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# FOCUS

Newsletter of the South Queensland Conference of the Seventh-day Adventist Church

## New General Secretary For South Queensland Conference Takes His Chair

**O**ur conference here in South Queensland has appointed a new General Secretary. After many years in the position (more than 15, in fact!), Pastor Malcolm Potts has decided to accept a position working as part of our Aged Care administration team. Pastor Potts did an incredible job working as General Secretary and his knowledge and wisdom will be sorely missed.

In saying that, our new General Secretary has a wealth of experience and will be well suited to his new position. Colin Renfrew has already had much success as a local church pastor and a conference departmental director.

Colin's ministry journey has included the following; three years as Literature Evangelist in Newcastle, 11 years as a field pastor serving in places such as New Zealand, Tasmania, New South Wales, 10 years as a Departmental Director in three different conferences and union conferences. Colin holds a BA in Theology and an MA in Theology, and is currently working on a Doctorate.

Colin shares his personal life commitment: "I am totally committed to living in the expectation of a risen and returning Saviour. I am dedicated to personally preparing for the Lord's second coming and assisting others to prepare for the same."

Colin adds that, "I stand in need of prayer as I take up this new phase of ministry. I look forward to what the Lord will do among us, especially in this Year of Evangelism as we conduct our Last Empire initiative across the conference, as well as the myriad of other faith-sharing initiatives our churches and members are planning."

Colin is already much loved and well respected by those who have had the opportunity to work alongside him here in this conference over the years. We formally welcome him, his wife and three children, Kieran, Justin and Talia, to this most important conference position and pray that the Lord will bless him as he serves in his new position.





SEVENTH-DAY ADVENTIST CHURCH  
South Queensland Conference

# Prayer in Our Community

6th Annual Prayer Conference **April 4-6, 2014**

Watson Park Convention Centre, Dakabin

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Full Weekend Seminar includes accommodation and meals—ust \$100. Bookings are essential. For full program details, please visit the website. **APPLICATIONS CLOSE FRIDAY, MARCH 21 2014**

## GUEST PRESENTERS -



**Esther R Knott**

Esther is an Associate Director in the NAD Ministerial Department, as well as an associate pastor at Pioneer Memorial Church in Berrien Springs, USA.



**Andrew Skeggs**

Pastor and Director for Personal Ministries in the Western Australian Conference.

**PLUS...**

We are currently negotiating with Julie Praestiin, Corporate Communications with Sanitarium to be an additional presenter.

## WORKSHOP TITLES & PRESENTERS:

• INTENSIVE CARE—INTENSIVE PRAYER	Esther R Knott, Associate Ministerial Director NAD
• GUIDING YOUR FRIENDS ON A SPIRITUAL JOURNEY	Pastor Andrew Skeggs
• BUILDING THE PRESENCE OF JESUS INTO YOUR CHURCH	Director for Personal Ministries Western Australian Conference
• YOUTH EVANGELISM MISSIONS: HOW TO RUN THE LAST EMPIRE EVANGELISM PROGRAM	Pastor Stephen Kane, SQC Youth Director, Pastor Willie Strickland, SQC Associate Youth Director
• YOUTH EVANGELISM MISSIONS: HOW TO RUN BEYOND THE SEARCH AND THE RADICAL TEACHINGS OF JESUS EVANGELISM PROGRAMS	Pastor Joseph Khabbaz, SQC Associate Youth Director
• EXPERIENCING GOD'S LOVE	Dr Joseph Webb SQC Ministerial Association Secretary
• HIS WIFE	Helen Threlfo
• HIS WORK	SQC Director of Women's Ministries
• HIS FINANCES	
• HIS SEXUALITY	
• DISCOVERING FREEDOM IN CHRIST	Pastor David Garrard, SQC Director of ATSIM
• BIBLICAL FASTING—THE KEY TO SPIRITUAL AND PHYSICAL REJUVENATION	Pastor Neil Marks, SQC Director of Children's Ministriess

# THE NET TIGHTENS AROUND ADVENTIST STUDENTS

by Pastor Joseph Khabbaz

**T**he ASA (Adventist Students Association) Golden Gala is the opening event for the tertiary student calendar year. The evening provided tertiary students with an opportunity to meet other Adventists from various campuses, be introduced to the ASA Assistant Chaplains and network with young adult professionals who are working in their field of study. Live musical performances by the Korean SDA Youth, Julian Kapitzke and Mitchel Howard were some of the special features of the night. Esther Je, a dental student at Griffith University, said “Thank you for a fun, exciting and memorable event, I extended my SDA university student contacts even more. It was a blessing. I look forward to the next event.”

