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Dear Readers,

This issue of our magazine contains the latest Information & Prayer Guide for the Commended Home Workers in NSW. It is a lift-out supplement which contains new information and photos supplied by many of the people listed. It replaces the previous Guide issued in October 2010.

We hope this updated version will continue to provide you useful information to help you pray for these workers and their families, and to stay in touch with them in other ways like phone calls, emails, etc.

In this column of the April magazine I floated the question of “what Christian books we should have in our home (or church) library?” I asked for your suggestions.

I’m very pleased and thankful to report that half a dozen people have responded already! This is the largest response on anything in the magazine that I can remember!

Some brothers suggested one or two, and some gave me a page full!



These titles will all be compiled and published – hopefully in the August issue. There was insufficient room in this June issue because of postal weight considerations when the Supplement has to be catered for. Meanwhile it’s not too late of course to add YOUR suggestions.

One brother, Clive Connell from Hervey Bay in Queensland, who has been associated with a Christian Youth Camp up there since 1949, gave his book suggestions but also mentioned another major concern for him these days. He is seeing some Assembly doctrinal statements of faith, and some from inter-denominational organisations, being written without any scripture references. The result he says “is not worth the paper it’s written on.” I agree. What do you say? □

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'Out and About' in NSW Assemblies

If you attend a NSW assembly, or you 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 inform and encourage people in NSW Assemblies. Short items (even if only one sentence) are welcome and can be mailed to the Mission office at PO Box 640, Burwood, NSW 1805, or faxed to 9715 5528 or, best of all, e-mailed to: outreach-mag@optusnet.com.au

Also, please email your wording for **Notices** or **Coming Events** to be included on the NSW Christian Brethren web site:-

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The last NSW Assemblies Coordinating Conference was held on 5th May. (A full copy of the Minutes can be obtained from Brad Scott.)

The meeting began with an interesting review of the Emmaus Correspondence School (ECS) Prison Ministry by David Gillies, who has been involved since 1997. However due to other commitments David has resigned and a new person is required - see advert at bottom of page 25. More details of the role were included with the Minutes.

Mr John Fleming (an elder at Ballina Assembly) joined the meeting via a video link and began by reinforcing the positive work of ECS. He shared that Ballina Assembly has distributed 2500 Bible Gems calendars in their community this year as a form of outreach.

John went on to tell us that Ballina has just celebrated 25 years of service in the Community. As a result of this ministry the Assembly has grown from 9 to 80 people, with 25% of these people being new converts. The church is presently praying about a new church plant on the Plateau. Please pray for the church as they consider this opportunity. (Ballina Assembly's history is described in more detail on pages 13 to 16.)

This magazine's editor has heard from brother George Hawke that North Ryde Christian Church has its 50th anniversary coming up in October! We hope to publish more information about that in the August issue.

Earlier this year, Mr Len Flack decided that due to his 'senior age' he must cease his active role in helping the NSW Assemblies Evangelistic Mission. Len began helping, in many 'hands-on' practical ways, over 35 years ago, when Capt. Wilkins was in charge of the Newtown office and Book Shop. The current Board hosted a 'thank-you' luncheon for Len at the Burwood RSL club on 17th May when Mission friends and colleagues had a warm time of fellowship with him, expressing gratitude for all he has done for the Lord through the Mission.

The Sydney Festival Male Voice Choir conducts its rehearsals/ practices every Friday at Burwood Gospel Chapel between 7:30 and 9:30pm. New singers are welcome and more invites for the choir to perform are sought. ➤

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2011:

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| 3-8 July | Primary Camp at Lutanda Yarramundi (Yrs 3 to 6) | 20 Aug | Pathfinders at WPHCC, 7pm. Info: ph 9680 7647 |
| 8 July | Women's Missionary Prayer Meeting at Burwood Chapel; 10.30am. (see page 8) | 9 Sept | Women's Missionary Prayer Meeting at Burwood Chapel; 10.30am. (see page 8) |
| 9 July | 'Awake to Israel' at Epping Gospel Chapel, 2.30pm - see page 20. | 10 Sept | 'Awake to Israel' at Epping Gospel Chapel, 2.30pm - see page 20. |
| 11-15 July | A Day Camp at Lutanda Mt Victoria (Kindy to Yr 6) | 23 Sept | Fashion Parade of Summer clothes at Elouera Gardens Retirement Village, 10am - ph: 02 9872 4603. |
| 22-24 July | Bible Prophecy Teaching Camp at Merroo Christian Centre, Kurrajong. The speaker is Dr Barry Horner (author, <i>Future Israel</i>) - see page 12. | 25 Sept | The Sydney Festival Male Voice Choir will be proclaiming "Jesus - No Other Name" at Bankstown Gospel Chapel, Chapel Rd, Bankstown @ 6:30pm. |
| 4 Aug | NSW Assemblies Coordinating Conference at 7.30pm. | 8 Oct | 'Awake to Israel' at Epping Gospel Chapel, 2.30pm - see page 20. |
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this magazine
BEFORE 15th July 2011

If your assembly would like to send prayer requests in future, please contact Brad Scott on (02) 9625 0055 or email: bradstc@bigpond.com.

General Prayer Points

- Let's continue to Pray for our church leadership as they seek God's will in our Communities.
- Prayer for those who attended the Marriage Celebrant training information night.
- Pray for the growth of our churches.

Balmain Gospel Chapel

- Pray for wisdom for the elders of this Assembly as they look at the possibility of closing the church down.

Bankstown Brethren Assembly

- Praise God as last Sunday morning we had a young gentlemen accept the Lord as his personal saviour. (We've been praying for him for 4 years)
- Pray for our youth meeting that our leaders may have wisdom and guidance from the Holy Spirit to be able to deal with such diverse youth.

