

# MMMAustralia

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## Front page

Smoko at Geneva  
Tasmania.



## Fundraising Appeal: Apprenticeship & Discipleship Program - Thailand

We are seeking to raise \$10,040 AUD in partnership with MMM Thailand to fully fund a 12-month Electrical Apprenticeship and Discipleship Program for two young men who are currently unemployed but highly motivated to build a sustainable future.

This funding will provide professional electrical training, hands-on experience, essential tools, certification, life skills, and spiritual discipleship, equipping both apprentices with everything they need to move into stable employment.

The program includes:

- One year of training covering electrical safety, residential electrical installation, electrical design, and real-world job skills
- Eight months of classroom learning, followed by two months of practical training and two months of on-the-job experience
- Government-recognised competency certification through the Department of Skill Development
- Daily mentoring and discipleship, including biblical encouragement, prayer, and life-skills development

The total cost of \$10,040 AUD covers:

- \$6,300 AUD for one year of apprenticeship support for two trainees
- \$3,740 AUD in one-time setup costs for training equipment, tools, and learning resources

At the end of the program, each apprentice will receive their own complete toolkit, officially gifted to them so they can immediately seek employment, generate income, and support their families.

Your support will directly transform the lives of Boo, a 23-year-old seeking vocational skills after family hardship, and Big, a 20-year-old quietly motivated to learn technical skills in a safe and encouraging environment. Both young men have the support of their families, the trust of their instructor, and the determination to build a better future—but they lack the financial means to get started.

By giving, you are not just funding training, you are providing skills, dignity, stability, faith formation, and a pathway out of unemployment.

\$10,040 AUD will change two lives—forever.

To Donate: Acc. Name MMM Australia, BSB: 033 349 ACC: 541089

Reference: Your **Name** and **Trade** (if you want a receipt email admin@mmm.org.au)

Seek the Lord while  
he may be found;  
call upon him  
while he is near.

Isaiah 55:6

## ■ Thailand Vision

Apprenticeship program expanding to equip marginalized youth.

## ■ Domestic Growth

Appointing of leaders to drive Safaris, mission awareness tours (drawing a younger generation) and building our capacity for overseas work.

Stewarding our assets so they are fit for purpose and contribute to mission supporting income

## ■ Zambia Support

As the vocational school reopens after a prolonged shutdown let's find ways to help them get reestablished and stronger than ever

## ■ Prayer Partnership

"We are deeply grateful for your faithful prayer support—it sustains everything we do."



**James Lacey**

MMM Australia  
CEO

# CEO'S MESSAGE: RUNNING AFTER GOD

As we set sail toward the next 50 years of MMM, there are many things we are actively pursuing—but above all, we are running after God and seeking His guidance in every step.

Zambia continues to be a significant focus. After years of effort to regain accreditation for the vocational training college following the impact of COVID, we have finally seen breakthrough. Our leader in Zambia, Florence, quite literally danced when the news came through—a moment of deep joy and answered prayer. Alongside this, we have been working closely with MMM South Africa on the design of a solar electrical system for the Zambia site. With the country experiencing severe power shortages and hours of daily blackout, this system would be transformational. Encouragingly, what was once costed at over \$400,000 can now be delivered for just over \$100,000. This presents a timely opportunity for the international MMM community to come together, raise the necessary funds, and significantly strengthen the future impact of the work in Zambia.

Thailand is another area where we are seeking to increase our impact. In the short term, this includes training two electrical apprentices under Pedro, with a longer-term vision to establish a broader program supporting marginalised youth into skilled trades. This work will be underpinned by developing our land, securing DGR (tax-deductible) status—either directly or through partnership—raising up appropriate leadership, and building a stronger profile within the local community.

Here at home, as outlined in the Future Works article in our previous newsletter, we are also pursuing several initiatives to increase our capacity. This includes forming a dedicated team—the Brewers—focused on safaris, offshore work, mission awareness tours, and engaging the next generation. We are also seeking key personnel to strengthen both our head office and on-the-ground project teams. As these initiatives take shape, it will be exciting to see new generations participating in the work that God has called MMM to.

As always, prayer underwrites everything we do. Thank you for standing with us in prayer as we continue, together, to run after Him



**Gary and Hilary Brewer**

MMM Australia

NSW State Managers

## NEW SOUTH WALES – Auburn Anglican Church, Lidcombe

After 23 years of ministry in Nepal, Gordon and Ruth returned to Australia and have now been serving at the Auburn Anglican Church this past year. Although this Church had a sad history, where attendance had fallen to an all-time low some 13 years ago, two men had a vision and a calling from God to bring it back to life with a church plant. Let's just say that Auburn Anglican is no longer dead, in fact there are 80+ worshippers every Sunday, they've planted another church at the new secondary school at Wentworth Point, and there's a vibrant youth group running Friday nights with a good percentage of unchurched kids there. Auburn and the surrounding areas are very multicultural and many are from a low socioeconomic background, so there was not enough funding to repair and maintain the church buildings which after being ignored for decades had fallen into disrepair. Gordon put in an application on our MMM website and in March 2026, a team of volunteers spent a fortnight there performing some much needed maintenance. The church had been trying to raise enough money to replace the tired old kitchen and God answered their prayers with a grant being approved for this while our team was on site. Auburn is back on our calendar for a kitchen replacement in July, and we say thank you Lord for this church family who are shining such a bright light into their community in Your Name.



