



# ASSEMBLIES *Outreach*

**April 2008**



**Ian McDowell**  
in Glory - 5/3/08  
(see page 27)

**Also in this issue:** Good News at Bexley  
Behind the scenes at CMIAid  
Weep for Israel  
News from Home Workers  
Readers Survey (and more ...)

The NSWAEM publishes this bi-monthly magazine to offer opportunities for NSW Home Workers, Assemblies, Para-Assembly Activities and other kindred bodies, to share information about their ministries and to foster prayer.

You are free to make use of the information in this publication and to reproduce it for your personal use or for the church you attend. Material must not be sold or republished for commercial purposes unless you obtain written permission first.

If material from this publication is used or quoted in any other publication (including web sites) due acknowledgment should be made.

Please contact the Editor (refer p31) with any inquiries about reproducing this material.

Contributions to *Assemblies Outreach* magazine are welcome and actively sought from NSW Assemblies and associated ministries and individuals.

Please submit your assembly news, people profiles, letters, etc. for the **June 2008 issue before:-**

**16 May 2008**

Contributors enjoy reasonable liberty in their expression of opinion and exposition of Scripture within the boundaries of a biblical evangelical Christian faith. Neither the Editorial Team, the Board of NSW Assemblies Evangelistic Mission, nor Home Workers are to be held responsible for every view that may be expressed.

Editorial & Production Team:

Mr C. Winrow, Mr G. Hayden,  
Mrs. D. Hayden, Mrs. M. Winrow.

Subscription costs for **2008** are shown on page 27 of the Dec. 2007 issue & on web site.

Printed by Dominion Printing Co.  
PO Box 6999, Silverwater NSW 2128

Phone: 02 9648 2888

## STEWARDS FOUNDATION OF CHRISTIAN BRETHREN

A Corporation Constituted in NSW by the Stewards' Foundation of Christian Brethren Act 1989

### WE WANT TO HELP

*AUSTRALIA WIDE - Assisting Assemblies and Assembly Related Organisations,  
Assembly Missionaries and Assembly Workers both practically and financially.*



#### The Foundation:

- Can arrange through an intermediary, Housing Loan Finance
- Owns, operates and funds Christian Retirement Villages.
- Arranges Insurance.
- Funds Christian Schools.
- Acts as trustees of Assembly property
- Administers gifts, bequests, endowment funds.
- Accepts funds on deposit at competitive interest rates.
- Provides loan finance for new projects, extensions, vehicles, office equipment.

Enquiries: PO Box 131, Burwood NSW 1805  
Phone: 02 9747 1351 & 02 9745 2092 Fax: 02 9744 1145  
Email: [stewardsfoundation@bigpond.com](mailto:stewardsfoundation@bigpond.com)

# First Glance

by Colin Winrow

Dear Readers

This issue of *Assemblies Outreach* magazine hopefully has some more of the sort of information needed to keep you informed about Christian Brethren activities in NSW and about the needs of those who currently minister to us in many ways.

Sometimes we look back too, and give thanks for those who blessed us in the past. Hence the inclusion this month of information about the Thanksgiving Service for the life of the well-known Mr Ian McDowell, who was Principal of Emmaus Bible School for 23 years until 1984. He influenced many brethren positively with clear teaching from the Scriptures, not only in the Bible School but throughout our assemblies, and when he visited or spoke at conferences and camps. And, of course, he continued to write and teach for many years after that – mainly in Victoria.

A small sample of his writing is in this issue – starting on page 27.

Also, we have a report from the Assembly in Bexley about the evangelistic meetings (advertised in the last issue) with brother Peter Brandon (from the UK) as the evangelist.

Of course we continue to emphasise news and prayer points from NSW Home Workers, and in this issue we also have some prayer points from specific assemblies. I would like to encourage many more assemblies and full-time workers to write and share their prayer and praise points with readers, so that we can bond more in love and action for the work of the Lord in our local communities.

It is three years since we last sought information from you about what you want (or don't want) in this publication, so there is another Readers Survey Form on pages 17 & 18. Please be kind enough to take a few minutes to fill it in, cut it out, and mail it to the Mission office as soon as you can. Thanks!



## CONTENTS of this Issue:

First Glance.....	3	Readers Survey .....	17
'Out and About' in NSW.....	4	Behind the scenes at CMIAid...19	
News from Home Workers.....	7	Who weeps for Israel? .....	24
Harding's Commendation.....	12	Steps to Revival.....	27
Good News at Bexley .....	13	Internet Corner .....	29
Women's Missionary Conf.....	16		

# 'Out and About' in NSW Assemblies

---

If you attend a NSW assembly or work with any associated Christian Brethren ministry, please feel free to submit your local news or event dates to this 'Out and About' section so we can encourage people in NSW Assemblies. Short items (even one or two sentences) are welcome and can be mailed to the office at PO Box 640, Burwood, NSW 1805, or faxed to 9484 6054, or preferably e-mailed to:-

[outreach-mag@optusnet.com.au](mailto:outreach-mag@optusnet.com.au)

Please e-mail your wording for Notices on the web site to:-

[webadmin@cb-nsw.org.au](mailto:webadmin@cb-nsw.org.au)

First, an errata: In the last issue we stated that Daya and Mary Nand had been commended by both Bankstown and Concord Assemblies. In fact it seems Bankstown alone is their commending assembly, but Concord had sent a letter of support to the Coordination Conference. [Apologies for any confusion caused – Ed]

The upcoming inaugural National Conference to be held at Phillip Island in Victoria is attracting a lot of interest in NSW and a number of assemblies have people going. It has the potential to have significant impact on the future of Christian Brethren Assemblies in Australia.

However, concerns are being expressed from various quarters that there is insufficient information available about the detailed agenda of the conference and about any 'recommendations' for action that the

recently formed national committee may have made.

Perhaps these concerns can be properly dealt with at our next NSW Assemblies Coordinating Conference on 1<sup>st</sup> May? It would be a tragedy if moves intended to enhance the Christian Brethren movement were unduly rushed, without sufficient consultation with assemblies in all states, and thereby cause division instead of a growing cooperation.

Thanks to the efforts of Bruce Buckley, the Pastors "link up" group expanded for its first meeting this year to include other full-time workers in the assemblies. They met at St George Community Church on the morning of 17<sup>th</sup> March and enjoyed a shared light lunch afterwards. Twelve people attended and each talked a little about their current circumstances and were prayed for. The group hopes to meet 3 or 4 times a year to be prayerfully supportive of each other and to help build each other up.

## Meetings & Events

[Note: For the latest and more complete information please check the 'Coming Events' page on the NSW Christian Brethren web site at:-

[www.cb-nsw.org.au/events.html](http://www.cb-nsw.org.au/events.html)

### 2008:

12-27 Apr Emmaus mid-semester break.