Bankstown Gospel Hall

- Pray for the church as they have 3 senior people in hospital this week.
- Pray for the upcoming Family Night and the continued contact that this has in the community.

Pray that those who have been coming for a number of years will respond to the Good News.

Blaxland Gospel Chapel

- Please pray for Ben and Lara Penrose as they prepare to serve the Lord with OM in Central Asia, leaving Australia on 9th August. They have been commended by this Assembly in a letter dated 8th May 2011.

Faith Community Church

- Praise God for the steady growth of the church and for the many youth and young adults who have joined over the last 2 years.
- Pray for our 'Café Night' programme, where we will run a small free coffee bar once a month, which will be open to the public in the hope of getting the surrounding neighbours into conversation with church members. As this is a first time, pray for wisdom and guidance to make it a success.

Dubbo Assembly

(an appeal from Geoff Higgins, one of the elders)

We would appreciate it if other Assemblies could pray for us at this time.

1. We have started a Sunday night meeting with the aim of reaching people with the gospel. We are particularly seeking to ➤

reach indigenous people, but not exclusively so. We would value prayer that people who have been invited will attend. Geoff Higgins and Rod Bird are the ones arranging the program.

2. One of our elders Marty Whitton, along with one or two others have distributed thousands of tracts around Dubbo. Quite a number of texts have also been nailed to trees along roads. We would value prayer that this outreach may produce fruit.
3. I, along with two other men, am seeking good used-computers to send for charitable purposes in the Philippines. We have sent 107 computers so far. At the moment we have run out of computers and would value prayer that more might be provided. Contact me for more details.

4. Does anyone know of any Assemblies in the Philippines which may be able to benefit from our computers?

[If you can help these brothers in regard to 2nd-hand computers, please contact Geoff at...

wairewa7@tpg.com.au

or by phone 02 6882 0521]

Inopacan Trust

Geoff is also Secretary of a committee in Dubbo which raises money to assist children in poor families in the Philippines get an education. Without an education they cannot get a good job and can never get above the poverty line.

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from other sources	16	26
	\$3,669	\$3,031
April: from Assemblies	2,153	1,685
from NSWAEM	2,700	2,700
from other sources	7,952	5,667
	\$12,805	\$10,052
Totals	\$43,174	\$30,636

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The Third Cry from the Cross

by Doug McNaught

*When Jesus therefore saw his mother, and the disciple standing by, whom he loved, he saith unto his mother, Woman, behold thy son!
Then saith he to the disciple, Behold thy mother! And from that hour that disciple took her unto his own home. . John 19: 26, 27 KJV*

Like the first two cries, the third cry that the Lord made while He was on the cross concerned other people. He was dying to save sinners and right to the end He cared for the needs of others before He looked after His own needs. As far as we can tell, the apostle John was the only one of the Lord's disciples who actually attended the cross. He left Calvary for a while to take Mary, the Lord's earthly mother, to his home after the Lord gave him the command that we read about in this passage.

In Luke 2:34 we read that an old man called Simeon saw the Lord Jesus and told his mother that the child was set for the rising and falling of many in Israel and a sword would pierce her own soul. We can see how this prophecy was fulfilled when Mary was standing beside the cross. Christ Jesus was her firstborn son; he was required by law to look after her in her old age.

However, that wasn't the major issue here. Mary was watching her son die. He was innocent and His execution was a travesty of justice.

Apart from Peter and John, all the disciples had forsaken the Lord and fled. Peter followed at a distance but then he denied that he knew the Lord and went away, in shame, to weep. Finally, John knew the high priestly family and followed the Lord all the way to the cross. However, the woman

who knew and loved the Lord followed Him to the bitter end (see v 25).

As the Lord was hanging in agony on the cross, He looked and saw His mother standing nearby and His sensitive nature was deeply troubled. He could see His mother and "the disciple whom Jesus loved". We know that this disciple was John as that is how he refers to himself throughout this gospel.

Earlier in His ministry the Lord had condemned the Pharisees and scribes for using their own rules to lay aside God's commandments (Mark 7:9-12). They found a way to override the commandment for man to honour his father and mother. However, even though the Saviour was in desperate agony, He still remembered His human obligations before God and took time to make sure that His mother was cared for.

In terms of the Lord's humanity, Mary was the closest person to Him and John was the closest person to the Lord spiritually on earth so it was fitting that the Lord would commit His mother to the care of the disciple whom He loved.

The next question that we have to ask is why didn't the Lord leave the care of His mother to one of Mary's other children? We know that Joseph was no longer involved in the story after the visit to the Temple when

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the Lord was twelve, and tradition states that he died soon after that. We also know that during the Lord's life Mary's other children didn't believe in the Lord (John 7:5). Psalm 69:88 says prophetically of the Lord, "I am become a stranger unto my brethren, and an alien unto my mother's children" – so the Lord chose not to commit Mary's care to them. In Mark 3:31-55 we read about the time when the Lord's mother and brothers came to find Him and He said "Whosoever shall do the will of God, the same is my brother, and my sister, and my mother." The spiritual bond between Mary and John would have been very strong because they were both among the very earliest people to believe in the Lord. By doing this the Lord made sure that He had satisfied every emotional and legal requirement placed upon Him. He did all this while He was experiencing the deepest possible suffering, physical, emotional and spiritual, that a man could ever suffer.

He addressed His mother as "woman". We have to be careful when we read the Bible not to read it through the lens of our modern culture. We live in a post-modern, rationalistic, feminist, self-indulgent age and we assume that the people of other ages saw things in the same way as we see them today. This is wrong! The term "woman" is respectful and quite proper. We do not read that the Lord

called Mary "mother" at any stage. This would tend to destroy the myth that has grown up around Mary as the 'mother of God'. When the Lord addressed Mary during the wedding at Cana he also called her "woman".