# VICTORIA & SOUTH AUSTRALIA

In February this year, a small team of MMM volunteers travelled to Kerang in North Central Victoria to assist the local congregation at The Eternity Centre with practical works they were unable to carry out themselves.

Located in the former State Rivers and Water Supply Office, The Eternity Centre has a vibrant and far-reaching ministry. It serves the local Kerang community while also supporting churches and Christian works across Victoria, interstate, and internationally, including ministries in Cambodia and the Philippines, as well as Aboriginal Outreach Ministry, Family Voice, and local School Chaplaincy.

During this visit, the team completed a range of electrical upgrades and building improvements. These included replacing auditorium lighting with modern LED strip lighting, installing new downlights at the front entrance, repairing security lighting, and fixing faulty power outlets. Safety was improved with anti-slip treatment on youth centre ramps and steps, and a long-standing drainage issue at the rear entrance was resolved by levelling and stabilising the ground to prevent flooding and improve access.

Additional work included repairing internal masonry, repainting an activity room, and installing acoustic panels to enhance its use for prayer meetings and singing.

Despite a short timeframe and a small team, the project strengthened relationships with church members, who generously supported the volunteers and joined them in daily devotions. The visit allowed for meaningful connection, shared faith, and encouragement, and MMM looks forward to continuing similar projects throughout Victoria and into South Australia as opportunities arise.

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**Electrical & Lighting**

100%

Complete electrical repairs and LED lighting upgrades throughout.

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**Painting & Acoustics**

NEW

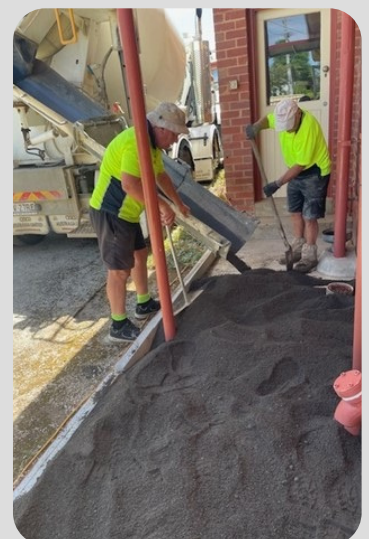
Fresh interior painting and acoustic panel installation.

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**Community Support**

Daily

Local meals, devotions, and shared faith stories daily.

**Geoff Jarvis**  
MMM Australia  
Vic + SA State Manager



# TASMANIA – BUSY SEASON OF PROJECTS

We have just come through an exceptionally busy season in Tasmania, completing five projects in just two and a half months, with two more already underway. How was this possible? By God’s grace and provision.

One of our most consistent shared prayer points is for volunteers – more volunteers – who are both available and well suited to the work. Over the summer, those prayers were clearly answered.

Neville, who often works on bathroom projects, was able to step in at short notice to contribute a couple of days to the bathroom renovation at St Andrews in Scottsdale. At the same time, a member of the congregation volunteered to complete the plastering, allowing the MMM team to focus on other tasks.

Kim, who had not been on a project since undergoing a hip replacement three years ago, felt ready to return and gave two days of painting at Hilltop Christian Church.

At Bracknell Baptist Church, we were initially asked to paint the roof and gable ends. Once the boom lift arrived, the team decided to continue, eventually completing both the church and the hall. They returned repeatedly, even though no one had expected to have that many days available.

Our week at Interlaken was organised at the last minute, yet everyone who could spare time wanted to attend, even if only overnight. What began as “We’ll see how much we can get done,” quickly became, “You’ll need more jobs ready for the workers!”

The Flinders Island Anglican Church requested assistance with re-roofing their rectory. We approached a roofer who had partnered with MMM years ago, and Karl gladly took on the role, excited to return to the island where he grew up. Lining out a shed for the Village Church in Devonport has been a significant task, and we are grateful for the many volunteers with building skills who helped. The shed was heavily overgrown on two sides, blocking light from most windows, but Gary, our gardener, returned from overseas at just the right time and spent two days pruning, allowing daylight back in.

Meanwhile, Andrew has shown great perseverance with the painting at St John’s in Devonport, working around plumbers, vinyl layers, and continually changing schedules. Despite these challenges, the project is now almost complete. We are truly blessed to be part of such a faithful team – people who are led by the Lord, willing to lay down their lives to help others, and committed to serving those who serve.



