

Tasda

*Transforming Tasmania
with Jesus for Eternity*

“Operation Rescue” Continues...

First King Island Baptisms for 24 years

Just a little under 5 years ago, a Rescue Mission was commenced to “save” the King Island SDA Church from extinction. The house at the side of the church had been sold and it was intended that the church be sold as soon as a buyer could be found.

The land had been purchased and a church had been built with a team of volunteers in early January 1981, and at that stage had an average attendance of about 40. Over the years the membership had decreased and the last surviving original member (Laurie Morgan) was buried in 2013.



Barry Whelan baptising Sumarie on Sabbath while her husband David Stewart watches

Following his funeral, a couple of laymen from Victoria, Barry Whelan and Vivian Hill (now a member of Ulverstone Church) learned that the church was due to be sold, and so they set out to “rescue” the church.

After 5 years of ministry, travelling each week from Victoria, on January 19 and 20, 2019 the King Island church celebrated its FIRST BAPTISMS for 24 years.

The church group and a number of visitors witnessed the baptism of a young newly married couple David and Sumarie Stewart on Sabbath January 19, and the following day a mother and daughter, Kymm and Gracye Hill were baptised together in the same beautiful natural rock pool (British Admiral pool) just south of the main township of Currie.



Kymm and Gracye Hill with Barry Whelan at their baptism the next day

The regular attendance is now between 15 to 20 and we praise our wonderful God for His gracious mercy and love and may the rescue story continue under His blessing and leadership. Fellow Tasmanians please pray for this outreach!!!

Pr Barry Whelan
King Island SDA Church

God On The Move In Tasmania

As you will see in what follows, God is truly at work in Tasmania. One of the primary reasons we are seeing the hand of God is because members are spending more time in prayer. Camp meeting illustrated this. Early Morning Prayer meetings were well attended and a day of prayer and fasting was held at camp along with other prayer and fasting days during the year.

A clear sign of God's moving is an increase in the number of people coming to Jesus and joining His church through baptism, and a growth in the spiritual vitality of some churches. In 2017 the conference had 20 baptisms and professions of faith, and in 2018 there were 25 baptisms and professions of faith - a 25% increase on 2017. Last year New Norfolk had its first baptism for many years when Patrick Pan gave His life to Jesus. Ulverstone witnessed 5 baptisms last year with more to come this year, while Glenorchy had 7 baptisms with 2 Professions of faith and also more to follow this year. Following an evangelistic campaign and prophecy seminar last year, Launceston is looking to see 5 people baptised this year. Deloraine church continues to grow with sometimes 70 people worshipping on Sabbath and a group now meets regularly at George Town.

Due to the blessing of God and the faithfulness of His people, we have been able to add an additional Gospel Minister this year in Eugene Estil, and also a fifth Bible Worker, who it is anticipated will join Robbie Berghan in the Devonport/Ulverstone/Sheffield area in the second half of the year. Last year our members generously gave a massive \$90,000 for Bible Workers, some \$60,000 of which was given in a special offering at our camp meeting. In 2018 Eugene Estil and Candice Berghan were our first two Bible Workers. God used them both in marvellous ways.

Roberto Passos, from Brazil arrived on March 18 to be our Bible Worker in the Launceston, Deloraine, and Scottsdale region. Joao Silva, another Brazilian Bible Worker, arrives in April to work under Pr Rajko Celic in the Smithton, Wynyard, Burnie and Waratah region.

Volunteers, consistently working in Waratah, and in ADRA and other Op shops in Hobart, Ulverstone and Launceston continue to reach out to the community in practical ministry that God is blessing.

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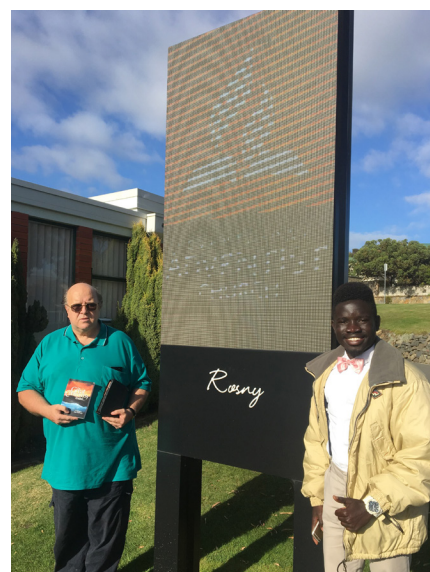
Both of our schools are moving forward, with enrollments up in 2019. Last year North West Christian School received re-registration from the Tasmanian Schools Registration Board, and for the first time for many years, both schools returned a profit (see Pr Cosmin's exciting treasury report that follows). But more importantly than this, both of our schools saw students baptised through the influence of our teachers and chaplains on the children.

It is wonderful to see that an increasing number of Sabbath School classes around the conference are now praying for class members and giving time for members to share how God has used them in reaching out to others in the previous week. When Sabbath School is strong and vibrant the church will transform Tasmania.