19 April Thanksgiving service for Mr Ian McDowell; 2pm at Epping Gospel Chapel.



- |           |   |                   |   |
|-----------|---|-------------------|---|
| 1 May     | NSW Assemblies Coordinating Conference at Emmaus Bible College, 7.30pm.                         | 21 June           | NSW Women's Missionary Convention. 9.30am to 2pm (see page 16).                         |
| 9 May     | Ladies Missionary Prayer Meeting at Burwood Chapel. 10.30am ph: 9477 7568 or 9546 8545.         | 11 July           | Ladies Missionary Prayer Meeting at Burwood Chapel. 10.30am ph: 9477 7568 or 9546 8545. |
| 9, 10 May | Toukley Men's Conference, "Focus: Eyes on Eternity".  | 12 July           | 'Awake to Israel' at Epping Gospel Chapel, 2.30pm.                                      |
| 10 May    | 'Awake to Israel' at Epping Gospel Chapel, 2.30pm.  | 28 July           | Emmaus Bible College 2nd Semester begins.   |
| 10 May    | CMAid Fellowship Evening at Eastwood Gospel Hall; starting 6pm with a light meal. ph 9651 6477. | 7 Aug             | NSW Assemblies Coordinating Conference at Emmaus Bible College, 7.30pm.                 |
| 12-16 May | Autumn Festival Retreat at Yarramundi; ph 1300 733 189.   | 8 Aug             | Ladies Missionary Prayer Meeting at Burwood Chapel. 10.30am ph: 9477 7568 or 9546 8545. |
| 31 May    | Dr Rod Wilson (Canada) is speaking for 2 sessions at Riverstone Community Church.               | 9 Aug             | 'Awake to Israel' at Epping Gospel Chapel, 2.30pm.                                      |
| 4 June    | Dr Rod Wilson (Canada) is speaking at Raymond Terrace Community Church.                         | 15-17 Aug         | 'ReachOut 2008' Missions Conference at Katoomba.  |
| 6-8 June  | Inaugural National Brethren Conference at Phillip Island in Victoria.                           | 6 Sept            | Open Day at Emmaus Bible College, Epping.   |
| 13 June   | Ladies Missionary Prayer Meeting at Burwood Chapel. 10.30am ph: 9477 7568 or 9546 8545.         | 12 Sept           | Ladies Missionary Prayer Meeting at Burwood Chapel. 10.30am ph: 9477 7568 or 9546 8545. |
| 13 June   | Emmaus Bible College 1st Semester ends.   | 13 Sept           | 'Awake to Israel' at Epping Gospel Chapel, 2.30pm.                                      |
| 14 June   | 'Awake to Israel' at Epping Gospel Chapel, 2.30pm.  | 27 Sept to 12 Oct | Emmaus mid-semester break.  |
|           |   | 10 Oct            | Ladies Missionary Prayer Meeting at Burwood Chapel. 10.30am ph: 9477 7568 or 9546 8545. |

- |        |   |        |   |
|--------|---|--------|---|
| 11 Oct | 'Awake to Israel' at Epping Gospel Chapel, 2.30pm.                      | 14 Nov | Ladies Missionary Prayer Meeting at Burwood Chapel. 10.30am ph: 9477 7568 or 9546 8545. |
| 6 Nov  | NSW Assemblies Coordinating Conference at Emmaus Bible College, 7.30pm. | 21 Nov | Emmaus Bible College 2nd Semester ends.   |
| 8 Nov  | 'Awake to Israel' at Epping Gospel Chapel, 2.30pm.                      | 30 Nov | Emmaus Bible College – Celebration Service, starting 2.30pm.                            |



## NSW Assemblies Evangelistic Mission Homeworkers Fund Treasurers' Report

Your Treasurers report that we have distributed your gifts for:-

	<b>2008</b>	<b>2007</b>	
<b>JAN:</b> from Assemblies	2,250	6,451	
late Christmas gifts	2,165	2,000	
from NSWAEM	2,500	2,500	
from other sources	3,353	4,011	
	\$10,268	\$14,962	
<b>FEB:</b> from Assemblies	1,617	3,175	
from NSWAEM	2,500	2,500	
from other sources	16	47	
	\$4,133	\$5,722	
<b>Totals</b>	<b>\$14,401</b>	<b>\$20,684</b>	

The funds this period, except for special designated gifts, have been divided between 15 workers and their families.

**Please make cheques payable to the NSWAEM State Home Workers Fund**

Your gifts and letters should be sent to  
The Treasurers, NSWAEM State Home Workers Fund,  
**P.O. Box 640, BURWOOD NSW 1805**

**Please consider leaving a legacy in your will for the NSW Home Workers**



# News from NSW Home

---

## Workers and Assemblies



**Steve & Lai Yan Walker**

**16 March 2008**

*Dear brothers & sisters,  
MOVE OVER MARTHA. Greetings!  
We are back with you after too long  
a time. Ministry, especially people  
ministry, can become very involving,  
encouraging, time and energy  
consuming, that correspondence can  
seem a lesser ministry. But, as the Lord  
has reminded us, without His people  
praying specifically for those people and  
ministries, then our overall effectiveness  
is going to be lessened. So our apologies  
for the lack of information, especially for  
prayer.*

*FOND FAREWELL. After 16 years  
of fellowship and service in the St  
Clair/Erskine Park assembly, the LORD  
has brought our time there to a close.  
In 1991, we had moved out to play a  
“church watering” role in the young  
and small assembly. Over the years, the  
assembly saw a number of local folk come  
to Christ and progress spiritually. It has  
been very difficult to say farewell to the  
many in whose lives we had been blessed  
to share. Because of our closeness in  
many years of eldership together, Allan  
and I had said that we would move on  
together, but the Chief Shepherd has led  
otherwise. It has been encouraging to see  
other men stepping forward in new ways  
in the assembly.*

*INTERNSHIP INVOLVEMENT. The  
Lord has opened the way for us to be a  
part of the GLO Internship programme,  
based at Blacktown assembly (Faith*



*Community Church). This first phase of  
the internship is for overseas students,  
but DV the second phase will be for  
Australian students. With my year in the  
Fairhaven assembly internship in USA,  
with a strong involvement in follow-up  
and discipling over many years, and with  
Lai Yan’s own ongoing involvement in  
discipling, it is exciting to be a part of  
something for which the Lord has been  
preparing us. We meet with the interns  
on Mondays & Tuesdays, for shared  
devotions, and then a mix of teaching,  
class involvement, group study and  
shared meals with the 4 interns and the  
4 instructors. These are powerful times,  
though the session prep and feedback  
process are quite demanding.*

*FAMILY FOCUS. It was wonderful to  
see Scott & Lyn married in December.*

*It was sad to farewell mum/nana/  
Joyce in November. She was 82 and was  
involved in the early days of both BSF  
and KYB; and then for many year in  
Prayer on Wheels. It was a tremendous  
privilege to organise and lead mum’s  
memorial service, and to have the*

>8



The late Mrs Joyce Walker

appreciation of non-Christian family members in doing so.

It is also an ongoing joy to parent 3 year old Sheree. "My brothers love me," she told us proudly the other day (and they do!).

**PRAYER POINTERS:**

1) For first-time first semester lectures at Emmaus in Deuteronomy (did you know that Moses died about a month after he began his 3 main speeches in the book, so Deuteronomy is very much from the heart and future focused?).

2) For involvement with some of the interns in Camp David at Yarramundi (Apr 28 - May 2).

3) For W, a student whom Steve is blessed to disciple.

4) For Lai Yan's small but profitable discipleship group.

Thank you, dear readers, for your interest and DV your partnership in prayer as well.