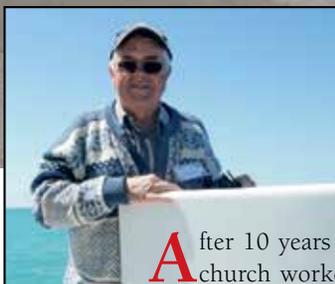
For more information on how you can connect with ASA SQ or for the latest events coming up go to <[sqyouth.org.au](http://sqyouth.org.au)>.





## The End Of An Era

by Pastor David Lawson



After 10 years of designing tours for retired church workers, Pastor David Lawson has finally agreed with his wife Fern, that the 4WD Mercedes coach tour through the Atherton Tablelands and Cape York in August/September 2013 should be the last one. What a great time was had and what a huge area travelled!

It all began 10 years ago and Pastor Lawson says that his wife Fern should take the blame for it all! At that time they planned a short trip to Norfolk Island and Fern made the suggestion that they should try to encourage a few friends to join in on the fun. David's response was simply, "Why?" Fern's response was candid, "Well, a week just with you will probably be boring." He took the hint and 12 people ended up having the time of their lives on Norfolk Island.

That was just the beginning as people who went on the Norfolk trip asked, "That was great, where do we go next year?" It was Lord Howe Island. Then followed South New Zealand, North New Zealand, Victoria and Tasmania. When David suggested they do a trip to the Top End from Darwin to Broome, the response was so enormous they needed to run five trips in order to cater for the 240 people who wanted to join in. A trip to South Australia (including a five-day cruise

on the Murray River) was soon organised, followed by two trips around Central Australia from Alice Springs to Boulia, Birdsville, Innamincka, Tibooburra, Lake Eyre, Coober Pedy, Oodnadatta, Uluru, Kings Canyon and the McDonnell Ranges. Pastor Lawson has also led a group of 110 people down the West Australian coast during the famed wildflower season.

In 2013 (the promised "final year"), 124 filled the 4WD Mercedes Benz Coach four times for an incredible tour through Cape York and the Atherton Tablelands, including Thursday Island.

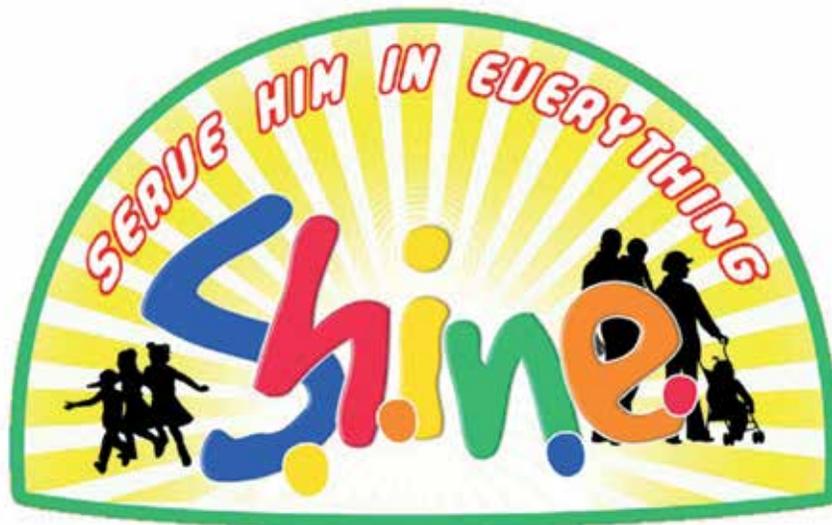
Now, at Fern's suggestion, Pastor Lawson has agreed to come out of "retirement" for one last trip.

Would you like to join them? Two places have suddenly become available on the Hamilton Island trip scheduled for June 15-22.

If you are interested, contact Pastor David Lawson; <david-fernlawson@hotmail.com>.

