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MMM TAS News

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CELEBRATION & THANK YOU LUNCH TAROONA BAPTIST CHURCH.



On Saturday 7th July, quite a number of the MMM volunteers who assisted with the projects at the Taroona Baptist, especially the kitchen hall ceiling work, gathered with several from the church and other contributors for a beautiful luncheon and a time of celebration.

The meal was superb, provided by many from within the church. There was enough to 'feed an army' so to speak as so often happens at these events. Fantastic variety and an obvious pride at being able to utilise their new kitchen facility.



Philip Rush, the ABC's "Country Hour" poet since late 1993 and a regular storyteller and poet on the ABC's "Sunday" program, was the guest speaker for the luncheon. Using very few notes or prompting, Philip was able to recite poem after poem after poem. He was good. Philip has a diverse background, moving to the Huon Valley from Victoria, after accepting an invitation in 1996 to be the minister of the Huonville Community Church, and then in 1997 to also be min-

ister of the Glen Huon and Judbury Uniting Churches. He retired from formal ministry in early 2005. It was a real pleasure to be entertained by him.

The success of the three projects at Taroona Baptist Church goes to God and the loving volunteers that contributed to them. There were those that regularly prayed, those that gave donations and provided materials (some free & some at cost). There were those who provided expertise, professional advice and service in compiling the working drawings and standards, schedules and costings. Those involved in approvals, the regulatory and compliancy issues particularly in relation to electrical, plumbing, acoustic, structural, engineering and building regulations. Those who provided labour and skills to prepare and undertake the works. Those who regularly provided meals to those on site over such an extended time span and the numerous behind the scenes supporters that encouraged the whole operation.

The church has been able to purchase items not originally budgeted for, including heating for the main hall and has forwarded a sizable donation to MMM Australia to assist in keeping us sustainable. Additionally they now enjoy several thousand dollars of saving from what was originally forecast as a realistic refurbishment cost. Thanks again to the loving generosity of the volunteers. But ultimately all glory goes to our wonderful and immense God who kept us safe throughout the Taroona Baptist projects.

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HEAD OFFICE OPENING

This is how 5/621 Whitehorse Road, Mitcham looked on Saturday June 30th, 2012 prior to the official opening of MMM's new premises.

The building has been fitted out with a board room, conference room, offices, reception area, lunch room and utilities. It has a large work space area behind the roller door to carry out specific tasks and incorporate the steel roll forming operations.

Attendees from far and wide gathered to celebrate and fellowship with a light luncheon. Lorna Pearce, a past chair person of the MMM board, cut the ribbon to formally open the facility. It was a special time to reflect on the Mission's history and to look forward to a bright and prosperous future.

If you are in Melbourne, call in to meet the

'Team', look around and be encouraged as you experience the optimism.

Ian & Sheila Phythian

Ian became an Associate member of MMM Australia two years ago after assisting with the remodelling of the Edge Anglican Church in Claremont. He has worked at Live Free in Ellendale, Tarroona Baptist and has expressed interest in travelling to Launceston or even Smithton to link up with MMM projects.

Sheila has been very supportive of fundraising activities and assisted with catering for event in the south of the State.

They both attend the Kingborough Life Church, where Sheila had been working part time until an accident. They became part of the Easternshore Prayer Fellowship Group and had real aspiration of becoming significantly more involved with MMM projects at the start of this year with their children becoming less dependant, when their whole life turned upside down.

Sheila was walking across a narrow roadway at the local shopping centre and found she needed to quicken her step to avoid an on-coming car. Suddenly her leg gave way from under her. She fell down heavily, with the impact damaging her spine. She compressed her spinal cord and was paralysed from the neck down. As a result she has spent much of the first half of this year in hospital not knowing what the future held for her. Ian in particular was frustrated as to know what modifications he would need to make to their vehicle to be able to transport her, as well as changes he'd need to make to their home for when she was to come home (if she could come home).