Regards in our Redeemer,  
Steve & Lai Yan

**John & Valerie Angus  
March 2008**

Greetings in the Saviour's name. Thank you for your prayers and continued support of the ministry

of CMS Inc. We trust you will find encouragement and help in the current issue of the Video Magazine (Vol 17:1).

On a personal note I seek your continued prayer for my dear wife Valerie and myself. Although Valerie is unable to talk and can scarcely move, I am assured that the Lord is carrying His little lamb close to His heart – for He is the Good Shepherd.

Valerie's sickness impacts on the work which I am able to do, but He also gently leads me (Is. 40:11). In all His doing we seek a closer walk with Him!

With Christian love, John.

**Graham & Betty Hayden  
31 March 2008**

Here is just a note for your prayers - explaining some of the latest details about Betty's medical condition. Over the Easter period a kind friend invited us, with our sons and their families, to stay in their holiday house (north of Newcastle) for a few days break.

Betty's treatment for the residual debulked tumour continues, but is somewhat complicated by a very red rash over most of her body as well as some nausea. The doctors have sought to identify the culprit by changing some of her many medications but that itchy rash problem has not yet been solved. While away her long-term chronic heart condition, plus some blood pressure, with oedema, also caused much concern. So it was back to the medicos – where we have almost lived on their doorstep, as well as the Mater Hospital radiation and medical oncology clinics.

We want to express our thankfulness ➤



for the host of enquiries, cards, letters, etc received, which express the fellowship and prayers for us now, and over the past five months. As a most willing carer I have suspended many of my usual activities so that I can be involved, but I am also able to attend to some Mission matters at home.

We seek wisdom from the Lord on how to deal with the results of a car accident that happened on Easter Monday on our way home. We have been told our 15-year-old car (320,000 km) is a complete "write-off". Neither of us was hurt in the impact.

Yours very sincerely in the Lord,  
Graham.

**Andrew & Janice Collins**  
**28 March 2008**

Dear friends,  
A quarter of this year has gone already and it's time to update you again with news of our ministry with International Teams. Our 'Prayer Update' contains just a few of the stories we have experienced so far this year.



[If readers would like a regular copy of the Collins' Prayer Update, please contact Andrew or Janice on 9686 6948.]

Our Transition (from International Teams): Many people ask us what is next for us. A lot of possibilities continue to emerge. Some we are exploring. We are talking with leaders of those churches that support us as we seek to discern God's best way ahead for us both. Be assured we value your prayers in this and will let you know when we know.

We are encouraged daily and know that your interest, prayers and encouragement of us helps us to have that attitude.

Much love and thanks to you for your care, Janice and Andrew.

**Bill & Jean Archbold**  
**March 2008**

We had the month of January off and we enjoyed spending some time at Oatley, as we're seldom there.



We have quite a few kilometres to cover during the next few months, as we will be ministering at the following places: Narara, Lithgow, Orange, Fairfield West, Cartwright, Camden, Manly Vale and then another trip to Narara.

At the moment, we have all of June free, but most of the other dates are booked up. We keep up our writing and some of our articles find their way into Christian publications. Our monthly visit to Hillcrest Nursing Home continues and we enjoy telling the Gospel message there. We will also be there on Anzac Day. Thanks to John Angus, we appear on TV from time to time.

Our grandson, Joshua, was baptised at Family Camp. He is 23 years old and seems to be powering on for the Lord. The rest of our family are well and Michael's eldest son celebrated his engagement to a very nice Christian girl. They propose to be married next year. Both Jean and I appreciate your ongoing prayers for our well-being.

**Glenn & Gabrielle Baigent**  
**March 2008**

Life continues to be busy here at Raymond Terrace Community Church. Last year we saw the Church grow by about 17%.

Thank God for His faithfulness.

We were granted Chaplaincy grants for our local school. One

of our members, Sharon Tolcher, has been appointed, and will commence to minister in the local school. Please pray for Sharon, as she balances her responsibilities, whilst undertaking her new ministry.

The increased growth has created a challenge to supply Small group/Core group Leaders, so please pray for Chris Thomas, as he heads up this ministry. We are also pretty cramped in our building with space for children's ministry a challenge. Please pray that God's solution will be evident to us. We have been blessed to have four of our Playzone (Playgroup) mothers come along to Church regularly. Please pray for them that they may seek God with all their hearts. Pray for our "Celebrate Recovery" ministry, which Brad and Jenny O'Sullivan head up. This year we intend to investigate Out of School Hours Care (OOSHC) for our local area. Pray that Tim Blatch will be guided as we proceed down this path. Our family continues to be blessed. Caitlin, 12, has recommenced piano lessons and has all the growing pains of a pre-teenager.



Samuel is creative and messy but has a loving and kind spirit. Emma asks probing questions. Pray for wisdom in the answers we give her. Jack, like all four, almost five, year-olds is obsessed with fast cars.

Thank you for your prayers and support.

**Colin & Mavis Winrow**  
**4 April 2008**

Dear praying friends,

Thanks for your continued loving and prayerful support. We've had a busy start to the year and have enjoyed serving the Lord in the Waitara Assembly, the Mission and at Elouera Gardens.

On 16<sup>th</sup> March we celebrated our 40<sup>th</sup> Wedding Anniversary and were given a wonderful surprise

Afternoon Tea at the chapel. Our three precious daughters invited all our Assembly and Fusion 'families' and it was such an incredible occasion for us. An even bigger surprise was that we were given a week's holiday in Tasmania. This has totally overwhelmed us and we're so thankful to the Lord for our wonderful family and the special extended family He's given us and for all the love and generosity shown to us.

We are flying to Hobart on 29<sup>th</sup> April, and returning on 6<sup>th</sup> May so we can be geared up and ready for work on the June issue of the Assemblies Outreach magazine.



We would value your prayers for us while we travel and also for Mavis who will have further surgery on 5<sup>th</sup> June. This time it's the left knee being replaced and we hope that this will allow her to eventually get back to normal walking again. God has been so very good to us and we just want to thank you all for your part in this.

With Christian love, Mavis & Colin.

**Jane Mayhew**  
**29 March 2008**

Hello dear prayer partners. I trust that the Lord blessed you with a wonderful Easter weekend and that you were able to reflect upon the amazing sacrifice on our behalf!



[Below is a small extract from my latest 'Out of the Barrow' which has lots of news and prayer points. If you would like regular copies, please contact me on 0423 621 990.]

"The last few months have gone so fast and I can hardly believe that March is over! I always love being able to write these newsletters but this time it's harder for me to write this because God is bringing me into quite a stretching time in my life. I have been finding a lot of things tough that I would normally love and relish doing. I value honesty and really want to share this with each of you because you are an essential part of both my life and all that God is doing at Sydney University.

Thank you so much for your continual support, encouragement and prayer! I feel as though I need it more than ever at the present time and I know that God is continually sustaining me through His strength and the strength of His body!

In Christ, Jane.

**Budgewoi Christian Fellowship**  
**March 2008**

Praise God for Cherie (an Australian Muslim convert) who is receptive to Diane who is sharing the Gospel with her.

Pray for additional helpers for the Home church so they can have a wider effect in their community.

Pray for wisdom as Steve counsels Wayne and others with a drug dependency and prostitution background.

Pray for wisdom as Steve and Diane work in this high-needs community.