When asked what is his favourite memory of the last 10 years of touring, Pastor Lawson simply states, "My reward has been the joy the tours have brought to so many of our church people; the friendship and the fellowship—that is the wonderful memory we will cherish."





by Pastor Neil Marks, Health Director, South Queensland Conference

**G**reat news! Another new Adventist Children's Ministry resource has been rolled off the assembly line and is ready to go! It is hoped that what STORM Co has done for the young people of the Adventist church, SHINE (Serve Him IN Everything) will do for the children and families of our church!

The **SHINE Challenge** is about children, along with Mum and Dad, finding ways to serve one another in the family, the church, the community, and the world at large. The dream is to see a **SHINE Club** in every church in the South Queensland Conference.

The SHINE challenge begins by children finding ways to serve Jesus in their own family.

They might SHINE for Jesus at home by doing things like:

- ▶ Cleaning their room without being asked.
- ▶ Cleaning up the kitchen after a meal.
- ▶ Help feeding the family pet. etc.

The next part of the SHINE Challenge is for children to look for ways of serving with their parents in their church.

Opportunities for such could include:

- ▶ Taking part in a church working bee.
- ▶ Volunteering in one of the church's children's programs.
- ▶ Helping take up the offering at church.
- ▶ Taking part in a VBS or similar.

The SHINE Challenge then moves on to serving with their family in their local community.

This might involve:

- ▶ Performing a backyard blitz for a person in need.
- ▶ Cleaning up a local park.
- ▶ Volunteering at a soup kitchen.
- ▶ Participating in an activity designed to improve the local environment.

The final aspect of the SHINE Challenge is for the family to serve in a way that improves the lives of people in another part of the world.

This might include:

- ▶ Getting involved with an investment project (like growing and selling vegetables or flowers) and donating the money raised to an ADRA project.
- ▶ A trip to a South Pacific island to help out with a VBS or Kids Club.
- ▶ Sign up to International Children's Care (ICC), Asian Aid or World Vision.
- ▶ Go on a 40-hour famine as a family.

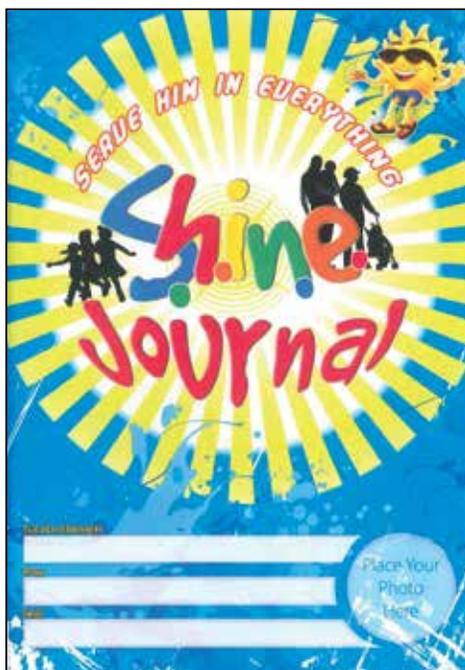
In each of these areas of service—the Family, the Church, the Community, or the World—the child records their service activities in a **SHINE Journal**.

After five service activities have been recorded for each of these four areas, the SHINE Journal is returned to the local Conference Children's Ministry Department where it is stamped and each child is issued a **Special Agent Badge**.

Another SHINE Journal is then sent out to the child by the Conference and on completion of a second journal, the child will then be sent a **SHINE Club Certificate** and a **SHINE Life Member Badge**.

So, Mums and Dads and children, start a SHINE Club today in your home and church and take up the SHINE Challenge!

If you have any questions in regard to this new resource, contact Hayley or Pastor Neil at the South Queensland Children's Ministry Department.





Take The Challenge—Hike or  
Bike To A Better Life in 2014!

by Pastor Neil Marks, Health Director, South Queensland Conference

**H**ealth Week 2014 (May 17–24) is fast approaching again, but like last year the, Conference Health Department would like to extend the week and again challenge families, church groups or social entities to engage in a creative, memorable, fun and fitness event sometime during the month of May.

Send in a short report (100 to 300 words) and a picture of your shared experience to the Conference Health Department and as in 2013, the most inspiring entries will be rewarded

with a prize. Last year the winning entries received \$100, \$60 and \$40 respectively.

