



MMMTAS News

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Burnie Community Church



On the 22nd March immediately following our 'Weekend Retreat' at Camp Clayton a small team started at the Burnie Community Church (Montello). Gwen Hall, who is visiting and assisting on work sites with her husband Phill from the big island, provided this report on just how 'The Job' went:

The team on the project consisted of Percy Ashdown (Team Leader) Kelvin Chilcott and Ian Charleston (both as volunteer helpers who were able to offer younger legs to work on the steeper roof sections), prepared and painted the roof of the church and the rear building. Whilst Phill Hall (NSW) stayed on the ground supporting the boys on the roof and also carrying out maintenance on the doors, rusted arch bars and water damaged ceilings.

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This little church was very appreciative of our contribution to their ongoing work for our Lord.



GLO Training Centre

The 5th April (Easter Monday) saw much of the team arrive at GLO in Smithton on the North West corner of Tasmania, ready for an early start the next morning. The task was to paint the exterior of the main buildings, general exterior painting of the 'flats', plus numerous general repairs and maintenance as time permits.

The contingent for the first week consisted of Jack and Adrianna Van der Wal (Team Leader), Geoff and Helen Dean, Wes Carpenter, Phill and Gwen Hall (NSW) and Ian Cox were ably supported by Noel Budge from the Maintenance Committee at GLO, who was once a professional painter himself in Sydney. Skies were quite dark and overcast conditions prevailed for much of this week with record rainfalls being reported in immediate surrounds and yet they only lost one hour of work time. A businessman from across the main street said "God must certainly be with you people, being able to paint in these conditions". And how true, Praise the Lord.

Work continued in the second week with Perc and Heather Ashdown joining the team. Even though they experience a day of showers on the Monday, no time was lost as they were able to work under verandahs for the day, the rest of the week producing beautiful fine weather. Progress was exceptional really and this was helped along with the use of Ian Cox's moving scaffold/ platform which he generously loaned to the project.

The third week saw the loss of Geoff and Helen as well as Wes who had other commitments to attend too, plus the loss of the 'cherry picker' which was returned to Coates Hire, having completed the higher areas (up to 8 metre high walls). Never the less progress exceeded expectation and even though we weren't able to complete all that was asked, GLO were very pleased with what was accomplished particularly with the completion of the main buildings, being by far the most difficult segments.

Whilst on site, the team were able to mingle and fellowship with students and eat with them during meal time. They were able to have prayer fellowship with themselves and even present two 'promotions', one on Campus and the other to a combined Ladies Guild Fellowship. A happy and harmonious time was had by all.

St. Andrew's Anglican Church, Evandale

The earliest church services were held in May 1834 in a barn on the property of George Collins, an early landowner.

In Feb. 1837 a small building was erected at the end of the present Church Lane and opened by the new Governor, Sir John Franklin.

The following year another petition was sent to the Governor requesting a larger building as the population was increasing. By 1844 the first church was completed; built of red brick with a square tower. Only twenty years later, due to faulty foundations, great cracks began to appear in the walls so the building had to be demolished.

Great care was taken of the materials, much of which were to be re-used.

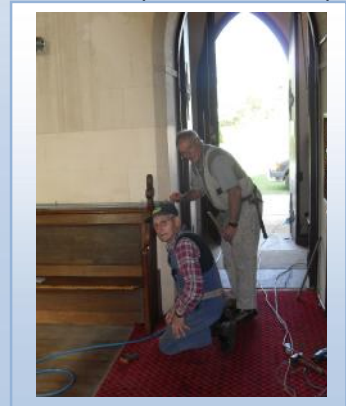
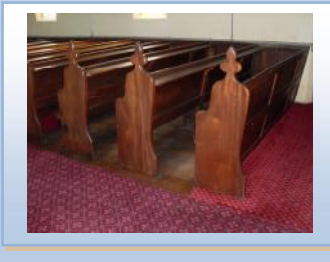
On 30th Nov. 1871 the foundation stone of the present church was laid. Amazingly, five months later the building was completed, at a cost of 1,050 pound. It was consecrated and dedicated to St Andrew on the 17th May, 1872.

Later John Whitehead of Nile donated the spire.

No information can be found regarding the pews. The seats and backs are paneled as is the wood along the wall.

The pew ends next to the aisle appear to be a later addition. The book rests at the back of each pew have numerous small depressions or scrapes, especially those at the rear of the church. It has been suggested that maybe the pews in the original church were eventually placed in the second building and new ends added. It has also been suggested that convicts in chains attending compulsory Sunday services may have been responsible for the many similar marks on the backs of the pews.