**Burwood Arabic Assembly**  
**March 2008**

The church continues to support the work of "Door of Hope" a TV ministry which broadcasts to Australia, New Zealand and USA. Pray that the Assembly may be able to keep up with the financial and physical support needed to meet the large response from these programmes. They are sending Bibles to those who enquire and visiting people who ask for counselling.

Praise God for the lives touched through the TV programmes and the resulting growth at the Burwood Assembly.



Sunday Services  
9.30 AM

Bible Studies  
& Home Groups:  
Mens, Ladies  
& Families

Christian Counselling

Girls Club

Kids Club

Playgroup

Sunday School

Weddings

Youth Group

Sports Ministries



7<sup>th</sup> February 2008

To assemblies of the Lord's people in NSW, Australia and elsewhere.

**Re: Commendation of Mr and Mrs Ken and Daphne Harding**

This letter is to introduce Ken and Daphne Harding and to commend them to the Lord's work in the following three areas of ministry:

1. They will be continuing their work in the local assembly at Riverstone where Ken serves as a teaching and pastoral elder and Daphne has a range of activities, especially among the ladies.
2. Ken has been on the GLO Committee for many years and plans to be involved in a more active role representing this ministry while teaching and preaching in Australia and overseas.
3. As opportunity affords, Ken will be available for a wider itinerant ministry in Bible teaching and preaching.

Ken and Daphne were commended by assemblies in Western Australia and Queensland to the Lord's work, both overseas and in Australia for about 20 years but have been in secular work since 1988. They have been actively involved in this assembly since 1989. Both have recently retired and receive the pension.

The Assembly at Riverstone has appreciated their leadership roles and involvement in things as diverse as teaching, preaching, mentoring, hospitality and pastoral care. They have displayed generosity and love for the Lord's people. We heartily commend them to the Lord's work in this expanded role, and this is supported by the GLO National Committee.

In view of their wider ministry we felt it wise to let you know of our confidence in them and our fellowship with them as they respond to the commission of the Lord in a fuller way. They would deeply appreciate the prayers of the Lord's people.

On behalf of the assembly at Riverstone

Ken Scott

Warwick Gummerson

Phillip Gummerson

Linc Marlow

# Good News proclaimed at Bexley

by Victor Wilson

## The February 2008 Gospel Campaign

From the inception of the Bexley Assembly in December 1946, great emphasis has been placed on the heralding out of the glorious gospel of our blessed God which has been committed to our trust, 1 Tim 1:11, to our neighbourhood, Australia and overseas. Locally this has been by various means including Sunday Schools, meetings for older folk at mid-day on the second Tuesday of the month, Craft meetings, on Friday nights the Treasure seekers with a Youth meeting following. Gospel meetings in the evenings of every Lord's Day have been held for the past 62 years without interruption.

Throughout the 1960's and 70's the assemblies in Sydney joined together in fellowship for Gospel

Campaigns in tents and hired halls in various suburbs with much blessing, but interest in these outreaches declined and for various reasons many of the Sydney assemblies ceased to have gospel meetings on Lord's Day evenings.

However, in spite of this trend, the elders of Bexley assembly decided to continue to 'preach the Word in season and out of season', 2 Tim 4:2, especially on the Lord's Day evenings, and from time to time invite evangelists from Australia and overseas as speakers for a series of Gospel meetings.

Mr Peter Brandon, an evangelist from Bedford UK has been visiting Australia since 1991. God laid it on his

heart to come to Australia, and Bexley was one of the assemblies he visited to minister the Word and preach the Good News. Although now in his early eighties, brother Peter's passion is to reach the souls of unbelievers with the Gospel and to encourage the saints, especially the younger generation, in exercising their gifts.

During his visit in 2006 to Bexley, souls were saved, and saints were encouraged. In February 2007 arrangements were made for a return visit to Australia DV in 2008, commencing with a short Gospel campaign in Bexley from Sunday 3<sup>rd</sup> to Sunday 10<sup>th</sup> February.

The twelve months prior to his coming went very quickly. But those months proved to be a time when the

assembly went prayerfully ahead with preparation in unity and purpose. It was heartening to see the youngest- aged 12 years to the oldest of 92 years, all joined together in worship and praise, in the ministry and the gospel.

Brother Peter encouraged and exhorted us with the words "pray earnestly that the saints will be spiritually conditioned for a time of blessing, and the hearts of the unsaved will be prepared to receive salvation".

**Preparation for the Gospel** involved:

1. PRAYER. In the home at meal time and in our daily devotions; at Assembly prayer meetings mid week; on the Lord's Day before the gospel >14

---

*‘Peter Brandon, an evangelist ...’*

---



meeting; in the Sisters prayer group, and a time of prayer when the whole assembly was there, after the Lord's Supper on Sundays.

2. MINISTRY over the preceding months on sanctification, accountability, and discipleship.

3. INVITATIONS:

(a) To friends and neighbours. It was great to see the youth inviting school friends along.

(b) 3000 invitations printed and distributed by the assembly in the surrounding neighbourhood.

(c) Large 6m x 2m banner showing meeting times was organised by one of the young men and mounted on a side wall of the hall.

(d) Invitations by letter to all Sydney assemblies and our personal friends.

(e) Literature and Bibles for distribution to enquirers.

Before each meeting believers gathered for half an hour of prayer.

The meetings started at 7.45pm, with 15 minutes of singing gospel songs, both old and new. Brother Peter took over after an opening prayer and preached in the power of the Spirit for about 45 to 50 minutes.

The following are the titles of the Gospel messages given:-

1. Can modern people really have faith?
2. Facing up to our main problem.
3. Why the precious blood of Christ?
4. What does it mean to be 'born again'?

5. How does one come to Christ?

6. God's search for men and women.

7. The meaning of Baptism.

8. The Way to be saved.

At the close of each of the evening meetings Brother Peter requested the assembled company to leave the hall quietly and give any who wished to stay behind an opportunity to speak about salvation or receive counselling.

Light refreshments were provided each night in the lower hall where believers mixed with outsiders to continue talking with them about the gospel message.

This half hour after the meeting was a time when some who were convicted came back to request further

enlightenment and guidance.

Such was the prayer and expectancy of blessing that all rejoiced when a young man who had been to Brother Peter's meetings two years ago and had reappeared from time to time, came before the campaign began and was saved. His sister came along one night during the meetings and was convicted and converted.

The last meeting of the outreach was on Sunday, 10<sup>th</sup> February. It commenced with Brother Peter speaking on Baptism. This was followed by four baptisms. The first two were the brother and sister mentioned above; they are from a Macedonian family. Then followed two brothers in their teens who were saved two years before ➤

---

*How does one come to Christ?*

---

at Peter's previous meetings in 2006 – their Korean parents are in the Bexley assembly.

As we look back on this full week of endeavour, we praise God and give Him all the glory for the blessing received, in that He has answered our prayers; and those saved have gone on to be identified with the Lord in the ordinance of baptism, and on requesting fellowship in the assembly, were welcomed in the following Lord's Day.

As I close I leave with you two expressions heard in past nights – both from young men. The first was one of conviction - when on his knees at the close of a gospel meeting ...

**"O God I am a sinner - I want to be saved !"**

God answered his prayer!