The Lord had a natural relationship with His mother but the story of salvation is entirely based on the Only Begotten Son and the gift of His sinless life. There is no room for anyone else, not even the "mother of God". Now that the Lord was dying on the cross, He was completing His eternal destiny and was no longer to be seen as just a

man. He was God and will always be God, so it is important that we don't reduce God by taking time to worship His "mother".

The Saviour told Mary to look on John as her son from this time forward. She was to remain what she had always been, a remarkable woman of great faith but no more than that. John wrote to tell us that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God but he didn't ever make any claim above being one of Christ's servants. This means that Mary remains one of Christ's servants as well.

We know that John was Mary's nephew so there was no legal problem with John taking care of Mary.

The Lord didn't even call John by name he just said, "Behold thy mother." The relationship between John and the Lord hadn't changed in any way by this command. John was ➤

• He had satisfied every emotional and legal requirement placed upon Him •

still the disciple whom Jesus loved and was still committed to Him as the Christ, the Son of God. There are five "Beholds" in John 19. In v4 Pilate said "Behold I bring him forth to you"; v5 "Behold the man"; v14 "Behold your king"; v26 "Behold your son" and v27 "Behold your mother". These 'beholds' give us a wonderful picture of the Lord and His work. The first "behold" reminds us that there was no fault in Him. This was the verdict of the Roman procurator who was legally entitled to make such a judgement and that verdict will stand for all eternity. Christ was a man in whom there was no fault and there was no legal judgement against Him to say otherwise. "Behold the man," reminds us of the Lord's humanity and His great humiliation on our behalf. He had no sin but yet He became a man so that He could die, for "without the shedding of blood there is no remission". However, He was not just a man, He is also the true King of the universe. The last two "beholds" remind us of the Lord's deep compassion.

The Lord had told His followers that no man was to love his father or his mother more than he loved Christ, for such a person is not worthy of following Christ (Matt 10:37). A person wanting to follow Christ would have to hate his father, mother, wife and other family members in comparison to the love that he had for Christ (Luke 14:26).

The Lord put His loyalty to Father and His desire to glorify the Father's Name above all His earthly ties.

It seems as though John took Mary to his own home at that time. We read elsewhere in Scripture that the Lord said other things on the cross before He cried out about His own thirst, so that would lead us to believe that John wasn't at the cross for the entire time. He did say later (v 35) that he bore record and his record is true. This would mean that John was entirely accurate in his account but he could only record the things that he himself witnessed.

'The Lord left nothing for us to worship or remember save Himself alone'

After this episode we only hear of Mary once in the New Testament. She was with the apostles and continuing in one accord with prayer and supplication (Acts 1:14). We can

assume that Mary spent the rest of her days in this kind of service for the Lord for there is no other evidence to contradict this.

There are many legends and traditions about Mary and some of the wonderful visions or things that she did, but there is nothing to support this in the Bible. The Lord left nothing for us to worship or remember save Himself alone. He is the perfect Saviour and He deserves all the worship and glory. Three cries that the Lord made while He was on the cross all concerned other people. He was dying to save sinners, and right to the end!



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Ballina Bible Centre celebrates 25 years

by John Fleming

This report about Ballina Bible Centre is comprised of major portions of a talk given by elder John Fleming on the occasion of the assembly's 25th anniversary. This was held on Saturday, 2nd April, and was a great day of celebration. Mr Peter Brandon from England and Mr John Skinner were the guest speakers.

“On the 6th of April 1986, a group of 14 Christians met for the first time in this building to remember the Lord Jesus by breaking bread, and for the last twenty-five years we have continued to do so. Sometimes we may have been cold towards the Lord; sometimes our attitudes towards others may have been selfish, or we may have been regarding sin in our hearts. Yet despite our failings the Lord has been faithful, and as an Assembly we all join together today, to give the honour and glory for the past twenty-five years to our wonderful God.”

In 1954 Mr and Mrs Oliver Minnis moved from Old Bonalbo to live in Ballina. Mr and Mrs David Connolly followed in 1971. In 1973 Keith and May Baly with their three daughters, moved to Ballina from Toowoomb Bay, and then in 1975 John and Christine Skinner with their young son, moved down from Ingham in North Queensland to live in Broadwater. All these people fellowshiped with the Lismore assembly and on the 27th July 1975, Gospel meetings were commenced, on a regular basis, as an outreach from the Lismore Assembly. The venue for the meetings was the home of Keith and



May Baly. On the first night Mr Stan Gellatly preached on the topic “Jesus Christ is Lord.”

In November 1975 John Skinner terminated his accounting job with CSR, and he and Christine moved into Ballina to do full-time evangelism. He would visit door-to-door and do Bible studies with any who were interested. This continued for eleven months, at which time John and Christine were exercised to relocate to Toowoomba. (And then in 1978 they left for Missionary service in Bolivia.)

Eight months later, a Tuesday night Prayer meeting and Bible study was commenced, and after three and a half years the Gospel meetings were moved to the West End Progress Hall in Brunswick Street, as others had moved into the area. Then a year later on the 3rd of February 1980, the move was made, in fellowship with the Lismore Assembly, to commence meeting as a New Testament church in Ballina. There were 25 present at the first Breaking of Bread, which was held in the Progress Hall. Fourteen of these were members of the assembly. The rest were either visitors or family members.

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The tenancy in the Progress Hall lasted six years and during this time the number increased to 19 with several baptisms, mainly of family members. However numbers then decreased back down to nine as some moved away or left for various reasons.

