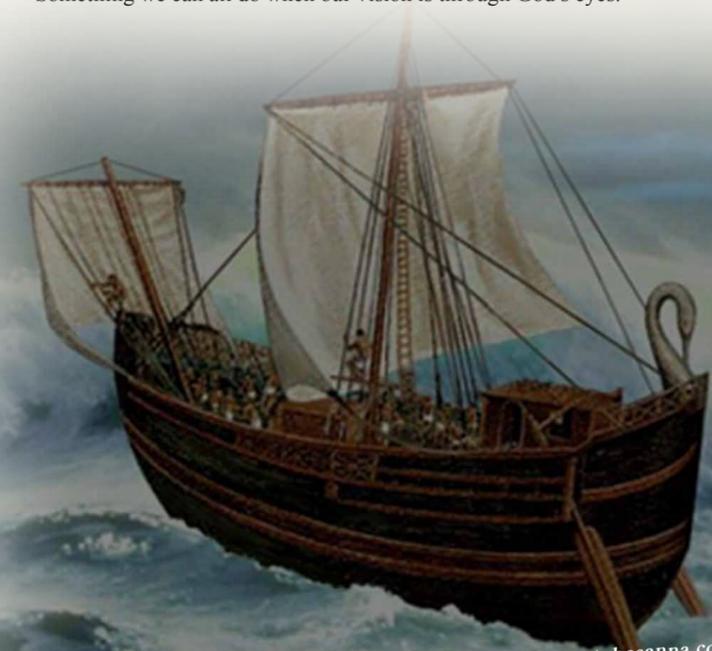
The Book of Acts is about vision – God's vision. The disciples initially had a very narrow vision, a vision limited by the walls of the upper room in which they hid, terrified. But God broadened their perspective to include sharing what they knew with their fellow Jews.

Paul's vision became nonexistent on the road to Damascus, and once he could see again, he disappeared for three and a half years. When he returned his vision, like Peter's, had enlarged as he had opened his mind to God's vision for the Christian message to go to all people. As Paul matured in his Christian walk, as his 'fame' spread throughout his world, so did his vision of God's vision.

It spread beyond consideration for his own life. In this devotional, we see him – not avoiding capture or resisting transportation to certain death, but welcoming it as a means of fulfilling the Great Commission, taking the Gospel to the centre of the then known world and presenting it to the most powerful man of that world.

And because of this vision, Paul was enabled to serve his God even more, as he faced the traumas life threw at him head on, without fear.

Something we can all do when our vision is through God's eyes.



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FEATURE

Investing In A Master Plan

Victorian Adventist Schools are Worth It

For any venture to be successful, some kind of progressive plan needs to be in place and this is no less true for our schools than for any other business...



“Not only are your children being taught by teachers who are intentional in getting great outcomes for your children but they are doing so in a deliberate Seventh-day Adventist Christian context. Studies conducted by the South Pacific Division have clearly shown that students who go to Seventh-day Adventist Schools have an increasing loyalty to the Church. Why would you go anywhere else?”

Brian Mercer
Director, Adventist Schools Victoria

“I believe that the system has suffered from a lack of structural and economic investment over several years. Add to this, generational change within our church membership base that demands improvement and aspirational based outcomes in education, as well as the significantly increased competition within faith-based school networks throughout Melbourne suburbs, and the clear result is a decreasing enrolment of our own church children.

“So you begin to see some of the real world challenges that Adventist education is up against here in Victoria.

“There is a clear difference between the process of education and the business of education. Current conference and education administrations are addressing this variance. Staffing excellence, modern curriculum and balanced outcomes are important, but so are commercial realities, financial responsibilities, good management practice and high end governance.

“We have a wonderful product but have come close to losing the opportunity to share it with the wider community. Adventist education is worth investing in.”

Mark Roberts
Management Consultant contracted to
Adventist Schools Victoria

Don't Think You Can Finance the Fees?

Please come and talk to your Principal. There are financial supports in place to make Adventist Education affordable and accessible.

Dion Harvey
Schools Finance Officer

It is simply not enough that our schools exist; without a far ranging plan, they will stagnate, enrolments drop and eventually, doors close for the last time. This would be a devastating blow to the mission of our church, with far reaching consequences. Not before Christ returns, will we fully understand the impact of offering Christ-centred education to both our own children and to the children of our local communities.

Academic Achievement

- IMPROVED NAPLAN RESULTS IN MOST SCHOOLS WITH INDIVIDUAL IMPROVEMENT FOR STUDENTS GREATER THAN THE NATIONAL TRENDS.
- EXCELLENT VCE RESULTS WITH ALL OUR SCHOOLS BEING UP WITH OR BETTER THAN THE PRIVATE SCHOOLS IN THEIR AREAS

Investing in Academic Excellence

It goes without saying that any developmental plan for a school must include making every effort to achieve academic excellence and our schools are achieving this. Results show that in terms of academic outcomes, our education does provide the environment necessary to achieve results needed for students to choose the most competitive courses at university.

Researchers agree that high quality teaching improves student outcomes more than any other factor so Adventist

Schools Victoria (ASV) has proactively adopted a number of strategies. Among these is a teacher appraisal system, established by staff at the ASV office in conjunction with an independent consultant, to ensure national standards are met and the extensive work preparing for the Australian curriculum. The Australian Union Conference is also committed to this and has recently developed a national Quality Adventist Schools program (see over page).