Our hope in the Health Department is that Health Week not only be extended to the whole of May but, as a result, the whole year and beyond. Let's get out into the fresh air and enjoy physical activity as family or church groupings all the year through. So start planning today and let's see what creative, fun activities we can come up with.

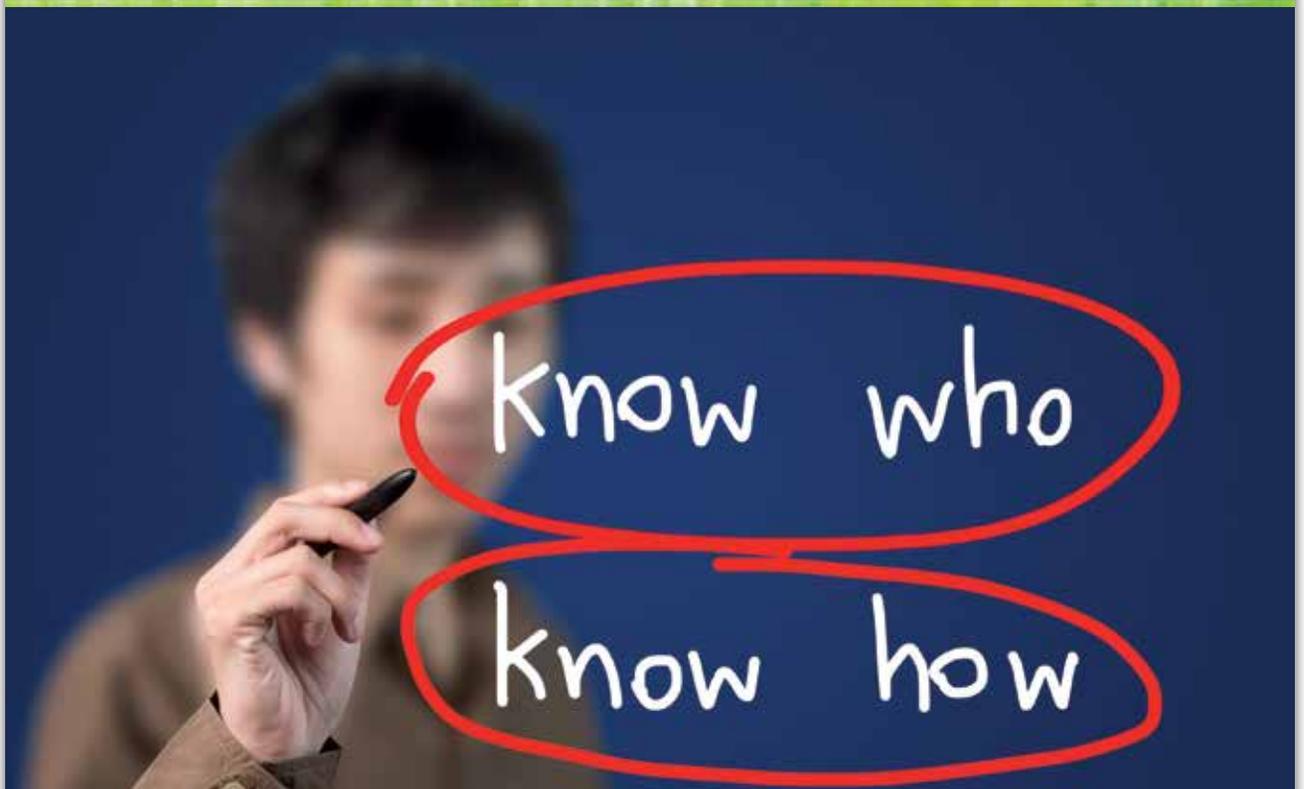


### Send submissions to:

Email: <hayleylambe@adventist.org.au>  
Post: "Health Week – Hiking and Biking Challenge 2014"  
South Queensland Conference Health Department  
19 Eagle Terrace  
Brisbane, 4000

# Equip

Equipping Ministry Leaders



## God Doesn't Just Call The Equipped, He Equips The Called

by Dr Joe Webb, Ministerial  
Association Secretary

A new journal has just been produced and launched by our South Queensland Conference Ministerial Department, called "Equip" is a magazine that primarily targets those who are dedicated to ministry leadership in the local church.