The second - one of real worship – came from one young in the faith when, on the first Lord's Day of his gathering to the name of the Lord Jesus Christ, he arose during the Lord's Supper and after thanking God for his salvation, closed his prayer with the words of appreciation and worship ...

**"I love you Lord Jesus -You are my best !"**



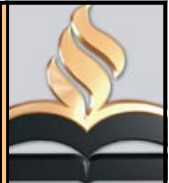
Note: Copies of some of these Peter Brandon messages are available on DVD from Dr John Angus, ph: (02) 4295 7590.

# Emmaus Bible College

Emmaus is a fully accredited, evangelical Bible College. We offer courses to all who seek to develop their understanding of the Scriptures, laying a firm foundation for future ministry for those who are hungry to learn to love and obey the God of the Word and the Word of God.

Courses can be taken for credit or audit, full or part time.

240 Beecroft Road, Epping    Tel: 9876 4370  
registrar@emmaus.edu.au    www.emmaus.edu.au



"He explained to them the Passages in every part of Scripture which referred to Himself."

Luke 24:27

# NSW WOMEN'S MISSIONARY CONVENTION

## “How Great the Father's love”

**SATURDAY 21 June 2008**

9.30 am (for morning tea) to 2 pm (includes lunch)

PANANIA CHRISTIAN CHURCH  
(cnr Tower and Hinemoa Streets, Panania)

Speakers:

Donna Cowell, Vicki Mustafa,  
Julie Loudon, Noela Elvery ...

Registration fee \$12 per person  
an Offering will be taken on the day for missionaries

**Registration (by 13 June) is essential as seating is limited**

RSVP & Enquiries – Faye Loudon (9546 4111)  
or E-mail Faye – (fayeloud@bigpond.net.au)

Post Cheque (made out to Stewards Foundation)  
to Faye Loudon at PO Box 131, BURWOOD 1805  
(Internet Banking available)

## LADIES MISSIONARY PRAYER GROUP

Burwood Gospel Chapel  
(rear hall) 10.30am – 1pm,  
on the second Friday of each month:–

**9 May      13 June      11 July      8 August**  
**12 September   10 October   14 November   12 December**

All ladies are invited to be part of this important ministry.

Tea and coffee provided, BYO lunch.

Enquiries:

Mavis Saxby 9477 7568 or Nan Hind 9546 8545

*Assemblies Outreach Magazine*  
**Reader Survey - April 2008**

Please take a few minutes to complete this survey **after** you have read the magazine. Then cut out this page, fold it as shown overleaf, and mail it back to us **before 16 May**. The compiled results will be published in our June issue and on the web site. Many thanks.

Please give your general opinion of each of the regular features over the last year or so, by ringing one of the three comments:—

Meet the Home Worker	no interest	mild interest	high interest
Letters from Home Workers	no interest	mild interest	high interest
Out & About (News)	no interest	mild interest	high interest
Out & About (Events List)	no interest	mild interest	high interest
Internet Corner	no interest	mild interest	high interest
Treasurers Report	no interest	mild interest	high interest
Bible Teaching (in general)	no interest	mild interest	high interest
Adverts	no interest	mild interest	high interest

What is your favourite in this April issue? .....

Your favourite article in the last 12 months? .....

What extra topics would you like to see included from time to time? .....

If past issues were on CD-ROM, would you purchase? Yes No Maybe

Do other people read your magazine? If so how many? .....

Do you have access to the Internet? at Home at Work Both Neither

Do you view the Brethren web site? rarely monthly weekly more often

Is the web site Notice Board useful to you? Yes No

Is the web site Events Dairy useful to you? Yes No

Have you viewed the PDF version of the magazine? Yes No

What else is useful to YOU on the web site? .....

What could be added to the web site? .....

Seal this open edge with sticky tape

Please  
stick 50 cent  
stamp here

Mail to:

Reader Survey  
*Assemblies Outreach Magazine*  
P.O. Box 640  
BURWOOD NSW 1805

Fold here Second

Fold here First

Please help us assess the survey results by providing some personal details:

Where do you receive your magazine? at home at assembly/church?

Are you Male? Female?

What age group are you in? less than 25 25-34 35-44 45-54 55-64  
65-74 75 or more

Do any people under 18 read your copy of the magazine? No Yes

In what Postcode is your home? .....

How long have you been attending a Brethren assembly? ..... years



# Behind the scenes at CMIAid

by Matthew Hillier

Christian Mission International Aid (CMIAid) was founded in 1988 with the purpose of encouraging and supporting Christians in the then-communist countries of Eastern Europe and the Soviet Union. At that time many Christians were in prison for their faith and although no material help could be sent to them, a postcard or letter of encouragement meant a great deal.

In 1989 dramatic changes shook Eastern Europe. Overnight the Berlin wall came down. Communist dictatorships that had ruled for decades in Eastern Europe were toppled and Ceausescu, the Romanian dictator, executed. These changes brought about unprecedented opportunities for Gospel work in Eastern Europe and opportunities to provide material help to many of the impoverished Christian families, as well as orphanages, nursing homes and hospitals.

Today, Christian Mission International Aid is still involved in Eastern Europe and also in a number of other areas of the world. We have contact with many assemblies in Romania, Moldova, Armenia and Russia and are involved in a number of areas of work including teaching, gospel work, literature publication and also aid ministries. Recently, we have also expanded into Egypt.

But ... how is this all done from NSW, Australia?

Although CMIAid supports fifteen full-time workers in Eastern Europe,



*The new base at Dural*

**volunteers carry out the work** in Australia. On some days up to twenty volunteers come and work at a range of jobs. Also Pacific Hills Christian School is nearby, enabling teams of students to come for a day during their week of 'community service'.

Our base is now at Dural in north-western Sydney. We give thanks to God for providing us recently with a spacious factory area and mezzanine office in a factory complex on New Line Road. The extra space and the undercover work-area have given us much more working space and will greatly assist with the expansion of the work in the future.

In the office we have a number of people who are involved in the general administration work. Lynn McCrindle (West Pennant Hills Community Church) has worked with CMIAid for the last eight years and carries out tasks like receipting, answering correspondence and also preparing the bi-monthly prayer bulletin.

More recently, Helen Stormer (Waitara Gospel Chapel) joined the team >20

and assists with general administration work. In September 2007 her husband Don travelled to Romania, Moldova and Armenia where he spent 5 weeks visiting assemblies with Matthew Hillier (Eastwood Gospel Chapel) and Dan Marianciuc (Siret Assembly in Romania) and teaching from the Epistle of James, John's Gospel and the Epistle of John.

Warwick and Robin Geering (Dundas Baptist Church) have also been long-term helpers. Warwick co-ordinates the container packing and Robin's responsible for sending out the thank-you notes to all those who give goods for the containers sent overseas. Another regular worker is Bruce Coleman (Dundas Baptist Church) who comes in one day a week. Bruce has been involved in the work since the very early days when he was a teacher at Pacific Hills Christian School. At the moment we also have Dan Marianciuc from Romania visiting us and he's working on the translation into the Romanian language of a number of booklets by William MacDonald, Don

Fleming and other authors.

