



MMM Australia

WA Team News October 09

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September with the MMM WA team



Thornlie Life Centre

Since returning from Fitzroy the team here in WA have been busy doing a job at Thornlie Life Centre filling in a back deck which will be a more usable area for their ministry to those in need in the community. The job will be completed when the team return at the end of this week to re-roof the area, which has been put off due to the rain.

Butlers respite home

A couple of days were spent in York finishing off some of the jobs started at the Butlers place in York. The fascia, guttering and eaves have now been completed. What a transformation it has been, thanks to all who have been a part of this worthy job.



WEC

WEC had some work to make suitable housing for Bible College students enrolled in missions or missionary candidates. Mostly maintenance with some decking, plastering and some repairs to guttering and down pipes.

MMM WA centre

It was great to have a team come along and join in on a Working Bee around the Centre. We had a big pile of lime stone that needed to be spread around the car park and drive, also laying some blocks to separate the car park and garden. Thanks to all who helped out on the day. A great time of fellowship followed.

If you are interested in joining the team on any of the jobs planned for October please call the MMM Office for any information, we would love to have you on the team.

Prayer Groups for August

Albany

Friday October 2 @ 7:30pm, John & Val Francis, 550 Lower King Road Albany

Ph 9844 1991

South side

Monday October 5 @ 7.30pm, MMM Centre, 33 Furley Road Southern River

Ph 9456 0022

North side

Monday October 26 @ 7.30pm, Peter & Marion Murray, Bloodwood Ave Marangaroo

Ph 9342 1485

“Together we can do much” MMM Staff Conference



We have just returned from attending the MMM Staff Conference and official opening of the new Headquarters in Epping.

It was a challenging time as we heard from speakers such as MMM Board Chairman, Andy Boer speak on “How I view MMM Australia” Les Henson on “The current state of the Church in Australia and its impact on Mission” and a workshop by Ant Blumer.

It was wonderful to reconnect with the different states as the staff presented their reports and heard updates on the adventures of the mobiles and offshore opportunities.



Workshops were held on promotions and communication strategies. As well as these information times we had a chance to go and see the cleared Whittlesea site what a different place it is now! Also staff enjoyed spending time with the board over an evening meal, and also an afternoon and evening in the city of Melbourne.

It was exciting to be present at the opening of the new Headquarters in Epping (we have a two year lease on this building) and sense the unity and excitement of going forward in the ministry. There were many familiar faces and a great time of catching up with old friends from MMM.



We have come back from the conference excited and with a real sense of Gods hand on the ministry of MMM as we go into the future knowing He is in control and as the heading says together we can do much as we continue to “serve those who serve”.

MMM WA Quiz night and Auction

Saturday October 10th

Doors open 6:30 Quiz Starts 7pm

South Perth Church of Christ
Cnr McNabb Loop & Murray Street Como

Ticket just \$10

Light refreshments can be purchased on the night or why not order a platter of food for \$25 per table.

Tickets available from the MMM Office
Check availability and reserve your tickets.
(Tables of 8)

Another story from Joy Springs

I noticed in the Gospel how Jesus had gone about His early ministry, and simply “called” His disciples, and soon assembled a team of twelve to carry on the work of Jesus’ mission and teaching.

I drew some similarity when Anthony and Siska were assembling the team to travel to Fitzroy Crossing to continue the work that had commenced in 2008 at Joy Springs. So when the team of twelve consisting of builders, a plumber, an architect and electrician, some crack cooks, a specialist children’s worker and a wonderful support crew all with hearts willing and ready to serve, things were bound to happen. God had sown in the hearts of the team a desire to be there, for all sorts of reasons - but primarily to serve - serve with the hands and serve with the heart.

As with all MMM’s work, the focus was on building work - essentially re-roofing a local church in Fitzroy and installing some windows and setting up a playgroup in the Community Centre in Joy Springs.

I went with an open mind and with no pre-conceived ideas or agenda about what the trip should look like or what we should achieve. But as with all trips, there was a plan....but we were quick to realize when we arrived, the plan we had was a little different to the plan God had. Due to some of our materials not arriving, it was a matter of re-programming the work to fit in with deliveries.

Being a Southerner, from Tasmania and the trip, being in the middle of winter, I guess the first thing to adjust to was the heat and the amount of water one had to drink just to stay hydrated, but we had little time to acclimatise...there was work to be done, so work we did. One of the many blessings that came from the trip was that we all, without exception, had a significant role to play. Each of us was just as important as the other, and the team would have been incomplete if we were a person short. It was a great outworking of the truth behind 1 Cor 12, “one body many parts”, as we all teamed up supporting each other in the roles we had to play.