The first edition is subtitled "Know Who—Know How" and features articles such as: The Pastorate A Promiscuous Profession, Hospital Visitation, Navigating Through A Multi-Gender Working Relationship, Ministering To Suicide Survivors.

The magazine will be issued periodically throughout the year.

# Dressed For The Occasion In Peru

Article and pictures by Wendy Rebolledo

A project called “Project Peru” has added another goal to its already comprehensive list of goals: finding Pathfinder uniforms for a newly formed local Pathfinder club. Reports from those who have just returned from Peru have said that the Pathfinders were enthusiastic and immensely dedicated to their club and church. The club has only been in operation for six months but already they have managed to claim first place at their local camporee.

One of the issues they face is how to secure club uniforms for all their members. The difficulty lies in the fact that they are a newly formed club and their families are from humble and simple backgrounds who simply cannot afford to buy uniforms.

At this stage, securing uniforms seems like an unrealistic dream, but they know that all things are possible when God begins working, so they are fervently praying that somehow



they will be able to provide members with uniforms in due course.

Project Peru’s hope is that the prayers of this Pathfinder club will be answered. If you wish to be part of this answered prayer and could donate either money or old Pathfinder uniforms to this cause, please contact Wendy on (07) 3218 7777.

# Literature Evangelists Retire With Melody In Their Hearts



by Pastor Wayne Humphries

As reported in our February FOCUS, during the last week of January 2014, 25 Literature Evangelist’s (LEs) descended on the Gold Coast to gather as many interests as possible for the upcoming Last Empire program being held in May. The churches on the Gold Coast had invested much time in prayer and fasting leading up to the LEs arrival and with God’s abundant blessing the door-knocking campaign was very successful.

Over four days, 253 prospects who were interested in the *Beyond* DVDs were recorded, and these prospects are currently being followed up by recruits from church membership across the Gold Coast.

Of course, this door-knocking campaign required a large amount of logistical organisation behind the scenes. One of

the problems that needed addressing was accommodation for the LEs. We are thankful that the Melody Park Retirement Resort came to the rescue and offered a number of their unoccupied units for the LEs to lodge in while also supplying them with a hearty breakfast each day. The LEs commented that their lodgings were very comfortable and the meals supplied thanks to some of the churches’ catering teams were very tasty.

The Last Empire coordinators down on the Gold Coast ask that the conference continue to pray for them as they continue to work on this venture on the Gold Coast. God is clearly doing some amazing work with the teams as they band together and work with one goal in mind—growing the kingdom of God!

# South Brisbane Church Taken Over By Young People!



### Article and pictures by Shirley Glover

**S**outh Brisbane Church, situated on O’Keefe Street, is alive and well,” reports one of its members, Shirley Glover. On Sabbath February 8, the children of the church took over and conducted the main worship service.

At the beginning of the program the Cradlerollers presented an item in Sabbath school, then the Kindy, Primary and Junior children took the song service for the Divine Service.

A warm welcome was extended to all in attendance by Nymal, and during the worship service, the Cradlerollers again presented a special item, “This Little Light of Mine.” The opening prayer was taken by Letitia and Wilson Gill and their two small children, Hudson and Zara. More special items followed presented by the Kindy, Junior and Primary divisions and the offering was then taken up by a

number of the young children. El’mani Bilal from Primaries played a piano solo, and the scripture reading was expertly delivered by Michael Sibanda, El’mani and sister Alima.

Two of the church’s young people, Emanuel Sibanda (17) and Ben Figarski (13) preached an inspiring sermon entitled “service”. El’mani and Alima supported Emanuel and Ben by readings from Mrs White’s writings.

Bilal Bilal announced the closing hymn, “Take My Life and Let It Be” followed by the closing prayer offered by Nyaboth, Nyadoth and Nyapuoch from the Primary division.

Incidentally, says Shirley, “The Cradle Roll, Kindy and Primary children designed the church bulletin covers for the week. South Brisbane remains a vibrant, happy church with young people actively serving Jesus.”

## CABOOLTURE DOUBLE BLESSINGS AT CABOOLTURE



Caboolture church has seen a large growth in its membership over the last few years. The pastoral team have been working hard at promoting and building both inreach and outreach activities for all members.