There is also a large group of volunteers who come regularly to help with newsletter mail-outs, preparation of literature for sending overseas, collating and stapling of new publications and a range of other tasks. We are thankful for those who come regularly from Elouera Gardens Retirement Village to help with this work.

One of the main areas of the CMIAid ministry has been sending containers to Eastern Europe. Since the commencement of the work, seventy four containers (some 20 foot and some 40 foot) have been sent to Eastern Europe and a number of other countries.

We are currently working on two containers, one of which will be sent to Armenia (a former Soviet Union country) and the other to Christian Missions Charitable Trust in India. All the goods that come into our base from Collection Points all over Australia have to be processed before they are loaded into the containers. This involves first sorting the goods ➤

*Volunteers are a vital part of the work .....*



*e.g. in preparing literature .....*



*and reporting and writing .....*



*and mailing*

to ensure they are suitable for sending. Then they are put into categories and the country of destination for which they are most suitable is determined. After this, items are put into standard cartons, counted, weighed, entered onto the computer, labelled and then placed on pallets to await shipment overseas.

In the early days of the ministry sending a container was much simpler! Goods used to be just sorted and packed into the containers. Today, with the strict customs regulations in the recipient countries, it is much more labour-intensive to send a container as very specific documentation is required. With the new warehouse space all these goods can be easily sorted and stored while they await shipment.

When the container packing day comes, pallets are taken off the storage racks and loaded into the container. The paperwork for each is double checked as it is loaded and on completion the packing list is prepared and the container is despatched to its destina-

tion. Containers usually take four to five weeks to reach their destinations. It costs about \$2,500 to send a 20 foot container to India or Ukraine. A 40 foot container sent to Armenia costs around \$6,500. However, when you consider that in a 40 foot container there are usually more than 80,000 individual donated items, with a value exceeding \$70,000 – it is still a very effective way to provide for the needs of the Lord’s work in these countries. Over the last 12 months there has been a big increase in the amount of literature that we have been sending in the shipping containers, along with the aid goods. We are very thankful to both Warwick Geering and Bob McGinley who faithfully serve in the Container Ministry section along with Alina Ghazarian from the Armenian Evangelical Brethren Church at Northbridge and to the many other volunteers who help them.

Over the last two or three years we have seen much growth in the work and we give thanks to God for His provision and leading. It is wonderful to look back and see the way that God has ➤22



*out .....*



*and translating booklets .....*



*and sorting and packing clothing.*

opened so many opportunities in new areas. It is a humbling reminder that it is not our work, but His work! We feel it is a great privilege to be involved in the work that He is doing.

The question is often asked about what are the needs today. As the work has grown there is more need for volunteers to help at our office in Sydney. If people are interested to help for a few hours a day, or more regularly, it is greatly appreciated. Extra workers are always needed when there are big jobs like preparing for a mail-out

or publishing new literature. More workers are also needed in the container packing department. We also need more knitters and sewers who can make goods for the container and people who can run collections at their church or assembly for goods to put in the containers. A detailed list of the items we need for future containers can be obtained from the CMIAid office.

Prayer is also vital! We need faithful prayer warriors. And, if you feel the Lord is laying it on your heart to support the work financially this would



## SECOND HAND BOOKS NEEDED!

Do you have second hand Christian books sitting around that you do not know what to do with? We can use them! We collect second hand Christian books to resell. Profits from the sale of books have provided income for the work over the last few years and allowed us to print more literature for foreign fields.

If you have books that you would like to donate for this work, please contact our office on (02) 9651-6477 or email: [cmioffice@cmiaid.org](mailto:cmioffice@cmiaid.org) to arrange a delivery or pickup time.

**Christian Mission International Aid**

also be greatly appreciated. CMIAid issues a bi-monthly newsletter and prayer bulletin with reports and information on the work and we would be happy to send a copy to anyone interested. If you would like to receive the newsletter, receive information on items needed or knitting, sewing and volunteering, please contact us at:

Christian Mission International Aid,  
PO Box 6061, Dural DC NSW 2158.

Telephone: 02 9651-7766

Email: [cmioffice@cmiaid.org](mailto:cmioffice@cmiaid.org)

If any reader is not really familiar with CMIAid's ministry overseas, more information can be gleaned from our web site:

[www.cmiaid.org](http://www.cmiaid.org)

and, you can request to be added to our mailing list for the "CMIAid News Update" and the "For Prayer" brochures which are issued regularly during the year.



Also, please remember that we are always happy to have visitors!

If you are passing-by please feel free to call in and see us at:

**Unit 37, 276 New Line Road, Dural**

The office is open 9.00am to 4.00pm Monday to Friday.

## **CMIAid Collection Points**

<b>Location</b>	<b>Contact</b>	<b>Phone</b>
Marsfield	Dural Office	02 9657 7766
Camden	Alan & Cynthia White	02 4655 7888
Greenpoint	Laurie Cawley	02 4369 2856
Macksville	Philip & Lillian Irvine	02 6568 1553
Wallsend	Evelyn Sandeman	02 4953 8257



# Who weeps for Israel?

by Brent Grey  
(for 'Awake to Israel')



A little more than 100 years ago in a small village in Scotland there was a conference of believers, and one man raised the question to one of the brothers at the conference, who was involved in Jewish ministry, "What is the critical need in ministry to the Jewish people today?" The answer that was given to him was "**More Tears**".

If that very same question was asked of us today, I think the answer would sadly remain the same, because when we look at the Christian Church today, her tears of compassion for Israel have long dried up.

"More tears" – based on the truths of God's word regarding Israel – is one of the pressing needs I see in the Church today.

But be forewarned, some may not weep with you, and some may not share your burden. God will allow Israel to serve as a strategic point of division in the Church today, as some in the Body of Christ will stand with Israel; others will turn away.

As global conflict escalates between Israel and her enemies – your stand in the end will be less about Israel and

more about the God of Israel, and more about the integrity of His unfailing word, because sadly today Christians are forsaking the word of God at such a rate there is no real concept of Israel in the sense that Israel is the primary instrument in the outworking of God's plans and purposes throughout human history. If I were to ask you what is the purpose of human history and in particular Jewish history – how do you think you would answer that?

I believe Jesus answers the question for us in Matthew 23:37 where He outlines the purpose of Jewish history and says "Jerusalem, Jerusalem, those who kill the prophets and stone those who are sent to her! How often I wanted to gather your children together, the way a hen gathers her chicks under her wings".

That friends is the purpose of Jewish history – for God to gather His own under His wings. But in the very next breath we see the tragedy of Jewish history when Jesus says "and you were unwilling...behold, your house is being left to you desolate". If there is one thing that describes the last 1900 years of Jewish history, it is one of complete and utter desolation. But Jesus didn't leave it hopeless; as He went on to say what will be the triumph of Jewish and world history... "For I say to you, from now on you will not see me again until you (Israel) say blessed is he who comes in the name of the LORD." ➤

This is a Messianic acknowledgement, meaning that Jesus won't return until Israel as a nation acknowledges that He is the promised Messiah – bringing about His second coming and God's kingdom on earth. Even the prophet Zechariah foresaw this event in ch 12:10, but sadly it will take a tribulation, or what is known as "the time of Jacob's trouble", for them to realise that. We worship and serve a covenant-keeping God and every jot and tittle of His unfailing Word will be fulfilled regarding both Israel and the Church, and we need to clearly understand that and get excited about it.