Investing in A Spiritual Community

Additionally our schools would be failing in their contribution to the mission of our church if they did not make a determined effort to prepare the young people in their care, across all religious denominations, for eternity. This is not something that can be quantified – how do you measure the tone of a school? The genuine care of the teachers and

ASV Implemented Strategies:

- INVOLVEMENT IN SMARTER SCHOOLS NATIONAL PARTNERSHIPS AND AUSTRALIAN GOVERNMENT QUALITY TEACHER PROGRAMS.
- PRINCIPAL TRAINING TO EQUIP AND IMPLEMENT UPDATED TEACHER APPRAISAL, BASED ON NATIONAL PROFESSIONAL STANDARDS RECENTLY INTRODUCED BY THE AUSTRALIAN INSTITUTE FOR TEACHING AND SCHOOL LEADERSHIP.
- INVOLVEMENT IN PROGRAMS SUCH AS ACTION RESEARCH (GILSON) COLLEGE IN THE CLASSROOM AND SCHOOL ENVIRONMENT, SPECIFICALLY TO IMPROVE LEARNING OUTCOMES.
- INCREASED EMPHASIS ON PROFESSIONAL LEARNING IN STAFF MEETINGS AND THROUGH PROTECTED PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT TIME AFTER SCHOOL HOURS.
- ENGAGEMENT OF EXTERNAL EDUCATIONAL CONSULTANTS FOR PROFESSIONAL LEARNING

students for each other? The pervading emphasis on spirituality? But it is something that administration, teaching and chaplaincy staff, students and their families work together to produce, assisted by programs such as Encounter, week long spiritual festivals, Bible studies and regular class worship.

Investing in Maintenance & Development

Also of significant consideration is the need for successful marketing and improving the presentation of our buildings and facilities. Equipment needs to be up to date, and this is particularly so in the rapidly changing ICT world. We must invest in our schools – in their buildings and facilities - to maintain and build enrolments and secure their long term future based on Adventist education principles. By necessity this is an investment of time and effort, however none of this can be achieved without a significant investment of funds and a sound plan for improving the financial position of our schools.

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This is a new Adventist Bible curriculum developed to assist classroom exploration of personal spiritual experience, reasons for faith, lifestyle choices and ethical decision making from an Adventist world view, while nurturing interpersonal relationships and service to others. It is currently being rolled out in all our ASV schools, with Prep-2 and Yrs 7-9 already benefiting from the program.





Investing In **A** Master Plan Continued

Investing in Eternity

Sharing the love of Christ within our school system is a daily affair as students and staff work and play side by side. The effects of this coexistence cannot always be measured. Our chaplaincy program does however see a small portion of the seeds that have been sown germinate. This often occurs during the spiritual emphasis weeks the schools hold, such as at Edinburgh Adventist Primary School where students affirmed their commitment to follow Jesus by writing on a flag which was later flown, and when invited to make a stand and be baptised, they swarmed to the stage. When subsequently followed up, nearly 30 students in the upper grades remained firm in their decision, while a non-Christian student requested Bible studies with their parents also indicating interest.

At Gilson College, where the majority of the student body is non-Christian, stories of life changing experiences are many and varied. Students are making a stand and attending church, even though in their families, they are alone in this decision. Last year one Yr 12 student from a Hindu family committed to spend one hour every day with Jesus. While sitting her exams she experienced a peace she had never previously known. Another student from an orthodox background made a commitment to follow Christ, deciding to attend church rather than play her beloved sport. Earlier this year, IntraVic shared with its readers the testimony of another student and his experiences. And the list goes on.

Many students express a desire to attend church, but due to their home situation, this is not possible. Some express their loneliness living in a family where they are the only Christian. So having a weekly chapel first thing each week is very important to them, as are the Bibles they have at school, and the discussions in class

At Nunawading Christian College, they have a PUSH team – Pray Until Something Happens. Made up of students from across all years and the two school captains, they meet weekly and have strong input into chapels and the spiritual life of the school. The enthusiasm of members of the team is infectious, their ideas fresh and exciting. This concept allows the whole student body to “own” the spiritual life of the school as they see their peers planning and working, and as they get drawn into it themselves. And further, members of the PUSH team have and continue to be heavily involved in their own church lives. In varying capacities they have spoken at several churches, preaching the main sermons.

The chaplaincy programs in our schools play a vital role in preparing the children in their care, for their lives as adults. The spiritual things they learn will continue to grow in them through all their years ahead – something that may not have otherwise been possible had they not attended one of our schools.



Investing in Maintenance & Development ...continued

Adventist Schools Victoria and the Victorian Conference are committed to seeing this happen and in recent years, have been working together in strong partnership toward this end.

Early in 2011, Nunawading Christian College in the eastern suburbs secured the services of an innovative and creative award-winning architectural firm, experienced in school design and used by ASV in a number of other developments. Kneeler Design assisted in the creation of a master plan, and the planning committee sought input from all stakeholders, giving them opportunity to view the master plan, ask questions and offer suggestions.

Part of the process at NCC included identifying key factors which would increase the student population and further serve the community. Possible changes included the necessary

changes to infrastructure to both improve ‘street appeal’ and provide facilities which will attract and retain students, establishing an early learning centre and broadening the secondary school curriculum options. And so, having identified the key physical requirements needed to make the school successful, an eight year plan was designed, taking NCC into 2020.

Heritage College in Melbourne’s south-east has also been undergoing an upgrade to meet increasing community expectation. They have recently opened their Multipurpose Centre providing an all-weather sports venue, newly outfitted library, music classroom, updated canteen and performing arts facility and various smaller upgrade projects which will be undertaken throughout the remainder of the year.

In addition to the upgrades at the Narre Warren campus, by 2013 Heritage College’s Officer campus will see a full complement of Yrs 7-12 secondary classes operating as well as the commencement of the primary campus with Prep and Grade 1 and there are plans underway to provide an early learning centre in the near future.

Quality Adventist Schools

While survey data collected by Adventist Schools Australia consistently reveals that parents, students and staff consider Adventist education is providing a quality service to the community, there is always room for ongoing improvement.

To this end, the National Board of Education endorsed the development of the QAS framework and appointed Jacques Calais, formerly of Victoria, as the Project Officer. The framework will be developed by Adventist educators, under the guidance of a leading world expert in school improvement, Ian Gamble, and will give our schools a set of tools to effectively self-assess their individual performance across a range of criteria, as well as providing structure to school planning and organisation, track and monitor improvement and provide resources to support ‘best practice’ principles.

ICT Upgrade

With assistance from external consultants, ASV has begun a program of upgrading Information Communication Technology through infrastructure and empowering staff to develop its use in classes. Some of this upgrade has included:

Each teacher being issued with a laptop

Installation of the latest server and wifi technology

Improvement of the Yrs 9-12 computer program to allow higher access to computers

iPad trials in selected primary classrooms in all schools



Investing in God’s Kingdom – here and now.