Pastor Russell Willcocks reports that the membership have voted that from now on there will be a two-service format on each Sabbath with one service at 8am and another at 11am.

We wish to congratulate the Caboolture church members for their continued dedication to serving the Lord and their foresight in accommodating for expected increased growth in church membership.

## COASTLIFE JESUS CHRIST; FACT OR FICTION?



Saturday February 1, 500 people crammed into Coastlife Church for a one-off "Last Empire" meeting. The churches of the Gold Coast combined their numbers to run a regional evangelistic day as part of their preparation for the main group of "The Last Empire" meetings in May. Pastor Anthony Kent from the General Conference was the speaker on the topic "Jesus Christ: Fact or Fiction."

Speaking of the event, Pastor Wesley Tolhurst said, "It is amazing what can happen when we all work together. A large number of non-Adventist people attended the meeting and were invited to join Bible studies and view the *Beyond the Search* DVDs. The large number of volunteers had a real taste of how exciting May is going to be. We can't wait."

In addition to the main venue, a large childrens' program called *Messy Church* also ran concurrently to reach out to the



many non-Adventist children of the Gold Coast Christian College and surrounding community. Out of this program, two new families have already indicated they will be back every Sabbath.



"We give thanks to God for His obvious presence with us on Sabbath," said Pastor Tolhurst.

"The Last Empire" continues May 2 at the Gold Coast Central Church, and May 3 at Coastlife Church and Reedy Creek Church.

—Article and pictures by Pastor Wesley Tolhurst

## FLAGSTONE FLYING THE FLAG AT FLAGSTONE

Recently the members at our little Flagstone church group celebrated its first baptism of community members!



Daniel Cinzio, the pastor caring for Flagstone, shares the following amazing story:

"My son wanted to tell our community that God loved them but was quite shy. So he asked me one day if he could use some wood and my tools. I said sure and helped him. He wanted to build a cross. We built it, it ended up a bit crooked, but he proceeded to write in free-hand scrawl using a Nikko, 'Jesus loves you'. As an afterthought he crossed out 'you' and wrote 'the world.'

"Three months later, a lady was walking down our road, as I was getting stuff out of the car. She stopped and asked what the cross was. I said my little boy wants everyone to know that Jesus loves them.

"She was visibly moved and walked on. I saw where she went and noticed that she worked in her garage. I called in and developed a friendship and told her we were starting a new church. After a long time, she eventually turned up at our door and asked when the church was meeting. My wife told her, and true to her word, she turned up.

"A few weeks later she came to my door again, urgently wanting to speak to me. I

went over and she said she wanted to give her life to Jesus. She had had enough of doing stuff her own way and wanted to follow Him. I quizzed her a little about her life and then we prayed and she gave her heart to God.

"She left as she had to go and pick up her son. Twenty minutes down the road, she was involved in an accident where a bobcat on a trailer going the other way came off the trailer and squashed her in her car. It was touch-and-go as to whether or not she would live. Both her legs were very badly smashed and she had numerous broken bones and lacerations.

"She spent the best part of a whole year in hospital where our church members visited her and gave her the *Search* videos.

"I gave some Bible studies to her but mainly listened and shared the love and truth about God.

"She eventually got out of hospital for a weekend and there she was at church. She has attended church ever since and is now mentoring another lady whose husband was unfortunately killed just before Christmas. The family are being welcomed into our church family and I have continued studying, visiting and supporting her and the family.

"This lady will marry a member of the church in April this year—the first community member baptism and the first Flagstone wedding!"

—Article by Daniel Cinzio

## MT GRAVATT THE ART OF DESCENDING UP



Dr Stan Patterson, a lecturer from Andrew's University, held a series of leadership seminars at Mt Gravatt Church. Dr Patterson's presentations were greatly appreciated by all in attendance. He told of how all of us, by default, live our lives influencing others. He went on to articulate two kinds of leadership styles:

1. Climbing the ladder of individual dominance and power—the devil's style of leadership. This concept and style appeals and is attractive to our human nature.

2. Shared power and service—God's style of leadership. This concept and style

# AROUND THE CHURCHES

of leadership is one that every individual and church needs to adopt and cultivate.