The work of our literature evangelists is making inroads. Early this year a Literature Evangelist (LE) outreach in New Norfolk, as part of the preparation for our Easter Camp, resulted in \$2,566 worth of book orders/deliveries, 1,173 free pieces of literature distributed, 11 Bible studies, 50 prayers, and 64 homes that will be followed up by



Eugene and Michelle Estil's home group continues to grow to nearly 30. Imagine if this were to happen around the conference. Eugene has been employed this year as a minister to plant a church in Hobart.



Franco brings his contact from the New Norfolk LE Outreach to Rosny Church

church members/pastors. One man also attended the Rosny Church on Sabbath as a result of this outreach. Imagine what would happen if we had more literature evangelists, and if each of us gave out 5 pieces of literature or lent 3 DVDs each week?

However, as we look forward we can also clearly see the hand of God at work. It is thrilling to see churches working together in 2019 to bring people to Christ. Let me share just a few of the plans for this year:

1. Health Expos, Cooking Classes, Depression Recovery Seminars and other health initiatives, followed by regular monthly health programs will be run in many churches around the conference, thanks to the SPD grant of \$106,000 give to our conference for church-based health initiatives.
2. Youth training camp week & weekend training by Johnny Wong on how to organise and conduct evangelistic Care Groups. Ulverstone, Smithton, Wynyard and Burnie are starting AY programs with songs and worship to foster inter-generational unity, and to grow faith.
3. Conference Easter Camp in New Norfolk to reach the local community.
4. Hobart churches and the Hilliard School are working together extensively this year to reach their community through the following initiatives:
 - A one day Prophetica Seminar to launch Secrets of Prophecy Seminars across the city.
 - Ancient Mysteries city-wide reaping campaign in September.
 - Daniel Discipleship Seminars across the city.
5. King Island - Ancient Mysteries evangelistic meetings, with follow up Secrets of Prophecy seminar.

We would love to hear what plans your church has for reaching your community this year in order to include them in TASDA. We want our churches across Tasmania to pray for your church's soul winning initiatives.

Pr Gary Webster
Conference President

“Prophecy What?”

Imagine for a moment you were sitting in the large spacious living room of Hiram Edson on the day of October 22, 1844, eagerly awaiting the Second Coming of Jesus. Throughout the day buggies and wagons arrived filled with excited and earnest believers. As the day unfolds all are eagerly waiting, sharing Bible promises, singing hymns, and recounting the prophecies, while the children are playing and longingly and impatiently looking up for the slightest sign of Jesus coming.

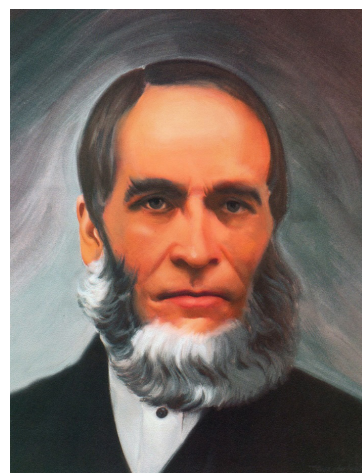
Continuing your sanctified imagination, now imagine you can see their faces with all the joy of anticipation of redemption, the end of sin, and going home for eternity. For them, the battle will be over shortly. The afternoon grew late, still nothing. The sun set and bravely and stout-heartedly all waited until the mid-night bells tolled. The day now gone, and with it their hopes of Jesus' return. Imagine the depth of their disappointment! Amongst the maelstrom the question loomed of what went wrong. Where is God in all this? Had the prophecies failed? Is Jesus still coming back? This was truly a time where the Millerite's' faith was bitterly tested.

Although Hiram Edson and others wept until the day dawned, they had to emerge to face a new day along with the taunts and ridicule from their neighbours. Hiram Edson, reflecting on his experience, described it as an “agonizing time of grief.” Remarkably, while many others abandoned their faith, some relied on fanaticism, and others spiritualized away the event, Edson's faith never wavered. The revelation and the recognition of the cleansing of the sanctuary only came gradually and it was out of this very small group that the future Adventist leaders emerged.

The early Adventist saw Revelation 10 of special prophetic significance – especially the bitter sweet experience that helped to explain their disappointment. Here is the difficult part – after the Great Disappointment, they were commissioned to prophesy again – but prophesy what? That became the subject for the early Adventists over the next several years through the discovery (or re-discovery) of the pillars of our faith.

Although Adventists have understood the commissioning of the church to proclaim the message of the Second Coming to the entire world, yet in light of the delay, many struggle with the question of prophesying what? Almost 175 years on, has the bright light of the prophecies dimmed? Matthew's prophecy of earthquakes, famines, and pestilences are events that form an important part of the prophecy of the Second Coming, but are often greeted secretly with – “I have heard all this before...” Yet these signs are like road signs that remind us we are on the right track. What would you prophesy about – what message would you share to others in your world?