The exercise to build or purchase a building had been ongoing since early 1976, when Mr Charlie Hopping gave \$40 to commence a building fund. Eight years later, when a suitable block of land in Kalinga Street became available, an offer of \$15,000 was made to purchase it. After some initial difficulties with Council the green light was given to go ahead and buy the land. When negotiations for the land started, there was \$12,000 in the Building Fund, but a special collection supplied the funds to make up the shortfall.

At the time there was no thought of building in the near future. The assembly comprised only nine members, none of whom was young. The land purchase was directed towards leaving something for the next generation to use for the glory of God. This outlook was changed dramatically however, on the receipt of an anonymous letter on the 8th of May, enclosing a cheque for \$5000 for the building of a Gospel Hall in Ballina. The letter was simply signed "A brother and sister in Christ". It was felt that the Lord was plainly directing us to go ahead and build.

Building commenced at the start of 1985. Keith Baly, who was a carpenter with the Ballina Shire, headed up the work. While some of the building work was contracted out, Keith and

Oliver Minnis worked tirelessly most Saturdays of that year. Working Bees of men from Lismore assembly helped pour the floor slab and erect the roof trusses. As it is in a Primary Fire Zone, the building had to be made of double brick, which added considerably to the cost. However as Keith testified: "There was never any surplus money, yet as we completed each stage it was never too long before we were able to go on with the next. At no time did we make our needs known or solicit gifts. Whilst the main impetus came from the local believers, we are thankful for all who the Lord exercised (both individuals and assemblies) to give of their substance. Our thanks go out to Him for every token of His goodness."

The first use of the Hall was on the 2nd of February 1986 for the Sunday School, which had commenced six months earlier in the Balys' home, with just three children – now there were seventeen children, which was a great start. Then on the 6th of April, as already mentioned, the first Breaking of Bread was held in the premises. (I might add that Robyn and I joined the Ballina assembly after we were married in the September of that year.)

The Sunday school continued to grow and in the September of 1987 we held our first Family Tea, with Graham Ellingsen as the speaker. These continued every month and in mid 1989 two ladies were saved, after one of these Teas. As Keith put it when they were baptised later that year, "They are the first-fruits of our gospel outreach."

We also commenced a Youth Group ➤

about that time and have continued to get good numbers of teenagers coming along. It is such a privilege to present the Gospel to young people of this age, right at the crossroads of their lives.

In December 1989, Trevor and Sue Keys joined the assembly and Bill and Edna Jarrett came from Gormondale the next year. In 1992 Athol and Noelene Young with Philip and David also joined us, bringing our numbers to twenty-three. John Young was in Sydney at the time but happily for us, he soon saw the wisdom of returning to this area. Since then others have also moved here and quite a lot more have been saved, baptised and added to the church.

Our camps have also been a significant feature of the assembly, beginning with our first camp at Evans Head in April 1992. Since then we have held Youth Group camps, Family Outreach camps, Church camps, Leadership camps and most recently a Planning camp for this year. In addition to these, the Young family has been running camps at their property "Hillview" since 1993. Their family camps, girls' and boys' camps and numerous speciality camps have been a blessing to many.

In July 1996, we were exercised to commence another Sunday School work in Wollongbar. After quickly building up to over 70 children, the numbers in Wollongbar plateaued at between 40 and 50. A monthly family hour was commenced as well, and we had good contact with the families. Then in 2001 we held our first Family

Outreach Camp with John Skinner as speaker. We were thrilled to have 36 children and 16 parents come to Camp Drewe, Lennox Head for the weekend. This proved a turning point in the work. About a month after the camp Mr Peter Brandon was here for a mission and several of the parents came to the meetings. Four people came to the Lord. In 2005, monthly Family BBQs were commenced in Wollongbar and we've had regular contact with lots of people as a result. Some have been saved.

A real blessing to the assembly has been the coming of Allan and Shelley Moss. On their return from Colombia, they spent 12 months in Buderim, their commending assembly. We were thrilled when the Lord directed them to Ballina. They moved here in February 2008 and have been a great help in all aspects of church life.

About that time our Sunday School in Ballina was changed to the Thursday evening 'Lighthouse Kids Club'. This proved to be a successful move with renewed interest from families from the area. Later that year in Wollongbar, we also changed to a Thursday afternoon 'Mission Possible Kids Club'. We have been overjoyed to see the Lord work through both of these outreaches and people come to put their faith in the Lord Jesus.

Other highlights of the last 25 years have been the visiting evangelists and Bible teachers who have helped us with special efforts. Mr Peter Brandon has been several times and we have so appreciated his teaching and gospel >16

campaigns. In 2006 Mr Bill Forward ran a mini Bible school over four weekends, which he called "Digging Deeper".


This proved very helpful for those who were able to attend. Also from 2003 to 2005 John and Christine came down on the weekends to help with Bible teaching, and in many other ways. Others who visited regularly have been Noel Sheen, Albert Fairweather, John Angus, Phil Wilson, John Gellatly and Alex and John Kurian.

There have been some changes in the last few years, including renovations to the hall, and a change of name to the Ballina Bible Centre. This was done to emphasise the Word of God as the foundation of all that is believed and taught here. We don't claim in any way to be a perfect church, either in practice or in doctrine, but we do seek and pray that we will continue to be guided by the Holy Spirit in our understanding of God's Word. As we acknowledged at the outset, we are so thankful to the Lord that He is continuing to build His church even here in Ballina. We praise Him that it is built on the timeless, unchanging and totally dependable Word of God.

Of course God's work is not only done in a corporate way. Through individuals serving the Lord on a personal level every day, God's Kingdom is growing and the gospel is spreading in this region. It is impossible to mention here all the Christians who over the years have contributed and exercised their gifts for the good of God's people, and also reached out to their friends,

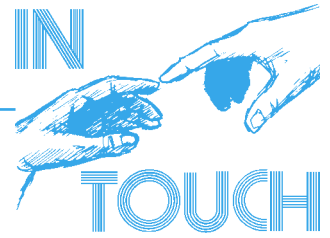
family and neighbours.