Over the ensuing days that we stayed there, it became apparent that we weren’t so much sent to the community to evangelise it, but to encourage and pray for the Christians in it, and be a support to them. Initially this was displayed through tangible help (such as building work) but more importantly, sitting with them, listening to them, praying with them and for them.

So with plenty of work yet to do, both with the hands and with the heart, there are quite a few from our team enthusiastic about yet another return to Joy Springs to continue to grow all that God has started.

Geoff Madden



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October Prayer Diary

SUN	MON	TUES	WED	THURS	FRI	SAT
<p>Psalm 32 : 8</p> <p>"I will instruct you and teach you in the way you should go" says the Lord.</p>				<p>1 Pray for the VIC team & the Beaufort Community Church being helped with painting, maintenance & plastering until the 9th.</p>	<p>2 Praise God for Geoff & Carol Limpus going to help OM (Operation Mobilisation) on the MV Doulos in Singapore Harbour .</p>	<p>3 Pray for the team heading to the Solomon Is doing work for the Christian School there</p>
<p>Psalm 11 : 7</p> <p>The Lord is righteous, he loves justice; upright men will see his face.</p>	<p>5 Pray for the TAS team on the project at Blue Lagoon Camp Centre, refurbishing bathroom areas. Pray for this Camp Centre's ministry.</p>	<p>6 Pray for the NSW team to be a blessing to Auburn Baptist Church with building renovations, until the 16th.</p>	<p>7 Praise God for the great time of fellowship & unity at the Staff Conference last month.</p>	<p>8 Pray for the Australian Board members & Tim Cranna as they guide implementation of plans outlined at last month's Conference.</p>	<p>9 Pray for great support & fellowship tomorrow at the WA Quiz night & Auction.</p>	<p>10 NZ Annual Dinner tonight. Praise God for the opportunity to promote MMM at Burnie Uniting , TAS, tomorrow.</p>
<p>2 Timothy 1 : 9</p> <p>God's grace was given us in Christ Jesus before the beginning of time.</p>	<p>12 Pray for the WA Team working around the Perth area finishing off jobs.</p>	<p>13 Praise God for Rachel, Leah & abstract art, who are working together on creating & producing promotional material for MMM.</p>	<p>14 Pray for Alan Wilkinson as he continues to work on MMM's insurance claim & also settles into living in a new location.</p>	<p>15 Pray for Tim Cranna to know God's leading, be encouraged & have good time management.</p>	<p>16 Pray that the new promotional material that has been distributed will encourage retired & young people to become involved in serving the Lord with MMM.</p>	<p>17 Pray for Max Smart in his new pastoral care role & on the Management Team. Pray for him in these new roles and as Director of MMM Thailand.</p>
<p>Lamentations 3 : 25</p> <p>The Lord is good to those whose hope is in him, to the one who seeks him.</p>	<p>19 WA team working in Northam for the rest of this month.</p>	<p>20 Pray for Fusion Youth Hostel's ministry in NSW & our team there 'til 30th renovating accommodation for overseas students.</p>	<p>21 Pray for the team at Mornington to be a blessing to the Presbyterian Church, there working on alterations until the 30th.</p>	<p>22 Pray for God's provision of staff needed. Praise God for Geoff Banner, a young person, becoming a full time worker with MMM.</p>	<p>23 Pray for more funding from churches & awareness of projects for the Special Projects Team, using the steel roll forming machine.</p>	<p>24 Pray for an encouraging outcome tomorrow from the promotion at Sisters Beach Community Centre, TAS.</p>
<p>Proverbs 16 : 21</p> <p>The wise in heart are called discerning.</p>	<p>26 Praise God for all Clynton Robinson's efforts in updating MMM's OH&S manual.</p>	<p>27 Praise God for the great outcome from Graham Young's cancer surgery. Pray for him as he leads MMM International.</p>	<p>28 Continue to pray for staff to fill roles within the ministry of MMM.</p>	<p>29 Pray for those leading the overseas Centres & for the ministries they assist.</p>	<p>30 WA C'tee meeting tonight. Pray for the team as the make decisions for the ministry of MMM here in WA.</p>	<p>31 TAS Annual MMM Dinner with updates of MMM work.</p>