

Welcome to our first BCT newsletter for 2026.

We began the year by intentionally preparing Him room—setting aside time and space through our 24/7 prayer, seeking God together and grounding ourselves in His presence before rushing into activity. It was a powerful reminder that all we do flows first from being with Him.

As we step into the year ahead, we invite you to join us for The Way launch events on 13–14 February 2026. These gatherings mark the beginning of a year-long journey of being Jesus-centred, Spirit-led, and hope revealed in every community we serve.

The launch events are an opportunity for Salvationists, officers, employees, and volunteers to gather in shared purpose—worshipping together, listening, learning, and committing ourselves afresh to walk The Way as one movement. We encourage everyone to check which host site is closest to you and plan to attend, whether that's your home corps or a neighbouring one.

A full list of host sites across Queensland is available below, with registration details to be shared soon once finalised.

Let's begin 2026 with courage, clarity, and a shared commitment—stepping forward together and walking The Way.



Our National Vision

Wherever there is hardship or injustice

Salvos will live, love and fight

Alongside others

To transform Australia one life at time

With the love of Jesus



Welcome to a new year .As 2026 begins, we sense God inviting us into deeper faith, renewed purpose, and shared mission. This is a year to grow together, care for one another, and reveal hope in our community. We're so glad you're on the journey with us.



Let's catch up

Please come and join us On the 1st Sunday of every month for morning tea following the Sunday meeting.



Aluminum Chairs Available

We have several **lightweight aluminum chairs** that are **no longer needed** and are available to be taken. Please see Ashley or Bronwyn if you would like to take some

Seniors Moments are back!

We're delighted to let our seniors know that our group **is back for 2026!** Join us on **Saturday 21 February**, for {wait for it.....Its coming....} Sue & Doug will announce it soon. If you're planning to attend, **please see Doug or Sue** so they can plan accordingly. We'd love to see you there!



Mandatory Volunteer Training

A reminder to all volunteers to please complete the mandatory online training as soon as possible. This training helps keep our corps community safe and ensures we know how to care well for one another, especially the most vulnerable. Thank you for completing it at your own pace.



Sunday teaching Bible readings

- Feb 1st Isaiah 43:1-5, 16-21
- Feb 8th Gen 32-33
- Feb 15th ???
- Feb 22nd Matt 16:24, John 15:4-5, Matt 28:19

PRAYER

Then you will call on me and come and pray to me, and I will listen to you Jeremiah 29:12

Dear God,

As we step into February, we bring our country and our communities to You. We pray for those affected by floods, storms, and bushfires—be close to them, comfort them, and help them rebuild.

We pray for people feeling the pressure of rising costs, housing stress, or uncertainty. Give them hope and practical help, and guide our leaders with wisdom.

Lord, help us as a church to be Your hands and feet—ready to listen, to care, and to bring encouragement where it's needed. May we reflect Your love in everything we do this month.

In Jesus' name,
Amen.

Praying for others

It is encouraging to know people are praying for you. During this month you are encouraged to bring the following people before God in your regular time of prayer

1 – 7 Feb

Michael & Gwen Fagence, Jack Farmer, Sam & Hayley Fillery, Ken Green, Meena & Angel Hans, Gordon & Joy Heathcote

8 - 14 Feb

Ruth Hinds, Warren & Vicki Holland, Will Hughes, Lyndon, Christine, Rebekah & Lauren James, Ray & Desley Jensen

15 – 21 Feb

Margaret Just, Ashish, Sukanya, Zubin & Chanel Khokhar, Graeme & Gwenneth Klee, Gordon & Barbara Knowles

22 - 28 Feb

Eunice Leitch, Zac Lithgow, Bevon & Marzley Luhrs, Russell & Fiona Luhrs, Heather Marshall, Ben & Emelia McLeod, Merv Moore

Hi. I hope everybody enjoyed their festive season.

January is always a little slower as people come back into the office after some much needed down time. It also gives us the opportunity for reflection and how we wish to move forward in the coming year.

We are continuing with our connection with local Salvos Stores. We go along with some lovely snacks to engage with staff and volunteers and let them know how much we appreciate their work and that they are seen. It gives them an opportunity to air any of their concerns and see how we may be of assistance. We have the opportunity to share our knowledge of services available which they are then able to pass on to their Community members.



Last month we collected some clothing from the Christmas warehouse. Unfortunately, the random boxes were half filled with underwear that the Watch House cannot use. Therefore, we are donating these items to Emmanuel City Mission. We are very grateful to be able to work alongside other organisations in the CBD area to help those in need.

COMMUNITY NEWS

The Brisbane City Watch House is an interesting part of our Ministry and would not exist without Ron's dedication and support. It is a complex environment where you are meeting people at their most vulnerable. I am sure when they woke up yesterday, they did not anticipate being in the Watch House that day.

It is a very valuable endeavour. Not only do we connect with the people being held there we also connect with the people working in that environment. This is crucial to our work there as we need to be a listening ear to help them to carry out their duties.

Once again, they need clothing. Even warm clothing for the people they release in the cooler hours of the night. Also, we desperately need more volunteers. If you have some time that you could spare once a week or once a month it would be appreciated. Have a chat with Ron.