One advantage of the numerical growth of believers within the church is the variety of spiritual gifts and personalities these people bring to the fellowship. It is this individual growth and contribution that the Lord is seeking in our lives. God, Who is all knowing, sees the things that we miss and recognises the motives behind everything that is done. In a coming day there may be many surprises as those who have quietly contributed, and whom God highly esteems, are rewarded alongside those whose labour and service is more public.

As a church, what is our vision for the future? Simply put, we want to represent the Lord Jesus to a world that is struggling in ever-increasing darkness, and point them to the light that is found only in Jesus, the risen Saviour and Lord. We long to see the Word of God changing our lives and the lives of those around us. We pray that God will be glorified here in Ballina, and also in the surrounding areas, as the church continues to grow and new churches are established. Today we want to praise the Lord for His love and faithfulness to us over the last 25 years. With all our hearts we want to move forward, to love Him more; to serve Him more faithfully and also to extend that love and service to our brothers and sisters. In a small way we want this church to reflect the scene that will one day soon, take place in Heaven. *[At this point John read the Bible passage Revelation 5:6 to 14.]* 

News from NSW

Home Workers



Laurie & Margaret Cowell

April 2011

WE ARE THANKFUL.

Our heartbeats quicken and we are filled with thankfulness every time we think about special friends and colleagues. They stand out as beacons of encouragement, support and fellowship over almost fifty years of serving in God's harvest fields.

New South Wales is filled with these special people and Margaret and I convey our sincere and thanks to you all. You have provided love, encouragement and financial support for our personal and ministry needs. You have made it possible for us to be involved in fulfilling and fruitful service in New South Wales, across Australia and a string of countries in Asia, Europe and Africa. We are very thankful.

GLO Ministries has been a great organisation for Great Commission mission that thrills us. Training others for mission, opening mission opportunities and encouraging them as they serve has made mission very special for us.

Some have served in teams in Australia planting and establishing assemblies, others have evangelised, disciplined, baptised and helped begin assemblies in ten Asian countries and others in Europe and Africa.

Training Centres with their own web of workers are now functioning in several countries and Asian missionaries have made Australia their mission field and

have already begun three assemblies among immigrant cultures.

We look back over almost fifty years of serving God in Africa and Australia and say thank you for walking with us and carrying us over some rough places. Together, we can give God our thanks.

Steve & LaiYan Walker

18 May 2011

Dear Graham,

A letter is attached with the updated information you requested. My dear Dad was called home in February so our regular trips to Bethshan have come to an end. The roll call of saints above grows ever longer.

We had a very encouraging time at Gorokan assembly on Sunday.

*Regards,
Steve*

Nestor & Norma Louzao

19 May 2011

Hi,

We are in the 'flu season with the kids and grandkids which is a long process until every one ends up having it. We are pretty busy with April and May full of a campaign with a lovable couple from Argentina.

Dr Osvaldo Juan Maccio and Carmen Maccio are Brethren and Dr Osvaldo is a lecturer in Universes and Height Schools; his field is family spiritual growing and relationships. He is also a gifted teacher of the Word of God and



we participated in a Special Seminar with him for Family Counselling and individuals (Christians or non-Christians).

At Horsley Park as a congregation we have been on the World Wide Web for more than 2.5 years and we get a very good response. People are watching and hearing the message from all over the world in Spanish. To see the site visit <http://users.tpg.com.au/esteba12>.

We have the Book Shop at the hall in Horsley Park, it is open Tuesdays and Thursdays, from 10am to 5pm, and Saturdays by appointment. During those times, many people come over with questions or for counselling. Also these times are my time for preparing Messages and Bible Studies.

As you can realize the Lord keeps us very busy every day of the week. Mondays – Bible Studies with married couples; Wednesdays – Home Bible Study and Prayer Meetings; Fridays – Worship and Bible Study at Horsley Park; Sundays – the most wonderful time serving our Precious Lord. Recently four (4) people came to know our Lord Jesus Christ as Saviour. Praise the Lord!

1. We appreciate your prayers for the ministry at Horsley Park and for our wisdom to serve Our Precious God according to His Greatness.

2. Thank God for this newborn: (Carlos & Susana Diaz married couple) Jackeline Vergara and Bianca Smith.

3. Pray also for families in general and the young people.

Thanks very much,
with love from Norma & Nestor.

Geoff & Liz Folland 27 May (extract)

G'day,

The northern part of Israel, the Galilee region, was lush and green when I (Geoff) visited just prior to Easter. (With three other Aussie men, I was studying the chronology of the life of Christ to see what ministry lessons we might draw from it.) The southern region, the "Judean wilderness" was barren and rocky. It only took an hour and a half to drive from the Sea of Galilee down to Jericho and the contrast between the two areas was stark.

Jesus spent 40 days and nights in the barren Judean wilderness. I was able to sit and reflect for just a short while. You don't take a lot of extra stuff with you into the wilderness. In that sense, it is purifying. Generally it is not hospitable, but where there is a spring of water, suddenly life abounds. You feel vulnerable, isolated. Your dependence on God – for provision and protection - is obvious. While Jesus was there he was tempted by Satan.

Hebrews tells us,

"Because he himself suffered when he was tempted, he is able to help those who are being tempted. (2:18)"

The resources he relied upon, in his human frailty, to stand firm in the face of temptation are also available to us: the Holy Spirit, the Word of God, a commitment to obedience, and a desire to exalt his Heavenly Father.