On 14th April, 2010 an MMM team consisting of Lance Reeve and Carl Philpott, at the request of the Church, removed three of these 'heritage' pews from the rear of the church to provide easier entry and exiting from the central aisle with coffins at funerals and the bridal party at weddings. One of the pews was re-positioned along the side wall and an area created as a 'play' area for young kiddies attending Sunday services etc. The task was completed in the day much to the delight of the Church Committee and also the well fed MMM team.



We continue to welcome **Phill and Gwen Hall** (NSW) as they assist on various projects and also continue to pray for **Chris, Viv and Schelisa Pedersen** (QLD) whilst addressing health issues and enjoying parts of our beautiful Isle of Tasmania prior to returning to the mainland shortly.

We have been truly blessed to have had this contingent of 'Associates' from that other Island, join with us over these past few months, assisting with various projects and being involved in prayer groups etc. What an inspiration they have been and may God Bless each and every-one of them abundantly.



Graham and Gloria Scott have arrived safely in Townville after leaving here on the 29th March with their 'New Rig' to drive the long journey north. They spent Easter with friends at Dalby (QLD.) which helped to break the trip and arrived on the 10th April. They are to be parked with their caravan at the House of Praise Uniting church. Their office is close in a building they'll be sharing with Live FM radio and Scripture Union where they believe some of their initial work is to be done. Presently they are meeting up with the local committee and other contacts around Townville making themselves known.

Their contact details are mmmtwnv@mmm.org.au Ph. (07) 3204 2503 and Mob 0409 553 771.

We would dearly love to re-introduce the segment "**Honouring Associates**" to our Tas Team News. So if you would like to send in an article, a testimony or even an update on yourself as an Associate, or for an Associate that you consider deserving, that could be shared by others, we would gratefully receive and consider it. Principally we Honour God through our Lord Jesus Christ and we have many who have gifted of their time doing just that, Honouring God. They have a story or stories which are not boasting or even pride driven, but are sharing of times or events that they have longed to tell. Please let us share in them. Maybe this could be a way of continuing in fellowship with one another rather than just being referred to as an 'also ran'.

PROJECTS

May 2010

- 3 – 28 May - Pt. Sorell Anglican Church – Constructing toilet and kitchen facilities.
- 31 May (for 3 weeks) Live Free Tassie (Teen Challenge) – setting up single men's units

June 2010

- Blue Lagoon Camp, Burnie Community Church - kitchen renovation and continuing with disabled toilet facilities.

July 2010

- Late July through August – Riverbend Camp Centre – renovating staff cottage. Kitchen, bathroom, ensuite, laundry.

Please contact Frank Tyers if you can assist on any of these projects.
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PRAYER FELLOWSHIPS

Devonport / Sheffield - Monday 3rd May
Contact Stan Jones 6491 2511

Launceston - Tuesday 4th May
Contact Doug Townsend 6327 1972

Ulverstone - Monday 10th May
Contact Alan Beswick 6425 6412

AUXILIARY NEWS

Catering at the Door of Hope for various functions.

June 26th Catering for Baptist Women's Conference in Devonport.

Don't forget, if you require a small event catered for or know of one please contact mmmtas@mmm.org.au Ph. 6398 2993 or Mob. 0409 018 628.

How True

Recently a comment was made by a prominent supporter/client of MMM, following an event catered for by the Auxiliary. He said "Isn't it wonderful how MMM offers ongoing opportunities through the Auxiliary, for people (men and ladies) to continue to serve even after their bodies restrict them from climbing ladders and working on projects. There are not many Christian Organisations that can provide this and many are 'falling over' because of the lack of lost ongoing opportunities".

COMING EVENTS

30TH April - State Committee Meeting - 3pm at the Perth Centre.

State Committee as appointed at the Annual General Meeting, Camp Clayton

Frank Tyers	-	Chairperson
Peter Goldstone-James	-	Deputy Chair
Geraldine Tyers	-	Minute Secretary
Doug Townsend, Perc Ashdown and Jack Van der Wal.		

August 2010 - Workathon
Briefing to follow

PRAYER REQUESTS

There has been a request for pray for the up-coming 'School Holiday Camps' at Riverbend in Smithton between the 30th May and the 11th June. There are two camps proposed with 80 kids in each with involvement of approximately 40 cabin leaders. The theme for the first is 'Before and After' and for the second 'Supersized Scavengers'. There will be daily studies on the Gospel, trying to reach these kids for Christ. So please include these two 'Holiday Camps' in your prayer time.