Following much prayer Sheila has been home now for about 2 months and Ian has made some basic changes to be able to attend her needs. Even though she is fairly high spirited and they are coping, she still hasn't any feeling below her waist. She can't stand and she needs to be supported when lying or sitting. They are waiting on physiotherapy to strengthen her back muscles and it is likely to be at least 2-3 years before she will be able to do much for herself. Their church is supportive, but this couple needs our ongoing prayers.



PRAYER REQUESTS

The four Tasmanian Associate Families we should pray for this period are Jason Maher, Anne Perry, Carl & Anne Philpott and Ian Phythian. As a State we keep before us our Nationally nominated prayer family and continually pray for: Dave Spencer, Ken Tie - both MMM Australia's H/O 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 His work.

PROJECTS

Date	Name	Location	Description	Workers needed?	Accom. Available?	Meals Available?
TBA	Northern Tas. Christian Soccer League	Windsor Park, Riverside	Improvements to security of the club-rooms	Steel fabrication & building.	TBA	TBA
TBA	Molenda Lodge	Ulverstone	Fencing and Gates	Yes	Room for own vans.	Yes
TBA	Summerhill Baptist Church	Summerhill, Launceston.	Construction of a new Auditorium/Offices & Car Parks - Phase 1.	All Trades & Handymen	TBA	TBA
TBA	St Peters Anglican Church.	St Leonard's	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	Live Free Tas-sie	Ellendale	Remodeling accommodation units for in-house clients.	Carpenter, Painter & Handymen.	Room for own vans.	TBA
TBA	St Marks Anglican Church	Deloraine	Install new kitchen facilities	Builder/Joiner, Electrician & Plumber.	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 6th Aug

Contact Stan Jones 6491 2511

Launceston - Monday 6th Aug

Contact Judy Carpenter 6339 3341

Ulverstone - Monday 13th Aug

Contact Alan Beswick 6425 6412

Eastern Shore— Sunday (TBA).

Contact Heather Filleul 6248 1912

ENGLISH PHILISOPHER'S NOTE BOOK

The plural of BOX, we all know as BOXES, yet the plural of OX is OXEN, not OXES.

A GOOSE is a GOOSE, but two are called GEESE, so why isn't more than one MOOSE called MEESE?

A MOUSE and his family are mentioned as MICE, but the plural of HOUSE is HOUSES, not HICE.

The plural of BROTHER is BROTHERS or BRETHREN, and yet we say MOTHERS, but never METHREN.

The plural of MAN is MEN - the plural of PAN? Who'd dare to say PEN. If more than one TOOTH, we designate TEETH, so why isn't more than one BOOTH termed BEETH? And, COW in the plural is sometimes the KINE, but who ever spoke about two VOWS as VINE? **STRANGE!!**

COMING EVENTS

10th Aug: State Committee Meeting, Perth Centre.

14th Sept.: State Committee Meeting, Perth Centre.

Oct./Nov.: Annual Dinner. TBA.

Feb. 22nd, 23rd & 24th, 2013: Annual Retreat—Camp Clayton.

Don't forget, if you require a small event catered for, or know of one, contact us. If you know of handyman type work to assist in outreach, contact us: mmmtas@mmm.org.au M: 0409 018 628 P: 6398 2993.