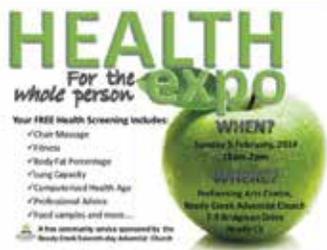
## PINE RIVERS THE BLOCK—VANUATU STYLE!



Warren Bailey and Charles Russell from Pine Rivers Church and Derek Peacock from Caloundra Church, recently travelled to Santo in order to prepare for a fly-and-build program to Vanuatu in July of this year. A team of about 55 people from various churches will undertake several projects including painting and repairs to the Luganville Adventist School, construction of two new churches on Santo, several community programs, and the reroofing and repairs to the church on Malo (pictured).

—Article and pictures by Charles Russell

## REEDY CREEK THE ANSWER FOR CANCER AT REEDY CREEK



Pastor Greg Pratt is excited and so is his church, Reedy Creek! Take a look at the article and picture that appeared in the *Gold Coast Sun* newspapers last month.

Pastor Greg writes, "I want to share how the Lord has blessed our Health Expo! We've been given profile in the *Gold Coast Sun* newspapers that are

distributed right across the entire Gold Coast—for free! The article and expo graphic should have cost us around \$1000. Medicare Local submitted an article to the newspaper and invited people to come to the Reedy Creek Adventist church for health screening! That's free promotion—praise God!"

—Article by Greg Pratt

## SANTHORPE STANTHORPE CHIPS IN TO PROMOTE HEALTH IN THE COMMUNITY

The following article appeared in the *Stanthorpe Border Post* newspaper on February 20, 2014:

### CHIP's Good For Your Health, Lifestyle

ENROLLING in the Complete Health Improvement Program (or CHIP) helped change her life. "For me, it was extremely beneficial," Heather Kent said. "It has been a real significant change in my life. My blood pressure and cholesterol are down and my energy levels are up." Program director for the Southern Downs, David Entermann, said the program was for anyone looking to make a major change to their lifestyle and reduce their chances of chronic diseases, such as obesity and type two diabetes. A range of reading material and resources on the program can be borrowed from the Stanthorpe Library. Mr Entermann said a large focus of the program was about the power of plant-based nutrition. "It is about eating—not less, but more," he said. "More plant foods—in fact, a lot more plant foods . . . minimally processed and simply prepared." CHIP is an 18-session lifestyle intervention with an intensive phase delivering 12 sessions in the first 30 days. Each of the 90-minute sessions involves 40 minutes of video education delivered by world-leading experts in the field of lifestyle, medicine and motivation. There is also a pre-program and post-program health risk assessment which measures blood pressure, fasting blood glucose and lipid profile and allows each person to see the clinical changes occurring. Information sessions will be held at the Stanthorpe Hospital Community Health



meeting room. The next local CHIP group will commence Sunday, May 2. For more information, phone 4683 7198 or visit <www.chiphhealth.com>.

—Article by *Stanthorpe Border Post*—20 February, 2014, picture by Erin Smith

## GLENVALE GLENVALE ADVENTIST CHURCH HAS A HEART FOR YOURS



A team of people led by Melinda Archer, Health Facilitator at Glenvale Seventh-day Adventist Church, will commence their first CHIP (Complete Health Improvement Program) on March 2.

This world-renown health seminar, backed by the Sanitarium Health and Well-being, will run for 18 sessions, spread over six weeks.

The CHIP team of eight facilitators includes a graduate—Sr Pat Quinn, of an earlier CHIP program held three years ago at Toowoomba Central Seventh-day Adventist Church. Her remarkable story was featured recently in *The Toowoomba Chronicle*. She says that CHIP saved her life.

"I was in so much pain," said Pat. "I had had a hip replacement and put on a lot of weight, and I have carried a lot of weight all my life."

"I figured—I can try anything for a month—so I gave it a go. Now I'm in no pain and I feel like I'm 50 again!" said 70-year-old Pat.

But now CHIP is back—bigger and better. It has more Australian content, the latest research, a fantastic recipe book, and plenty of supporting material and programming.

35 men and women from many walks of life across the Toowoomba community have signed up for what will prove to be a challenging, enlightening, and life-changing experience, empowering participants with new confidence that they truly are in charge of their own health.

CHIP is purposely intensive through its first month (doesn't it take 28 days to change a habit!) but typically very rewarding results show up after 30 days from one blood draw to the next.