Back on Campus

I feel like I could pick any of our campuses and tell you stories about the opportunities and challenges that face each one. Let me give you a sample. ➤



At the University of NSW, one of my team (Jody) turned up to find that there were 10 mainland Chinese students connected to Student Life who were meeting together to read the Bible, and none of them were believers yet! Jody is now looking for new missionaries or volunteers to help develop the international student ministry on that campus.

On another campus, one of our student leaders had been acting inappropriately. When confronted, they tried to stir up support from among their friends. The resulting mess required quite a bit of time and emotional energy from one of our team leaders.

At Macquarie University, Jody provided training for volunteers and student leaders working with international students. Twenty people turned up! It's really exciting seeing how God is working to mobilize students to reach their peers.

Since Liz's visit to Perth in February, we now have six student leaders on three campuses who have seen two other students put their faith in Christ.

Looking Ahead

In a couple of weeks I'll be in Brisbane for a week of national leadership meetings for Student Life. We'll be working on our strategic plan for the next few years. It's an important time coordinating the efforts of almost 100 missionaries and hundreds of students in our desire to reach the 1,037,945 university students on scores of campuses across Australia.

In July, we host our own Mid Year Conference (11-16 July). John North is our speaker again and we have Dr Craig Blomberg as a special guest. The purpose

of MYC is to train and equip our students to "make disciples who will make disciples who will make disciples."

In the Family

Katrise is loving school. She has made some great friends and has really enjoyed learning to read. She's easily memorizing her 100 "sight words" and is beginning to spell.

Philip loves being with his friends at school and he's begun playing soccer again. He prefers to play goalie, unless the game is like last week where his team mates never let the opposition get the ball into our end of the field! (They won 5-0).

Liz is still training Pip at Macquarie Uni, catching up with the other missionary mums, being class parent at the school, and manager of Philip's soccer team. She's leading a Bible study at church and involved in a dozen different people's lives.

While life doesn't seem to slow down, this is a good time of the year for me to review our finances and talk to people about partnering with us in the ministry – prayerfully and financially. That's meant extra phone calls and visits. We've been encouraged by different responses. God is our provider.

We thank you for your ongoing partnership with us in this ministry. There is so much going on that we could write pages and pages. We hope that these few words encourage you to remember that our great missionary God is at work in the world – even in the lives of university students in Australia.

In His love and grace,
Geoff, Liz, Philip & Katrise

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**A message from Concord
Community Church (29 May)**

Dear Friends and Praying Partners,
Greetings in the name of our Lord
Jesus Christ. We wrote to you nearly a
year ago, regarding the approval of our
new church building plans by the City of
Canada Bay Council. Here is the update.

**The old church building has now
been demolished and removed. The
construction work has commenced
for our new church building on the
site. Praise God!**

All the believers at Concord
Community Church sincerely thank you
for your prayers, encouragement and
assistance for this wonderful project for
the glory of God.

Elsmore Constructions, the builders,
have assured us that the new church

building will be completed by 18th
December 2011. Depending on the
weather and other factors, we hope that
the project will be completed earlier.

We praise and thank God for the
support of the Stewards Foundation of
Christian Brethren. They stood by us
throughout these years and have been a
source of great inspiration and blessings
to us at Concord.

Please continue to pray with us that
all of God's plan for the new Concord
Community Church will be fulfilled.

Your continued prayerful support
of our Church Building Fund would be
greatly appreciated.

God's blessings and kind regards

Yours in His service,

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- To Pray for Israel.

**For further information please visit the website at www.awaketoisrael.org
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Everyone is welcome and encouraged to come and together search the Scriptures.**

Awake to Israel is a ministry of Epping Gospel Chapel and combined Christian Brethren Assemblies of Australia

RECONCILIATION

by W.D. Archbold PhD

I wonder if you, at any time in your life, have had an argument with someone? If you have, but afterwards you sat down with that person and talked about it and you decided to 'bury the hatchet' and be friends again, then – we call that "Reconciliation".

The word. I have always been fond of definitions. It is difficult to discuss a concept if we don't know the meaning of the words. The spoken language is still the pre-eminent means of human communication.

The words in the New Testament that are usually translated into the English word 'Reconciliation' are all based on the one Greek word, "*Alag*" with different prepositional prefixes.

The basic meaning of the word is "Change", but the general usage always included the "Bringing together of two or more parties." This is effected by the removal of the grounds of the cause of the disharmony.

Biblical Reconciliation. In Biblical Reconciliation what are the grounds or cause of the disharmony? The answer is simple, "It is sin." The estranged parties are God and Mankind. Therefore, the doctrine of Reconciliation has to do with the restoration of fellowship between man the sinner and God the Holy Creator. The facilitator of Biblical Reconciliation is the Lord Jesus Christ.

The Reconciliation passages. The main Reconciliation passages in the New Testament are found in Romans

5:8–11, Ephesians 2:16–18, Colossians 1:20–22, & 2 Corinthians 5: 11-21.

I am going to concentrate on the Corinthian passage, and I would like to suggest that there are four (4) important sections in this portion of Scripture:-

1. The Evidence of Reconciliation.
2. The Fact of Reconciliation.
3. The Delegation of the Ministry of Reconciliation.
4. The Cost of Reconciliation.

1. The Evidence of Reconciliation.

The evidence is succinctly outlined in verse 17

"Therefore, if anyone is in Christ, he is a new creation; the old has gone, the new has come!"

Today we have people claiming to be a party to Reconciliation without Regeneration and even often without Repentance.

The scriptures affirm being in Christ demands a new life, a change.

Young and old alike frequently pose this question to me. "If I accept Christ will I have to give up this or that?" My reply to this question has never wavered. I always reply with "No, you don't have to give up this or that, you will **want to** give it up. And most importantly, Christ will give you the power to enable you to give it up." My favourite example of this is:-

John Newton. We often remember a man by the bad things that he did in his life and not the good. Perhaps that is why Newton is better known as a slave trader than he was, along with >22

‘Have you ever had an argument?’