WED 1	Give thanks to God for sending His Son to die on the cross for the forgiveness of our sins & give us our hope of eternal life with him.	SAT 11	Praise God for the real blessing the International Conference last month was for Tim Cranna & the opportunity he had to get to know their new Director Dustin White & visit a project in South Africa that MMM Australia assisted with.	WED 22	Pray for greater awareness of MMM's ministry & opportunities for individuals to become involved. Pray for good relationships to develop with churches & for tradies & professionals, in fields relating to building, to come forward & serve the Lord on MMM projects.
THUR 2	NT - Give thanks for Graham & Gloria Scott, leading the team at Normanton to assist Lyle Morris, the Manager for Aboriginal & Islander Christian Fellowship. Pray for the team that is renovating a building for the leaders of this Northern Qld community until the end of this week.	SUN 12	WA - Prayer Fellowships, 7.30 pm at the MMM Centre at Southern River & North of the River JOHN 17 : 11 Jesus prayed, "Holy Father, protect (my followers) by the power of your name –the name you gave me –so that they may be one as we are one.	THUR 23	NSW - Pray for a qualified builder to come forward to work on the many projects wanting our assistance in this State.
FRI 3	Pray for team members to come forward to participate in projects overseas, using their skills to serve the Lord & bless other ministries. Pray for Peter Taylor as he co-ordinates establishing these teams & for his many other responsibilities in helping manage MMM. Give thanks for all his efforts with MMM.	MON 13	TAS - Prayer Fellowship - Ulverstone	FRI 24	WA –Pray for a qualified builder & team members to be available to undertake projects awaiting our assistance in this State.
SAT 4	Pray for MMM to be good stewards with all we do with God's provisions.	TUE 14	Give thanks for our new Bookkeeper Diane & her expertise. Pray for her as she familiarizes herself with the financial structures of MMM.	SAT 25	Pray for all team members to be very aware of applying WHS practices to all they do on work sites so MMM meets legal requirements & for work practices to not jeopardize our insurance cover.
SUN 5	PSALM 119 : 2 Blessed are they who keep his statutes & seek him with all their heart.	WED 15	WA - Pray for many to register to attend the Annual Dinner on the 8th September at Camp Wattle Grove.	SUN 26	1 SAM. 26 : 23 The Lord rewards every man for his righteousness & faithfulness.
MON 6	TAS Prayer Fellowships - Launceston, Devonport / Sheffield.	THUR 16	Pray for Godly wisdom for the MMM Board members .	MON 27	Give thanks for Dave Spencer training Palita (from MMM Thailand) in using CRM & other administration processes so she can then utilize these skills to assist in the administration of MMM Thailand, when she returns home. Give thanks for Dave's skills & commitment & for all Palita does to serve God .
TUES 7	NT - Pray for John & Anne Cooper as they settle into living & working at the NT Centre. Pray they will quickly build supportive relationships for themselves & MMM & be embraced by the NT Committee. Pray for them to know God's guidance & be blessed as they faithfully serve Him.	FRI 17	Pray for God to lead people of his choosing to our website or make contact with our staff to be encouraged in their faith & be willing to support MMM. Pray for people to be touched by God to donate to the work of MMM.	TUE 28	Praise God for the many projects on the books for MMMBuild to undertake. Pray these will be a blessing to the recipients & to MMM so we can continue well into the future.
WED 8	Pray for wisdom for the Prayer Committee as they prepare & promote a new prayer group, to join with staff at the Centre at Mitcham. Pray for prayer warriors to become involved & also enjoy fellowship together.	SAT 18	WA - Craft at the Centre 3-9pm (Painting on canvas) Give thanks for the instructor & the funds this fun time of learning together provides for MMM's ministry.	WED 29	Give thanks for Anthony Hocking working on projects & Siska at the office.
THUR 9	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. Pray for staff to be encouraged by God and by each other. Pray also for God's protection over the family members of staff	SUN 19	1CORINTHIANS 3 :9 We are God's fellow workers; you are God's field, God's building.	THUR 30	Pray for Godly wisdom for the MMM Board members at their meeting tonight.
FRI 10	TAS State Committee meeting. Praise God for fruitful meetings with representatives from Hope Village, Huon Valley Uniting Church & Deloraine Anglican for proposed project works.	MON 20	Pray for Alan Wilkinson who is assisting with promoting MMM to help acquire projects for MMMBuild. Give thanks for Lillian Taylor assisting at reception & with other office tasks.	FRI 31	WA - Give thanks for Trevor Beard, his son & his girlfriend, Karen's dad & team leader Ab Phoenix who erected a fence around the boundary of the Kelmscott Baptist Church property.
		TUE 21	Praise God for his Word & all his promises & for the gift of his Holy Spirit to live in us.		