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On Sabbath afternoon of November 17, 2013 in Ormeau, QLD, a scene of great rejoicing took place on the Albert River as another young soul made their covenant with the Lord in Baptism. It was wonderful to see Br Benjamin Fuenzalida (Benji), who recently graduated from high school, take this step in his commitment to Christ.

The day began cloudy with forecast of rain. And rain it did. However, providence was at work as the rain ceased and the skies cleared, to make for a beautiful, sunny late afternoon. The Sabbath day program included combined meetings at the Pimpama group with members from Clayfield and Woombye in attendance. Br Ben Thiel, our AUC President, was also present, and shared an encouraging message on faith during the worship hour. After lunch, we met together again to witness Br Benji's profession of faith, and share our testimonies in support of his decision to be baptised.



After the baptism, we extended the right hand of fellowship to Br Benji and welcomed him in as our newest member of the church. We pray the Lord will continue to bless, encourage, and guide him as he engages in a life of service for Christ.

--QLD Correspondent

Welfare Department: Philippine Disaster Relief Update

It has been 5 weeks since Super Typhoon Haiyan, one of the strongest storms ever to hit land, smashed through the central Philippines on November 8, leaving more 5632 dead, 1759 missing, 26,000 injured and millions homeless. Around thirty families within our own church have been left homeless. On November 22nd, we received word from Brother Marcelo Gines, our Philippines Union Conference President, the following update on their personal relief efforts for those affected by the devastation:

"Greetings!

"We have just returned the other day from the typhoon-ripped province of Leyte. We were able to visit the brethren affected by the typhoon in two areas. We took a detour route since the direct route to the area is very hard to pass. We have traveled from one island to another to reach first the island of Cebu. In the northern part of the island is the city of Bogu where there are about seven families that are SDARM including the family of Bro. Carlos Estrera, one of our senior ministers. We are very thankful to the Lord that there are no casualties among our members. Only their houses and properties have been destroyed by the super typhoon. In Bogu City the brethren suffered only minor damage of properties. The roofs of their houses were destroyed. The other brethren, only a portion of their roofs were destroyed while their neighbours, who have better homes, suffered more damage. We distributed food to our brethren in this area. But more relief and goods were distributed by our team to the general population because more of them needed help. About two hundred families received our help in this area.



“After that, we travelled across the two big islands before we reached our main destination, the province of Leyte. It is a mournful scene when we see the once progressive and beautiful city of Ormoc in ruins. The people have erected tents outside their homes for shelter and are limited to using candles and gas lamps. The city was dark. It was totally devastated by the typhoon--like what I have seen before in places destroyed by wars. In the distant barrio of this city, we have members. We went there to visit them. We discovered them homeless—their homes totally wiped out by the typhoon. Their source of living—the coconut, banana, and abaca plantations—were also totally destroyed by the typhoon. We could no longer recognise our church building. It had been wiped out too. We distributed food and clothing to our members and to the barrio people. We also conducted medical mission to this barrio and gave free medicines. We have Dr. Rene Bautista with us, a former member of our church, who is now actively helping us in this mission. We were able to help 135 families in this area. The barangay official came and expressed her gratitude to us while tears were flowing on her cheeks specifically mentioning the name of our church.

“After our relief and medical mission in this area, we passed through the town of Palo, Leyte and the city of Tacloban, the areas that were mostly affected by the super typhoon. Here, we could not hold back our human sympathies to the people affected. There are decaying corpses that had not yet been retrieved. There is a foul odor most especially in the city of Tacloban. We did quickly distributed the bottled water that we had and immediately left the area. The city is like a ghost town. The malls and buildings, the hospitals, schools, and offices were abandoned. We only saw a few civilians and a larger number of military personnel and police in the area.

“However, we are very thankful to the Lord for His protection to the lives of our brethren. We would also express our gratitude to the brethren who extended their help, first to the General Conference Welfare Department, then to the Australian brethren, the US brethren, the Canadian brethren, and all others who extended their help. May God repay the benevolence of the all of them.

