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New Pidgin hymnal released

Don Roy—Cooranbong, New South Wales

A new Seventh-day Adventist hymnal in Pidgin has been introduced in Mt Hagen, Western Highlands, Papua New Guinea. A number of retired missionaries have collaborated over a period of time to produce, publish and introduce the new hymnal, *Nupela Ol Sing Bilong Lotu*.

Pastor Lester Lock, a veteran linguist in both Motu and Pidgin, translated the lyrics while Dr Glynn Litster painstakingly matched each syllable of the Pidgin lyrics with the music notes for all 245 hymns and songs. He also obtained the copyright for each selection, and raised funds to print the hymnbook. Over the past 50 years, Pastor Lock has translated songbooks in a number of New Guinea languages, while since 1998 Dr Litster has published hymnbooks in various Pacific languages including Samoan, Kiribati, Fijian, Koiari, Tongan and now, Pidgin.

Pastor John Kosmeier organised the printing in Singapore, the shipping to Port Moresby and their eventual flight by mission plane to Mt Hagen, delivered in time for Pastor Gary Kent's evangelistic campaign for *It Is Written Oceania*. Each night of the campaign selections from the hymnal were projected onto a large screen for Dr Don Roy and a chorale of young people to lead the singing. The thrilling culmination on the final night was 10,000 people singing favourites like "Tokin Ol Stori B'long Jisas" ("Tell Me the Story of Jesus").



People knew many of the songs in English but now find deeper appreciation in their own language.



Participants graduate from the evangelism course, with Pastor Foo (front right).

Members help conduct evangelism

Evangeline Eljido-Ten—Melbourne, Victoria

Melbourne Asian Church (MASDAC) held an eight-day evangelistic series exploring whether there is a belief system that answers all life's big questions.

The meetings—with 107 participants including nine to be baptised and 18 having Bible studies—were conducted in Mandarin. Non-Mandarin speaking attendees were catered for as English translation was provided through headphones.

"The mobilisation of laymen speakers is an important feature of this year's Chinese outreach program because we notice from past experience that the participants relate easily to the laymen's own experiences and knowledge," said Pastor Isaac Foo, MASDAC pastor and one of the speakers for the series. Topics included "Trusting Science" and "Evolution vs Creation", "Wealth and Happiness" and "God's Existence". The children's ministry team ran evangelism programs to accommodate entire families attending the series. Many who came to the meetings had previously attended care groups while others were regular listeners of the *Voice of Hope* Chinese radio program.

Sanitarium closes SA factory

David Gibbons—Wahroonga, New South Wales

Sanitarium Health and Wellbeing Company announced the closure of its Adelaide production site and its operations by October 29.

The decision affects production, distribution and office support staff. But the sales team will continue their program and will relocate to a new office in Adelaide.

Sanitarium's manufacturing site in Adelaide began making Weet-Bix in January 1942 and has a long history of success and achievements. Over recent years the Australian grocery trade has become very competitive with a stronger reliance on low cost imported products. There have also been significant improvements in efficiency and technology.

In order to retain long-term competitiveness, Sanitarium reviewed its manufacturing network and cost structures. Consequently, the board and management decided to close the production and distribution facilities in South Australia.

Operations general manager Darryn Wooley said, "This

is not a decision we have taken lightly as we recognise the impact this has on our Sanitarium family. We've considered many options and reviewed their feasibility only to return to the hard decision of closing the site."

Sanitarium will retain a presence in South Australia through its sales team. The current manufacturing, distribution and office teams of 22 full-time employees and 12 casuals represent more than 340 years of service. Along with a range of support programs to find new jobs for staff is the offer to relocate to Berkeley Vale or Cooranbong.

The production line will be dismantled and transferred to the company's Carmel manufacturing site.



Weet-bix has been made in Adelaide for 68 years.



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Judgement at the door?

Pablo Lillo

Recently I attended a morning meeting at the South Queensland Camp, held by Graham Hood, a man dedicated to helping people restore their lives from the bondage of hurts, hang-ups and habits. I had planned to stay for 30 minutes as I had an appointment soon after. But I couldn't leave. I was glued to my seat.

Graham spoke of life before he met Christ and of the radical change that took place after he handed everything over to Him. He also used a phrase that left me thinking. Whenever Graham runs a program he asks people to "leave their judgement at the front door". What would church life be like if we left our judgement at the front door?

For many of us it's easier to judge others than to stay focused on our own lives. The funny thing is, when we stand before God someday, He isn't going to ask about someone else's life. But I'm pretty sure He knows every detail of your life.

When people come to church, the last thing they want is to be judged by others. They are looking for love and acceptance. Unfortunately, we've judged some into oblivion. We are always quick to stuff people into boxes and assign stereotypes to them. As I think back, I remember so many who have been wounded in church.

So let's ignore the garbage in people's lives and see the good in them. As Christians, God has instructed us to love people in our lives, but before we can do that, we have to see people as God sees them. God looks at people differently. He sees the entire life history of that person and knows every thought, motive and feeling and how he/she has changed over time. Most importantly, He sees their hearts and soul. Whether it's a mean old man, a rebellious teenager, a cold-hearted woman, a self-centred child or an arrogant church leader . . . God asks us to see the good in them. What would church life be like if we left our judgement at the front door?

In this edition, read Jenny's miraculous story of healing (page 16). Also, you can vote on our poll about miracles (page 6) at <record.net.au>.

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Church grows to 16.6 million

Ansel Oliver/ANN—Silver Spring, US

More than 2900 people join the Seventh-day Adventist Church every day, according to recently released Church statistics, which show the denomination now has 16.6 million adult baptised members and a growth rate slightly higher than last year.

Much of that growth came from Latin America and Southern and Eastern Africa, said Church leaders during the secretary's report at the Annual Council, a meeting of the denomination's roughly 300-member Executive Committee.

The General Conference secretary's report gives an extensive overview of the Church's operations, including mission.

It was the first such address for Pastor G T Ng as the Adventist Church's secretary, the second highest officer in the denomination. The report is not made public due to the sensitivity of work in certain regions.

New analyses included a "sobering" look at a shift from a "proactive to a reactive approach" in missionary allocation. Pastor Ng said more missionaries were now serving in established institutions instead of "frontline mission" work. In 2008, the Church sent out 755 full-time missionaries, with about 56 per cent serving in institutions. That figure is up from 45 per cent 10 years ago, Pastor Ng said.

"If we spend a lot of our [missionary] budgets on institutions, then we are sacrificing our need in the 10/40 Window," he said, referring to a world region from West Africa to East Asia where Christianity has little presence.

Africa has the most members of any continent, and

South America's church membership is growing the fastest. Of total membership, Africa has 37 per cent; Latin America 33 per cent; Asia 19 per cent; North America 7 per cent; and Europe/Oceania 4 per cent.

This is also the seventh consecutive year the Church witnessed a net gain of more than 1 million members.

More than 40 per cent of those new members live in South America and Southern Africa, 18 per cent in Inter-America and nearly 16 per cent in East-Central Africa. The remaining 21 per cent live in other world regions. Europe accounted for less than 2 per cent of new membership.

Pastor Ng's report was well received and accepted by the delegates. Trans-European Division president Bertil Wiklander said it was the most "relevant" report on mission strategy he had heard in 15 years.

Other agenda items at the Annual Council included a plan to centralise coordination for the Church's missionary programs, and to elect leaders and associates in several services and ministries based in Silver Spring.



Pastor Ng addresses church leaders.