"I'm really excited to be involved in a program like this", said team leader Melinda Archer from Glenvale Seventh-day Adventist Church. "I've seen how it can make a huge difference for anyone who wants to feel better, look better and last better!"

—Article by *One Church News*, March 2014

# AROUND THE SCHOOLS



Georgia Pattinson from Bunnings helps Ciara Benade prepare the soil.



Sierra Humble works with her teacher, Jacki Cooke to plant the seedlings

## BUNNINGS PROVES THAT LOWEST PRICES ARE JUST THE BEGINNING

Article and pictures by Georgina Hobson

On Thursday, February 21, students at Noosa Christian College, Cooroy, were enthusiastic to get hands-on in their school vegetable gardens. Siobhhan Grey and Georgia Pattinson from Bunnings Noosaville visited the school and brought plants, gardening supplies and tools for the children to use. Each of the lower primary classes from Prep to Grade 2 had a turn in the garden planting vegetables and flower seedlings, plus mulching the garden beds. Since it turned out to be such a hot day, there were also plenty of volunteers armed with watering cans to keep the new seedlings wet. Some of the Grade 1 children were fascinated to watch and touch the worms they discovered wriggling in the dirt.

As a 2013 graduate of the college herself, Georgia said she jumped at the opportunity to come back with her new boss for a visit to help with the gardening session.

Noosa Christian College teachers and students are grateful for the generous donation of product and time from Bunnings. The whole experience proved to be a lot of fun and further enhanced the students' ideas and concepts of gardening.

The College staff and parents are very grateful to Cathy Wakefield who arranged the visit and has spent many hours of her own time on campus working in the gardens and animal enclosures.

Sierra Humble from Grade 2 wrote the following report outlining her experience.

"On one of the hottest days in February, our class went outside to the garden with the Preps and Grade Ones. The people from Bunnings came to our school to bring the plants. We dug a big hole and wet the plants and took the plants to a garden. We covered the roots with the soil. After that we watered the plants. We worked hard for about half an hour. At the end, we ate watermelon."



Shiloh Scale, Malachi Fatnowna and Jasmine Matteson-Shukla ensure the plants are well-watered.

## 2MITES "FELLOWSHIP" SUMMIT 2014

For the past six years, our South Queensland Seventh-day Adventist Schools have run a successful student leadership weekend—called “2Mites”—for a number of our senior secondary students. But this year was different.

On February 14–16, 23 students from BAC joined 100 other seniors from our seven Adventist schools in South Queensland, for the 2Mites “Follow” Summit 2014. The event was held at the Currimundi Sport and Recreation Centre on the Sunshine Coast, and for the first time, senior students from primary school were also invited to attend the program.

However, this was not the only difference. This year, the focus was not on leadership but on “followship.” Through a variety of worship programs, workshops, school-specific planning sessions and times of individual reflection, students were invited to become followers of Jesus, and empowered to “make followers” in their own school communities. The invitation was not to lead, but to respond to Jesus’ radical call to “follow” Him.

The result of the weekend has been incredible, with our BAC students returning to school with a renewed commitment to follow Jesus. Prayer group on Monday and Friday mornings before school is just one of the students’ initiatives to share Jesus with their peers. We are excited to see how God is going to work through this passionate group of young people at BAC.



## THE LAST —EMPIRE— DISCOVER REAL HOPE FOR THE FUTURE

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# Children's Ministry Expo

**Northside**  
**10th May 2014**

3:30-5:30pm at  
Pine Rivers Church  
Old Gympie Road, Dakabin



**Southside**  
**24th May 2014**

3:30-5:30pm at  
Mt Gravatt Church  
341 Broadwater Road, Mansfield

## Guest Speakers include:

**Judy Wharton**

More Creative Prayer Ideas

**Angeline Bryer**

Think Orange Update: latest thinking from the USA about how the home and the church can combine to shape the faith of our children

**Pastor Neil Marks**

Five Keys for Ministry to Children and Families



All who are interested in Children's Ministries from Brisbane's Northside churches are encouraged to attend this event on 10th May 2014.

Please note this program will be repeated on 24th May 2014 at Mt Gravatt church for anyone who is interested in Children's Ministries from Brisbane's Southside.

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