“In the Lord's work, Bro. Marcelo Gines.”

Because of the chaos in the region with so many people displaced, clothing and aid cannot be sent as the crowds will just take it away indiscriminately, regardless of prioritised needs. However, a plan of action is going on and the Philippines Union Welfare department is helping our church families be relocating them to another island and looking after their immediate needs. The Australasian Union Conference Welfare

Department is planning further assistance at a later date as now the greatest need is monetary in order to relocate families and provide shelter, food and water.

If you are touched in your heart by this terrible tragedy and would like to help those who are suffering, please donate to this relief effort. This can be done by giving your donation to your local church treasurer who in turn will give it to the AUC Union Treasurer who will wire transfer directly to the Philippine Union Treasurer. Donations may also be made directly to the AUC treasury via internet:

Name: Reform Movement
BSB: 032-274
Account: 168-675
Description: Philippines Disaster

If you wish further information, or would like to communicate directly with us please send an email to the Welfare Department at welfare@wsdarm.org.au or call the AUC office on +61-(0)2-9627-7553.

John Lausevic,
Director, AUC Welfare Department.

Jesus Paid it All - NSW Annual Spiritual Conference

The NSW Annual Spiritual Conference was held on 4th to 7th October 2013 in the beautiful surroundings of Elim Heights Youth Camp, situated on the outskirts of Wollemi National Park, NSW. During the weekend we studied the most precious theme: 'Jesus Paid it All'. All the studies presented were centred on this wonderful truth, highlighting the great atoning sacrifice which Jesus made for all mankind when he yielded his life up upon the cross of Calvary. Br Domenic Polistina opened the Sabbath with a presentation on 'God's Love for All'. Br Matthias Thiel then opened the conference with a study on being 'Reconciled by it All'.



Br Joe Voncina took Sabbath morning worship on 'None of My Works at All'. This was followed by Sabbath School, where the adult classes studied the lesson entitled "Uplifting the Saviour". Br Alasdair Pow took the divine service on 'Jesus Paid it All'. The Youth meeting was full of items and experiences to praise God taken by the NSW youth Department on the theme 'My Child, Give Me Your All'. God blessed us with some glorious spring weather all weekend which gave some free time on Sabbath afternoon to spend in nature. Br Martin Staudinger took the study on 'Forgiven All' to close the Sabbath day.

After dinner we all headed into the dining room where we had a Bible trivia quiz. The group was divided into two groups of over and under forties to ascertain who had the best knowledge of their Bibles. The over-forties showed forth their experience here over the younger ones and won the quiz. We then divided the group into male and female groups to see which gender retained their Bible knowledge the best and sadly for the ladies the men were able to the highest score on the night. All enjoyed the evening and realised that you don't really know how much you know of what the Bible says until you are asked a question on it.

Sunday morning begun early with morning worship was taken by Sis Janice Tuunia on 'No More Sin at All'. After Breakfast Br Luke Kneebone presented 'Telling All', on how once we have accepted the gospel message for ourselves that we then need to share it with those around us. This was followed by a lively discussion under the trees in the beautiful sunshine analysing the past direction we have taken as a church to reach souls and how we can better bring Christ to the forefront of our church and its mission.

In the afternoon the NSW youth department organized some activities for the youth and young at heart to highlight the importance of team work in getting something accomplished. By working together in tasking we can accomplish things which alone we would simply find impossible. After dinner Br Alasdair Pow closed the conference with the study topic of 'Believing it All'.

On Monday morning Sis Nadine Polistina took morning worship on 'The Joy of it All' which rounded up a thoroughly refreshing camp for all who managed to attend.

We thank the Lord for all his blessing during the camp, for all those who participated in their responsibilities, especially the kitchen, and for all those who attended. It was a wonderful season of refreshing.