Police Commissioner attends men's meeting

Ben Beaden—Gold Coast, Queensland

A newly established ministry on the Gold Coast received a boost after a high profile visit during a men's "Shed Night" meeting.

Queensland Police Commissioner Bob Atkinson told his life story and fielded personal questions from around 40 men, ranging in age from teenagers to seniors, who attended the night.

Many topics and life issues were discussed, and Commissioner Atkinson reflected on an extensive array of experiences—from growing up as a child through to his more than 40 years of service for the Queensland Police, from Goondiwindi to Cairns and many places in between.

The Men's Shed concept, also expanding in other parts of Australia (see www.shednight.com), is designed to generate open dialogue so that men can help each other with a range of life issues—in a safe, accepting and non-judgemental way.

At each Shed Night, men benefit by learning from the experiences of others, through

personal affirmation, and most importantly, by taking Jesus on board as a Guide and best Friend.

The Gold Coast hinterland Shed Night is organised and hosted by Graham Hood, who with his wife Michelle, runs a project called "Mission Serenity", where they provide counselling, healing and support services to people from all walks of life.

Among the men attending the Shed Night was Dr Neil Watts, president of the South Queensland Conference. "This is a wonderful idea and is proving to provide a great support mechanism for men of all ages and backgrounds," he said.

For more information, visit www.missionserenity.com.au.



Queensland Police Commissioner Bob Atkinson (left) with Graham Hood.

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NEWS

It is Written moves to Ten

Candice Jaques—Wahroonga, New South Wales

The *It Is Written Oceania* TV show in Australia is scheduled to broadcast on Channel Ten every Sunday at 4.30am.

In addition, from Sunday, November 7, the show is planned to air weekly on GEM, the Nine Network's third digital channel. The show will continue to air unaltered on all other channels, including the Australian Christian Channel, TV2 in New Zealand and HOPE Channel.



Pastor Gary Kent filming on location.

Channel Ten and GEM are both free-to-air, allowing anyone in Australia with an appropriate television to watch *It Is Written Oceania*. On Channel Ten, the show will air every Sunday at 4.30am in analogue and digital Standard Definition (SD) to audiences in metropolitan areas. On GEM, the show will air from November 7 every Sunday at 6am in digital High Definition (HD) to metropolitan (Channel 90) and regional (Channel 80) audiences.

"We now have exposure on two free-to-air networks, reaching all over Australia, which will help us take the Gospel into even more homes and introduce people to our wonderful Lord and Saviour," said *It Is Written Oceania* speaker and director, Pastor Gary Kent.

It Is Written Oceania is to begin broadcasting on Channel Ten the same day it ends on Channel Seven, resulting in no loss of airtime for the show. "We praise God for the doors that He has opened so that His work can continue to grow in Australia," said Pastor Kent. "When we knew our current arrangement with Channel Seven was coming to an end, we couldn't have known God would provide in such a powerful way. We thank God for His providence."

Sanitarium Health and Wellbeing Company, which has strong media relationships with several Australian networks, played a crucial role in negotiating these new arrangements.

"Sanitarium is very supportive of our work to share the great news of God with others, and has worked hard to help open these doors. We're very thankful for their efforts and support," Pastor Kent said.

Full broadcast times and other information about the show can be found at www.itiswrittenoceania.tv.

OPINION POLL

Do men neglect their spiritual responsibilities at home and church?

Yes **21.6%**

No **78.4%**

Next Poll

Have you ever experienced a miracle?

- During this year
- Past five years
- During childhood
- Never

Please visit record.net.au to answer this poll.



Forever love

Yarra Valley church, Vic, held a combined celebration for Katie Glover and Andrew Young's engagement, and Derek and Maureen Hughes' 50th wedding anniversary. The engaged couple were quizzed, which proved they know each other fairly well. This was followed by a few active games which were enjoyed by young and old. —*May Southern*



The pie man

Warren Bailey from the Pine Rivers church has been the "pie man" at SQLD Camp for the past eight years. In nine days 10,000 pies were sold with the profits going to the Vanuatu Mission to renovate the Teproma church. His staff volunteer for up to 11 hours a day and shut the shop each day after the last pie has been sold. —*Pablo Lillo*



Spreading the Gospel

Wankun church, Morobe Mission, PNG, had a week-long evangelistic meeting at Mare village from September 27 to October 3. Mare is a Lutheran dominated area. Before entering, the Lutherans said they were not allowed to hold meetings in the area. After meeting some conditions, the program went ahead, with four candidates baptised by Pastor Sani Yudah. —*David Adzab*



Happy 40th birthday

Salisbury church, Qld, celebrated its 40th anniversary on the weekend of August 27-29. Those who could not attend were able to watch online via the church's live streaming broadcast. Pastor Chester Stanley was guest speaker for the day. After the Divine Service attendees enjoyed quality time together over a buffet lunch. —*Alexandra Momcilovic*



Fundraising fun

Penrith Pathfinders, NSW, held a Trivia Night to fundraise for the upcoming Camporee in Queensland. Pastor Nataniel Pereira was persuaded to have his face painted. He, the Pathfinder leader, Chris Dixon, and the women's ministry leader, Caroline Allchin, all had their faces painted for hefty donations. More than \$A1200 was raised on the night. —*Leonie Duff*



Adriana Carrasco

My favourite Bible verse is, "The angel of the LORD encamps around those who fear him, and he delivers them" (Psalms 34:7). Since I memorised the verse as a child, God has always been my protector. I'm 84 and have eight children, 30 grandchildren and 30 great-grandchildren. My Saviour has always been there to protect me and my family. —*Pablo Lillo*



GP recognised

Redcliffe Rotary Club, Qld, has recognised the work of Adventist GP Dr Paul Johanson in its annual vocational service awards. Paul was nominated for making his practice Indigenous-friendly, in partnership with Indigenous Elders of Redcliffe and Deception Bay Health and community organisations. This has resulted in a 10-fold increase in Indigenous patronage. —*Glen Smith/Mike Brownhill*



Out of the pit

Local Adventists provided spiritual support for the trapped Chilean miners during their 69 day ordeal. Adventist Church leaders sent mini-Bibles down the miners' narrow supply tube. But there are conflicting reports over who provided the miners' "Gracias Señor!" (Thank you Lord) T-shirts, with both Adventists and Campus Crusade for Christ claiming credit. —*Adventist Online/Campus Crusade*



Cold water!

In a special day for Nambour church, Qld, Helen Van der Hor and Edith Power were baptised by Pastor Joe Webb on August 7. The service was held outside and the water was not heated but they still enjoyed the day. —*Elsie Scott*



My God is so big

The small Polish town of Swiebodzin is well on its way to the record books, with construction of the world's largest Jesus Christ statue due to end this month. At 51 metres from plinth to crown, the new monument will dwarf Rio de Janeiro's landmark 39.6 metre "Christ the Redeemer". — *Telegraph (UK)*



Ultimate ride

The final competition of the Jesus Pro-Am 2010 surfing series was held at Cronulla beach in South Sydney. After 26 years, the Jesus Pro Am has become a feature of the Australian surfing circuit. Organisers say they want to bless surfers and the surfing community, and provide the opportunity for them to meet Jesus. — *jesusproam.com.au*



Bigger than . . . ?