Adventist Education has much to offer, both to our own young people and to the members of the community, regardless of profession, religion, race or year level. It is affordable quality education in a nurturing environment where Christ’s love is experienced by everyone there independent of whether or not they are Christian.

Adventist Education provides a place where Christ’s love is shared with no expectation of return – as it should be.

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Born Again For Jesus

SEDDON CHURCH

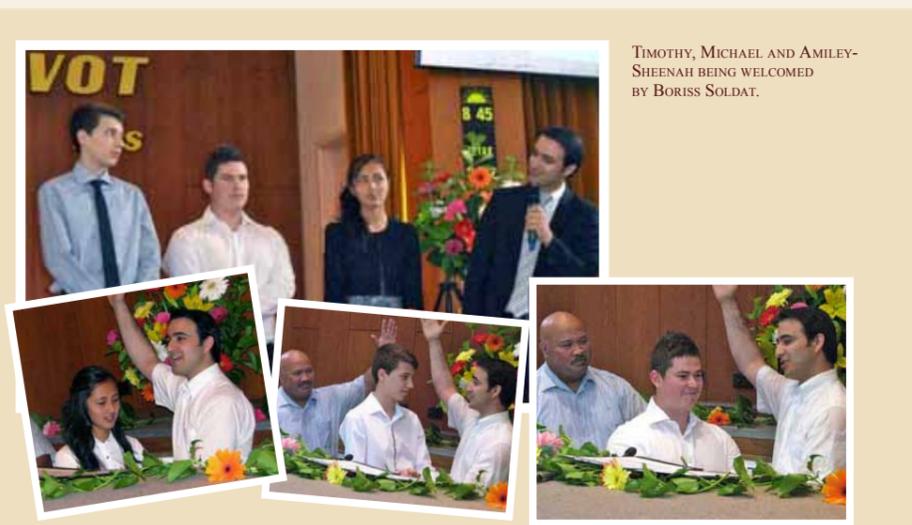
Birth is a joyous event. A time of rejoicing, warm wishes and embraces. Such was the atmosphere at Seddon when Amiley-Sheenah, Timothy and Michael entered the waters of baptism.

Their shining faces and bright smiles testified loud and clear that they'd personally experienced God's saving grace. The theme of the day was *For God So Loved the World* and it summarized their conversion experiences perfectly. A diligent student of the Bible, Timmy readily absorbed God's word. His spiritual journey was influenced by a young exile in Babylon. Like Daniel, Timmy has decided to give his life to the Lord early on and has determined in his heart to serve God. His favourite verse is the well-loved John 3: 16 and he is looking forward to a heaven with no more sadness. Timmy's love for the Lord and his genuine desire to serve Him are reasons we believe he will make a big difference for God. Amiley-Sheenah's passion for God grew stronger week by week as she studied His word, until one day she came face to face with the God of Second Chances. Head knowledge became saving knowledge and she approached her parents, sharing with them her decision to surrender her heart to Jesus. Amiley-Sheenah is looking forward to heaven because she won't be scared or need to worry or cry in God's

perfect world. Michael does not make decisions lightly, but once they are made he sticks to them with his whole heart. And so it was with his decision to be baptised. God's persistent knock had been resounding on his heart for some time. Finally, Michael decided to open the door and receive the outpouring of God's forgiving grace. We praise God that today Michael stands before His throne with a heart that's pure and clean, readily

awaiting the Lord's return. The seeds of God's love planted in Timmy, Amiley-Sheenah and Michael by their godly parents were nurtured by the church family and watered by the weekly Bible study sessions. But it was God's Spirit that ultimately brought about a bountiful harvest. We rejoice as a church family to be part of the re-birth of these three precious individuals.

Heidi Soldat



TIMOTHY, MICHAEL AND AMILEY-SHEENAH BEING WELCOMED BY BORISS SOLDAT.

Adventurers Update

NUNAWADING ADVENTIST CHURCH

Nunawading's Adventurer Club has been restarted after several years without, and is now in full swing.

There is a regular attendance of around 25 children. At a recent meeting Glenn Fairall came to take the First Aid honour for the Busy Bee, Builder and Helping Hands classes. The children learnt about sterilising, how to treat a broken leg and wrap bandages as

well as the use of oxygen masks. They then took turns having a 'heart beat check'- stickers on their hands were connected to wires which plugged into a machine. Each child was then given a print-out of their heart beat to keep. They also received a 'goody bag' that included bandages, a sling, saline, patches and a few sterilising wipes.

While all this was happening the Little Fish class was completing a Bible Friends honour and presented the group at closing with a story play of the Good Samaritan. The Little Lambs class (a program for four-y-o's) also had its first class and they learnt about insects with Leonie Allen.

Carolin Schmitz

This is such a rewarding program – has your church considered running one?



A Family Faith

WARBURTON CHURCH

Loving relationships formed the basis when five members of the Eichberger family were baptised together and warmly welcomed into church membership at Warburton on March 3 this year.

Pr Murray Thackham's sermon *A Life Worth Living* was based on Luke 14:15, "Blessed is the man who will eat bread in the kingdom of God" and the story of the man who made a great supper and invited many. He also told the story of John Newton and how he found God's amazing grace. Murray described the need to have a life fit to live with, a faith fit to live by and a purpose fit to live for, saying "God invites anyone to come. To put Christ at the centre of everything we are and do takes faith. Faith sets our priorities. The Eichberger family heard the call of Jesus and responded to that call to come to Him. Jesus has reached down and saved you." James Maae, who studied with the family, said the whole church, together with God had made this baptism possible. Especially mentioned were Owen, Lynda, Tania and Adrian Maunder, who had a

profound influence on the family, sharing their faith and forming relationships which led to knowledge of Jesus. Following the baptism, the whole

Eichberger family were surrounded by elders and lifted up in prayer. The church rejoices.