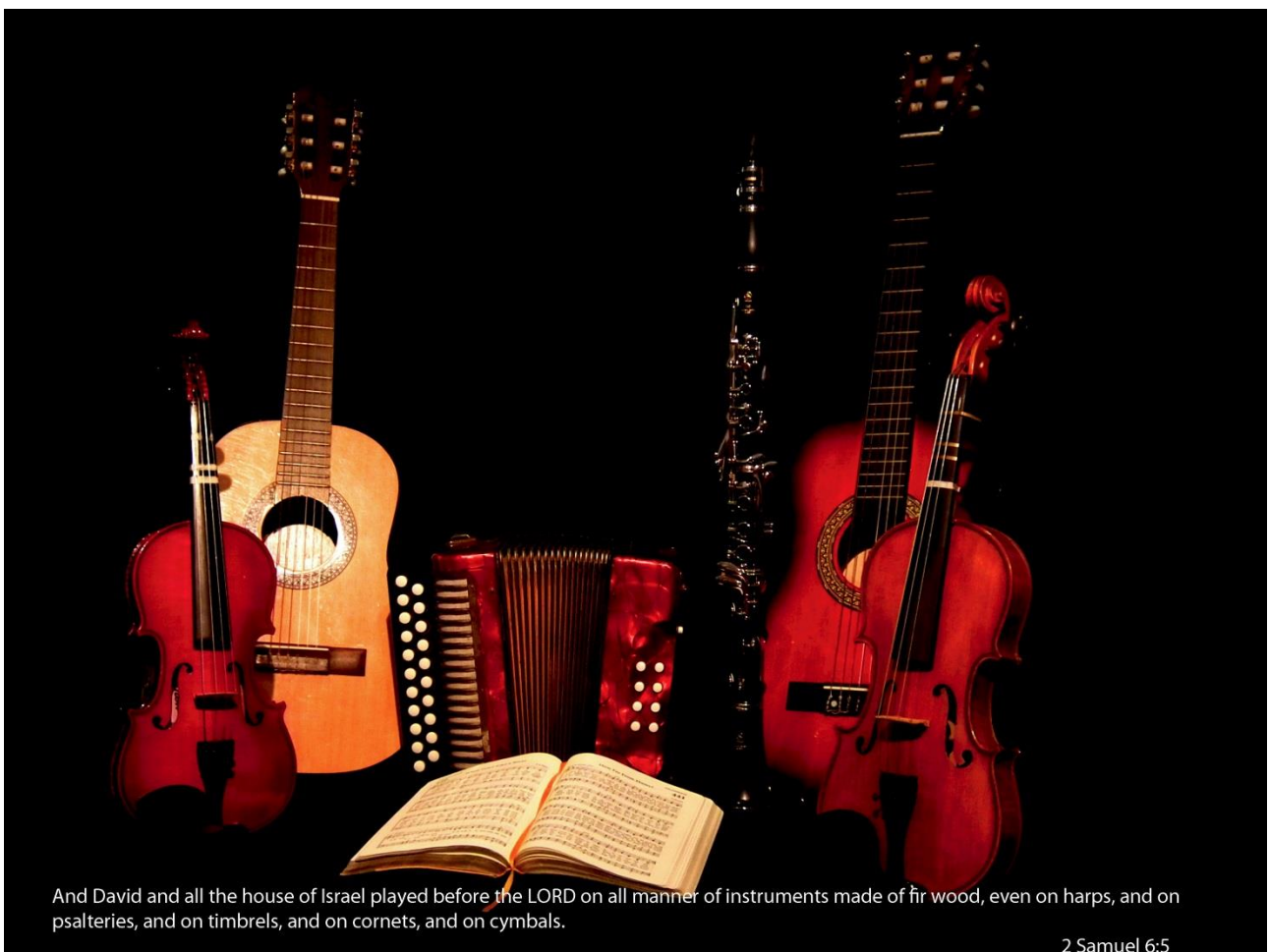
—Alasdair Pow.