Sydney's ANZ Stadium has hosted the "biggest theatrical event ever seen in Australia". The biblical epic Ben Hur was staged live in the round and narrated by Oscar winning actor Russell Crowe. The production featured a crucifixion scene, a giant Roman ship with 100 galley slaves, and a full-scale chariot race. — *www.benhur.com.au*



Tough talk

The Presbyterian Church in New Zealand is shrinking by an average of 60 people per week. At last month's General Assembly, church leaders urged local congregations to connect with people from different cultural backgrounds and involve youth in leadership. The General Assembly also joined the call for alcohol law reform. — *www.presbyterian.org.nz*



United

After more than 200 years of operating separately, Australia's five state Bible Societies have joined to form one national body. Society members agreed that their aims will be best achieved as a united entity. State offices will continue with local initiatives while the new national board will coordinate the Bible Society's international activities. — *www.biblesociety.com.au*



Icon says farewell

South Africa's Archbishop Desmond Tutu (79) has announced he's retiring from public life. Tutu was a key figure in ending apartheid in South Africa and has been involved in national affairs since. He says he wants to make way for a new generation of leaders. — *BBC*

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Women's role in church examined

by RECORD staff

AVONDALE COLLEGE SEVENTH-DAY ADVENTIST Church has hosted a women-in-church themed Sabbath.

Theologians, historians, pastors and other scholars shared their views on the role women play in the mission of the Church, including the ordination of women to the gospel ministry.

Dr Arthur Patrick, an honorary senior research fellow at Avondale College, summarised the history of the place of women in the Adventist Church. He challenged the church to “disentangle” itself from 20 centuries of history so it might better understand its “sacred responsibility to acknowledge that when God pours out spiritual gifts upon His people, they are not gender specific.”

Dr Norman Young, also an honorary senior research fellow at Avondale, said ordination is an important aspect of the gospel: “To appoint the bearers of this message on the basis of, for example, skin pigmentation, social class or gender, puts the messenger in direct opposition to the message of the gospel, which is all-inclusive.”

While not in attendance at the themed Sabbath presentations, Division president, Dr Barry Oliver, commented

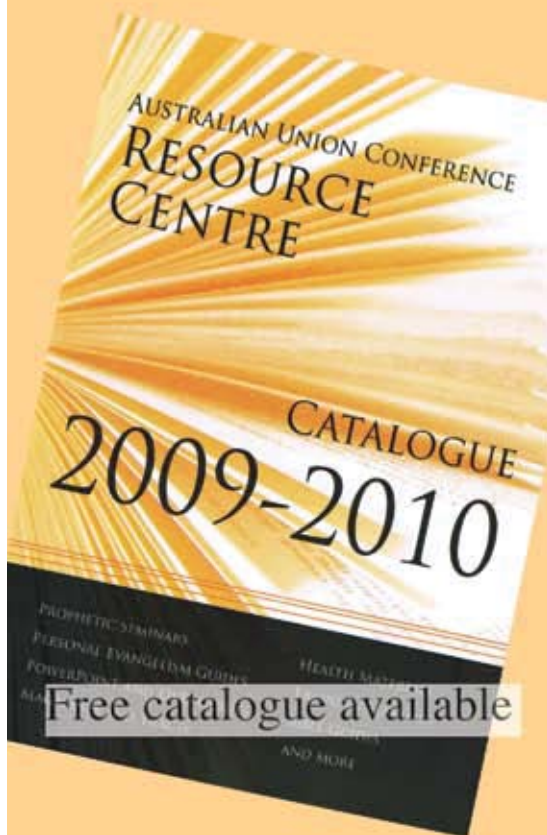
that there is a spectrum of ideas around the world church on the subject of ordination. “Both men and women have been involved in ministry since our pioneering days. Ellen White, for example, continues to hold an undisputed role in Adventism. However, I think we must continue to look for better ways in which all church members—young people, lay people, and women—are equally affirmed for the contribution they make to mission.”

During the June world session in Atlanta, a decision was taken to examine a Seventh-day Adventist theology of ordination. Dr Oliver said the South Pacific Division has been quick to respond and has asked its own Biblical Research Committee to work with the General Conference Biblical Research Institute to examine the subject. Dr Oliver says that there are differing, strong views about ordination—here in the South Pacific as well as around the world.

He said it is very important that church members continue to have open discussion while moving together in unity.

Photo above: Carole Ferch-Johnson prays with worship leaders before co-preaching a women in church-themed sermon during the worship service in Avondale College church. Credit: Ann Stafford.

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OPINION

Danny Bell

Men, boys and church growth

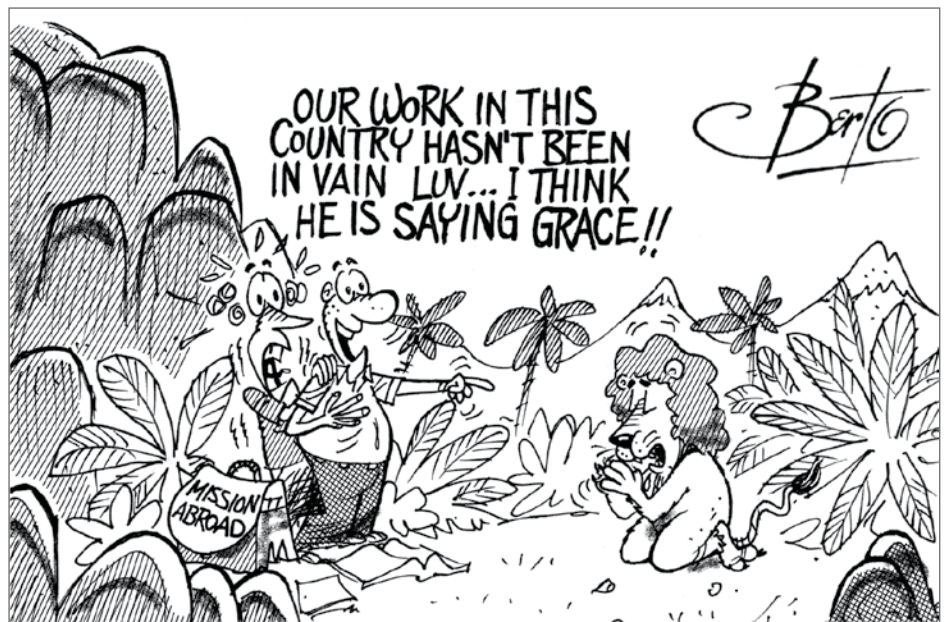
My wife recently took up a leadership position in a children's division at church. In my usual "what about men" mode I asked how would she be accommodating boys in her designs and content for the classes this year? I needn't have worried. "I am going to make sure the boys are not left out this time," she said. She told me most children's divisions are decorated with a strong feminine flavour with little thought for boys. She showed me the tractors, cars, planes, fishing rods and various "boyish" props she had purchased to keep them interested and restore a much-needed balance for boys. I felt relief—finally, here is someone who is starting to get it when it comes to men, boys and church.

My wife is one of the few I meet whose eyes have been opened and who can see the trend that favours girls above boys in church culture. Take a peek into a children's Sabbath School class at church and you will see a lot of feminine things—not much to interest boys. Soft and cuddly animal pictures interspersed with bouquets of flowers and images of Jesus reflecting a fragile and faint Christ are common. The programs are also not so much designed to challenge but to comfort in an ever increasing culture of protection and fear.

Church men brought up in this environment provide the biggest challenge when it comes to introducing men's ministry. David Murrow contends that most church men "don't come to be transformed but to participate in comforting rituals that have changed little since their childhood" (*Why Men Hate Going To Church*, p6).

The world challenges our boys at every turn to prove their masculinity. From 15 years old onwards we see our restless teenage boys and less compliant men leaving our doorsteps with the remaining passive male church population diminishing fast. From concrete data, we know that declining percentages of men and boys will cause a church to flatline and eventually fail—a massive concern for anybody who has God's Kingdom at heart.