William Wilberforce, an ardent campaigner for the abolition of slavery.

This story is told about him. It occurred towards the end of his tenure as a passionate minister of the Gospel....

The Story. Towards the end of his life he was almost blind. A young man used to come daily and read the scriptures to him. One day he read a passage from 1 Corinthians that included the verse;

“But by the grace of God I am what I am, and his grace to me was not without effect.” 1 Cor. 15:10a (NIV)

He interrupted the young man and said, “I would like to say something about that verse.” This is a verbatim account of what he said.

“I am not what I should be. Ah! How imperfect and deficient. I am not what I wish to be. I abhor what is evil, and I would cleave to what is good. I am not what I hope to be. Soon, soon shall I put off, with mortality, all sin. Though I am not what I ought to be, nor what I wish to be, nor what I hope to be, but I can truly say I thank God, I am not what I used to be.”

There is an old clichéd saying, “No change of life, No change of destiny”. Verse 17 clearly implies that if any man be in Christ he “IS” a new creature. The change in the life of a true believer is the unquestionable evidence of Reconciliation.

This is not to suggest for one minute

that sin is still not a factor in our lives. Sinlessness begins when we are with the Lord and we are like Him.

2. The Fact of Reconciliation.

Again the passage makes it abundantly clear that Reconciliation is not something that we hope for, it is “un fait accompli” which is how the French say it is “a finished matter”.

Yet it is an unfortunate fact that thousands of people are trying to add to perfection. One such person was George Spenheim, an Augustinian Monk, who through flogging himself daily as an act of penance, was trying

to assuage God’s anger and thus add to the finished work of Reconciliation. It was Brother Martin Luther who quoted these memorable words to him.

“O my dear brother learn to despair of yourself and say to Him. Thou, Lord Jesus, art my righteousness and I am Thy sin; Thou hast taken what was mine, and hast given me what was Thine. What Thou wast not, Thou didst become so that I might become what I was not.”

Many of the Gospel Preachers of old would frequently say, “It is a Done, not Do Salvation that the Bible offers.”

3. The Delegation of the Ministry of Reconciliation.

2 Corinthians 5:18 (NIV) “All this is from God, who reconciled us to himself through Christ and gave us the ministry of reconciliation.”

What do you think is the purpose ➤

He had satisfied every emotional and legal requirement placed upon Him

for those years of our lives between the day we were saved and the day we go to be with Jesus? The answer is clear; we are to be involved in the Ministry of Reconciliation. What a privilege is ours. The Lord has not committed this ministry to angels but to us, those whom He has redeemed by His precious blood. Unfortunately some people seem to think that this responsibility is worse than being stricken with something like the plague.

The Greatest Threat to Christianity.

What do you think is the greatest threat to Christianity in the world today? Dr. James Stuart was the one-time professor of the New Testament at the University of Edinburgh, and he posed that question to his students. His assertion was:-

• He had satisfied every emotional and legal requirement placed upon Him •

“The greatest threat to Christianity is NOT communism ... It is NOT materialism ... It is NOT atheism. ... The greatest threat to Christianity is Christians trying to sneak into heaven incognito, without ever sharing their faith, without ever becoming significantly involved with the most significant thing God is doing on planet Earth, which is reconciling Himself to men.”

Fence sitters claim, “I’m saved by faith brother, not works.”

James said, “Show me your faith by your WORKS”. In other words, it’s not what we say but what we do that counts.

4. The Cost of Reconciliation.

2 Corinthians 5:21 (NIV) “God made him who had no sin to be sin for us, so that in him we might become the righteousness of God.”

Have you ever heard of Dean F. W. Farrar? His most acclaimed work was his wonderful book, “The Life Of Christ”. After the book was published he said that he wished he had never written the chapter on the physical suffering of Christ, because it masked the real cost.

He went on to say, “The sinless becoming the sin bearer. How grotesque was that for Him? Perhaps it can be partly understood by the words of Isaiah in 52:14 (NIV) “Just as there were many who were appalled at him - his appearance was so

disfigured beyond that of any man and his form marred beyond human likeness.”

Dean F.W. Farrar continued; “The contorted convulsions of an agony beyond our understanding, as He felt the defilement of our sin. This was the real cost of Reconciliation.”

I am constantly overwhelmed by the concept that the Lord bore the defilement of my sin.

Every day of my life I say thanks to Him for what He has done for me. I wonder if you do the same? □

NSW Prison Ministry of ECS

“Remember those in prison as if you were their fellow prisoners ...” Hebrews 13:3

by Len Smith, Principal,
Emmaus Bible College

Prison is a hard place where hate, anger, depression and loneliness thrive.

But Jesus Christ provides new life, and hope for the future! Every month, around the world, thousands of people in prison study Emmaus Correspondence School (ECS) courses and are drawn to the Saviour.

ECS Ministries is effectively reaching people in prison as they learn more about the teaching of Jesus Christ through its courses. The courses have been accepted as an “educational” tool for distribution into Australian Correctional Centres.

The Emmaus Bible Correspondence School has grown since its early beginnings in North America in 1942 to become the largest Bible Distance Education program in the world. Internationally, the ministry currently distributes over 1.3 million courses each year, in over 120 languages in more than 110 countries.

The NSW Prison Ministry is supported through the sale of Emmaus Bible Gems Calendars. Each year approximately 14,000 calendars are distributed throughout New South Wales. These high-quality calendars – which contain the offer of a free Emmaus Correspondence Course – have a Scripture verse for each day. We are grateful to the volunteers and prison chaplains who distribute them before Christmas.

