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MMM TAS News

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LONGFORD BAPTIST YOUTH CAMPSITE, LIFFEY

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On the 8th March, 2011 MMM received a request for assistance from the Longford Baptist Church to attend to piling supports under the communal hall and/or to replace flooring as necessary at their youth campsite at Liffey in central Tasmania.

The site, which is adjacent the Liffey River downstream from the spectacular 'Liffey Falls', was set up in 1962 for camps and Church associated work, primarily to be used for the glory of God. Currently it is used nearly every weekend throughout the year and often for school groups during the week. Many comment on the fond memories they had experienced in bygone years at youth camps etc. with the plea not to take away the rustic 'character' of the buildings and the site itself. A number of like groups, both church and family, use it on an annual basis as it is a very special place to hold a spiritual retreat.



The Bush Heritage Assoc. of Aust use the facility to access their block behind the camp which has been found to harbour a rare species of native orchid and other plants and animals. UTAS have also been investigating the site recently because it has provided some rare fossils of scientific interest to the international community.

Bookings were purposely held over for two consecutive weekends in early May to allow an MMM Team to have full access to the site, assess and reinstate a significant portion of rotted sub-floor as requested. With no roof gutters on the main building and the obvious lack of preventative maintenance in years past, rainwater runoff had been trapped along the back of the building, rotting out the main bearer bringing about the collapse the rear wall and flooring.

The MMM repair team, Jack & Adriana Vander Wal (Leader), Ron Kamphius, Wes & Judy Carpenter and Stuart Bott, arrived on site and setup ready to start work on Monday 30th April. Initially a section of flooring was removed from around the effected area and the wall was then jacked back up to an appropriate level. Soil was removed to provide adequate airflow under the new bearer and wall, rotten stumps and sub-floor were replaced with concrete blocks, damp course and new dried hardwood timbers. Once re-aligned new hardwood floor-boards were nailed back over the effected area. New guttering and downpipes were also fitted along the whole of the rear roof section to prevent reoccurrence of the dampness and rotting problem. To everyone's surprise the whole job was completed to the delight of the Longford Baptist Church, in 3 days. Well done 'Team'.



GLOBAL INSIGHT:

The initiative of four Missions in the Launceston, Tasmania area namely Bible Society, Interserve, WEC and MMM.

Each quarter since April 2011, there has been an information evening on a Friday, the last being on the 18th May, 2012, where three different 'Speakers' were invited to talk about their experiences in mission. The sessions have enabled presenters to share past, current and proposed ventures into a variety of countries or situations all over the world.

At the last evening, see adjoining flyer, our very own Jack and Adriana van der Wal were able to talk about their time in both Tanzania and Zambia during 2011.

Their time in Tanzania was focused on an eye clinic development at the University, where hundreds of 2nd hand glasses collected and identified through the Lion's Clubs in Australia, are distributed to needy recipients. Ask Jack or Adri about 'crowd control'. Then in Zambia they were involved with the construction of an orphanage where they were able to help erect roofing and assist with internal brick rendering of the main building.

Ben Hallam and Peter Freeman were also inspirational in their presentations on Japan and Logos Hope respectively.

In fact all the speakers to date have seen this forum as an opportunity to talk to others, partly as a debrief which helps them, but also as an inspiration for others to perhaps catch the vision. So much so that other Missions from around the State are wanting to become involved with 'Global Insight' seeing it as not just a way of promoting, but also as a means of complimenting each other, networking to the Glorification of God.

Future Events: SCF Building, Smithton - 26th May, Punchbowl, Launceston - 4th Aug, Bible House, Launceston - 12th Oct.



Global Insight

Connect with locals who have served cross-culturally in a variety of countries! Come early for pizza

Speakers:

Ben & Jess Hallam – in Japan with WEC
Jakob & Adriana Van der Wal – building in Africa and Asia with MMM
Peter Freeman – on the Logos Hope with OM

Friday 18th May

Join us for pizza at 6:15pm
Presentations start from 7pm
The Bible Society meeting room,
116a St. John Street, Launceston

For further details contact:
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REFLECTIONS.

Jack & Adri — An inspirational couple of MMM Associates. Now in their mid-seventies and still very active.

In 2012, they have been involved with Tasmanian projects at Liffey Youth Campsite (Team Leader), Blue Lagoon - Main Hall and Mole Creek Presbyterian Church. They have helped significantly with fundraising, in conjunction with the Devonport Baptist and the Tamworth Baptist Churches, raising around \$35,000 for concrete bricks, mortar and other needs to erect a security fence around an orphanage in Zambia. They are in late June to undertake that work, then back again for phase 2 at Liffey Youth Campsite.