Danny Bell is the Western Australian Adventist Men's Ministry Communications editor.





Nurturing your spirit

To care for our wellbeing means nurturing not only our body, but also our mind, heart and spirit—in other words, our whole being. We may care for our body, mind and heart, but how do we revitalise our spirit? New research shows one of the keys to a long and well-lived life has a spiritual dimension. According to Dan Buettner, author of *The Blue Zone*, spirituality and a sense of purpose contribute to longevity and quality of life. Buettner researched four extraordinary communities living with health and vitality well into their 8th, 9th and 10th decades. These centenarians live in Sardinia (Italy), Okinawa (Japan), Loma Linda (California) and Nicoya Peninsula (Costa Rica).

A sense of purpose

Possessing a strong sense of purpose, being needed and being able to contribute in meaningful ways all give a sense of peace and happiness that rejuvenates the spirit. Costa Ricans call it “plan de vida”, and Okinawans call it “ikigai”, meaning “why I wake up in the morning”. We are learning from these centenarians that finding our “ikigai” and immersing ourselves in it gives a sense of fulfilment and enjoyment. It may be an activity such as visiting a needy neighbour, learning a musical instrument or a new language, or caring for your children or grandchildren.

A sanctuary in time

As well as a sense of purpose, most of *The Blue Zone* centenarians had an unwavering belief in a higher power,

a spiritual dimension. And each community followed their own traditions that reflected their beliefs. For one community, Loma Linda California, coming together weekly during the Sabbath hours provided a sanctuary in time for rest, reflection and spiritual renewal.

It's our choice

In his book, Dan Buettner pays tribute to a 112-year-old lady he met in Arizona. She was the first of three centenarians he met who died before his book was finished. He said, “They’d all mastered the art of life and accepted the inevitability of its end . . . The calculus of ageing offers us two options: We can live a shorter life with more years of disability, or we can live the longest possible life with the fewest bad years. As my centenarian friends showed me, the choice is largely up to us.” Taking the time to reflect and meditate on the beauty that surrounds us and knowing our purpose in life, or “ikigai”, will nurture our spirit and help us live a purposeful and healthy life.

If you would like to learn more about Dan Buettner and *The Blue Zone*, visit www.vegetarianweek.com.au. If you would like to speak with one of our nutritionists about how a vegetarian diet may benefit you, call 1800 673 392 (Australia) or 0800 100 257 (New Zealand). Alternatively, email us with a nutrition question at nutrition@sanitarium.com.au (Australia) or nutrition@sanitarium.co.nz (New Zealand). We'd love to hear from you! And don't forget to order your FREE copy of *Food for Health and Happiness Cookbook*. You may order the cookbook by visiting our website www.sanitarium.com.au or www.sanitarium.co.nz.



RECIPE

Asian market noodles

- 500g fresh thick rice noodles
- 1 onion, peeled and chopped
- ¼ cup light soy sauce
- 100g bean sprouts, trimmed
- 1 large carrot, peeled and finely diced
- 125g fresh baby corn, thickly sliced diagonally
- 1 red chilli, deseeded and thinly sliced (optional)
- ¼ Chinese cabbage, finely shredded (about 3 cups)
- 1 green onion (shallot), thinly sliced diagonally, to serve
- 2 tbsp peanut oil
- 3 garlic cloves, finely chopped
- 2 eggs, lightly beaten
- 2 tbsp chopped roasted unsalted peanuts

1. Place noodles in a heatproof bowl. Cover with boiling water. Stand for 1-3 minutes until almost tender. Drain and separate noodles. Set aside.
2. Heat a wok over high heat. Add oil and heat until hot. Add onion. Stir-fry for 2 minutes or until onion is just soft.
3. Add garlic, carrot, corn and chilli. Stir-fry for 2 minutes. Add cabbage. Stir-fry until combined. Toss through soy sauce and noodles. Swirl eggs over noodle mixture. Toss for 1 minute or until eggs set slightly. Spoon into serving bowls. Top with chopped peanuts, thinly sliced green onions and serve immediately. Serves 4.

Preparation time: 15 minutes. Cooking time: 10 minutes.

PER SERVE: 1450kJ; Protein 11g; Total Fat 18g;
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Sodium 650mg; Potassium 530mg;
Calcium 65mg; Iron 2.2mg; Fibre 5g.



OPENING HIS WORD

Gary Webster

The relevance of prophecy

Some churches within Christianity believe that spiritual gifts were only bestowed upon the early church and that they ceased with the passing of the apostles. By contrast, other churches within Christendom teach that these gifts did not die out after the first century and that they still have a place in the ministry of the modern church.

How do the Scriptures show that the gift of prophecy is still relevant in the modern age?

- Prophecy indicates that the prophetic gift will be poured out in significant measure in the days preceding the return of Jesus.

Read Joel 2:28-32

The context is the Day of the Lord i.e. the Second Coming.

- Jesus taught that this gift would continue to be exercised in future generations.

Read Matthew 7:15-16, 24:24

These words strongly point to the existence of a genuine prophetic ministry, and the apostles repeated similar warnings.

- The purposes of the prophetic gift show that it is still relevant today.

Read Ephesians 4:11-16 and 1 Corinthians 14:3, 4

The development and equipping of believers, the promotion of unity in the church, and the blessings of encouragement and edification are still vital needs today and will continue to be until Jesus returns.

- The apostle John received a vision that the gift of prophecy would operate in the church of the last days.

Read Revelation 12:17 and 19:10

In summary, the gift of prophecy is provided for the whole church, and it will operate in the church until the Second Coming of Jesus.

Pastor Gary Webster is director of the Institute for Public Evangelism.



HEALTH WISE

Dr James Wright

Q: Does “de-caff” really mean all the caffeine has been removed from the coffee, or just some of it?

A: Most of the caffeine has been removed by a special process. But not all. Some is inevitably left behind by the methods used. As pointed out so many times before, caffeine continues to kick in for anything up to 12 hours. If you really want to get off the caffeine merry-go-round, simply stop drinking tea, coffee and cola drinks. If you desire a hot drink, hot water is fine. It is like a tube of heat being poured into the middle of the body, and may be quite pleasant.



MY MINISTRY IDEA

Park Ridge Seventh-day Adventist Church (SQld) is offering an eight-week Depression Recovery Program to the local community. On the opening night, Pastor Dan Cinzio and his co-facilitators were excited to see twice as many people turn up as had registered—30 from the community, 15 from the church and 10 children.

“My observation from pastoral ministry is that depression’s almost an epidemic in our society,” Pastor Cinzio says. “This is something that can be really practical and helpful for people.”

His observations square with the statistics. The World Health Organisation has predicted that by 2020, depression will be the second biggest health problem worldwide, behind heart disease.

Program facilitators at Park Ridge have undergone 14-hours of internet-based training in delivering the Depression Recovery Program developed by Adventist Dr Neil Nedley in the US. One of the facilitators has qualifications in psychology and another is a school chaplain, but the rest are from all walks of life. Pr Cinzio sees a lack of qualifications as no barrier to delivering the program.

Opening night saw a number of participants disclose that they’ve been diagnosed with multiple mental disorders. Other participants said they were there to learn how to help their children or spouses.

The Depression Recovery Program is practical. Participants learn how to identify depression and its causes, overcome depression through positive lifestyle choices and enhance energy levels and mood. There’s little time for reflecting on past hurts. Instead, participants are urged to develop a daily routine which includes exercise, eight glasses of water, refraining from saying anything negative, listening to classical music (baroque is favoured for its psycho-neurological effects) and reading a chapter of Proverbs. Issues covered include relationships, loss, addictions and physical health.

