

Good Tidings

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Upcoming Events

Missionary Seminar

Dates: 6 & 7 May

Location: Schofields, NSW

New South Wales Camp

Dates: 9-11 June

Venue: Elim Heights Youth Camp

Contact: Paul Chapman 0414 495 838

Larry Ah-Ching 0431 409 439

Camponotus NSW

Dates: 12, 13 June

Venue: Elim Heights Youth Camp

Queensland Camp

Dates: 25-27 August

Contact: R Acquiatan 0421 077 553

Western Australia Camp

Dates: 22-25 September

Contact: L Kneebone 0411 250 852

Camponotus NSW & QLD

Dates: 27-29 September (TBC)

Venue: Stuarts Point Convention Ctr

NSW & QLD Youth Camp

Dates: 29 September - 2 October

Venue: Stuarts Point Convention Ctr

Contact: Tanya (NSW) 0413 922 924

Jenny (QLD) 0448 696 750

SPUM Youth Conference

Dates: 22-27 December, 2023

Location: Vanuatu

AUC Youth Conference

Dates: 26 Dec 2023 - 1 Jan 2024

Venue: Elim Heights Youth Camp

Elim Missionary College

Dates: February - June 2024 (TBC)

Location: NSW

Planning and Working

As we write, our various departments have all gotten working, and it has been exciting to join in a number of different planning meetings and look over their shoulders, so to speak, as they plan and execute their various events and projects.

One of the exciting new initiatives that has just launched is the new 13-16 age group of the Camponotus program. In April, participants in regional NSW learned about agriculture, survival and navigation, and enjoyed creating something that the younger kids could enjoy as well. We look forward to seeing what else they get up to in the future!

We've seen travel resume across the Tasman, with workers going both ways. The latest program has been a canvassing seminar in Auckland, led by our Missionary Department director who lives in Adelaide. And recently our worker family from NZ were able to attend the end of year conference in NSW. So the fellowship has been working both ways across the ditch.

In terms of conferences and camps, we seem to be having one every couple of months, which has been really good. Please check the events list and find something you can participate in as well.

The Elim Missionary College team are gearing up to announce our training program for next year, and we are really excited about what's in store.

There are several building projects on foot. Coleambally Church are working steadily toward starting their new building project. As we write this, the Keilor Park Church are laying foundations for their rebuild. And we are in final stages of approval for rebuilding some of the structures lost at Elim Heights Youth Camp.

There are a few media and publishing projects in the works, which I'm sure you'll be interested to see and read about in the months to come.

You'll read in this issue about the Gospel Alert Fund. This has been a really inspiring boost and we look forward to seeing what can be accomplished as a result of the fund being made available.

We are not forgetting our neighbours around the Pacific, as we appeal for funds to rebuild in Vanuatu, report on the shoebox project benefiting children in the Philippines, and plan for something special for one of our close neighbours, which we hope to announce soon!

In many ways, large and small, work is being done to pursue our mission. There is so much more to do, however.

I look forward to working with you to Uplift Jesus, Serve People, and Proclaim Truth.

~ The Editor

Something to share?

Email events and news to
goodtidings@sdarm.org.au

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Vanuatu Cyclone Impact

As you may be aware, in the beginning of March this year, two tropical cyclones have hit the island of Efate Vanuatu in the same week. Many of our brethren sustained damage to their houses and food crops. Help has already been given to assist these brethren getting shelter and food, for which they are most grateful.

Now, however, we are appealing for your help as the cyclones have also caused extensive damage to the buildings used by the South Pacific Union Mission for camp meetings, missionary training and conventions.

As our brethren of the seven countries of the South Pacific Union Mission need to meet for organisational and training meetings in December, we all see the urgent need to start the work of rebuilding as soon as possible. We are asking for your financial help to raise AU\$62,000 to repair the four damaged structures.

Please help with this important project and rebuild this lighthouse for the Lord!

We thank all brethren who are willing to unite with us. May the Lord richly bless our united efforts to support His cause.

Benjamin Thiel
Pacific Region Secretary

Deposits can be made to the AUC, which will be forwarded for the project:

BSB: 032-274
Account: 498391
Name: Trustee for SDARM AUC Trust
Reference: Vanuatu Cyclone Appeal



Shoebbox Project Update

In August 2022, we reported on a project from the QLD Conference to supply shoes and other personal items for children in the Philippines. We're delighted to say that the shipment was received, and the children say "thank you" to all who participated. Here are a few of the photos that we received in appreciation:



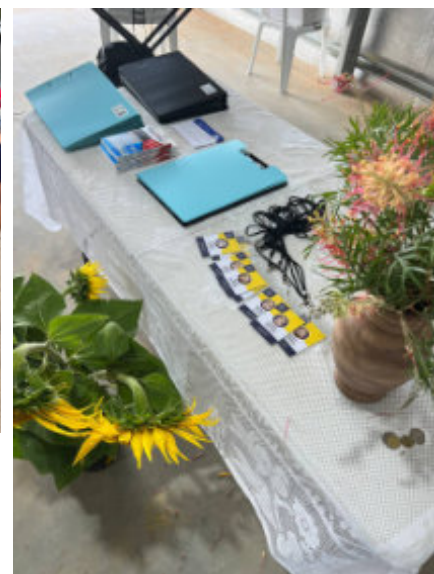
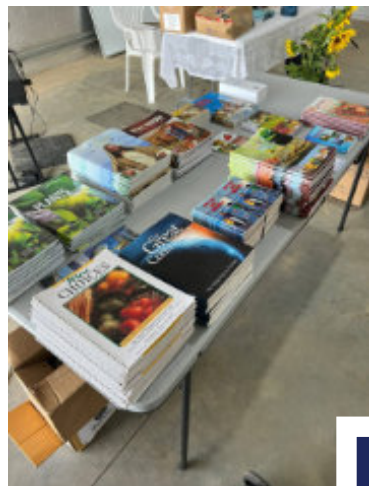
Canvassing Weekend - Coleambally, NSW

A canvassing seminar and practical exercise took place in Coleambally at the end of March.

The theme was "Dare to be a Canvasser." On Sabbath, the Divine Service was entitled "The Call and the Promise". The afternoon program expanded the weekend's theme "Dare to be a Canvasser." The

next morning, a training session, "The Canvasser in Action" took place before the canvassers set out door-to-door.

Let us pray for the work done in Coleambally, that the seeds sown may bring forth fruit for God's honour and glory.
~ Jacob De Souza



Dawn Says Goodbye

We recently said goodbye to an eager and friendly volunteer, who put in many hours at the Elim Store.

Dawn Watkinson has retired, and her friendly smile and care for people will be missed.

During her time working in the shop, she helped establish the new sealed packaging system, which you'll immediately see next time you shop at the Elim Store.

We wish Dawn God's blessings and all the best in retirement. Thank you so much!



New and old packaging for Elim Store bulk items.

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SERVING *People*
PROCLAIMING *Truth*

Gospel Alert Fund

A generous donor has made available a fund of \$50,000 to be used to preach the gospel to those who have not heard it and to educate people on healthful living.

We have made an immediate disbursement of some of these funds to the world missions work. Beyond this, we are now inviting departments and units within our Union to submit funding requests for projects in line with this fund's purpose.



Camponotus NSW, Ages 13-16 in Pictures



Ninety Years Young

Mary Goian, born to Teodor and Helena Risko on the 14th of April, 1933, has been blessed to reach 90 years young this year.

When the family looks back over the years we can truly reflect on many hard times, joyous times and, most importantly, warmest memories.

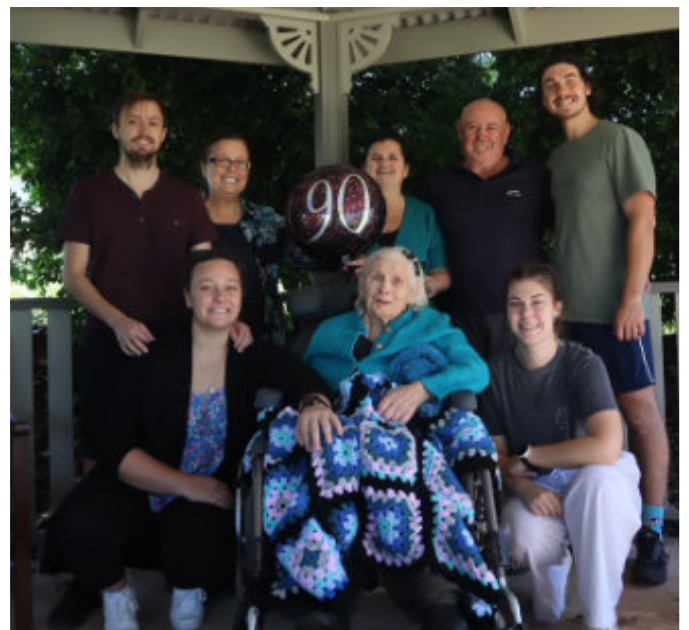
Mary's 90th birthday was spent in the outdoors where she loves to be, and what a beautiful day it was surrounded by her family, which she holds most dear.

"So teach us to number our days, that we may apply our hearts unto wisdom." Psalm 90:12.

"Blessed is the man that endureth temptation: for when he is tried, he shall receive the crown of life, which the Lord hath promised to them that love him." James 1:12.

May God continue to bless and keep you in His arms of love as we move forward into another year.

Suzi and Veronica



Life Events Reports

Good Tidings will be happy to print life events announcements such as weddings, births and significant birthdays. If you would like to have yours appear here, please send the information and photos to goodtidings@sdarm.org.au.

Share Hope and Health

1863 - 2023

Commemorating 160 years of the Health Reform Message

New South Wales
Camp Meeting
9-11 June 2023



Camp Highlights

June 7, 2023 marks 160 years since God gave the Great Health Reform Vision to His people. *"The work of health reform is the Lord's means for lessening suffering in our world and for purifying His church."* Join us for a weekend of Bible study, discussion and prayer as we review the health reform light, its progress and place today. Let's Share Hope and Health together!