“Music in the Church”, Part 2

From the following two passages, we can see that singing and praise are very close to the same thing: Psalm 96:1-9 and Psalm 33:1. Music is the language we use to praise God. In music, there is that which appeals to the mind and that which appeals to the emotions. Words and music combined are a powerful conveyor of thought. Can all music be classed as praise? First of all, what is praise? A spontaneous outburst? If we look at Psalm 96:9, we see that we are to worship the Lord in the beauty of holiness. Note, the Bible says in the beauty of holiness, not the beauty of love. In Psalm 89:5-8, we find that angels also worship God. And verse 15 states, “Blessed is the people that know the joyful sound.”

The language of praise is something we need to learn about, something God wants to teach us about. Praise is defined as giving thanks, ascribing honour and glory to, rejoicing over, commending. The Bible says in Zephaniah 3:17 that when God rejoices, He sings.



And David and all the house of Israel played before the LORD on all manner of instruments made of fir wood, even on harps, and on psalteries, and on timbrels, and on cornets, and on cymbals.

2 Samuel 6:5

Music has a strong connection with religion in all cultures. Satan was the chief musician before his fall, as we can read in Ezekiel 28. The origin of music was with God, and music is connected with religion. Music, in turn, leads to a connection with the supernatural—either the God in heaven, or other “gods.” In tribal cultures, music performed with little animation and vigour is displeasing to the gods. The gods also control even the use of the instruments. So we find that that which rules the heart forms the arts. Or, as the Bible puts it, “as he thinketh in his heart, so is he.” (Proverbs 23:7)

When the Israelites were about to enter the Promised Land, Moses instructed them concerning the surrounding nations. He told them in Deuteronomy 12:3, 4 that they were not to worship God in the ways of the heathen. In verses 29-31, Moses told them not to be ensnared by inquiring about their idols. They

were not to worship God in the ways of the heathen. In 2 Chronicles 29:25-26 King Hezekiah reinstituted the Passover. In the services, he had the Levites stationed with cymbals, harps, and psalteries, and the priests with trumpets in the way prescribed by David, Gad (the king's seer or prophet), and Nathan, the prophet. Hezekiah followed the way set out by these men as to how to praise God. What did these three men set up? In 1 Chronicles 23:2-5 we see that 4,000 of the Levites, from 30 years old and upwards were to praise the Lord on the instruments that David had chosen. In the choice of the musicians, it is evident that factors other than talent were important. Loyalty to God was valued above talent. Loyalty is a cultivated character trait. In history, musicians are generally not loyal to God. Artists also are often on the fringe of society and are also often part of the rebellious movements in western culture. God wanted those most closely connected with Him to lead out in choosing the way the worship was done. "The fear of the Lord is the beginning of wisdom: and the knowledge of the holy is understanding." Proverbs 9:10.

In Israel's past history, they had used the golden calf to worship God. But God wanted the people to worship Him as He was, not as the people perceived Him. Psalm 50:21. Isaiah 8, 9. Man tries to create God by his conceptions of God. He tries to give expression to his concept of God instead of giving expression to God as He really is. In music, it should not be a matter of personal taste, of what we like, in the choices of the instruments or the chords we play, or the sound we produce. "There is a way which seemeth right unto a man, but the end thereof are the ways of death." Proverbs 14:12.

Knowing this, then, we all need guidance. Luther once said that to be a preacher, a man must be able to sing. Taking this further, Luther was saying that a person should not be ordained until they understand music. Luther teamed a musician with a pastor to prepare music for the congregations. To make good music, people were needed who knew God well. A deep, accurate knowledge of Scripture is still necessary for musicians even though we don't have the Levites today. For if the mind is not elevated above the level of humanity, it will be constantly sinking lower and lower. If we have false conceptions of God as musicians and think of Him too much in human terms and play music that reflects too much our own conceptions, we can draw people to inappropriate attributes and moods. As musicians, we create the taste of the listeners. What a large responsibility!

Because of this huge responsibility, we need God's help to prepare something. It takes time. The Levites who were the singers "were employed in that work day and night." 1 Chronicles 9:33. Music, then, is to be developed in such a way that it will bring glory to God. We need people who will take on the responsibility to develop music appropriate to this end.