“I wish my whole church would come along,” says Pastor Cinzio. “It would help so much with all the issues we face.”—*Kent Kingston/Jimboomba Times*



The great disappointment

by Hayley Symmons



I CAN'T RECALL HOW OLD I WAS WHEN I FIRST HEARD about the Great Disappointment—October 22, 1844—the day it was anticipated Jesus would return. He did not. I was impressed that some people failed to plant crops or store up food for another winter. They were so convinced the Saviour they had waited for would come imminently.

I wonder how they felt when the sun submitted once again to the horizon, and midnight seeped with slow, silent agony into their shattered hope. I wonder if their faith quivered, if it paused—and for how long. I wonder if it sent people to their knees, back to the Word of God, into quiet despair, or into a much less quiet rebellion.

For me, almost two centuries later, the “Great Disappointment” has had another face. On my 16th birthday, I chuckled lightly over references to “Sweet Sixteen and never been kissed . . .”, unhurried by the promises of anticipated love. My heart sank a little as 18 passed. I watched a best friend date the hottest boy in school who it seemed had forgotten I existed.

By 19, I had asked a guy out, gone on perhaps a single date, and had my heart dashed on the rocks. It was in pieces for awhile—innocent of the means of reconstruction maturity teaches. University finished, and I moved to new places, convinced love was always just around the next corner. To my unnerved surprise, frustration, anger and eventual anguish, boy after boy asked other girls out . . . and soon I was attending engagement parties, weddings, baby showers and “next baby” showers. I remained single.

In the 12 months leading up to my 30th birthday, I agonised over the knowledge I might reach the middle of my adult life unrequited, unloved, unneeded, alone. And then I think I immersed myself in my private Great Disappointment. I was disappointed with God. He knew I had always honoured Him, and that I had pursued the God-ordained (promised, I thought) plan of a godly husband. I prayed until my heart dissolved. I listened to advice, helpful and otherwise. I grew, I submitted to God.

I endured. Church became a lonelier place. Catering for the dating, the married and families, I don't think it knew what to do with my life. I tried a plethora of Youth Sabbath Schools around the city, a handful of Adult Sabbath Schools,

and eventually the solace of Sabbaths at the beach or reading novels on my bed. I found it increasingly difficult to engage with friends who had progressed through the stages of serious relationships and, particularly, having children. Jealousy and the fear I would remain alone, ate away at me.

I took my frustrations out on God. For months, I would pray to Him but hate Him. When I found the humility and discipline to open my Bible, I found consolation but it didn't always feel complete. Between God and I lay this gaping wound—this misunderstanding that He hadn't provided what I knew He could, and had thought He would.

One night I was reading my Bible and stumbled across the story of the 12 scouts exploring Canaan. Moses sent a dozen representatives into the Promised Land at God's direction, requesting of each of them a report after 40 days reconnaissance. Ten of the men returned bitterly discouraged, calling themselves grasshoppers in the presence of the “giants” of Anak. Two ignored what they could see, and fixed their eyes on The Invisible. “[The Lord] will bring us safely into that land and give it to us” they asserted in Numbers 14:8.

I was convicted. In my imagined Promised Land, there were many giants stomping around. “Loneliness”, “Childlessness”, “Broken Faith”. I realised Caleb and Joshua didn't deny the existence of giants but they weren't alarmed by them. They focused instead on the One who had sent them and who had travelled with them faithfully until that point.

I was challenged, too, by the conclusion of the story. The 10 who chose discouragement and disappointment paid exorbitantly for their unbelief. For every day they had encountered the land without a spirit of hope, they wandered an entire year in their wilderness—a wilderness in which they then returned to dust. Their children, who might have entered the Promised Land with them immediately, instead buried them, and entered it alone.

Perhaps my Promised Land isn't as I imagined—but I know the God who leads me towards it—and He has been faithful in my desert. God grant that I might not multiply my suffering, or that of others, by returning to the wilderness and dust. “Not my will but Thine.”

Hayley Symmons is a pseudonym.



by Kriselle Dawson

**“And it will be, before they call I
will answer; and while they are still
speaking, I will hear.”**

–Isaiah 65:24

Missionary ABROAD

IT WAS 2008 AND MY HUSBAND AND I WERE BUSY in our careers, house renovating and investing. I remember coming home from work one evening and sitting down with Brad in our partially-renovated home to discuss the fact that he had been approved for an IT job at the Papua New Guinea (PNG) Union Mission in Lae. Did he want to accept it?

Brad was keen as he had been to PNG once before for a holiday, however I was somewhat cautious as all I had heard were the horror stories of violence and corruption. We decided to take what we considered a conservative and sensible approach: to visit Lae and the Union Mission before we accepted the position. After our five-day visit we decided that it was God's will and that we were prepared to accept the position.

We have now been in Lae for more than a year of our four-year term. In all it has been a good year. There have been many challenges but there have also been many blessings. We have been exposed to malaria, theft and attempted hold-ups but through these experiences God is refining our characters and strengthening our faith in Him.

Some of the simple blessings have been:

- the opportunity to work for God in a country where people are particularly receptive to messages of God's love and grace;
- abundant time to develop our marriage relationship and to pursue other interests; and
- learn to trust God for our every physical and spiritual need.

I would like to share one experience we had which taught us the truth of Isaiah 65:24, which says, "And it will be, before they call I will answer; and while they are still speaking, I will hear."

My husband, Brad, needed to do some IT work for the Western Highlands Mission at Mount Hagen, and decided that we and our guard would drive up to Mount Hagen and back. We had never seen this part of the country but were warned that the drive would be long, rough and potentially dangerous.

Our travels took us through several provinces: Morobe (where we live), Eastern Highlands, Chimbu and the Western Highlands. Roads in PNG are notoriously rough and unpredictable but we were shocked when we arrived in Chimbu. The road was mountainous with steep cliffs at the side. Sometimes the road was entirely dirt. Other times it was bitumen with giant holes (one was about 2 metres across and several metres deep), sometimes marked with 44 gallon drums, and sometimes not marked at all. There were occasions where one lane would completely disappear . . . down the side of the cliff, so traffic going in both directions

was required to take turns travelling on the one passable lane. Some sections of the road had dropped or risen by up to half a metre. Fortunately, our drive to Mount Hagen, although hair-raising, was uneventful.

After having done the required work it was time for us to return to Lae. Unfortunately Brad likes to travel on roads prone to raskol activity at breakneck speed, making it difficult for him to detect anomalies in the road's integrity. Driving through Chimbu at about 110km/h we plunged down about a half-metre drop in the road with a big bang! As soon as it was safe to pull over, we stopped, said a prayer, and looked over the vehicle. The most problematic damage was that two brackets responsible for holding the muffler up had been broken. At least none of us had been hurt (though I think at least one head hit the car roof!).

Having very little in the way of materials to support a dangling muffler we tried using the various paraphernalia we had (restocking in the next tiny town). We used belts, tea towels, socks, etc. As you can imagine none of these measures were hugely successful, and every couple of kilometres we had to pull over to remove yet another burned or melted object, and apply the next one. And here was yet another answer to our prayers. In none of the places that we pulled over were we threatened or harmed, despite Chimbu being notorious for raskol activity and hold-ups.