## But why does Israel seem to draw out the best and worst in us?

The Jewish nation is designed to test and expose the hearts and intents of humanity. Like a threshing floor she sifts our souls. Does that mean everything Israel does is right? Of course not; the test would prove less genuine if issues involving Israel were



*A typical 'Awake to Israel' gathering at Epping Gospel Chapel*

so simple. Though matters may seem complex on the surface, Israel is ultimately about Him and His Word, and if you know Him as the God of Israel, with your heart beating with His and His Word raised up high, all you can do is shout Amen.

That is what we are all about at 'Awake to Israel', lifting up high and making known to all the God of the Book, the Messiah of the Book and the people of the Book and shouting 'Amen'.

I believe the Lord is using 'Awake to Israel' to grow in His Church a deeper prophetic knowledge of His ways and character, because God wants you equipped to live for Him and understand clearly what He is doing in the world both now and the days ahead.



*Some of the material and books on display at each meeting*

Come and join our meetings at 2:30pm at Epping Gospel Chapel on the second Saturday of each month between February and November, because now is the time for us all within the Assemblies to once again take a stand, rekindle our passion and find our tears for the lost sheep of the house >26

of Israel based on the wonderful truths of God's unfailing word.

May we all share in the words of the apostle Paul in Romans 11:15 –

**“for if their rejection is the reconciliation of the world, what will their acceptance be but life from the dead?”**

Much is depending on it.



*Mr Philip Weldon often chairs the meetings*

# AWAKE TO ISRAEL

**History ◦ Current Events ◦ Prophecy ◦ Evangelism**

Meetings are held monthly, February to November  
**2nd Saturday, 2:30pm at Epping Gospel Chapel**  
Cnr Carlingford road and Duntroon Ave, Epping.

## **Our Purpose is as follows:**

1. To stir up each other to study what the word of God says concerning Israel and our relationship to her as gentile believers both now and in the future.
2. To encourage the believers in Israel in whatever way we can
3. To facilitate and be involved in evangelism and discipleship of Jewish people.
4. To Pray for Israel

**For further information phone (02) 9869 7164**

**All are welcome and are encouraged to come, and together search the Scriptures.**

Awake to Israel is a Church based ministry of Epping Gospel Chapel

# Steps to Revival in Christian Brethren Churches

by the late Mr Ian McDowell

At the age of 80 years, brother Ian McDowell was called home to Glory on 5<sup>th</sup> March 2008. A memorial service was held on 15<sup>th</sup> March in his home state of Victoria.

Since he spent 23 years in Sydney (from 1961 to 1984) as Principal of Emmaus Bible School, it is fitting that a Thanksgiving Service will also be held here on 19<sup>th</sup> April (refer to Events List, page 4). Ian was well regarded for his clear, concise Biblical teaching both at Emmaus and in assemblies around NSW and beyond. More will no doubt be said of this at the Service. Meanwhile, this magazine wishes to express thanks for his plentiful input to its pages over the years and for the "treasure store" of numerous small articles he sent us in 1996. We publish this one now, knowing it's a subject that was dear to his heart, and we trust God can still use Ian's writings to stir Christian Brethren to Godly action.

## Introduction

It is evident that a vast amount of useful Christian work is being done in "Brethren" churches and by "Brethren" people. Yet some of us yearn for increased evidence of the saving power of our Lord Jesus Christ among us. It may be that our Lord is doing all that the free will responses of His people allow Him to do. Assuming that it is possible for us to allow Him to do more, what steps should we take?

## Revival in God's Word

As a general principle, the blessing of a people follows corporate obedience to the clear commands of Scripture (Exodus 19:5-6; Malachi 3:10\*\*). "Revival" is an Old Testament word. About half its uses occur in Psalm 119; our Lord revives us corporately or individually by His Word, His ways, His grace and His righteousness (verses 11, 25, 37, 40, 107, 159). The prophet Ezra prayed publicly for revival in a time of national bondage (Ezra 9:8-9). "Renewal", a more modern emphasis,

has more to do with the individual who needs a right spirit (Psalm 51:10) and spiritual strength (Isaiah 40:31). This is rational and inward (Romans 12:2), and a work of the Holy Spirit (Titus 3:5). The path to revival or renewal is that of humility, earnest prayer, repentance and obedience (2 Chronicles 7:14; Isaiah 57:15). Students of revival argue over whether these things follow revival or result in revival. The writer feels that both sequences occur, and that the cause and effect of revival grow from small beginnings.

## Practical Application of Biblical Teaching

Corporate godliness requires a practical working unity and an overall leadership that does its best to ensure that our Lord's ways are known and honoured. Evil powers have consistently attempted to frustrate this process by causing disunity through doctrinal and interpersonal schism, promoting ignorance of the mind of Christ by dishonouring leaders, and

allowing frustrated Christians to lapse into materialism and indifference. We must therefore take up divine resources to overcome evil and restore unity, and, having done this, call in unity on our Lord for spiritual awakening with some expectation of His gracious response.

### **Current Activities which Increase Unity and Biblical Knowledge**

These activities include:

\* Our Lord's Supper, which is the visible expression of Christian unity (1 Corinthians 10:17). We have held to this from early days, and it remains our greatest strength.

\* Missionary opportunities, interest and support, promoted by "Tidings" magazine (now "Serving Together" – Ed) and the GAP meetings. This is also an ongoing major strength.

\* Men's and women's residential conferences for spiritual growth and encouragement through Bible teaching and fellowship.

\* Inter-church communications, such as "Assembly Links" (and "Outreach" magazine in NSW – Ed) and the coordinating committee minutes.

\* Youth camps for evangelism and deepening the spiritual life.

\* Inter-church social activities such as (in Victoria) Hillview, Gracecourt and Temcare, and Christian schools and bookshops elsewhere.

All of these are worthy of our best support, strengthening activities where appropriate and giving increased promotion where necessary.

### **Past Activities which increase Unity and Biblical Knowledge.** We've

let slip some important activities:

\* The preaching of the Gospel in united campaigns, in youth rallies, in the open air and in local church evangelism (Acts 1:8). The work of Good News Services is one exception to this. So too are many local initiatives to link social concern with Gospel presentation.

\* General conferences for the teaching of Scripture so that the benefit of the best teachers is brought to the widest possible audience (Acts 15:1-7).

We have tended to rely on inter-denominational efforts in these areas, but should consider ways to take effective steps to return to them within our own ambit.

### **Perhaps Our Area of Greatest Failure**

There is nothing new about the following things. They have happened throughout the history of both Israel and the Christian church:

\* We give only partial support to worthwhile combined activities (Amos 6:1; Revelation 3:14-19). This need not, but might occur in churches with full-time pastors, usually because of commitment to local rather than corporate objectives, thus diminishing the wider vision.

\* We do not always take steps to deal with corporate evil, e.g. sad events which affect the testimony of our workers or our churches as a whole (Joshua 6-7; Ezekiel 9:3-7).

\* We have been known to 'stone our prophets', because, if we have any unwillingness to hear God's Word, they show us up for what we are, and we ➤



resent such blows to our self-esteem (Jeremiah 35:15; Matthew 23:37).