Sue Marshall



PR MURRAY THACKHAM AND JAMES MAAE AT THE BACK, SIMONE, ERNSTE, MARETA, EILEEN AND JOHANNES WERE ALL BAPTISED WHILE THE TWO YOUNGER BOYS WATCHED WITH GREAT INTEREST

Arise and Shine

WERRIBEE KAREN ADVENTIST CHURCH

Myanmar Adventists converged on Melbourne for the occasion of the Australian Karen Adventist Convention in January this year.

Such a gathering of Karen Adventists from refugee camps on the Thai-Myanmar border as well as several other places, now living in this land 'flowing with milk and honey', had at first been no more than a dream so it was a real pleasure for these Karen people to see their dream realised. Held in Hoppers Crossing, the venue was packed with people over the three days. The theme chosen was *Arise and Shine*. One of the purposes of the convention was to help the Karen community wake up to

the Three Angels' Messages and there were about 30 people there who came from the wider community. 53 delegates attended from Canberra, 33 from Sydney and several more from Brisbane and Adelaide. So as not to burden the Karen community, they were billeted with Adventist families in Werribee and Hoppers Crossing. The highlight of the occasion was on Sabbath with Pr Darren Croft delivering a powerful message which took the theme as

its title and sent everyone home happy and blessed. In the evening there was an Advent Youth program and Pr Hensley Gungadoo spoke, titling his message Youth for Christ. It was a 'landslide' success as over half of the attendees were young people. This dream, this convention, would never have happened without support and sponsorship of the Victorian Conference and we want to say a big than you from our hearts for the help and blessings we have received.

Mervin Myat Kyaw





4GIVEN sings about God's Love

SEDDON ADVENTIST CHURCH

It all began in a family home. Three brothers, Kristian, Simon and Matei, would sing together to welcome each new Sabbath.

As time went on they thought "Why not use our voices to share the truth of God's love with others?" Together with a friend, they named their quartet "4Given" and began to bless the Slovenian community with the message of God's incredible forgiveness. At the start of this year they travelled to Australia and held a Community Outreach concert at Seddon Church. Their passion

for sharing God's love and warm bubbly personalities were contagious. With their unique a cappella contemporary gospel style, they brought us a little nearer to heaven. The program featured a blend of hymns along with contemporary pieces and was followed by a social and dinner in the hall. The concert also provided an opportunity

for the youth to letterbox the local area with invitations and the response was enthusiastic with many people from the community visiting our church for the first time. Over \$7000 was raised throughout the course of the day and the proceeds went to a number of causes, including the ethnic convention held at Avondale every second year.

Heidi Soldat



The Elders Corner

LILYDALE ADVENTIST CHURCH

The Elders at Lilydale are starting something new – they have an Elders Corner where they submit a report on their experiences and things they have been involved in each month. Here is one such report from Byron Gilmore.

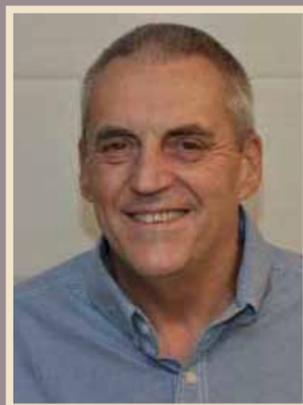
One thing I've experienced as an elder (over many years and at various churches), has been the diverse role of the position. Additionally, you only get out of it what you put in! What I'm saying is that one needs to be involved and available for church members. This can be very rewarding and sometimes a bit tough and through it all, one needs to rely on God's help and the guidance of the Holy Spirit. At times I have just relied on my own wisdom, leaving God out, and consequently have fallen on my sword (so to speak). I would like to relate a recent experience regarding the guidance of the Holy Spirit. Our minister asked if I could follow up a contact who had started to attend church after listening to an Adventist Christian

program on local FM radio. He attended for about six Sabbaths and requested studies, but then we didn't see him again. When I made contact he said he was no longer interested in pursuing the studies, so I thought that was the end of that. A month or so later, my wife Ann and I were visiting a little town in the Yarra Valley and we ran into this fellow while we were wandering down the main street. After some casual talk he asked if he could start bible studies after all. We have been having regular studies since that encounter. It just shows me how the Holy Spirit works - was this a chance meeting or was it Holy Spirit led? I believe the latter. As we all know, you don't need to be an

elder to have similar experiences, but it's just one of many I have had.

Byron Gilmore

BYRON GILMORE, ELDER AT LILYDALE, TELLS OF GOD'S LEADING



A Gentle Storm...

WARBURTON CHURCH

The weekend of April 28th saw our StormCo crew bring a small taste of what it's all about to the community of Echuca.

Being Warburton's first StormCo, the idea was to start small - just a weekend - but what a busy, fun filled weekend it was! The crew left for Echuca after school on the Friday, arriving there at 9pm and the night was filled with the laughter of the girls on their first service trip. The real action began the next day, as we took the children's Sabbath school which usually only sees two regular children attending. This weekend the room was overflowing with the regulars, about ten kids especially invited and the StormCo crew. Serving the church continued into the morning, as we took the church service in all the ways we could!

Saturday afternoon we did something for the kids of the community. The church had done a letterbox drop with a flyer to promote games and stories at a park located in a housing commission estate. Members of the estate are familiar with Echuca church as they have previously letterboxed, hosted a stories in the park with Pr Dave and delivered unsold bread from the local bakery.

While the games started with just the church kids, community kids slowly joined in and we ended up with quite a substantial group. Half way through the hour of games we paused for a story, which brought in more kids who had been hanging back, watching. While all this was happening, team leaders chatted with the parents about who we were, where we were from, what we were doing and our plans to run a school holiday program. That evening we spend time with the church members, inviting them to dinner and a movie and games in the church hall.

Sunday morning saw us again outdoors serving; at the church we mowed the lawns and did some gardening and tidying up for a member's neighbour. Then we headed home, excited and willing to come back again; the gentle storm was over, leaving the community and church just wanting more. I would encourage any church to give a StormCo a go! It is easy to think you don't have enough young people or that they are too young, that you don't have enough leaders, that you can't go away for a whole



WARBURTON TEENS WORKED HARD ON THEIR FIRST EVER STORMCO - AND PLAN TO DO IT AGAIN!

week... It is easy for obstacles to build up. Of our eight youth, only one was over fifteen. We only had four staff. And we only had a weekend. With so few resources, what could we do?