One part of the responsibility of music involves the choice of instruments. Certain instruments were used in Bible times. And David provided the instruments. 1 Chronicles 25:6,7. All musicians were under supervision. The instruments used by David were cymbals, lyres, and harps. The Israelites had other instruments in their culture, but they didn't use these all for worship. Just those previously mentioned. In performing the music, the Levites took turns. The Levites did use trumpets, but not in the way we do; they used them for signalling purposes. The Israelites in the wilderness worshipped outside. The priests were inside; the singers, in the courtyard. The people outside were informed by the sound of the trumpet where they were in the service. Often only strings were mentioned (which have a softer sound) or small cymbals. The cymbals were used to announce the beginning of a song or the beginning of a stanza. The word *Selah* in the Psalms (which were songs) is possibly where the conductor clanked the cymbals to show something important (1 set of cymbals). The cymbals were used to mark pauses, not in the music proper. The Israelite's music was characterised by a softer, subdued sound as compared to the nations around them.

One of the possible reasons the Israelites got involved in pagan worship is the lure of the pagan's music. In the time of Balaam, the music enticed the Israelites into sin. Pagan music leads the unwary to unite with pleasure lovers.

What then can we learn about the choices of our music for church? Certain music is definitely not appropriate in the worship of God. We are to worship God in the beauty of holiness. We are to avoid anything of a sensuous quality. We are not to have a blaring of trumpets nor an arsenal of percussion instruments. We are not to have loud, stimulating music. The Hebrew's music was unique. Having a taste of one type of music affects our future choices of music.

All of our choices come from the heart. If the heart is not with God, then any music we present will be an abomination to God. We can be sincere in what we are doing, but if it not the right thing then we are only sincerely wrong. Uzzah thought he was doing the right thing, but his heart was not right with God, and he was struck down. I Chronicles 13:7-10. They hadn't brought the ark in God's way. In I Chronicles 15:12-22 we find that David made musical changes this time as well as other changes. The ark was put upon the shoulders of the priests the second time.

Music will again play a role in the closing events of this world's history. It will have its part in uniting people in false worship. Music played such a role in the time of Daniel's companions regarding the worship of the golden image. We cannot accept something just because it sounds and feels right.

In Psalm 96 we find that we are to sing a new song. Whenever someone comes to know Jesus, they will sing with greater vigour. We, too, are to sing a new song. We are not to copy what is around us, but sing what will be a witness to those around us. We cannot afford to be just followers. People are looking for something different in music.

*—Summary of a Presentation Series on Audio CD by W. Stefani, Adventist Pastor, "Music in the Church".
(Please contact the Editor for source audio CDs)*

Part 3 in the next issue.

Samoa Fly-N-Build - Church Dedication & Thank You



After many years of prayer and labour, the brethren in Samoa are grateful that they now have a beautiful house of worship dedicated to the praise and glory of God.

The September Fly-n-Build completed Phase 2, and a church dedication soon followed. We received the following letter of thanks from our brothers and sisters in Samoa:

"We would like to express our thanks and our deepest appreciation to you all our brothers and sisters in Christ for your profound

contribution in providing financial assistance for a chapel in Samoa. Our gratitude to you all with appreciation for your kindness. Thank you so much for your generous gifts.

"Your commitment to helping us with this is sincerely appreciated.

"Your willingness to give of your means and abilities has strengthened the mission and ministry of this field.

“Thank you to all the donors worldwide for the donations that materialized the building of a house of worship for the brethren in Samoa. Without your generosity, this blessing would not have been a reality.

“For all your financial assistance, time, effort, hard work, and prayers, please accept our thanks and deepest appreciation. You have truly been a blessing to this field!

“With Sincere Gratitude,

“Brother Pasene Wily

“Samoa Mission Field Leader

(On behalf of the Brethren from the Samoa Mission Field)"



SDARM Samoa Mission Field, Church Dedication Service, September 2013.