In 2011, both Jack & Adriana worked in Tanzania and Zambia. Refer article above. They worked on projects Upchurch Family (phase 2 Team Leader), Missiondale Manager's Residence (Team Leader) and Penguin Uniting whilst in Tasmania.

In 2010, Involved in the MMM State Committee, projects at Bible House, The Edge Anglican (Team Leader), Fusion - Poatina, GLO Smithton (Team Leader), WEC Missionary House, Port Sorell Anglican phase 1, Ellendale - Live Free Tassie and Blue Lagoon Kitchen (Team Leader). During this year they also travelled to the Solomon Islands to assist in the construction of a school there.

In 2009 & prior, They worked on the new Tas. Centre, Bible House, Woodfield Lodge and Blue Lagoon. etc. etc. State Committee. Assisted at orphanages in China, West Timor & Thailand. Bricklaying at the Wyee Centre and at Tumut in NSW. Well Done Jacob and Adriana Van der Wal. May God continue to bless you both in your ministry.

PRAYER REQUESTS

The four Tasmanian Associate Families we should pray for this period are Neville & Gillian Humphreys, Geoff Inglis, Elizabeth Jensen and Wesley Jordan. As a State we continue to keep before us our Nationally nominated prayer family and continually pray for: Dave Spencer, Ken Tie - both MMM Australia and Graham & Elizabeth Young - MMM International. Please keep these MMMer's and their families before God in your prayers, offering love and support as they continue in the growth of His Kingdom here on earth.

PROJECTS

Date	Name	Location	Description	Workers needed?	Accom. Available?	Meals Available?
June, July, August 2012	Summerhill Baptist Church	Summerhill, Launceston.	Construction of a new Auditorium/Offices & Car Parks - Phase 1.	All Trades & Handymen	TBA	TBA
TBA	Northern Tas. Christian Soccer League	Windsor Park, Riverside	Improvements to security of the club-rooms	Steel fabrication & building.	TBA	TBA
TBA	St Peters Anglican Church.	St Leonards	Construction of Phase 1 of a Hall including kitchen and disabled toilet facility.	Builder/Joiner, Clerical, Earth-mover, Electrician, Plumber and Handymen.	Room for own vans or commute from the Perth Centre.	All daytime and some evening.
TBA	Molenda Lodge	Ulverstone	Fencing and Gates	Yes	Room for own vans.	Yes
TBA	Live Free Tassie	Ellendale	Remodeling accommodation units for in-house clients.	Carpenter, Painter & Handymen.	Room for own vans.	TBA
November 2012	Community Christian Academy	Newstead	External painting of whole of Primary School.	Team Leader and Painters.	Room for own vans.	TBA

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

Devonport/Sheffield - Monday 4th May

Contact Stan Jones 6491 2511

Launceston - Monday 4th May

Contact Judy Carpenter 6339 3341

Ulverstone - Monday 11th May

Contact Alan Beswick 6425 6412

Eastern Shore— Sunday (TBA).

Contact Heather Filleul 6248 1912

Proof That Scripture Can Protect You.

Now an elderly women had just returned to her home from an evening at the church, when an intruder startled her. She caught the man in the act of robbing her home of its valuables and yelled, "Stop! ACTS 2:38!" The burglar stopped in his tracks. The woman calmly called the police and explained what she had done.

As the officer cuffed the man to take him in, he asked the burglar, "Why did you just stand there? All the old lady did was yell a Scripture at you."

"Scripture?" replied the burglar. "I thought she said she had an axe and two 38's!"

Incidentally, Acts 2:38 reads, Repent and be baptized every one of you, in the name of Jesus Christ, for the forgiveness of your sins.

COMING EVENTS

2nd - 17th June: School Holidays for Tasmania. Tyers family in Adelaide.

23rd June: Catering for the Baptist Women's Convention, Devonport Baptist Church.

25th - 30th June: Staff Conference in Melbourne, Victoria.

13th July: State Committee Meeting, Perth Centre.