As always if you would like to volunteer at anything that occurs at Brisbane City Temple please contact Major Ashley, Major Bronwyn or Nicole. You may have some ideas in other areas we may be able to connect with, and we would love to hear your thoughts and ideas.

If you have any further questions, please contact Nicole.

Email: Nicole.Collins@salvationarmy.org.au



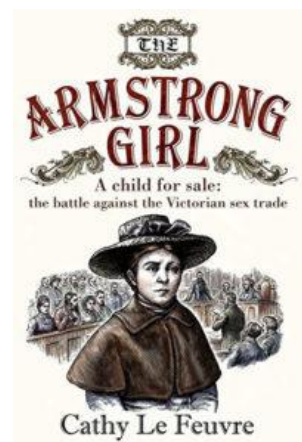
The Salvation Army and the Fight to Protect Children

Did you know that over 130 years ago, The Salvation Army played a key role in a major social reform to protect young people? In the 1880s, the age of consent in the United Kingdom was just 13. Tragically, this left many young girls vulnerable to exploitation and abuse.

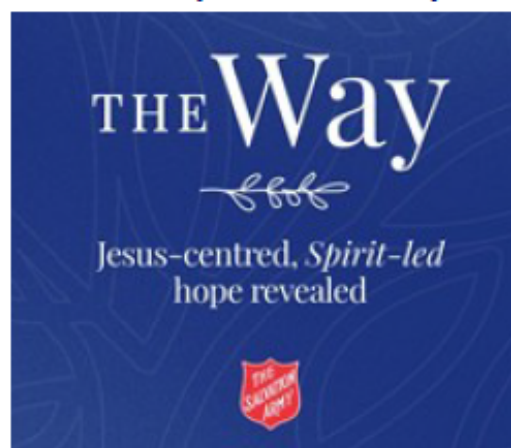
The Salvation Army, alongside social reformers and journalists like W.T. Stead, worked tirelessly to bring attention to the plight of these children. Through advocacy, petitions, and public campaigns, they raised awareness about the dangers and injustices young people faced. Their efforts helped spark public outrage and ultimately contributed to the **Criminal Law Amendment Act of 1885**, which raised the age of consent from 13 to 16.

This landmark reform was not just a legal change—it was a reflection of a society beginning to take seriously its responsibility to protect the most vulnerable. The Salvation Army's involvement reminds us of the power of faith in action: speaking up for justice, protecting children, and advocating for the welfare of those who cannot protect themselves.

As we reflect on this history, we are encouraged to continue caring for our communities with compassion and courage, standing up for what is right, and ensuring the safety and dignity of all.



The Salvation Army's national spiritual focus



commences February 2026.

We're excited to announce the corps hosting *The Way* launch events from 13–14 February 2026. These gatherings will bring Salvos together as we begin our year-long journey of being Jesus-centred, Spirit-led and hope revealed. In Queensland Division you'll be able to join in the launch weekend at the following sites:

Bayside	Bundaberg	Bundamba
Cairns	Caloundra	Gladstone
Mackay	Mount Isa	North Brisbane
Toowoomba	Townsville	Tweed Heads

Register for one of these locations [here](#).

Let's begin 2026 with courage, clarity and shared commitment - walking *The Way* together.

[Read more >>](#)

The Way 5-week Sermon Series: A resource suite centred around a 5-week sermon series will be provided to help Faith Communities continue to explore *The Way*, throughout the year. It will be **released at the end of January** and available for you to run the series at a time during the year that works best for your context.

The series will be packed with versatile resources to equip and inspire your Faith Community to live out the five aspects of *The Way*: discipleship, evangelism, prayer, spiritual warfare and mission.

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What Happens

SUNDAY	
9:00am	Prayer meeting
9:30am	Coffee
10am	Morning Worship
10:30am	Primary, Kids Connection & Junior Soldiers
4pm	God's Sports Arena

TUESDAY	
10am	English Conversation classes
6pm	Young Adults Connect Group Bible Study

WEDNESDAY	
10am-12pm	Emergency relief
6pm	Worship Team Rehearsal
7.30pm	Band Rehearsal

THURSDAY	
10am	mainly music

Please note

- Office open Tuesday to Thursday.
- Corps Officers are contactable on Monday
- Office closed on Friday (Corps Officers day off)

Each of you should give what you have decided in your heart to give, not reluctantly or under compulsion, for God loves a cheerful giver.
 2 Corinthians 9:7

Online Giving - Tithe and Offerings

You can make a direct deposit into the corps account.



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Weekday Parking

If you require a parking space during the week please ring the office, Ashley 0402781705 or Bronwyn 0402781693 to check availability.

There are various events or people requesting parking on different days and we need to know in advance available parking spots.

Sunday Parking Options

STREET PARKING

Pay by phone app (Cellopark AU)

KING GEORGE SQUARE CAR PARK

Vehicle entry is via Roma or Adelaide streets and exit is via Roma street.
 Cost is \$10 for 3 hours on a Sunday

WICKHAM TERRACE CAR PARK

Located between Wickham Terrace and Turbot street, Spring Hill
 Cost \$6 for four hours on a Sunday