Natural Health Public Workshop - Nundah, QLD



On Sunday December 8, 2013, members from our Clayfield and Pimpama churches united forces to deliver a Natural Health Workshop in Nundah, Brisbane. After a busy two weeks of planning and delegating, we thank the Lord that the program was able to go ahead with encouraging results. Around 14 visitors were present, half of these from the general public. The remainder were friends and guests of our church members.

The program began with a demonstration by Monica Balarezo of natural, healthy facial scrubs and masks. Monica explained that these are a great way to get rid of the dead skin cells as well as open up the pores of the skin to release toxic wastes. A sample pack of Natural Facial Mask ingredients was also provided for the guests.

Kelly Payne-Reyes then delivered an informative talk on the value of a vegetarian diet in reducing the risk of the heart disease, diabetes and cancer.

Elisabeth Balarezo then gave a valuable talk on her own weight loss experience, proving that following the simple laws of health, without any drastic changes to the diet, can be a powerful way to achieve your ideal weight,

experience higher energy and a greater sense of well-being. With the assistance of Natalie Fuenzalida, Elisabeth then demonstrated how to make a "Green Smoothie" - a drink packed with fresh live greens and fruit, designed for a low calorie, high nutrient energy boost.

At the end of the program we received three invitations from amongst our visitors to present the program to other communities.

We thank the Lord for this wonderful health message and pray that those who attended will be blessed by what they have learnt.



Tasmania Camp and Baptism



Over 40 people gathered on the weekend of 8-10 November for our first Tasmania camp for a number of years. The camp was held in Smithton. Our theme was “Old Time Message for a New Generation.”

On Friday the weather was rainy all day, but Sabbath it cleared up and Sunday was absolutely gorgeous, perfectly timed for a baptism down at the Stanley beachside.

Quite a few came across from Victoria to join the locals. We were blessed to have Br. Csongor Matyas with us for the weekend over from South Australia as well. The camp was a spiritual blessing to all, with many saying it was the best camp they have attended in a long time.



Community Health Outreach PACE Seminar, VIC-TAS Conference

The VIC-TAS Conference Sabbath School Department has just completed another PACE seminar. This one has been run in conjunction with the Missionary Department, focusing on health outreach for the community.

Students learned about God's plan for our diet and lifestyle, how science has confirmed what we know from inspiration, what we can learn from Jesus' example, and practical ways to work for our community in health education.

PACE (Principles of Applied Christian Education) seminars are a problem-based learning initiative born out of a desire to educate local members on practical principles of study, personal growth and missionary work.

Shopping Centre Outreach – Melbourne, VIC

Maranatha Church choir and orchestra finished the last of 3 choir outreach programs in shopping centres in Melbourne's north last Sunday the 8th of December.

In addition to the music, over 1,000 pieces of literature were distributed over the 3 days, including Steps to Christ, Soul Magazine, and several tracts created especially for the occasion.



The children's Sabbath School also had a part, with the children singing their favourite Sabbath school songs, to the delight of shoppers who crowded around to watch and listen. Onlookers commented with amazement on the fact that even the littlest children were singing along.

Taking advantage of the holiday spirit we were able to reach into lives and hearts with the message of Jesus during a time where Christ is in the name of the season but absent everywhere else.

Papua New Guinea Mission Field - Health Seminars

Br Luke Kneebone and I went to PNG to assist the local brethren in running their spiritual conference and health mission. After a couple of dramatic moments in which we nearly missed two of our connecting flights we arrived safely to be greeted by the local brethren. The conference was based upon the health message and the gospel and how they interweave with one another.

PNG is a very under-developed country and the roads there can be particularly treacherous, especially after heavy rains. On many occasions the road just becomes washed away leaving great gulfs which could swallow up an entire four wheel drive. To get to the church camp we had to drive down a steep 4x4 track which then connected with a walking track which then took us to the local church in Chimbu.