Our world, more than ever needs to hear the good news of the Gospel of grace, forgiveness, restoration, and the Second Coming, with a confidence that is grounded upon the prophecies, and is armed with the assurance of the resurrection. Grace, restoration and forgiveness are needed all the more in this world of social



Hiram Edson (1806 - 1882)

**“Almost 175 years on,
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media that can so easily destroy people's lives and careers. Take Liam Neeson, a famous actor, who recently confessed his reaction when someone close to him was raped 40 years ago - hoping to take out his anger on any African American. Despite him stating how ashamed he was from his reaction, it ignited a racial fire-storm that threatens his acting career – despite his expression of remorse and shame regarding his rage. Vengeance is no answer, forgiveness and grace reconciles and restores and therefore is a message our society needs all the more.

Indeed this is the message that has been going state-wide. Each week volunteers from our churches are working hard to share the good news. Like the early apostolic church, let us pray for the Spirit to wax bolder in sharing Jesus as His coming draws ever nearer.

Dr Mark Falconer
General Secretary

Conference Finances In Great Shape

It is exciting to see the way God is moving in the financial situation of our conference. This is clearly seen below, firstly as we present an update of the Financial Objectives of the Conference Strategic Plan and secondly in last year's financial statements.

Update on the Financial Objectives of the Strategic Plan

1. Schools to be Self-sufficient.

- Since we presented the Strategic Plan to the constituents in the middle of 2017, The Conference Administration and the School Board of directors have implemented various strategies and policies to create greater efficiencies in the School System and as a result, 2018 has brought us all a great result.
- Both schools have reported profits at the year end with a total figure of \$255,286 and the Church support to the Schools was approximately 27% less than the average of the previous 10 years.

2. Tithe to Increase

- 2018 has seen an increase of over 15% in tithe over the previous year. This makes it the highest yearly increase in the last 30 years.
- 2019 has started with another increase for the month of January and we pray and hope that the trend of the previous year will continue.

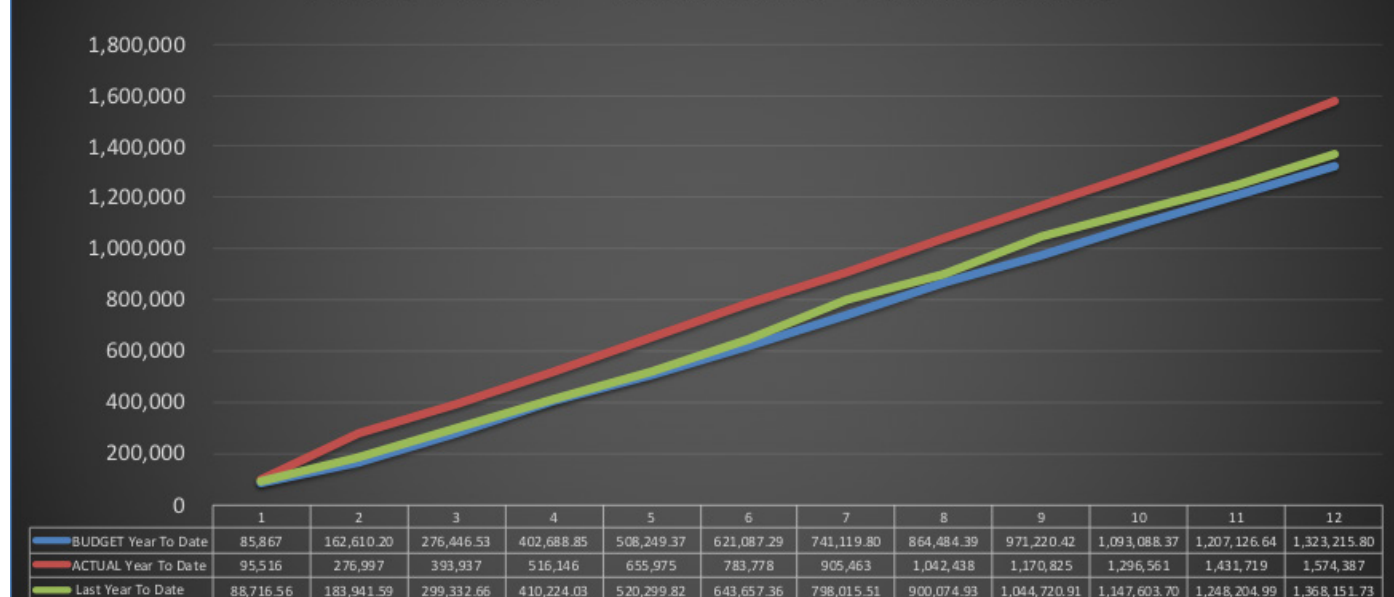
3. Develop Both Campgrounds

To generate income that will further the mission of the Conference.