I kept praying throughout this journey that God would somehow hold our muffler up. Surely holding up a muffler couldn't be too hard for God. As our final belt burned through we limped into a little village and again pulled the car over onto the shoulder of the road. As we parked, a man came bounding down the hill and asked if he could assist us. Our guard explained what had happened. The man sent another man back up the hill to his house, and he returned with the perfect length of fencing wire. The man proceeded to bind up the muffler for us, asking no remuneration for his effort or contribution. And that piece of wire held all the way back to Lae, and continued to hold the muffler for the next few months until we were able to get replacement parts.

I don't know what the statistical odds are of a villager possessing exactly the right length of wire, being present at exactly the right time but I believe God worked a miracle for us. He might not have held the muffler up with His hand but He answered my prayer nonetheless. We know we are in God's hand, and beyond the usual precautions we believe we must trust our health and safety to His care. We're not naive enough to think that no ill will ever befall us but we have enough faith to trust if harm or death does come our way, then His plans and reasons will prevail. ➤

Kriselle Dawson serves as acting health director for the Papua New Guinea Union Mission.



Jesus took my hand...

by Dr Silent Tovosia/Bev Chapman

JENNY MELTON ENIRIKO STRUGGLED UP THE BEACH towards Kopiu Village and home, and she thought about what had happened over the past few weeks.

She had felt unwell and after three hours by boat to see a doctor in the Solomon Islands' capital, Honiara, she had been told the X-rays showed she had a brain tumour and that there was nothing anyone could do. And it was getting worse, with a series of blinding headaches and regular bleeding from her nose and ears.

By the time Jenny arrived home her legs were badly swollen and within days the rest of her body was also swollen.

On Monday, October 5, Jenny lapsed into unconsciousness and her family began to prepare for her funeral. For two days Jenny lay in a coma while women from her family gathered at her bedside and the men waited outside.

District Pastor Billy Mark and his wife visited Jenny and her family on Tuesday evening, October 6, encouraging them all to continue to trust in God.

About 9.00am on Wednesday, October 7, while the women were seated around Jenny's bed, she started to move slightly and make some sounds. Seeing this, the women thought she was hallucinating and that death would occur within a very short time.

The ladies report that Jenny had a smile on her face and that she was making "funny giggling sounds". This went on for one and-a-half hours. While they were watching, Jenny suddenly raised her arm. One of the women pushed it down, believing Jenny was in the 'throes of death' and would die very soon. Within seconds Jenny raised her arm again and for a second time it was firmly pushed down.

Jenny raised her arm for a third time but before it could be pushed down she opened her eyes, sat up, swung her feet off the bed and stood up!

To the absolute amazement of the ladies, Jenny's swelling began to go down while she sweated profusely and within minutes she looked healthy and vibrant. Everyone crowded around to hear what had happened.

Jenny said two men had visited her. The first Man was dressed in long, white clothing and had long hair down to

His shoulders. A second man was also dressed in white but he had what might have been bulky wings folded behind his back. They both smiled at Jenny as they entered the room and stood, one on each side of her bed.

The first Man told Jenny it was not time for her to die. He said He was going to perform a miracle because He still had work for her to do. He told her His church at Kopiu was "dead"; only a few members were serious about their beliefs and actively involved in sharing their faith. The majority, the Man said, were more concerned with their own commitments and were "running after money".

The Man wanted Jenny to give her church members a message: that the majority of people in Jenny's church were not ready for Him to come and that Jenny had a responsibility to help prepare them, because He is coming back very soon. The Man also told her He would like to see the work of spreading the Gospel go quickly. He said He wanted people to hear and see for themselves what He would do for Jenny.

This Man, who we believe is Jesus, told Jenny to raise her arm. On the third attempt Jesus took her hand and raised her from her deathbed.

Jenny rose up immediately to the shock of those women sitting by her bed and all her relatives outside. She knelt and offered a prayer of thanksgiving immediately and has been completely well ever since.

Jenny has since gone back to see Dr Meli in Honiara who had seen her previously, and to his amazement, new X-rays showed no trace of Jenny's brain tumour.

The church at Kopiu, and the whole Solomon Islands, have been greatly encouraged by this miraculous event. Our hope in reporting this story is that it will encourage all of us to remain faithful and be willing to be involved in witnessing for Jesus. He is coming very soon. R

Dr Silent Tovosia, a medical doctor and health director for the Solomon Islands Mission of Seventh-day Adventists, spoke with Jenny during October 2009 about her experience. Dr Tovosia also spoke with the pastor of Jenny's church and the women who were by Jenny's bedside at the time of her miraculous healing. They all verified the story.

LETTERS

AMUSING AND SLIGHTLY IRONIC

Graeme Annable, QLD

Firstly I would like to applaud Mark Serrels for "Unequally Yoked" (Feature, September 18). I find it mildly amusing and slightly ironic that, as an atheist, Mark is able to embrace acceptance around issues such as cultural Christian diversity.

Secondly, RECORD should be given credit for printing such an article. It is refreshing to see articles such as Mark's and more recently "Healthy Godly Men" (Opinion, October 16) by Graham Hood. May RECORD continue to enlighten its readers with material of this ilk.

Finally, I was disappointed to read the comments in "Have we lost the plot?" (Letters, October 16). It is this narrow-minded and myopic perspective that brings criticism against the Church and its members.

Maybe the members of the church that Mark is attending could teach us all a lesson or two in the areas of acceptance or judging others.

NEW MINISTRY FOCUS

Lynette Rowland, VIC

At last! Thank the Lord for Western Australia "New ministry focus for men" (News, October 16). I was beginning to think that men no longer mattered in our Church. Noting the South Pacific Division now has family, women's, youth and children's ministries—it seems as if men and seniors are no longer important in our Church. No wonder "Why men hate church" (Feature, October 2) made so much sense.

Two years ago when I was vice president of a large and active community health centre in Victoria, we identified and

started services, for those who no longer felt sure of their value and role in this world and felt disempowered.

NEGATIVE ASSUMPTIONS

Danny Bell, WA

I appreciate the recent focus articles on men in the RECORD and would like to strongly object to the assumptions made in "Why men hate church" (Feature, October 2).

The problem I have is Bonita Joyner Shields places negative assumptions on one of the best books for research into the problem of men and church by titling her article "Why men hate church". This is a misrepresentation, as the title of Murrow's book was *Why Men Hate Going to Church*. This is different to "hating church" altogether. Murrow's research is well regarded in the field of men's ministry as he is always at grassroots, meeting thousands of men in churches of all denominations and getting feedback.

Joyner Shields only deals with a small portion of Murrow's book and dismisses the rest, giving the impression that Murrow has no grounds for his facts. Joyner Shields simplistically jumps on the popular bandwagon, which blames all Church deficit problems on the devil and blames the men themselves for not being there.

Her unspoken thought is that men are more deceived by the devil than women and that is why they are missing.

We are haemorrhaging men and we can't always blame men or the devil. Maybe it's time to do the unthinkable—look at what we as a Church

may be doing that is making things worse?

SESSION REPORTING

George Porter, NSW

Thank you for our new look RECORD; the layout and design are awesome.

A word on session reporting. When the General Conference session convenes, its proceedings are reported in a daily edition of the *Adventist Review*, not only for the delegates but for the information and enjoyment of the worldwide church membership. By contrast, news of the proceedings of the South Pacific Division (SPD) and its Unions has been condensed into a brief one page summary by RECORD staff.

If our SPD and its sessions are to be relevant to the average pew sitter we need much better communication in this area. At best we should have a special edition of the RECORD complete with departmental reports and a full list of appointees.

SESSION REPORTING RESPONSE:

David Gibbons (Communication Director, SPD)

Since August, session meetings content (including photos and video) has been provided more quickly and in more detail online at <www.record.net.au>.