Unfortunately, just before opening of Sabbath as we made our way to church with some women and children in the back of the 4x4 vehicle, our vehicle slid off the mountainous track down a 2m deep ditch and landed on its side. We were well and truly 'stuck in the mud'. But we thanked the Lord that nobody was injured. We all managed to scramble out and assess the damage. With it fast becoming dark, it was decided not to attempt to try and pull it out until morning light. Some of the local brethren camped beside the vehicle all night to protect it from any local 'rascals' vandalising or stealing from it. We then left the vehicle and walked through the bush track to the church, where Br Luke opened the conference with a study.

Early upon light the next morning, we arose and went to inspect the vehicle only to find around forty people from the local village gathered around it. It was so deeply entrenched, that we thought it could only

be pulled out by some other truck or machine. The local village assured us though that they could pull it out using PNG man power. After a number of attempts of some pulling, some pushing, Br Luke's reverse driving, and much praying the vehicle emerged from the ditch back on its wheels once again. Miraculously there was not even a scratch of damage done to the vehicle as the front bull bar had taken the brunt of the impact and had held the rest of the body from damage.

We then continued our journey to church where on Sabbath morning we continued the program as normal. I took the divine service on 'Health through the Ages'. On Sunday evening programs were held by the local brethren and then we shared a presentation in the evening on the anatomy and physiology of the body. That evening it had been raining and we got quite wet and damp. In the highlands of PNG it becomes quite cold in the evening mountain air, so unfortunately I picked up a chill that night during my presentation. Consequently, I developed a chest infection, over which my biggest concern was that my throat would become so affected that I could not speak anymore.

On Monday morning though, we left as planned for the local township Banz which was about 1 ½ hours drive away from the church area. The local church health leaders had arranged a market outreach for me to speak on the eight laws of health to the public. When we arrived the people were already gathered and waiting to hear the message. We parked the car and as I opened my laptop to access my notes, for the first time since I bought this computer 3 years ago, it crashed on me and would not let me access my presentation. The laptop had completely locked up. At this point as I saw the hungry souls gathered around waiting to hear the message I could only think of the verse in Ephesians which reminds us that we don't fight against flesh and blood but principles and the powers of darkness. It was obvious to us that the devil was trying to hinder us from speaking to the people. So we just began to pray earnestly while I frantically scribbled down on paper some notes which I could use for the presentation and trust God that my other computer (my brain) would not crash like the laptop. Thank God that He granted us the grace to preach a mixture of health and the gospel for around 1 hour with around 250 people gathered around to listen. It is always good to know that our minds are powered by the Spirit of God rather than computer software, and that when human means fail, God never fails.

After the outreach we went and visited one of the local clinics where the brethren are trying to promote the health message, with a focus on the eight laws of health. We then visited a local sanatorium which has just been set up. Here they have begun to sell local health produce. We all enjoyed lunch together but unfortunately I ingested some contaminated water on the salad and came down with gastroenteritis that night.

It is not the best situation when you go to teach health to the people and you yourself come down with a chest infection and gastroenteritis at the same time. Thankfully Br Luke had managed to escape sickness due to his avid love of garlic, in which he was nearly breathing fire out of his mouth due to the amount he had taken. On Monday evening I managed to present a health presentation to the brethren on the connections between mind, body and spirit.

On Tuesday although feeling sick and weak we ventured off to speak again at another outreach about 1 hour away in the town of Minj. After a series of mix ups as to where we were to hold the outreach, as some brethren thought it was to be in another town, that of Mt Hagen, we finally made it to the town of Minj. As we were setting up to speak it was noticed that the microphone for the speakers was not present in the back of the vehicle, and with my voice losing much of its volume, it was decided to cancel this outreach and instead, head down for a visit to another health clinic. We had taken over on the plane a new juicer and blender passed on to us from Br John Lausevic for the clinic. So we spent the time demonstrating how to make juices and smoothies to help their clients restore their health instead. That evening Br Luke continued to give the presentation to the church while I rested in bed, sick.