These things hinder our corporate spiritual advance and usefulness. Sometimes they cause our best people to leave us for opportunities in other denominations, or to engage in para-church activities of a worthwhile kind but which do not benefit our churches.

The remedies are:

\* For diversion of resources, conduct some research into the relationship between effective local and corporate objectives, and act on the results.

\* For “the tall poppy syndrome”, which of course occurs in secular society as well, help our full-time people by providing for all their needs, giving them opportunities appropriate to their gifts, and helping them through any difficulties they may have, rather than

isolating them and sanctioning them at a distance.

\* For corporate evil, provide for the relevant, powerful teaching of God’s Word on the widest scale by the most able people.

### **Conclusion**

Revival and renewal begin with prayer and concern on the part of a few. It proceeds when prayer interest grows and our Lord raises up powerful righteousness preaching in answer. It continues when His people begin to obey His Word in such matters as turning from materialism and restoring broken fellowship, so that unity and the preaching of the Gospel increase and spiritual fruit multiplies. In this event, other problems rectify themselves.

\*\* All Bible references are probably to the KJV but Ian’s manuscript did not state which version. – Ed ☐

---

## **Internet Corner**

compiled by C.H.Winrow



Note: To make it easier to visit web sites mentioned in this section, they have been included as ‘hot links’ on the NSW Christian Brethren web site:-

[www.cb-nsw.org.au/useful-links/Links-AO.html](http://www.cb-nsw.org.au/useful-links/Links-AO.html)

and they are also ‘live’ in the PDF version of this magazine which can now be purchased. Six previous issues in PDF format are now stored on the web site for anybody to read.

John Ecob writes “Dear friends I have changed to Optus broadband for a better and cheaper internet and email service as of 19<sup>th</sup> March 2008. My new address at home is:

[jrecob@optusnet.com.au](mailto:jrecob@optusnet.com.au)

This address in the Herald of Hope magazine will also find me:

[editor@heraldofhope.org.au](mailto:editor@heraldofhope.org.au)

➤30



In August 2005, the web site of Truth Miners Ministries: -

[www.truthminers.com/truth/](http://www.truthminers.com/truth/) was mentioned as a place to get help if you think an email you've just received might be a hoax. When I had cause to visit the site recently it had moved to:

[www.truthminers.org](http://www.truthminers.org)

It's still very useful as a means of helping to reduce useless, mischievous and time-wasting Internet traffic.

'**Apologetics**' is defined in the Macquarie Dictionary as "the science or technique of defensive argument, especially of Christianity." I've been directed to this list of web sites which help in Apologetics:

[www.whoisjesus.org](http://www.whoisjesus.org)

[www.apologeticstoolbox.org](http://www.apologeticstoolbox.org)

[www.everystudent.com.au](http://www.everystudent.com.au)

[www.leaderu.com](http://www.leaderu.com)

[www.carm.org](http://www.carm.org)

[www.apologetics.org](http://www.apologetics.org)

[www.apologeticsresctr.org](http://www.apologeticsresctr.org)

The list appeared in a Student Life manual about Evangelism. If you check out any of these sites please let me know if it was helpful, and how?

The **Max7** web site

[www.max7.org](http://www.max7.org)

has been mentioned here before, but there is more to it than meets

the eye. Behind its ever-growing library of resources is a partnership of organisations and leaders from around the world.

Everything they create is donated freely and without anyone's name attributed to it. The resources given range from Bible lessons, to videos, to songs, to training material.

Whatever a church would need to evangelise, disciple and nurture children and young people from a Biblical perspective is acceptable to the site, and can be added and shared freely. Max7 has foundational principles which govern what is and what is not appropriate, and there are moderators to monitor these.

If you want to know the heart of the Max7 project, download the fabulous little video "**Aim Lower**" that has circled the globe. You won't regret seeing it and showing it to your church.

How can you participate in Max7? First, **Get** something from it - a video, or a Bible lesson, or a song, or a game or a training idea!

Then, consider **Giving** something to it - perhaps a resource you've written - like a children's song you composed or a Holiday Club program your church created. Or, offer to translate some resources. What you do will serve other churches around the world.

Max7 welcomes **your** creativity, skill and experience!

---

Submit items for next issue of this magazine **BEFORE 16 May**

# N.S.W. ASSEMBLIES EVANGELISTIC MISSION

ACN 001 037 690

## OFFICE & BOOK SERVICE

Rear of 29 George Street,  
BURWOOD, NSW 2134  
P.O. Box 640,  
BURWOOD NSW 1805  
Ph: 9715 5520 Fax: 9715 5528

## CHAIRMAN of BOARD

Charles Williams

## BOARD MEMBERS

J. Pretty, C.J. Riseham,  
R. Stanton, C. Winrow, A. Worley

## SECRETARIAT

Graham Hayden  
E-mail: [aemcobs@optusnet.com.au](mailto:aemcobs@optusnet.com.au)

## MAGAZINE

Editor - Colin Winrow  
0412 596 104  
E-mail: [outreach-mag@optusnet.com.au](mailto:outreach-mag@optusnet.com.au)

## AIMS

- To plan, initiate and support the expansion of Evangelism and Church Growth, primarily among Christian Brethren Assemblies.
- To offer opportunities in this *Assemblies Outreach* Magazine for Home Workers, Assemblies, Para-Assembly Activities and other kindred bodies, to publicise and explain their ministries.
- To generate funds, through the Book Service and other means, toward the support of NSW Home Workers.
- To provide appropriate teaching for Christians.

Further information about the Mission can be read on the NSW Brethren web site at:- [www.cb-nsw.org.au/aem/](http://www.cb-nsw.org.au/aem/)

## A tradition of Christian Care & Concern

Our professional staff are available 24 hours a day, 7 days a week to support you during this difficult time in your life. We will listen to your needs – and guide you through.

- Serving all of Sydney
- Compassion & Understanding
- Australian Owned
- Pre-paid Funerals available



24 Hour Care Line  
**8883 4561**

Member of the  
Funeral Directors  
Association of NSW



Christian Funerals  
of Sydney

In association with Hills Family Funerals  
[www.christianfuneralsosydney.com.au](http://www.christianfuneralsosydney.com.au)

# Elouera Gardens

CHRISTIAN RETIREMENT VILLAGE

1-5 Kitchener Road, Cherrybrook NSW 2126

*Christ's love compels us.*  
1 PETER 3:14



**Elouera Gardens Christian Retirement Village** is a project of Christian Brethren Community Services, whose mission is 'to provide a high standard of professional, loving Christian care for senior citizens in modern, comfortable accommodation'.

**Elouera Gardens Self-Care** now comprises approximately 75 one, two, and three bedroom units of a variety of sizes and designs, catering for the varying needs of retirees. Your early application to be added to the waiting list is to be recommended.

**Yurana House Hostel** has a range of well-appointed rooms, each with ensuite. Care is provided for those who have been assessed by an Aged Care Team as requiring provision of all meals and personal care such as showering and medication assistance.

**Bethshean Nursing Home** is a modern and comfortable building, purpose built to offer a high standard of nursing care in pleasant surroundings. 50 residents can be accommodated in Bethshean, in either 2-bedroom or single rooms, all with ensuite.

For all enquiries about accommodation at Elouera Gardens, please phone (02) 9479 8000.