Here is what some of the prisoners are saying:

“I am a sinner made outcast by man for my sins. Man does not forgive, yet these same sins and many more are also against God. He forgave ... I am behind bars, but man cannot lock me up for Christ has set me free. His mercy knows no bounds.”
– S

“I ... used to like doing the things of wickedness, lying, cheating, stealing, etc... I became a Christian in prison and now I hate these things ... God has changed me from being the lover of wickedness to a lover of righteousness ... I know that I can only be successful by surrendering all of my life to Him.” – R

Even though prisoners are locked up and lonely behind concrete walls and iron bars, Jesus Christ does not want anyone to perish.

Through the Correspondence School over 80 courses are available free for prisoners to study. From courses which introduce individuals to Jesus Christ, who He is and why He came, through to topical studies and individual book studies of the Bible.

We invite YOU to partner with us in this important prison ministry.

You can:

§ Pray – either individually or with a small group for the prison ministry;

§ Share – financially to enable people in prison to receive free Bible study courses and free Emmaus Bible Gems Calendars.

Please partner with ECS Ministries in bringing the Word to the World!

‘Jesus explained to them what was said in all the Scriptures concerning Himself.’ (Luke 24:27)

“To Those Who Suffer” – a book review

by Michelle Trew

This is a copy of the book review I posted in November 2010 at www.koorong.com.au, in regard to the book “To those who suffer” by Sean Nolan (paperback, 2010, Appalachian Inc; rrp \$15.95)

This book needed to be written!

As the (Australian!) author says, this book is for those who suffer in circumstances that are unlikely to change in their lifetime. These people have fallen through the cracks; their needs are not being met with the current trend of published books for the suffering Christian.

This book is extremely well written for a first time author. It has a plan, structure and a purpose. It deals with some uncomfortable biblical truth, but in a way that allows the reader to absorb and think as he or she makes their way through the book. The material covered in this book has been what has made me a better Christian and not a bitter Christian, because of my personal battle with chronic pain.

Christians who are suffering need to read this book and take to heart the many biblical passages, characters and

themes that the author presents. The way a person looks at suffering can help him or her deal with that pain.

This book gives God’s perspective on suffering. If the reader wants to read a book that makes them feel warm and fuzzy for a brief moment, or that cons them into thinking that God will change their circumstances regardless of His sovereign will, then this is **not** the book to read. But if you are truly seeking answers from God about your suffering and His love and care for you in the midst of the pain, then you should read this book.

[The Word bookshop web site gives the following information about this book’s author...

“Australian author Sean Nolan is an ordained minister of Glorious Hope Baptist Church in western Sydney, which reaches out to some of the most marginalized members of the community. Sean also works as a Christian political consultant and has spoken at Federal and State Parliament. Sean enjoys rugby, cricket and sci-fi and has a passion for people in pain. Sean completed his studies in Theology at Emmaus Bible College, Sydney from 2004 to 2007.” □

Prison Ministry Liaison Officer/s

Emmaus Correspondence School (ECS) is seeking to employ part time, the service of a Husband and Wife Team to undertake this important role within the College. However individuals should not be deterred from applying for the position.

The applicant/s should have a real

vision and heart for prison ministry and be able to travel within NSW. This role may lead into interstate travel as well.

For further information please contact Dr Leonard Smith at Emmaus Bible College on 02 9876 4370, Mob 0408 967 720, or email:-

lensmith@emmaus.edu.au □



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:-

<http://www.cb-nsw.org.au/useful-links/Links-AO.html>

Please note that glo-australia.com is moving to gloministries.org.au, over the next few months. In view of this, all glo-australia.com email addresses will be changing. There will be an email forwarding service in place during the move. For example Juno Ng's address is changing from Juno@glo-australia.com to:-

JunoN@gloministries.org.au

So far I have not heard from anyone in NSW who has used the recent 'Internet Evangelism Day' as a catalyst to begin using the WWW as a tool to spread the Good News.

Perhaps reading a new book called 'NetCasters' (by Craig von Buseck) will spur you to do something. Its subtitle is "Using the Internet to make Fishers of Men". You can read two sample chapters before deciding to buy the book, by visiting this web page:

www.bhpublishinggroup.com/books/products.asp?p=9780805447842

The author, Craig von Buseck, is ministries director for [CBN.com](http://www.CBN.com), the web site of the Christian Broadcasting Network where he oversees all online evangelism and discipleship efforts.

He also writes the popular [ChurchWatch](#) blog and has served on the faculty of the Jerry Jenkins "Writing for the Soul" Christian writers

conference. Craig lives in Virginia Beach, Virginia.

Like the industrial age before it, the information age has changed our lives in monumental new ways, including how a lot of us are learning about spirituality. Research suggests fifty million people relied solely on the Internet—indeed the new Roman Road—for their faith-based experiences in 2010.

In *NetCasters*, Craig discerningly profiles those who are doing the best job of spreading biblical Christianity online. He encourages the church at large to follow their lead and fish for souls in these same rich waters—from blogs and chat rooms to Facebook pages, Twitter accounts, and beyond.

One large web site that is operating to present the good news of Jesus Christ over the Internet is 'Global Media Outreach' :-

www.globalmediaoutreach.com

It has a staff of 60 located in California, Texas and Florida. Also it has more than 5,000 online missionaries who respond to emails coming in from gospel and discipleship websites. It presents the gospel in over 100 languages. The stated goal of the site is "to help those who contact us find Christ and then to help them grow in their Christian faith and perhaps become connected to a local church".

For anyone exploring questions about life and God – have a look at:-

www.EveryStudent.com



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- To generate funds, through the Book Service and other means, toward the support of NSW Home Workers.
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Set on a ridge with panoramic views to the mountains, Groves House is a 60 bed care centre providing low-level care, dementia care and ageing-in-place to the people of Newcastle, Lake Macquarie and the surrounding districts.

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