I can't tell you it will be easy, but I can tell you it will be worth it; for your church, the church you go to and the community you interact with. You can be like Moses and have all kinds of excuses, but God has an answer for each one of them. He doesn't pick perfect people for the ministry; he picks the people perfect for the job. So take the step of faith – use what you have and bring a gentle storm to a community in need.

*Yonina Moffatt
Youth Pastoral Worker*

CONDUCTING THE SERVICE AT ECHUCA CHURCH





Congratulations

We would like to congratulate our minister for Benalla and Wangaratta churches, Pr Malcolm Reid, and Glenice Stocker who announced their engagement late last year and plan to be married on December 16, 2012. May the Lord bless you as you prepare for the rest of your lives together.



Women's Ministries News

EMPHASIS DAY - 9 JUNE 2012

This special day falls on the second Sabbath in June every year. Each year's theme is chosen by and advisory committee at the General Conference. The theme for Women's Emphasis Day this year comes from the Southern Asia-Pacific Division and is "Our Testimonies: God's Delight."



As women, we know the healing power of telling our story to other women. When we give our testimony, we are telling what happens when God appeared in our lives, sharing our faith by saying who we were and who we are today by His grace.

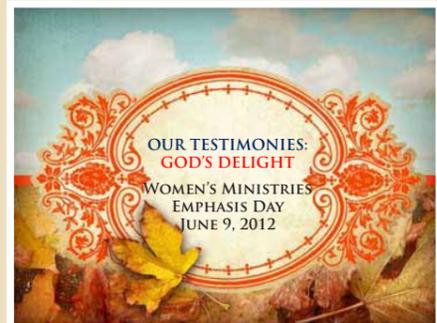
There are three ways to give a testimony – by your words, actions and fruits. And we can be sure that God delights to hear our story, the story of His great love and what He has done in our lives every moment of the day.

On this special day plan to celebrate women who have given of their time, talent, and even their lives to serve God,

and praise Him for their joyful service. As Women's Ministries Director for the Victorian Conference, I wish to challenge each of you to enjoy the Sabbath morning program that is prepared for you but to take the Sabbath afternoon to go into your community and share the love of God with those in need, whether in the hospital, the nursing home, the women's shelter, the children's home or even door to door in your community.

You are God's hands, God's feet, and God's touch of love to a world in need.

Pr Danijela Trajkov



MALAMULO HOSPITAL

Each year Women's Ministries 'adopts' a project from somewhere in the world for which to raise money and awareness. This year WM has been moved by the fact that many African mothers are unable to hospitalise their children if needed, because of lack of funds.

"That's why we have decided to establish a fund to help children in the district of the Adventist hospital at Malawi," says WM Director, Pr Danijela Trajkov. "As well as our usual fundraising at the Women's Ministries Conference, we held a concert at Wantirna Church in April and are holding a Mediterranean Dinner on 30th of June. The money raised will be sent to help keep the ward for children under five open at Malamulo hospital.

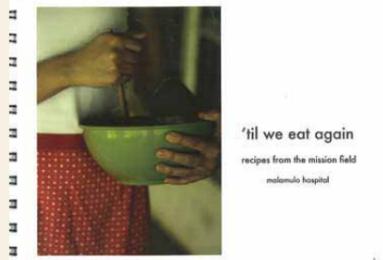
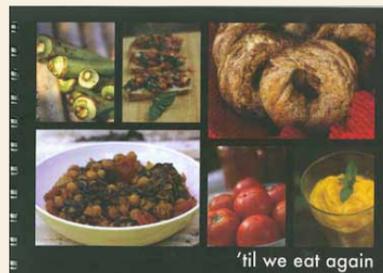
"Government funding has been cut and the ward may be forced to close - if we don't help, these mothers may have nowhere to turn when their precious little ones are sick."

A young couple from Australia, volunteering at Malamulo, have put together an excellent vegetarian cookbook "Til We Eat Again" and the proceeds from sales will also go toward this cause. The book is beautifully presented in full colour and printed on quality paper.

If your heart is touched to help the children in Malamulo, come to the dinner, buy the cookbook, or simply donate. Your contribution could save the lives of many children.

Donations can be sent and recipe books purchased through Women's Ministries at the Victorian Conference. For further information, call Danijela on 0423 371 841 or ask your local WM coordinator.

Malamulo Hospital, Malawi, was established by our church in 1902. It serves a catchment population of 129,000, from among the poorest in Africa, whose average income is less than \$1 per day. This once thriving hospital now struggles to meet the medical needs of its people. Each year thousands of people in this region, mainly women and children, are suffering and dying from easily treatable diseases. As little as \$6 can enable staff to treat a child for Malaria. Your donation of \$10 for the cookbook will go directly to impacting the lives of Malawi's children.



Sabbath School News

TRAINING WEEKEND – JUNE 29, 30

Sabbath School is where church health, happiness and growth begins. How is your Sabbath School program? Are people attending? What can we do to make sure Sabbath School is as effective as possible?

A special training weekend has been organised for all those interested in taking their Sabbath School classes to the next level.

So come and join Gary Swanson for four sessions of adult Sabbath School training. Gary is associate director of the Department of Sabbath School and Personal Ministries of the General Conference. Prior to this he served fifteen years as editor of CQ, the official Sabbath School publication for young adults. He is also the executive producer of Sabbath School University, a weekly 30-minute TV program broadcast by satellite and available also as audio and video podcast and in streaming video on the Internet.

In addition to this he has extensive experience as a freelance writer, with his works appearing in interdenominational ministries and in publications produced by many different denominations.

In the past 16 years, Gary has conducted workshops around the world in creative writing and techniques to improve Sabbath School learning.

Make your booking to attend the Sabbath School Training Weekend on June 29, 30 at the Ringwood Church Hall.

Session 1: 7pm Friday night



GARY SWANSON FROM THE GENERAL CONFERENCE WILL BE PRESENTING AT THE TRAINING WEEKEND. BOOKINGS ESSENTIAL SO REGISTER NOW!