HIGHLIGHTS:

- Spring Beach has reported a surplus of \$24,848. This is worth celebrating and I would like to pay tribute to Ian and Robyn Dunlop for their hard work, dedication and commitment to bring Spring Beach Youth Camp to surplus.
- There were various infrastructure upgrades at Spring Beach Youth Camp ground during this period, which included a new Commando Course and a new/remodeled Rockwood Chapel. We

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also plan to build a brand new kitchen and dining area in the near future.

- While we continue to look at ways to develop Spring Beach Youth Camp further, our focus is moving to further development of the Devonport Pine Springs Campground. We welcome retired pastor Ray Codling as Campground superintendent with his vision to bring this facility to a new standard.

- Investment of Proceeds from Sale of Franklin Wharf for Mission
 - The Strategic Plan mandates us to invest these proceeds in such a way as to generate Income that will further the mission of the Conference.

Date of Settlement	Investments	Return on Investment per year		
01.05.2018	10 Merino Steet, Kings Meadows	\$ 2,505,413.00	\$ 203,597.00	8.13%
04.09.2018	70 Sandy Bay Road, Batery Point	\$ 1,188,255.00	\$ 61,432.00	5.17%
04.09.2018	72 Sandy Bay road, Battery Point	\$ 1,188,255.00	\$ 60,000.00	5.05%

Summary of the properties owned properties

- Above is a summary of the properties that have been bought and their present return.
- The Special Constituency Meeting held at Launceston Church on 3rd of March 2019, has approved the relocation of the conference office to 5 Eady Street, Glenorchy. As a result, the current property situated at 157 Main Road, Moonah, will become part of the investment portfolio, being available for rent as soon as the new conference office building is constructed.

Financial Statements (Summary) - 2018

Seventh-day Adventist Church (Tasmanian Conference) Limited

Statement of Profit or loss (Summary)

Income

Net Tithe Income	\$1,266,269
Other Income	\$ 99,764
Appropriations received	\$ 147,430*
Total Income	\$1,513,463

Expense

Departmental operating Service Activities	(\$1,354,371)
Devonport and Camp Meeting	(\$ 23,777)
Spring Beach Youth Camp	\$ 24,848*
Total Service Activities	\$ 1,071
Other Expenditure	
Education Support	(\$ 39,696)
Total Expense	\$1,392,996
Net Surplus/(Deficit)	\$ 120,467***

Statement of Financial Position (Summary)

Total Assets	\$1,113,269
Total Liabilities	(\$ 489,904)
Total Equity	\$ 625,366

Notes:

*These appropriations include support from the South Pacific Division and the Australian Union Conference. Due to an increase in tithe and a smaller budget, we did not have to receive an appropriation from Tasmanian Conference Unincorporated. Thank you for supporting the church with your faithful tithe.

**An amazing year for Spring Beach with surplus at the end of the year.

***It is a great result and we praise God for it.

Seventh-day Adventist Church (Tasmanian Conference) Unincorporated

Statement of Profit or loss (Summary)

Income

Other Income	\$ 124,752*
Property Operating Expense	\$ 62,174**
Appropriations given	(\$ 100,000)***
Other expenses	(\$ 18,409)
Surplus/(Deficit)	\$ 68,518

Statement of Financial Position (Summary)

Total Assets	\$13,588,801
Total Liabilities	(\$ 163,908)
Total Equity	\$13,424,893

*This amount reflects the interest realised from the cash held with CMF

** Net income from the real estate investments acquired in 2018

*** A 100k appropriation from the Pengana Estate was given to support North West Christian School Note: This is a modest but steady result that is a good foundation for 2019.

Seventh-day Adventist Schools (Tasmania) Limited

Statement of Profit or loss (Summary)

Total Income	\$3,809,161
Total Expense	\$3,553,875
Net Surplus/Deficit	\$ 255,286*

Statement of Financial Position (Summary)

Total Assets	\$1,474,805
Total Liabilities	\$2,167,757
Total Equity	(\$ 692,952)**

Statement of Cash Flows (Summary)

Net cash provided by operating activities	\$ 597,964
Net cash used by investing activities	(\$171,669)
Net cash increase	\$ 426,295
Cash at the beginning of the year	\$ 399,064
Cash at the end of the year	\$ 825,359***

*Great result for our two schools. One of the major factors in achieving this was the increase in the students/staff ratio, with more students joining and better staff management for the 2018 calendar year. I would like to acknowledge the work of Lyndon Chapman, our Conference Education Director, and the two school principals, Stephen Littlewood and David McNeil, for their active role in achieving this result.

**The negative equity is a result of many years of the school system not being able to honour the liabilities incurred over the years towards the Conference due to low levels of cash.

*** This is a very encouraging level of cash at the end of 2018 that gives us great opportunities in managing the school needs and liabilities in 2019.