As well as praying for four Tasmanian Associate Families this month (one pre week), namely Helen Adams, Percy and Heather Ashdown, Andrew and Carolyn Atkinson and Dudley Bakes, we need to keep in front of us as a State, those Nationally nominated for us to continue to pray for: Peter and Lillian Taylor (Projects Manager and Auxiliary Co-ordinator), Max and Barbara Smart (Pastoral Care) and Tim and Brianna Cranna (National Director).

Please keep all these MMMers and their families before God in your prayers and offer them love and support as they continue in the growth of His Kingdom here on earth.



Prayer Force – May 2010

PSALM 138 : 8 - The Lord will fulfill his purpose for me;
your love, O Lord, endures forever.

Sat 1 - **NSW** Garage Sale & Market Day at Wyee Praise God for Noel & Marg Taylor's assistance at Katherine & for the opportunity for MMM to serve meals at the Katherine Christian Convention, **NT**, today & until the 3rd.

Sun 2 - **ISAIAH 62 : 5** As a bridegroom rejoices over his bride, so will your God rejoice over you.

Mon 3 - Prayer Fellowships - **TAS** Devonport /Sheffield **VIC**- Glen Waverley. **NSW** team painting building exteriors at Camp Fletcher, Hazelbrook, Blue Mountains until 21st.

Tues 4 - Praise God for a safe, trouble free & enjoyable journey up to Townsville, **QLD**, for Graham & Gloria Scott. Pray for many to support, encourage & join with them as they establish MMM in Townsville.

Wed 5 - **NT** team building 2 dorm. accommodation facilities at Ryala Campsite.

Thurs 6 - **VIC** Prayer Fellowship - Box Hill, 8pm. **NSW** Auxiliary stall at Eastwood.

Fri 7 - **NT** Auxiliary craft stalls at Casuarina shopping Centre today & tomorrow. **WA**- Albany Prayer Fellowship at 7.30pm.

Sat 8 - **WA** Mother's Day Shopping Tour.

Sun 9 - **1 COR. 3:9** We are God's fellow workers ; you are God's field God's ; building.

Mon 10 - Prayer Fellowships - **VIC**- Phillip Island at 1.30pm & Ballarat at 7.30pm. **TAS** - Ulverstone **SA** Southside at 7.30pm & State Committee meeting at 1pm. **QLD** team assisting Rodeo

Cowboy Ministries, Kingaroy until the 20th.

Tues 11 - Pray for God's wisdom and guidance for the Board and Director over the sale of the Whittlesea property and with all decisions relating to the mission.

Wed 12 - **NSW** Aux combines with Lakes Ladies Fellowship at 1pm, Wyee.

Thurs 13 - Pray for your States prayer family.

Fri 14 - Pray for workers to help with Sydney region jobs.

Sat 15 - Pray for a great time for all at the MMM NZ Dinner at Te Awamutu Bible Chapel tonight.

Sun 16 - **Psalm 31:3** Since you are my rock & my fortress Lord, for the sake of your name lead & guide me.

Mon 17 - Prayer Fellowships - **WA** Southside at 9am & **NT**

Tues 18 - Pray for wisdom & guidance for the MMM **VIC** Committee as they discuss & develop strategy for MMM Vic's ministry into the future.

Wed 19 - **NSW** team doing a bathroom renovation at OMF, Winston Hills, Sydney, until June 7.

Thurs 20 - Pray for special insight & wisdom for Max Smart as MMM Pastor and Management Team member.

Fri 21 - Praise God for the many ministries MMM has been able to serve. Pray their ministries will help enlarge God's Kingdom.

Sat 22 - **NT** MMM Lawn Sale at the Centre. Praise God for all who have provided items for sale.

Sun 23 - **PROV.1 : 5** Let the wise listen & add to their understanding, & let the discerning get guidance.

Mon 24 - **QLD** team painting house exterior for Dalby Gospel Chapel until June 4th. **WA** Northside Prayer Fellowship at 7.30pm.

Tues 25 - **QLD** Prayer meeting at Mango Hill. **NSW** team building an amenities block at Maitland Presby. Church, Glenorie, NW Sydney.

Wed 26 - Pray for the work & workers at the overseas MMM Centres. Pray for the MMM Board members of the International Alliance.

Thurs 27 - Pray for people of God's choosing to take on the Manager's role in **VIC** & **WA**.

Fri 28 - Pray for Brenton Cornish and his responsibilities as SA State Co-Ordinator.

Sat 29 - Pray for the Lord's guidance in appointments of new Centre Manager staff

Sun 30 - **ROMANS 15 : 13** May the God of hope fill you with all joy & peace as you trust in him.

Mon 31 - Praise God for all who support MMM. Pray that the MMM News will encourage readers in their walk with God. Pray that this & other promotional materials will prompt more people to consider becoming involved in serving God with MMM & help share the Good News.