**Shane and Ruth Goelst**  
MMM Australia  
Tasmania State Managers



# QUEENSLAND

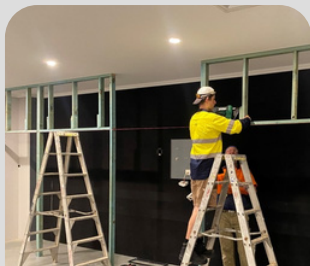
The project at City Lights Church in Stafford was a unique one for MMM. City Lights had begun leasing a section of a building from a Ballet school at the beginning of the year. This building was inherited by the ballet school a bit over two years ago, and was left in quite a poor state. A great indicator of the Lord's provision of this building for the church was that five minutes prior to the church leadership phoning up the owners requesting them consider sub-leasing to the church, the owners were having a conversation about their desire to have a group like a church lease out the unused areas on a Sunday! MMM got involved to assist the church in adding some storage to the building, make some areas more user friendly, and construct things like a kids play area, and a coffee cart, amongst other things.

The unique part of this project was the two-fold purpose of us being there. We were there to make the building suitable for the churches use, but at the heart of our being there was to assist the church in building a good relationship with the owners, who were once connected with church in their younger years, but have since moved away from God. MMM was able to support City Lights in the practical needs, but also in the spiritual and relational needs, in how we conducted ourselves, the conversations we had, the prayer times we could share in view of all the staff and students. It was a great pleasure to support City Lights church in their ministry to the Brisbane area.



**Josh & Trish Baade**

MMM Australia  
QLD State Managers



# WESTERN AUSTRALIA



**Trevor & Karen Beard**

MMM Australia  
WA State Managers

## The Lighthouse on the Hill

The sun rose gently over the desert, casting golden light across the buildings of CAPS. To many, it looked like a school. But to young Marli, it was something more – a lighthouse. Her grandmother often said, “This place was built because our people believed God had more for our children”. And it was true. Years ago, Aboriginal parents, strong in faith, had stood together and said “Our children will not be left behind”. They dreamed of a school grounded in Christ, where their children could grow in both wisdom and Spirit.

Marli felt that dream every morning. Before classes began, the students gathered. Heads bowed. Voices quiet. “Lord”, the teacher prayed, “help us discover who You’ve made us to be.” Because at CAPS, learning wasn’t just about books – it was about discovering God and being transformed. (extract from caps.wa.edu.au) Recently MMM travelled to CAPS in Coolgardie to complete some maintenance of a classroom and a teacher’s residence. This was a great time of fellowship and blessing to the teachers and staff who serve in this ministry.



# Operations Manager

(Part-Time)

## MMM Australia

We are seeking a capable and values-aligned Operations Manager to support the CEO by taking primary responsibility for organisational operations. This role is hands-on and broad in scope. It suits someone who enjoys improving systems, ensuring compliance, stewarding resources well, and supporting staff and volunteers in a mission-driven environment. By providing operational leadership, this role enables the CEO to focus more fully on vision, partnerships, and mission development.

### Key Responsibilities

- Oversee day-to-day organisational operations
- Develop, implement, and improve operational systems and processes
- Manage facilities, vehicles, equipment, and asset registers
- Oversee IT systems, data management, and technology improvements
- Support WHS compliance, risk management, and governance requirements
- Manage grants, insurance, leases, and operational contracts
- Support staff and volunteer onboarding, training, and operational leadership
- Provide regular operational reporting to the CEO

Applications should include cover letter, resume, and 2 professional and 1 faith based referees. Applications close 20th May 2026

✉ Enquiries and applications: [admin@mmm.org.au](mailto:admin@mmm.org.au)

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[www.mmm.org.au](http://www.mmm.org.au)



## Office Area To-Let Melbourne – Eastern Suburbs

Close to Freeways, Trains, Bus Services

220m<sup>2</sup> Office Space - First Floor

Our long-term tenant will be relocating their missions office, which leaves us with the opportunity to build a new partnership with a like-minded mission or church based organisation.

MMM Australia has 220 square metres of office space available for lease. Located at unit 5 – 621 Whitehorse Road Mitcham, this office area is ready to go. Set up with 3 front offices, separate meeting room, additional rear office and open office space for up to 12 workstations, separate generous kitchen/lunchroom, storage/printer room, and separate M/F Toilets.

- Additional archive space in the warehouse for long-term document storage is also available.
- Lease will include 3 off street parking places and plenty of non-metered street parking available.
- Rack-space for servers available on request.
- Shared common ground floor entrance and meeting room. Access via reception area stairs.

The lease cost is \$240/m<sup>2</sup>/year not including outgoings. Lease arrangement can include the following outgoings, electricity, water, rates, body corporate fees & building insurance for a further \$33/m<sup>2</sup>/year. Lessee will need to cover contents insurance and internet connection.

If your organization is looking for great office space at a reasonable rate with easy access and off-street parking then you should contact reception at MMM Australia to arrange a site inspection and facilities tour.

☎ Contact Rachel for an appointment on (03) 9837 2700 or

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