Session 2: 10am Sabbath Morning

Session 3: 11am Sabbath Morning

Lunch provided

Session 4: 3pm Sabbath Afternoon

Bookings are essential as room is limited, lunch is provided and take-home supplies must be prepared.

Book now! Call conference reception today. 9764 7777 Pr Dave Edgren

We could change 3,000 lives

ADRA IN VICTORIA

A story of hunger and hope has inspired Sarah Courtney, Victoria's ADRA youth ambassador, to call all Victorians to take action.



We live in a lucky country. We hear it all the time. We also hear about the 1 billion people going hungry around the world. And the 21,000 children dying every day from hunger.

But does this change how we act? I know for myself, these numbers are shocking. They are terrifying. But it can seem like there is nothing I can do that will actually make a difference to this global issue. But that's not true.

I recently read about the Katike children on the ADRA website (Dahlia's Story at www.adra.org.au/foodandfuturesappeal). This article made me realise that lack of food causes more than hunger.

These children's father had died, and their mother then left them. They were all but orphaned in the middle of the worst drought we've seen for a generation. They were hungry, begging for food and forced to drop out of school simply to survive. These children, and so many others like them, are forced to miss out on an education and this only causes a downward spiral, a poverty trap, as they then lose the chance to work, cannot earn money, still cannot buy food, become weaker, become vulnerable... And it continues.

It's awful. It's something that can be incredibly hard to comprehend, living here in this 'lucky' country. It can seem like we can't make a difference, and so it can be easier just to

block it out. I know. I've done that for too long. But perhaps it's not so hard to make a difference. Just providing food will save lives. And by saving lives, it will change lives, giving children like this family a future, and the chance to live to their full potential. This is why I want to encourage you all to do something about this now. I want to encourage you to go to ADRA's website, and check out the Food and Futures Appeal. If every Adventist in our Conference gave just \$40 before June 30, we could help save 3000 lives. It's that simple for us. Yet this will save and change lives. And it starts with you. Sarah Courtney



AS ADRA'S YOUTH AMBASSADOR, SARAH SPOKE AT CAMP ON HOW WE AS INDIVIDUALS CAN MAKE A DIFFERENCE



Education News

INVESTING IN THE FUTURE - NUNAWADING CHRISTIAN COLLEGE

The school was established in 1952 and has grown steadily from a small two teacher primary school to what it is now with a primary and secondary campus. It is in a beautiful leafy location near the Conference Office and is ideally situated close to public transport. But parts of it are 60 years old and the school is beginning to show its age and so in need of refurbishment.

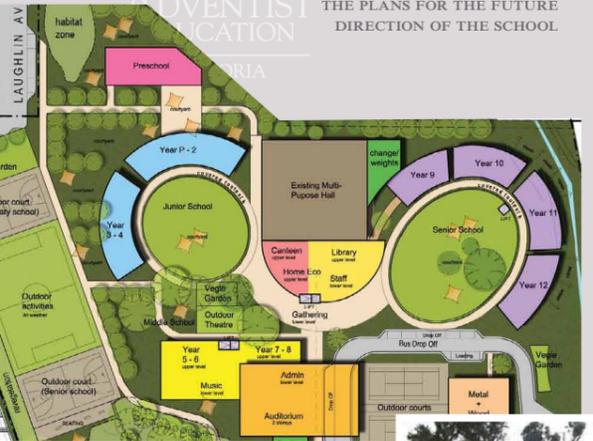
We are hopeful the first stage of our master plan will be completed by the end of 2012 and look forward to outstanding facilities to facilitate outstanding results.

The master plan includes a new high school oval and tennis courts and upgrading the primary play facilities, a much needed upgrade to the quadrangle in the

secondary school, development of the access road to the high school, repainting the entire complex, refurbishing the Junior Primary classrooms, redeveloping Yr 5-8 facilities and establishing an early learning centre.

“It is anticipated that much of the outside work will be completed by the end of 2012, with refurbishment of the primary classrooms taking place in 2013 and we are looking to the early learning centre commencing in 2014.”

*Peter Michalski
Principal, Primary Campus*



EXCITING EVENTS AT GILSON COLLEGE

MULTI-CULTURAL AGED CARE VISIT

To celebrate multicultural day the Year 3 students visited a multicultural aged care centre. Students enjoyed a leisurely walk to the nearby Ukrainian Senior Centre where they spent the afternoon singing and performing to a captivated audience. Many of the students dressed in traditional costumes from their cultural backgrounds. The performance included singing a French song and playing traditional percussion instruments. While at the aged care centre students participated in an aboriginal chapel and were taught how to play a didgeridoo by one of the senior citizens.

CUPCAKE DAY

The *Parents and Friends* committee held a Cupcake Day in order to help raise funds for the Year 6 students. Many parents, students and teachers volunteered to be special helpers for the event. People in the school community were asked to donate or bake cupcakes or cookies and over 1400 individual items were received. Students eagerly awaited their turn to be able to purchase their chosen delight. It was a very successful and delicious event!

SPECIAL ANZAC CHAPEL AT EAPS

Guest speaker, Tony Knight came to the primary school in Lilydale, where he shared some stories and war time experiences from his uncle, Mr Joffre Gilchrist who had served our country in the war and went on to train many other young soldiers. The Yr 2 class led out in readings and singing for this special occasion.

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CUPCAKES ON DISPLAY AT GILSON COLLEGE

THE Yr 2 CLASS AT EDINBURGH SCHOOL LED OUT IN PRAISE FOR SPECIAL ANZAC DAY CHAPEL



OFFICIALLY OPEN - HENDERSON COLLEGE

In March, Mayor John Arnold officially opened the Henderson College Stadium in Mildura. Stage I took twelve months

to complete and was first used August last year. Work on the second stage is to be undertaken in the near future.



UNVEILING THE PLAQUE AT HENDERSON
NCC CONDUCTING THE SERVICE AT WANTIRNA



STUDENTS PREACH - NCC

At the beginning of May, representatives from the whole NCC student body visited Wantirna Church to take the main service, by way of thanking the church members for their support of the school.

