

# ***HAPPENINGS***

## ***News of churches of Christ in Australia—September 2010***

Welcome to this month's edition of *Happenings!* We welcome news from churches around the nation. It is good to share good news—as they did in the first century as recorded in the New Testament. If you want to send information please email it to **tedpaull@hotmail.com**, or mail it to **P O Box 41 NORTH RYDE NSW 1670** or ring **(02) 9888 9664, (02) 9878 3008** or **(02) 9878 1078**. Ted Paull

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### ***Saving Light series***

This annual event is planned by the Heidelberg West church in Melbourne for November 4-7 on the theme: "The Church That Christ Died For". Lessons are planned on the topics of: "Was the Church God's Plan from the Beginning?", "Jesus Teaching about the Church", "The Beginning of the Church", "The Church at Heidelberg West" and "Why be Involved with the Church at all?"

### ***FriendSpeak***

At the Hunter Valley (NSW) church, the number of FriendSpeak students now totals 26, made up of 12 Koreans, 7 Chinese, 4 Saudi Arabians, 2 Filipinos, and 1 German. Three are TAFE students, one is a university research worker, and the others are University of Newcastle students.

### ***Youth & Young at Heart***

Last month's get-together at the Warringah (Sydney) church's Youth & Young at Heart meeting on August 29 was when **Ted Paull** spoke on the topic of "Arguing With God!" This month, **Andy Giles** of the Hawkesbury church will be speaking there on September 26 at 5.30pm.

### ***PNG trip***

**Tom Bunt, Steve Collins, David Payne, Ben Redmayne, Rebekah Wickham** and **Amber Drew** spent three weeks in Papua New Guinea during August. This included a week teaching at the church building, schools and local villages in Indagen where 10 souls were baptised. The following two weeks were in Lae teaching at the church building, a private home and surrounding villages. Tom plans another trip for 2012.

### ***Melbourne camp***

Camp Revive is to be held on September 24-26 at Candlebark Farm, Healesville, (near Melbourne). The theme is: "Jesus' Love: God's way of changing me and then the whole world!" Discounts apply to those registering before September 13. Contact: **Nancy Wu Won** at [tranquillilly@gmail.com](mailto:tranquillilly@gmail.com).

### ***Election opportunity***

Due to reconstruction at the local primary school the electoral commission asked the Macquarie (Sydney) church for permission to use their building for the poll on August 21. About 2500 people used the building and members provided free sausages and drinks using funds donated by members.

### ***Camp Gidawarra***

This camp is planned for January 2-7 in the Gold Coast hinterland. The website is <http://www.campgidawarra.net/> or contact **Heidi Cardinal** PO Box 417, KENMORE, QLD 4069, email: [shnb@optusnet.com.au](mailto:shnb@optusnet.com.au).

### ***Lectureship***

The Blacktown (Sydney) church's Western Districts Lectureship planned for October 15-17 is on the theme of: "What Has Christianity Got to do With . ." Speakers will be: **Michael Bargholz, Roy Courtney, Les Totman** and **David Payne**.

### ***Challenge camp***

This camp is planned for December 27-January 1 at Yarramundi, NSW on the theme, "Hello, My Name is God." A discount is available for those registering before November 6, and all registrations must be received by November 29. For a brochure and registration form go to <http://members.westnet.com.au/andygee>.

### ***MSOBS classes***

Current day and evening classes at MSOBS operated by the Macquarie (Sydney) church are Christian Home taught by **Roy Courtney**, The Distinctive Nature of the Church taught by **David Carr** and Life & Teachings of Jesus taught by **Ted Paull**. Over 20 students from 7 congregations are attending these lessons.

### ***HIM Workers***

New HIM (Helpers in Missions) workers for the Southwest (NSW) congregation at Campbelltown, **Joe** and **Tiffany Buck**, and their children arrived on Tuesday, August 31. The church has a permanent meeting place (for now) at the Ambrosia Neighbourhood Centre,

55 Crispsparkle Drive, Ambarvale. Contact **Frank Cunningham** (02) 4625 2545 for details.

## **CALENDAR**

### **September 18th**

**Bible Bowl @ SouthWest, Campbelltown, NSW**

### **September 24th-26th**

**Revive Camp @ Candlebark Farm, Healesville, Vic**

### **September 25th-27th**

**Malaga Congregational Family Camp @ Pingelly, WA**

### **September 26th**

**Youth & Young at Heart @ Warringah, Sydney**

### **October 15th-17th**

**Western District Lectureship @ Blacktown, Sydney**

### **October 15th-17th**

**Gosford congregational camp @ Myuna Bay, NSW**

### **October 23rd-24th**

**Scarecrow Festival outreach @ Kurrajong, NSW**

### **November 4th-7th**

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

### **December 27th-January 1st**

**Camp Challenge @ Yarramundi, NSW**

## **2011**

### **January 2nd-7th**

**Camp Gidawarra @ Gold Coast hinterland, Qld**

### **April 29th-May 2nd**

**50-n-Over retreat @ Meroo, Kurrajong, NSW**