While highlights will continue to be published in the print edition, we appreciate those with internet access printing out the lengthier details for those in the congregation unable to access the RECORD website.

Note: Views in letters do not necessarily represent those of the editors or the denomination. Letters should be less than 250 words, and writers must include their name, address and phone number. All letters are edited to meet space and literary requirements, but the author's original meaning will not be changed. Not all letters received are published.

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RECORD REWIND

Lester Devine

A presidential connection

Warren Harding was widely considered by Americans to have been the worst United States president in history (1920–23), largely because of the widespread corruption of his administration revealed after his death from heart failure in 1923.

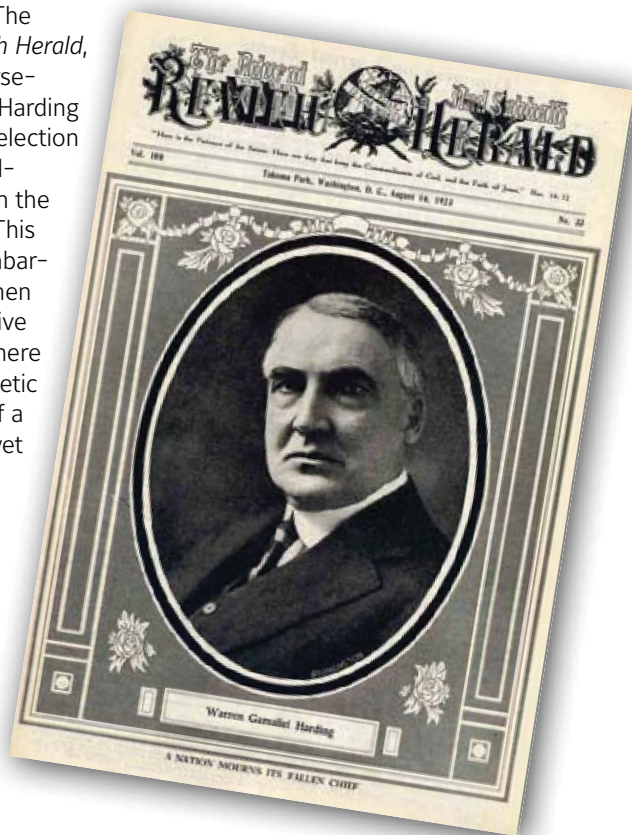
However, extensive subsequent investigation revealed nothing illegal in his personal conduct other than during those Prohibition years when he served alcohol to his guests in the White House.

On a personal level Harding was enormously popular, the first of the modern hardworking presidents, and he appointed a very capable cabinet, whose members respected him. Probably his downfall was his appointment of officials, later shown to be corrupt, on the recommendation of party leaders who had managed to get him nominated at the dead-locked convention, on the 10th ballot as the Republican candidate for the presidency.

Harding's mother and aunt were Seventh-day Adventists as were his youngest sister, Carolyn (Votaw), and brother and possibly three other sisters as well. Five times over a 14-year span Harding spent a total of nearly a year at the famous Adventist Battle Creek Sanitarium being treated for depression, anxiety and other nervous disorders.

Both Harding's parents were homeopathic physicians and indeed he was the only male in three generations of his family not to be a physician, choosing instead to be a newspaper editor and owner before entering Ohio politics and later the United States Senate. His nephew, George III, was to become president of what is now Loma Linda University (1948–1951) and four generations of Hardings, 27 individuals in all, have served the Church as physicians. However Warren Harding showed little interest in Adventism, preferring a lifestyle in which alcohol, cigars, gambling and extra-marital relationships took precedence. Even so, possibly influenced by his family connections to Adventism, his vote supporting Prohibition in the Senate, and probably because most Adventists were attracted to Republican politics, the official newspaper of the Church, *The Advent Review and Sabbath Herald*, while short of formal endorsement, certainly took a pro-Harding editorial stance during the election campaign and during his administration and had him on the front cover when he died. This very likely caused some embarrassment for the Church when the subsequent and extensive corruption was revealed. There is a lesson here: "the magnetic pull", as Bill Knott puts it, of a small religious group to covet acceptance in the wider world and alignment with political leaders with family connections to the movement, is something which this experience has shown should be resisted.

Dr Lester Devine is director emeritus of the Ellen G White Seventh-day Adventist Research Centre.



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Kids' Space



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Have you heard the story of King Hezekiah? While sick, a prophet came and told him that he was going to die.

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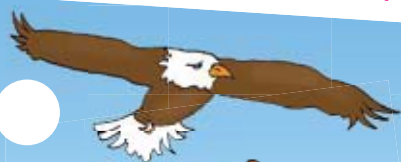
You can read this story in Isaiah 38:1-21.

REMEMBER KIDS : God keeps His promises!

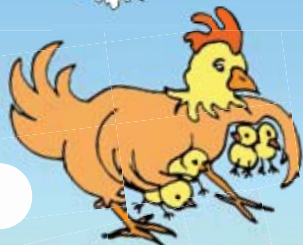
LOOK UP THESE BIBLE PROMISES

and number them to the correct picture & verse...

- 1 Luke 13:34
- 2 John 3:16
- 3 1 Peter 5:7
- 4 Jeremiah 29:11
- 5 Isaiah 40:31



Cast all your anxiety on him because he cares for you.



For God so loved the world that he gave his one and only Son, that whoever believes in him shall not perish but have eternal life.



"For I know the plans I have for you," declares the LORD, "plans to prosper you and not to harm you, plans to give you hope and a future."



...but those who hope in the LORD will renew their strength. They will soar on wings like eagles; they will run and not grow weary, they will walk and not be faint.



... how often I have longed to gather your children together, as a hen gathers her chicks under her wings, but you were not willing!

Bible Text

The _____ will _____ what He has _____.

Isaiah 38:7

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SWAP SHOT

with Dr Barry Oliver



Why our Church is special (Part 6)

Elected representatives from across our Division recently gathered for the first meeting of the Division Executive Committee for this five year period. There was much to be done—positions to fill, boards and directors to appoint, policy amendments to be considered, and reports to be presented. We sang, prayed, ate and worshipped together.

By Thursday afternoon we had been together for three days. I was about to pronounce the benediction when a representative from Papua New Guinea raised his hand. Since we had concluded the agenda and knowing there were planes to catch I was inclined not to recognise his hand. But I could see that he really wanted to speak. In simple but eloquent language Roger expressed his heartfelt thanks for brothers and sisters who had come from overseas—primarily Australia and New Zealand—to bring the Gospel in the setting of the Three Angels' Messages to his people and homeland. His words came from a heart of gratitude to God and those who had been willing to make the sacrifice to leave home and family for the sake of the Gospel. By the time he finished there was hardly a dry eye in the boardroom.

Our Church is special because of the sacrifices ordinary people are willing to make over and over again for the kingdom of God. I am grateful to belong to a Church where people are continually doing amazing things—stepping outside their comfort zones, giving their time and talent, sharing their sons and daughters for the sake of the needs of the world.

Look around you as you sit in Church. Those people you see might look like ordinary people, but they are God's people; incredible people; committed people. I thank God for the privilege of being among such people.

Dr Barry Oliver is president of the South Pacific Division of the Seventh-day Adventist Church.



WHY I AM AN ADVENTIST

In an advertisement about Chow noodles in Fiji, the promoter asks this question, "What is so different about chow noodles?" The answer from everyone interviewed is, "it's different". Similarly one could ask, "What's so different about being a Seventh-day Adventist?" I would answer "it's different!"