Location

The camp will be held at:

Elim Heights Youth Camp
5760 Putty Rd, Colo Heights, NSW.

Located on the Putty Rd, 63 km north of the Hawkesbury River bridge at Windsor. Heading north from Colo Heights, look for a white tyre in a gum tree on the right, 200m north of the public phone booth.

Cost Information

10% discount for all registration and payments made by the **22nd of May, 2023.**

All registrations to be returned no later than the **5th of June, 2023.**

Food and Dormitory (Full Weekend Price):

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| Adults | \$150.00 |
| Children (5-14) | \$75.00 |
| Family (2A/2C) | \$410.00 |
| Family (2A/3C) | \$475.00 |
| Family (2A/4C) | \$545.00 |

Food and Tent/Caravan (Full Weekend):

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|-----------------------|----------|
| Adults: | \$110.00 |
| Children [5-14] | \$55.00 |
| Family (2A/2C) | \$300.00 |
| Family (2A/3C) | \$350.00 |
| Family (2A/4C) | \$400.00 |

Day Visitors Only: (includes meals and use of facilities): \$35.00 flat rate per adult / \$17.50 flat rate per child.

REGISTRATION

Register online by 5 June 2023 at www.sdarm.org.au/nswcamp2023

Otherwise, please contact us with the following information:

- Name
- Phone Number & Email
- Period of Stay
- Number Attending, including ages if under 18
- Desired accommodation type (Dormitory, Tent, Caravan)

Accommodation Options

Dormitory accommodation with family room options.

Due to loss of assets at Elim Heights Youth Camp from the 2019 bushfires, no loan tents are available. Bring your own tent or caravan if you are not choosing to stay in a dormitory.

Checkin Friday, 9 June 2022, 2 pm; Sabbath opening 4:56 pm.

Contact Details

Office: (02) 9627 7553
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Co-ordinator:
Paul Chapman 0414 495 838

Assistant Co-ordinator:
Larry Ah-Ching 0431 409 439



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\$41.00 per site for 2 adults per night * additional adults per night - \$10.00 * additional child per night (8-17 years) \$8.00 * Total of 8 persons per site

WHATNEXT?
When making your booking please call the number below to make and pay for your booking direct, informing them that you are booking with our group {SDA Reform Movement Youth Group} Stuarts Point Staff will then proceed with the rest of your booking, please also register your attendance with one of the Field Youth Leaders down below!



NSW & QLD
SPRING YOUTH CAMP
Friday 29th September, 2023 - Monday 2nd October, 2023
AT STUARTS POINT CONVENTION CENTRE
250 GRASSY HEAD RD, STUARTS POINT NSW 2441
PH: 02 6569 0576 OR 02 4944 3289
VISIT WWW.STUARTSPOINTCONVENTIONCENTRE.COM.AU TO VIEW THE CAMPGROUND

WE ASK ALL YOUTH TO COME ALONG AND JOIN US FOR A WEEKEND OF REFLECTION, FUN & ADVENTURE, FELLOWSHIP, RELAXATION AND A HEART FULL OF GOD'S LOVE & MUCH MORE, ALL DONE IN THE GREAT OUTDOORS!
BYO FOOD, WATER, TENTS & ALL YOUR CAMPING NEEDS!



ACTIVITIES
There are various paid activities that will be available to do on Sunday 1st October, 2023 as follows:
Archery - \$18.00 p/p * Flying Fox - \$20.00 p/p (10+ yrs) * High Ropes - \$20.00 p/p (13+ yrs) * Horizontal Bungee Run \$12.00 p/p * Kayaking - \$27.00 p/p * Laser Tag - \$18.00 p/p * Stand Up Paddle Boards - \$18.00 p/p * Waterslide - \$14.50 p/p * Mountain Biking - \$27.00 p/p * Challenge Course - \$14.50
Basketball, Volleyball, Handball - FREE OF CHARGE
FOR MORE INFORMATION CALL
JENNY FOAESE - {QLD} 0448 696 750 OR TANYA AH-CHING - {NSW} 0413 922 924



Europe Missionary School

Dear Brethren, it is with great joy that I write to inform you about the upcoming missionary school that will take place in Austria this year from 20 August to 24 December. This school is a wonderful opportunity for our youth to come together and learn more about spreading the Word of God to those who need it most, while deepening their spiritual understanding of the Word of God. During this four-month program, we will cover a wide range of topics, including Bibliology, Evangelism, Homiletics, Ecclesiology, and Medical Evangelism—just to name a few.

Our General Conference-approved program will provide valuable lessons and practical advice on how to effectively share the Gospel with people from different backgrounds and walks of life. Students will learn how to create contacts and follow them up and give Bible studies.

This missionary school is open to all youth who have a desire to serve God and His people. It will be conducted in English, so good understanding and speaking ability is recommended for all who wish to attend. If you know that there are interested young people in your units who would like to attend the missionary school, please do not hesitate to share the news with them.

For more information, please visit www.plymouthcollege.eu

~ Csongor Matyas, Dean



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