Don't forget, if you require a small event catered for, or know of one
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MMM PRAYER FORCE - JUNE 2012



FRI 1	Give thanks for the wonderful construction work Rob Saunders & Rob Dux have done at Mitcham & all the design assistance from Ewe-Jin. Praise God for the dedication & hard work of Tim, Ken, Dave & others in making the move to Mitcham go well.	SUN 10	WA - Prayer Fellowship , 7.30pm at the MMM Centre at Southern River . WA - Prayer Fellowship North of the River	WED 20	Pray for awareness of MMM's ministry to grow in our new location at Mitcham & for us to partner with more churches & ministries in the area.
SAT 2	VIC - Give thanks for the project at Euroa Baptist Church progressing very well & for Anthony Hocking's skills & efforts. Praise God for the provision of a young worker to assist him.	MON 11	TAS - Prayer Fellowship - Ulverstone Praise God for all the committed prayer groups who underpin MMM in vital prayer. Give thanks for those who also receive the Prayer Bulletin & Prayer Force to pray for our ministry.	THU 21	NT - Give thanks for the wonderful, dedicated service to the Lord with MMM for 16 years by Darrel & Glenys House(NT) . They have resigned from MMM & will be farewelled at the Staff Conference. Pray they will be richly blessed by God for their future, living in Tasmania. Pray the building of their house, with Darrel assisting, will go smoothly.
SUN 3	2 TIMOTHY 2 : 3 Endure hardship with us like a good soldier of Christ Jesus.	TUES 12	Pray for the final planning of the staff Conference at Wycliffe at the end of June to go well. Pray for God's guidance for those leading sessions as they prepare what to share. Pray for God's blessings on the ministry of Wycliffe , whose facilities we are blessed to use again for our Conference.	FRI 22	NT - Praise the Lord for the very faithful service of John & Anne Cooper who are moving to the NT to take over the role as Managers there. Pray for God's guidance for them & his help in coping well with a different climate. Pray they will be well supported in this new location and be greatly blessed to be a blessing. Pray they will settle easily into a new church & make friends quickly. Pray for their family to adjust well to this change.
MON 4	TAS Prayer Fellowships - Launceston, Devonport / Sheffield. QLD - Prayer Fellowship at the Centre, Mango Hill . Pray for the team painting the interior & exterior of a building for the Aboriginal & Islander Christian Fellowship at Eidsvold until the 15th.	WED 13	Pray for all our staff as they work in their many roles & tasks for MMM. May God grant them his strength, wisdom, grace & peace, through his Spirit.	SAT 23	WA - Craft (Patchwork) at the Centre -3-9pm
TUES 5	Praise God for the completion of the steel framed house that MMM sent to June prison last June & its relocation in the community. This MMM BuildABond project is in partnership with Habitat for Humanity, NSW . Pray that this house will be a wonderful blessing for the needy recipient family & that they will give thanks to God for this provision. Praise God for the request for MMMBuildABond to supply frames for two more houses for this project.	THU 14	Pray for your State's prayer families.	SUN 24	Pray for travel mercies for staff coming to the Staff Conference. Pray for God's protection of the MMM Centres while the Managers are away this week.
WED 6	NT Committee meeting Give thanks for the opportunity for BuildABond to help the Vanuatu Prevention of Blindness Project Clinic . Pray for the physical & spiritual protection of the team. Give thanks for the generous donations, by a number of companies, of some of the building materials and fixtures for the clinic.	FRI 15	Pray for all our staff as they work in their many roles & tasks for MMM. May God grant them his strength, wisdom, grace & peace through his Spirit.	MON 25	Pray for staff to be encouraged, challenged & refreshed, as they continue serving the Lord with MMM, by what is presented & discussed at Conference. Pray for great fellowship.
THU R 7	NT Pray for safety, good health & great times of fellowship as a large team of mobiles work on different projects in the NT.	SAT 16	NT AUX catering for Gideons 'Bibles for the World' BBQ	TUES 26	STAFF CONFERENCE
FRI 8	Pray for the Prayer Committee as they work on growing the prayer ministry & giving support to all who currently pray for MMM.	SUN 17	PSALM 19 : 14 May the words of my mouth & the meditation of my heart be pleasing in your sight, O Lord, my Rock & my Redeemer.	WED 27	STAFF CONFERENCE
SAT 9	NT AUX catering for Gideon's Pastors Appreciation dinner.	MON 18	SA - Praise God for the willingness & great efforts of Brenton Cornish who represented MMM in SA . Pray he will be blessed at his farewell at Staff Conference. Pray for him in his role as an elder in his church	THU 28	Pray for Tim and the MMM Board as they meet tonight. STAFF CONFERENCE
		TUES 19	NT Prayer Fellowship QLD - Give thanks for the team undertaking general maintenance at Cornerstone, Barrabadine until the 29th. Pray they will be blessed and be a blessing for this ministry. Pray for good health & safety for the team members.	FRI 29	STAFF CONFERENCE
				SAT 30	Pray that the celebration for the opening of the new building at Mitcham today will go well & many will come & join in giving thanks to God for this provision & praying for MMM. Pray for a great time of fellowship & encouragement for all attending. Give thanks for Lillian Taylor & Siska Hocking's work towards this opening.