My name is Melelepaki Afu and I am from the beautiful Kingdom of Tonga. I am studying a Bachelor of Arts at the University of the South Pacific. In my view, one important thing about being an Adventist is to do with our doctrines, our principles and Ellen White's messages on a wide range of topics. To me, all of these are based on biblical evidence and facts. I am a practical person and like other Adventists, I take the Bible seriously and Jesus is at the centre of our beliefs. Thus, it is important to me to be a Seventh-day Adventist because I would strive to emulate Jesus' lifestyle and with others in this family, believe in the 28 fundamental statements which essentially are based on a positive outlook to life in this world.



MY CHURCH

Lord Howe Island Tokasa Thompson

My church is on Lord Howe Island—widely regarded as the most beautiful island in the Pacific. It's less than two hours flying from Sydney off Australia's east coast. It is one of just four island groups to be inscribed on UNESCO's World Heritage list for the global significance of its natural beauty and heritage.

Our church is small with a weekly attendance of 30—it increases to 40 when our children come home from high school from the Australian mainland. We have the largest church attendance on the island—sometimes ministers from other denominations visit us on Sabbaths.

I've been attending my church for 22 years and seen 15 pastors come and go over that period. The Seventh-day Adventist Church has a long history on the island. Our church is unique, as we don't have any expectations on those who visit. People feel free to worship with us in their surf wear and holiday clothing. We have many visitors arrive to church on bicycle, as it's the main mode of transport.

Our youth have been doing Bible studies on Daniel and Revelation—inviting their unchurched friends to study with them.

I take a Bible to work with me and read it during morning tea. After three months a few of my colleagues started asking questions regarding Christianity. Some have asked me to pray for them. It's a privilege being an Adventist on an island with a population of 350.

Pastor John Cole was the first Adventist to make contact on Lord Howe in 1894. He was forced to land when his boat encountered unfavourable winds, and he stayed for two weeks where he was able to share his faith. My church has been on Lord Howe for 116 years, and I pray it continues until Jesus returns.



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ANNIVERSARY



Hoskins, Ruby and Bill were married at the Coburg

church by Pastor Ralph Tudor on 26.9.1940. They later had one son, Terry. The couple recently celebrated their 70th anniversary with many family members at the home of Lex and Ted Deed, Warburton, Vic, where a delicious lunch had been prepared. Beautiful music was played by Kelly Deed and Steven Taylor and magnificent floral tributes, cards and best wishes were happily accepted from family and friends. Nieces and nephews wrote of their special childhood memories and these were read out and enjoyed by all. A slide show of old family photos triggered more memories and stories.

WEDDING

Baronian–Rosendahl. Alexander Haron Reed Baronian, son of Barrie and Debbie Baronian

(New Plymouth, NZ) and Liccianna (Lucy) Maree Rosendahl, daughter of Barry and Delmai Rosendahl, Toowoomba, Qld, were married 3.10.10 at Glenvale church.
Wayne L Gredig

Burford–Gillis. Michael Guy Burford, son of Michael John Burford and Simone Deidre Merritt, and Lesia Renee Heinicke Gillis, daughter of Glen Gillis and Eris Mary Heinicke, were married 26.9.10 at Willow Tree Estate, Pokolbin, Hunter Valley, NSW.
Mark Baines, Bob Saunders

Goods–Pannekoek. Caleb Goods, son of Steve and Lee Goods (Perth, WA); and Danica Pannekoek, daughter of Harry and Elizabeth Pannekoek (Perth), were married 2.10.10 at St Matthews Anglican Church, Perth.
Steven Goods

Hughes–Taylor. Jonathan Hughes, son of Christina (Windsor, NSW) and the late Earle Hughes, and Heather Taylor, daughter of Norrie and Janine Taylor (Perth, WA), were married 29.9.10 at St John's Lutheran Church (Perth).
Andrew Skeggs

Williams–Priem. Peter Williams, son of Terence and Christine Williams (Lismore, NSW), and Melina Priem, daughter of Geoffrey and Kerry Priem (Sydney), were married 3.10.10 at Peppers Creek Chapel in the beautiful Hunter Valley.
Johnny Murison

OBITUARIES

Borkovic, Wladyslawa Teresa Furst, born 1.7.1939 at Tworowice, Poland; died 18.8.10. She is survived by her husband of 12 years, Charles; four sons, Christof, Steven, Robert and Edward, and daughter, Susanne; eight grandchildren; and a great-grandchild. In high school, Wladyslawa had a dream she was in a new church. The speaker was explaining the Scriptures and on either side were two large vases of flowers. In explaining the dream to her mother she was told there was no other church. She put it out of her mind. She and her first husband moved to Melbourne where much later he passed away. Her dream came alive when she attended evangelistic meetings at the Seddon Adventist church hall and saw exactly what was in her dream 40 years before. The hall wasn't even built at the time of that dream! Praise God that she saw His leading and was baptised and later married Charles, in a very happy partnership.
David Currie

Gosling, Margaret Ruth, born 22.1.1934 at Warburton, Vic; died 2.10.10 in Victoria Point Nursing Home, Qld. She will be missed by her children, Leslie, Stephen and Nerida Way; her 11 grandchildren; and her two great-grandchildren. Her love for her Bible and God as the daughter of pastoral family, Mervyn and Martha Ball together with her love and dedication to her family and church are testimonies for God's promise to end soon all suffering and death in this world and usher us into His eternal kingdom.
Gabriel Ontanu, Orm Speck

Piket, Willem Adrianus (Bill), born 8.8.1918 in Vlaardingen, Holland; died 9.9.10 at Kensington Court rest home, Nelson, NZ. Beloved husband of Amiria (Milly), having spent 50 years of married life together; father of William

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(Brisbane), Susan (Nelson), Jenny (Zurich) and Georgette (Nelson); and treasured grandfather of Teri, Elena and Nadia, Jordan and Joshua. Bill was a warrior for Christ. He loved people and he loved to tell the story of Jesus. He continued to witness during his 13 year stay in Kensington Court. "I have fought the good fight, I have finished my course, I have kept the faith henceforth there is laid up for me a crown of righteousness."

William, Susan, Jenny and Georgette Piket

Powell, Daisy, born 26.9.1917 in Perth, WA; died 10.7.10 at Adelaide, SA. She was predeceased by her husband, Ray, in 2004. She is survived by her sons, Ashleigh and Lester, his spouse, Dianne; her grandchildren, Amy and spouse, Shane, Kelly, Troy, Nicole and spouse, Ben; and her five great-grandchildren; along with many lifelong friends. Daisy was deeply loved and respected by all who knew her and was known for her kindness and generosity. Daisy lived a life marked by faithfulness and dedication to her Saviour, her church and her family.
Chester and Wayne Stanley

Schultz, Dorothy Agnes, born 31.1.1923 at Laidley, Qld; died 29.9.2010 in Victoria Point Nursing Home. She is survived by her sisters and their spouses, Marjorie and Allan Pascoe; Valma

and Maurice Woolrich; her nieces, Leona and Jennifer; and her nephew, Bradley. Dorothy trained as a nurse at Kurri Kurri Hospital, NSW, worked and completed nursing certificates at various hospitals. She served for a number of years in the Mission hospitals of Papua New Guinea, Mt Hagen and Sopas. Dorothy was a keen collector for the Adventist Appeal and other charities, living a life of service to others, until a crippling accident confined her to nursing home care for the last 10 years of her life.

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10.00 am—Sabbath School
3.00 pm—Opening of Brandstater Amphitheatre
4.15 pm—Sounds of Praise
5.30 pm—President's Reception, College cafeteria
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