I would like to give praise to our Lord and Saviour, Jesus Christ. It is because of our wonderful God, His love and care that we can bring all this good news to you. There is a lot more work to be done. But we are moving forward, confident in God's leadership, as He opens doors for new projects and ventures that help to transform Tasmania with Jesus for eternity.

Pr Cosmin Dan-Marica
Chief Financial Officer

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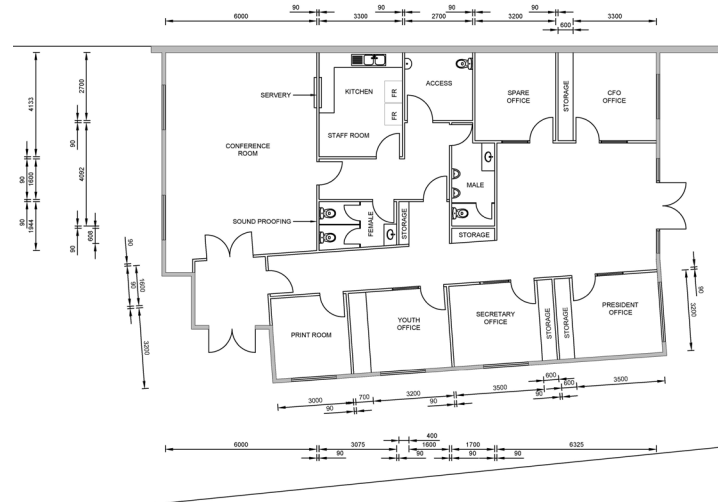
New Conference Office Voted For Tasmania



A frontal view of the proposed conference office

Delegates at the Special Conference Constituency meeting held on March 3 overwhelmingly voted in favour of building a new Tasmania Conference administration office with funds left over from the sale of the Franklin Wharf property. The office, which is to be built at Glenorchy in Hobart, has been intentionally designed to double as a Centre of Influence in order to reach the surrounding community. The existing Moonah administration office will now become part of our conference investment portfolio, and be rented out to provide income for mission.

The Special Constituency meeting held in July last year, formed a "Conference Office Committee", consisting of: The Executive Committee; Investments Committee; and a representative from each church. This committee brought to the March 3, 2019 Special Constituency meeting a recommendation to build a new administration office in Glenorchy. "We certainly did not expect this recommendation," said Pr Gary Webster, the Conference President. "The administration presented six possible options to the Conference Office Committee, and thought it would opt for a refurbishing of the Eady Street property. However the committee overwhelmingly recommended a totally new building. With all the prayer and fasting for God's guiding hand that occurred, I sincerely



The site plan for the proposed conference office

believe we have seen Him at work among us to guide in the whole process. Thank-you to all who have fasted, prayed and worked on this project," he said.

Conference 4WD Camp

From the 25-28th of January young people from around the Conference attended the BIG WKND 4WD (4 wheel drive) Camp!

Originally planned for the west coast, it had to be relocated due to fire danger up to Derby. Aside from some awesome and challenging 4WD drives with great views, the campers enjoyed going for a walk to view several sets of waterfalls and even exploring an old abandoned tin mine! Pastor Daniel Matteo also shared messages on the youth department's theme for the year "Identity War!" Pastor Brad Cooke also provided awesome music on his guitar.

The weekend concluded with an appeal for us all to put God first!



Pr Brad Cooke leading the singing at the 4WD Camp

Launceston Pathfinder/Adventurer Investiture

Sabbath 1st Dec 2018 saw the investiture of Launceston Pathfinders for the 58th consecutive year, one of the longest continuously active clubs in the Division. Ken and Wendy Stanton have been at the helm for about a decade. We say a big thank you for your leadership and dedication. Enjoy your retirement from this area of ministry as the Lord leads you in other directions.

We also have a good Adventurers Club, directed by Bethany McKay and her team.

We beheld a bunch of cheerful, happy faces as members of both clubs received their well earned awards. Well done to all and may we look forward to the ongoing presence of both clubs well into the future.



Bec Hearps and Katie Stanton having a blast at the pathfinder investiture

Deloraine Youth on the Move

"Deloraine Youth on the Move" were once again for the third time invited to participate at the Deloraine show and were enthusiastically received by parents and children. The youth had a blast as they performed a puppet show for the young children about peer pressure by adapting the Bible story of Shadrach, Meshach and Abed-Nego.

The "Deloraine Youth on the Move" have been participating in church services and ran one of their own. Many of the youth stepped up to the pulpit with their own sermonette after being given a topic/question to discuss. It is clear that we have many talented young people with a heart for God and the great possibility of future speakers. The younger youth/children were also involved by using their talents to provide a blessing to everyone through a wonderful special item. The Youth have also been invited to speak at Scottsdale church. All in all it is clear the God is working in the young people and we pray will continue to do so.

Talitha Cranstoun



"Deloraine Youth On The Move" at the Deloraine Show



The Deloraine youth speakers

Deloraine Kids on the Move

On Monday 24 December, members of the Deloraine teen, junior and primary Sabbath School classes along with their parents conducted a Christmas program at the two nursing homes in Deloraine.