Children from the primary campus were involved in the preliminaries and presented a special item while the secondary campus led in praise.

The sermon, titled “God’s Word is Our Treasure Map”, was presented by three Yr 11 students. Eugenie Lobitana spoke of how God loves us and wants us to know Him. He has made this easy for us giving

us His Word; by following this ‘map’ we will be led to Salvation and be empowered to become part of His family.

She was followed by Stephanie Sach who told us that this ‘map’ will take us through unfamiliar territory and change our lives, bringing us closer to Jesus throughout our life’s journey. She encouraged everyone to share the map with others.

Jonathon Plewa concluded saying the God was both the treasure and the map – when we search and find God through His Word, we have truly found our Treasure.

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DRAMA CLUB - HERITAGE COLLEGE

As part of the 2012 primary school enrichment program, I have had the privilege of teaching a group of enthusiastic actors some new drama skills. In Term 1, our team blessed the Primary School Festival of Faith with their skills. The team began as a group of students who thought drama was just to be funny, but they soon developed real skill at presenting thought provoking themes to their peers. So much so that when the end of week came and Pastor Darren Pratt wanted to challenge the students with decisions for Jesus, it was done through the work of the Drama Team. I am very proud of the work they have done and hope and pray they learned a lot from our time together.

*Faye Stothers
Chaplain*



SafePlaces, SafePeople

Daddy’s Gone Fishing...

This world is full of a sick and endless repetition of conflict, collision and rebellion. In affluent countries, increasing divorce and out-of-wedlock childbearing have dramatically altered the family life of children in today’s society. Too many children do not have good solid father figures in their lives, making them, for many different reasons, vulnerable.

There has been a traditional perception that our schools and churches were safe havens for the vulnerable. In recent years many have been traumatized by the realisation that these institutions have not been as safe for our children as we had thought.

In this article, posted on the Safe Places site at vic.adventist.org.au Pr Andrew Kapusi looks at research on causes of child abuse.

“This is just the tip of the iceberg,” he says. “But one thing is very important - we MUST turn our churches and schools into safe places. Our children are our future.”



HERITAGE DRAMA CLUB WITH FAYE



a page for our kids gordon the caring goose by grandma yodie



Spring is such an interesting time in the country. The birds up in the trees are all very busy preparing soft cosy nests for their eggs. They seem to chatter and sing all day long as they fly here and there gathering the grass and twigs, pieces of wool from the sheep, hair from the horse's tail, and anything else they think will help to make their nest the safest place to raise their babies.

Not all birds nest in trees. The Black ducks on our farm choose to nest in the long grass by the dam. The mother duck usually lays 8-10 eggs in a nest that is like a well-woven cup. She enjoys swimming in the cool fresh water of the dam, and for her food she strips seeds from plants that grow on the edge of the dam.

Black ducks are wary of danger and easily frightened. When they feel unsafe their strong wings help them to fly away very quickly.

Behind our Hen House is a smaller shed that houses the geese - Gordon and the girls. Gordon has a wife and a daughter. They are magnificent big white geese. They walk around the farm as proud as can be. If anything upsets Gordon, he hisses and stretches out his long white neck ready to attack. People think he is a nasty goose. But he is just protecting his little family.

Gordon and the other two geese also enjoy swimming on the dam. They have their breakfast then they waddle off down the paddock to the dam and swim with the Black ducks. Some days they come back early in the afternoon, other days they have to be called to come home for tea and the safety of their shed for the night.

One evening mother and daughter goose came home, but Gordon did not come. After lots of calling loudly for him, and still no response, father took the farm dogs with him

and they all walked down to the dam to see what the problem was. The farm dogs were running and chasing and crashing through the grass, and as they neared the dam there was a whirrrr of wings as the Black ducks flew up into the sky. The dogs had badly frightened them. When father reached the dam he was amazed to see Gordon out in the middle of the dam with 18 fluffy little baby Black ducks closely around him. Gordon the big white goose was caring for the babies and he was not coming home tonight!

For two days and nights Gordon stayed with the baby Black ducks. We worried that a sly fox would creep up on Gordon and hurt him, but Jesus kept him safe, and when the Black ducks all returned to their babies Gordon came waddling back up to the farmhouse calling out for something to eat - he was very hungry after all his 'baby sitting.'

The Black ducks love their babies - they do everything they can to keep them safe. But just like us, sometimes they need help.

God loves the Black ducks, and Gordon the goose, but best of all He truly does loves us. Let's always remember that God is our helper.

"Give all your worries and cares to God, for He cares about what happens to you." 1 Peter 5:7 (NLT)



Grandma Yodie, Rosalie Bennetts, attends Bayles Church



Winter is approaching and with it comes hearty meals, ugg boots and staying inside. While these images are comforting and nostalgic, they often lead to a common occurrence: winter weight gain. May is the month we begin swapping fans for heaters and sandals for slippers. We yearn for warm, comforting meals and the concept of 'getting outdoors' becomes less appealing.

On the surface, winter seems to be a plausible excuse to ignore our diet and fitness. Yet with the right approach, the cold months offer an abundance of ways to remain healthy. Around the world, populations living in cold climates have found ways to remain healthy and fit as the frost arrives.

This winter, seek healthy alternatives to your favourite meals. Soups are a great choice for meals and can be cooked in a variety of healthy ways. Whether a thick pumpkin soup or a veggie-loaded minestrone, soups replace salads as a healthy winter staple.

For those who want to exercise, an indoor gym offers the best solution. If there is a gym at work, winter is the perfect time to begin using it and include it into your daily routine so it becomes habit. But anyway, Australia is not a sub-zero continent and outdoor activity can be enjoyed any time of year. Late evenings and early mornings are the coldest part of the day, whereas the afternoon sunset may be a comfortable time for a walk, run or cycle. With appropriate warm clothing and a determined attitude, exercising outdoors can be a year round experience.

This winter, approach your health in a positive, problem solving way.

Our wellbeing is a very important aspect of our life as it supports the things we cherish and value - our families, friends and faith.