Br Luke then ran some training sessions in the afternoons of Wednesday and Thursday. These meetings were used to instruct the church members and visitors in missionary work. All appreciated the meetings very much. The PNG Islands maybe poor in wealth and in the luxuries of the more developed countries, but they are rich in faith and full of spiritual hunger to work for Christ. On Wednesday and Thursday evenings the local brethren had invited doctors, nurses, local education, police and provincial leaders to come to our outreach lectures on heart disease and super foods in fighting cancer. I had caught neither of these ills during my trip, so I could still speak about these at least. A number attended including a pastor and his wife from the Assembly of God church. Some new contacts were made with some expressing their desire to fellowship from now on with the church brethren there.



Photo 1 Newly Erected Chapel in Minj

On Friday morning we allowed some time for questions and answers on health and the gospel, and there were many. So we answered them the best we could. Br Luke took his final message on Friday evening to open the Sabbath. He spoke upon the importance of personal prayer and study in maintaining our spiritual connection with Christ. I finished with the Sabbath service highlighting that although the health message plays a vital connection to the gospel, it is not the gospel, pointing out that 'Christ and Him Crucified' is the only true gospel.

Although we were hindered slightly due to sickness and a few spiritual attacks we thank the Lord for what we could accomplish and hope that it has encouraged the local PNG brethren. We are particularly thankful that the Lord saw fit to place the brethren in touch with many new souls. We pray that they will be faithfully ministered to that they may come to the full knowledge of Christ and of His desire for them to be of good health in body, mind and spirit.

—As Reported by Alasdair Pow

Invitation to the AUC Spiritual Conference - December 2013

The World's Last Revelation

You are invited to attend the 2013 Australasian Union Conference at Elim Heights Youth Camp, NSW, Australia. The program commences on Wednesday evening, 25 December and concludes on the Saturday evening, 28 December 2013. Come and enjoy studying God's Word together in a lovely Australian bush setting. Take the time to ponder the words presented, learn more about Jesus, and make new friends.

The theme for the Australasian Union Conference of 2013 is "This World's Last Revelation". Come and share what God has done for you, and be encourage by what more He can do for you. Find out what the most important things to know are in view of this earth's closing history as we contemplate the following

themes: “Let There Be Light”, “Behold Your God”, “Grasping Peace” and “A Continual Transfer”.

To register, email your details to info@sdarm.org.au or call +61(0)2-9627-7553.

Go to: www.sdarm.org/calendar for further details.

Invitation to the WA Spiritual Conference - September 2014

Jesus Knocks - Christ's Message to Laodicea

WA Field invites you to our 2014 Field Spiritual Conference, 26-29 September, 2014. The title of our conference is “When Jesus Knocks – Christ’s Message to Laodicea. The counsel of the True Witness to Laodicea is more relevant to God’s people today than at any other time in the history of the Christian church. We will consider the most important elements of this message found in Revelation Chapter 3 and how they apply to us today. We hope you will be able to come and join us at this important and refreshing time together.

Venue

The conference is being held at a beautiful Christian campsite named Camp Logue Brook located just 1½ hours drive south of Perth (between Yarloop and Harvey). The address is: Logue Brook Dam Road, HARVEY WA 6220

For more details and to download the invitation, go to: www.sdarm.org.au/wa2014

Coming Events Calendar

- 22 – 24 December 2013 AUC Triennial Delegation Session**
Location: Elim Heights Youth Camp
For further information contact: info@sdarm.org.au
Telephone: +61 (2) 9627 7553
Download Invitation here:
<http://www.sdarm.org.au/sites/default/files/pages/camp%20invite%202013%20v4.pdf>
- 9 Feb - 7 June, 2014 Elim Missionary College 2014 Course**
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<http://www.sdarm.org.au/emc>
- 17-21 April, 2014 Victorian Conference Camp 2014**
Location: Waratah Bay, Victoria.
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- 26 – 29 September 2014 Western Australian Mission Field Spiritual Conference**
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