We started at Grenoch nursing home, where we met with around 10 elderly residents and performed a series of Christmas carols with poems and musical items, telling the story of the birth of Jesus. Several carers joined us for the 40 minute program and thoroughly enjoyed the music and readings.

We then moved on to Kanangra nursing home where more than 40 residents, family members and nursing staff were waiting for us. The residents joined in singing the traditional Christmas carols, and enjoyed the interaction with the younger members of the group as they read poems, performed musical items, and built a cross with boxes including sheep wool representing the shepherds, straw hay representing the manger, frankincense, gold and myrrh representing the wise men, and a crown of thorns representing Jesus ultimate sacrifice.

There were many questions about where the group were from, and many requests for the children to return to do more singing with them.

Jessica Spedding



The Deloraine kids singing

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Women's Ministry Seeks To Transform Tasmania

The New Year brings the excitement of new potentials- friendships, learning opportunities, service outreach, spiritual growth, worship and untold blessings from God. This year Adventist Women in Tasmania are looking forward to the following important dates:

- 8th June Women's Ministries Emphasis Day
- 24th August End It Now! Emphasis Day
- 18-20th October Spring Breach Retreat
- 8-10th November Leaders Retreat with special Adventist Women international speaker

Regionally there will be health outreach opportunities, teen Bible studies program and young ladies dinners to anticipate. Assistance with preparing for, or serving at our health expos and regional shows in conjunction with our Health Director, Natasha Jordan, is also a unique opportunity. Ladies it is vital you understand you are a daughter of the King and grow in Him (2 Corinthians 6:18, Galatians 4:7). A unique opportunity has also developed to be part of a daily text Bible studies with ladies across Australia. If you'd like to participate please talk

to your church representative or email

KrystalHarder@adventist.org.au for further information.

Evangelism and outreach don't have to be scary words or things

Pressing together and moving forward...

Looking back over the last year, we can confidently say that God was with us as we humbly served Him. I love the quote in Colporteur Ministry page 154, "As the end draws near, the work of God is to increase in full strength and purity and holiness. The workers are to be filled with love for God and for one another..... Let us ever remember that we are laborers together with God."

As a church we have been blessed with many different ministries, all playing their part, to carry forward the everlasting gospel. May we all continue to press together in unity that our God can continue to use us as His vessels to hasten the return of our Saviour Jesus Christ.

As Literature Evangelists we will, with God's blessing...



to avoid. Volunteering within your local community or ADRA op shop, visiting an aged care facility as a group, having a craft afternoon or neighbours over for an afternoon tea are all methods of connecting with our communities and broadening our friendship circles. This presents opportunities to share and discover the needs of those around you while developing friendships which can impact others eternally. Mums at the Tables magazine and website can support mums that surround us. A small handmade and decorated inspirational quote with a mint can brighten someone's day. Ask your Adventist Women's leader to find out ways you can serve within your local community or contact me on the above email.

Krystal Harder

Women's Ministries Director Tasmania

1. Continue to connect our contacts with church members and Pastors
2. Encourage many in the community to come along to our church services and programs
3. Further encourage church members to distribute literature
4. Grow the Literature Ministry team
5. Sell and give away many message books into the community.

One of the highlights of last year was working along-side our Hobart Pastors. After a time of worship, prayer and a wholesome breakfast, we set out to meet our neighbours around the Glenorchy and New Norfolk churches, offering our freshly reprinted classic book, *The Desire of Ages* as a special gift from the Seventh-day Adventist



Hobart Pastors ready to deliver Desire of Ages



Paul Borg with the Tasmania LE of the year award



The LE year end dinner

church. Conference president Pr Gary Webster wrote, “I was able to get all my Desire of Ages into homes.... a great blessing. We need to do it again...”

It was also good working with our team of LE's and then to meet together for our end of year dinner, enjoying a time of reflection and fellowship. Once again Paul Borg was awarded Tasmanian LE of the Year. Congratulations Paul!

2019 will be another year of opportunities to minister for our soon coming Jesus. Let us continue to press together and work as one and our God will work with us.

Joe Paola

LE Team Leader Victoria & Tasmania Conferences

Tassie Pathfinder Expedition

This year for a change we had Pathfinder Expedition in Collinsvale! Thanks so much to Collinsvale Church for letting us basecamp in their parking lot! By way of thanks our kids led out in their church service, but the church surprised us again by putting on a massive potluck feast.

Our expedition walks consisted of four groups: beginners/injured who climbed to the base of Trestle Mountain; beginners who went to the base of Trestle Mountain then climbed Collins Cap; an intermediate group who climbed Collins Bonnet (a very tough climb); an advanced intermediate group who climbed Collins Bonnet and Collins Cap; and the dead set champions who achieved the ultimate goal by climbing Collins Cap, Trestle Mountain and Collins Bonnet!