If we remember this point, it will not seem so hard to seek solutions to the obstacles that winter brings.

Jessica Evans



COOK WANTED

Adventist Alpine Village, Jindabyne, is seeking to employ a cook who will plan, prepare and serve quality meals to large numbers of guests.

For more information and to apply head to

www.adventist.employment.org.au

Applications close JUNE 8

Sunset times
Bairnsdale time is 10 minutes EARLIER & at Hamilton the time is 12 minutes LATER

June 2012

Sabbath	Opening	Closing
June 1,2	5.09	5.09
June 8,9	5.08	5.07
June 15,16	5.07	5.07
June 22,23	5.08	5.09
June 29,30	5.11	5.11

Offering Schedule



- JUNE**
- 2 - Avondale Offering
 - 9 - Local church Budget
 - 16 - Pacific Island Advancement
 - 23 - Education/Camping Ministry
 - 30 - Local Budget
- JULY**
- 7 - World Mission Budget
 - 14 - Local Budget
 - 21 - Education/Camping Ministry
 - 28 - Local Church Budget

ADS & NOTICES

YOUTH WORKER NEEDED

St Albans Church is looking for a youth leader/Bible worker, willing to spend six to twelve months with young people on the western side of Melbourne. This is a part time position with good working conditions. Please send your resume to damir-posovac@bigpond.com For more information, call 0432 593 299.

BIBLE WORKER'S NEEDED

Any Age!
New training group commences July 2012.

Hosted by The Orchard Melbourne Central City Church. There are ten places available for this intake. If you want to do training that will equip you to give effective Bible studies, learn to lead Revelation Seminars and small groups, encourage decisions for Christ and deal with objections comprehensively, then this FREE COURSE is for you! Training is at a city location. For more information call Pr Rod Anderson on 0439 615 250.

GIANT BOOK SALE

Nunawading Church Hall, Central Rd, Nunawading.

JUNE 24

6000 quality used books. 70% at \$3. A must for SS teachers, lay-preachers, church librarians, readers. New stock. If you have been once you will come again! Save money on religion, EG white, Bibles (including children's editions), Christian novels and music books Proceeds to Nunawading Church Building Fund.

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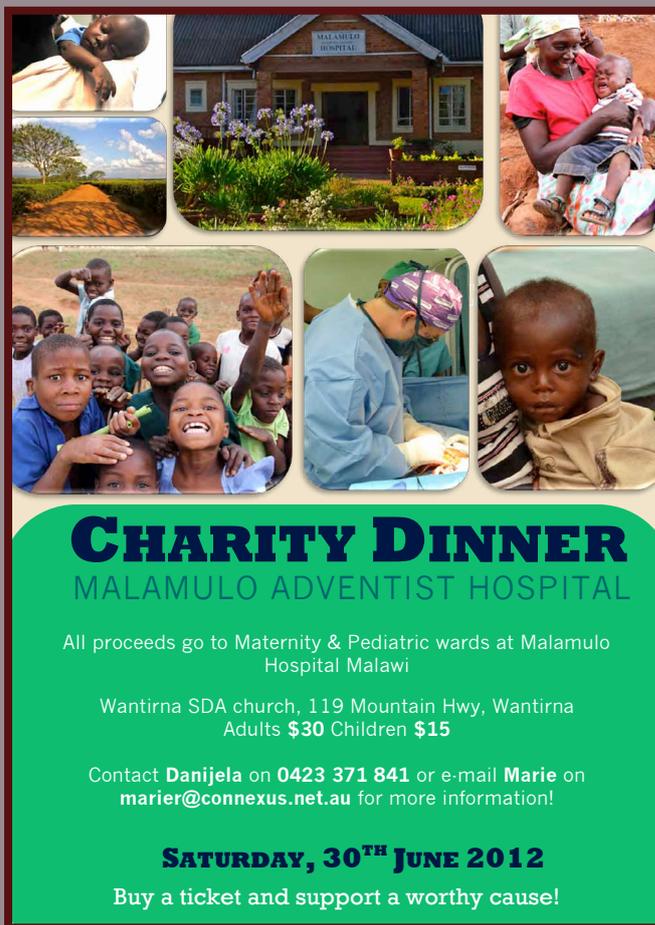
The 3rd Grand Concert of
Beautiful Music

AdventCare Whitehorse Auditorium
163-165 Central Rd Nunawading
Saturday June 16
seating by 7.55 pm

On Behalf of AdventCare Whitehorse, organiser, Romney King would like to thank all participants and the full-house audience that attended the last concert in April.

A varied program of instrumental and vocal items is being prepared for the third concert. More details will appear in church notices from early June

- Free entry, with freewill offering toward AdventCare new grand piano fund.
- Car parking available in Nunawading Church grounds.



CHARITY DINNER
MALAMULO ADVENTIST HOSPITAL

All proceeds go to Maternity & Pediatric wards at Malamulo Hospital Malawi

Wantirna SDA church, 119 Mountain Hwy, Wantirna
Adults \$30 Children \$15

Contact **Danijela** on 0423 371 841 or e-mail **Marie** on marier@connexus.net.au for more information!

SATURDAY, 30TH JUNE 2012
Buy a ticket and support a worthy cause!



"Facebook Connections"

A program for guys & girls, aged 13-19

"God doesn't make mistakes. He has created each one of us to be His original masterpiece". Katherine & Stefan Darroch are trained relationship counsellors and will speak on how to see yourselves as God sees you.



Saturday 16th June
7.00pm until late
Wantirna SDA Church, 119 Mountain Hwy, Wantirna
\$15 - Dinner and program

For further information or to make a booking, please phone Sylvia on 0401 219 037 or Danijela on 0423 371 841 or email mroberts@ncc.adventist.edu.au



Ncc Early Learning Centre

Are You Interested?

Nunawading Christian College Primary has developed a Master plan which includes an Early Learning Centre.

Register Your Interest...

If you have a child who will be turning 3 or 4 in 2014 and are interested in sending him or her, please contact the Principal of NCC Primary Campus

Peter Michalski
pmichalski@ncc.adventist.org.au
03 9878 9927

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