A big thank you to Natalie Moore (one of Launceston's club staff) for sharing worships from God's word on the subject of “Climbing Life's Mountains” and Anna Bocchino (our new southern District Director) for organising leadership activities throughout the weekend. See you all again the next time all the clubs in Tasmania meet at our Devonport Pathfinder Rally and Fair weekend August 23-25 where Pastor Gary Webster will be telling us all about the Sanctuary!

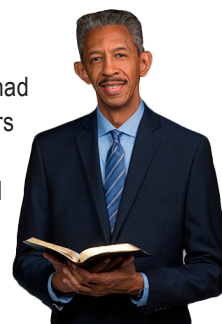
Isaiah 40:9 says, “O Zion, that bringest good tidings, get thee up into the high mountain”.



Tassie Pathfinder “Expeditionaries”

3ABN Visits Launceston

The concertina doors of Launceston Church had to be opened to allow the overflow of members and visitors to be seated in the foyer as over 180 people were in attendance for the special occasion of having the 3ABN team bless us by holding meetings on Friday and Sabbath 19th and 20th October.



Pastor John Lomacang of 3ABN preaching to an overflowing congregation

An array of speakers, singers and musicians brought the Gospel message in various topics, which opened the hearts of many as minds were directed to the saving grace of Jesus. A call was made on Sabbath morning by Pastor John Lomacang for people to make a decision for Jesus, and a number of beautiful souls came forward. Praise the Lord.

KID'S CHURCH

Launceston had their first Kid's Church on 16th February 2019. Organised by Elma Elliott, with the assistance of Melissa Rogers and Julie Hopkins, the children brought joy, enthusiasm and talent to the worship of our Saviour. The church was full and appreciative and the children had a sense of belonging. Looking forward to being blessed this way again. Thank you to all involved.



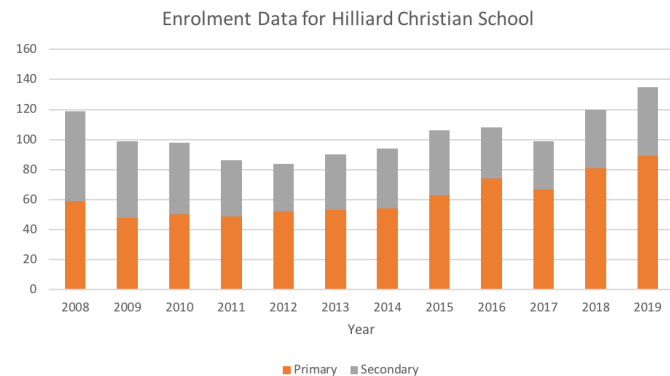
Launceston kids leading out in Launceston's first Kid's Church

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Hilliard Christian School Report

Increased Enrolments for 2019

God is continuing to bless Hilliard Christian School, with a further increase in enrolments, as can be shown by the graph below.



This is giving us an increase of over 35% across the last two years.

This growth has required us to add an additional teacher. We welcome **Miss Monique Calais** (pictured) to Hilliard Christian School. Miss Calais joins us from Adelaide in South Australia. She will be teaching a combination of Year 3, Years 1 & 2 and some release time for the other Primary teachers.



From the beginning of the school year she has fitted well into the Hilliard culture and is well liked by the students.

Combined Schools PD At Campbell Town

Together with the teachers from Northwest Christian School, the teachers from Hilliard Christian School shared a Professional Development Day.



Staff from Hilliard Christian School and Northwest Christian School after their combined professional development program at Campbell Town

The keynote speaker was Dr Jillian Abell, who spoke about developing Professional Learning Communities.

As well as her presentation, Mark Hansen, from Adventist Schools Australia, spoke about school improvement using data. Lyndon Chapman, the Education Director for the Tasmanian Schools, presented on a personal improvement program.

The next Combined School's Professional Development meeting will be at the commencement of Term 2 and will be presented by Nina Aitcheson, from Adventist School Australia. She will be presenting on the distinctives of Seventh-day Adventist Schools.

Staff from Hilliard Christian School and Northwest Christian School after their combined Professional Development Program at Campbell Town.

Local MP Visits the School

On Friday, February 15, our local MP, Mr Andrew Wilkie, visited the school. This was his first visit to the school for a couple of years. Together with the Principal, Mr Stephen Littlewood, they had a look around the school, discussed the future directions of the school and also chatted about the Sexual Discrimination Act. This act has the potential to make it difficult to select staff consistent with our school's values.

Mr Wilkie listened respectfully, asked challenging questions and walked away with lots to think about.



Mr Andrew Wilkie and Mr Littlewood at Mr Wilkie's office earlier in the year

Quality Adventist Schools

The Quality Adventist Schools Framework is a guide for schools to set a direction toward developing excellence in each school. Last year Hilliard Christian School looked at four different areas, including resourcing and relationships between students and families.



As a result of this, Hilliard identified three key areas for improvement for this year:

- Numeracy
- Technology
- Marketing

In the next TASDA news we will have updates on our progress in Numeracy and Technology. But if you wish to see part of our marketing, check out our website (www.hilliardadventist.com.au) and our Facebook page (<https://www.facebook.com/HilliardChristianSchool/>).

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First day selfies at Hilliard Christian School
with Dae Dae, Esther and Eh Eh

North West Christian School

Year 10 Celebration 2018

Out of uniform and oh what a difference to the appearance of North West Christian School's Year 10 students and their guests as they celebrated at their Formal Dinner. Lots of photos, delicious food, fun and laughter were had by all as staff celebrated with the class of 2018 on the completion of their education with us. One student was feeling rather sad but also excited about the change ahead. The comment made was "I started school at North West when I was in Prep. This school has been like my second family, thanks everyone".

"Whatever work you do, do it with all your heart. Do it for the Lord and not for men" (Colossians 3:23).



NWCS Year 10 students and their invited guests ready to attend their formal dinner

Spring Beach Camp Goodbye & Welcome

Goodbye to Joel & Shaleah Williamson-Ryle

It has been a great blessing to Spring Beach to have Joel and



Joel & Shaleah

Shaleah with us for the last two years. Joel has been a volunteer assisting the managers. His work in developing the camp facilities and his witness to children has been greatly appreciated. Various school groups have expressed appreciation for his interaction with the children. Thank-you so much for the great help you have been as a team in forwarding God's mission at our Spring Beach camp ground.

Welcome to New Assistant Manager

Dale Ashton, his wife Sonya and children Hannah (7) and Levi (5) have come from Weipa, Queensland to join the staff at Spring Beach to help make a difference in the lives of the children and people that come here.

Dale's background in a variety of different industries from mechanics to drafting to Park's and Wildlife work will be put to good use as he looks after and develops the environmental side of our Youth Camp, helping with the maintenance of the property and running and developing activities for the groups that come here.

Sonya, comes from a teaching background and will be busy homeschooling their two children.

The Ashton's are certainly a welcome addition to our staff here at Spring Beach Youth Camp and our church family here in Tasmania.



The Ashton family

Notice Board

Save The Date! 18-22nd April 2019 Easter Family Outreach Camp: New Norfolk THE POWER OF HOPE

Camp 2019 will be held at New Norfolk Caravan Park at No.1
The Esplanade, New Norfolk TAS.

Bookings for caravan and private tent sites can be made through
Wendy Scott at wendyscott@adventist.org.au or phone 6273 6277.

JOSÉ ROJAS FOR NEW NORFOLK CONFERENCE EASTER CAMPMEETING 2019

Featuring: Pastor José Rojas

Elder José Rojas from the USA will be our guest speaker for Easter Camp at New Norfolk next year. Born into an abusive home, José grew to fear his father's drunken rampages. José overcame failing grades, fanaticism, and institutional inertia to develop a life-changing youth outreach based on love and prayer. Today his preaching is in worldwide demand, and he serves as a mentor to others.

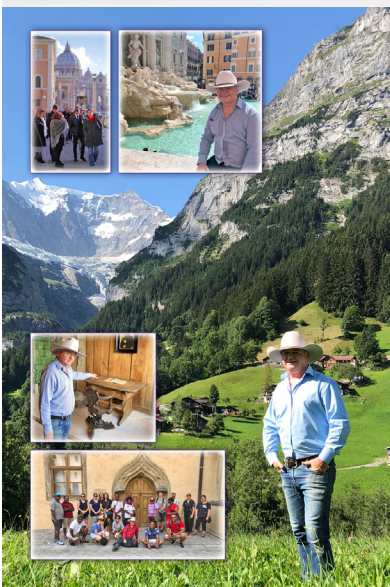
Adventist Singles Network

SNOW CAMP

7-10 June 2019

Queen's Birthday Long W'end

for Singles in Australia & New Zealand
at Adventist Alpine Village,
Jindabyne NSW



Guest Speaker Pr James Toogood
Theme By Grace through Faith
The Big ? Can a sinner get to heaven?
Key text Ephesians 2:8-9

You will enjoy this armchair pictorial tour. James led a group in 2018 through Rome, the Waldense valleys, Swiss Alps and Reformation Germany.

See the sites and discover how Calvin, Zwingli, Luther and a terrible Pope split Europe and birthed atheism. Marvel how Luther was so romantic. Learn how Calvin birthed the Swiss luxury watch industry. Be surprised about their hidden impact on your life, even today.

* Cost \$245 - Full Accommodation & Meals
* Linen/Pillowslip & Towel Hire \$12 or BYO
Price does not include Ski/Board Hire or Lift tickets
Applications online from 18th March to 21st May

FIND OUT MORE OR REGISTER ONLINE
www.sns.w.adventist.org.au/events/#singles

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