



Central Vic Salvos

15th June 2025

BECOMING - ACTS 2:42-47

During the week my son mentioned to me that a young friend was facing abdominal surgery in the coming weeks, and asked that I pray 'for their well becoming', He has a beautiful way with words, and was recently published in the Australian Journal of Poetry, and this turn of phrase 'well becoming' expresses wonderfully the intention of our prayers.

I was glad to take out my prayer-paints and give time to these belly prayers.

Unlike the term 'well-being' which describes a state, 'well-becoming' suggests an ongoing process. This is how we pray. Not that God would show up for a moment to do a magnificent quick fix on our situation, but that our Healing God, our Tending God, our Faithful God, our Moving God, our Alongsiding God, would keep on bringing wellness-making, or, to use the more encompassing biblical word 'shalom'. Becoming well in our bodies is more than a quick fix: it is a way of living, eating, resting, choosing and moving. Becoming well as a community of faith is also not achieved with knee-jerk reactions, unilateral directives, or crisis interventions alone (though these may have a time and place). Well-becoming, healthy, whole community living is a way of choosing how we respond to opportunity, how we resist evil, how we relate to our resources and needs, how we love one another, and our Great God on and on as a continual process.

As the book of Acts tells the breath-taking story of the Spirit breathing life into the first church, we witness the emerging reality of a community not established in stones and buildings, unbounded and constantly becoming; becoming something Jesus' disciples could not have imagined.



And as I take up my prayer-paints for our community in Castlemaine, I pray that we will continue in well-becoming, more than we can possibly imagine.

-Beth Waldron Anstice (Castlemaine corps leadership/Families Team Leadership)



NEW APPOINTMENT

Dear friends,

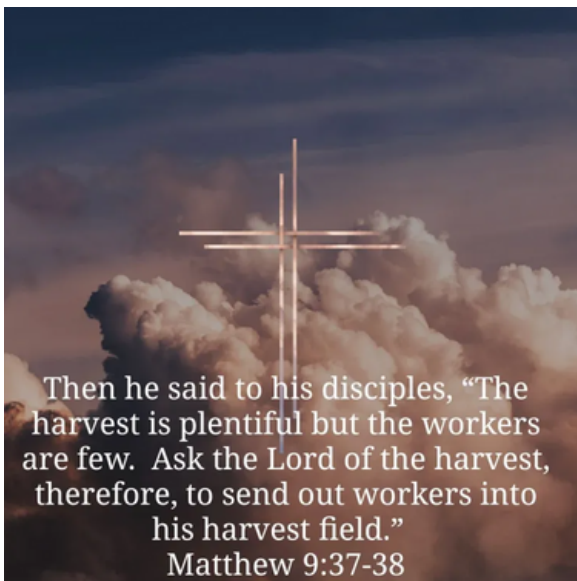
I am pleased to share with you the appointment of Colonels John and Lani Chamness to the Australia Territory, effective 1 October this year.

Colonel John Chamness will assume the role of Chief Secretary, succeeding Colonel Winsome Merrett, who will retire from active service on 30 September 2025. We are deeply grateful for Winsome's faithful and impactful leadership, and we look forward to honouring her in the months ahead. Information about farewell events will be shared in the coming weeks.

Colonel Lani Chamness will serve as Territorial Secretary for Women's Ministries and Territorial Secretary for Leader Development (Officers). Together, the Chamnesses bring a rich blend of experience, spiritual depth and creative energy to our territory.

(Pictured left to right): Colonels Lani and John Chamness

Commissioner Miriam Gluyas



WHAT'S NEXT | DISCERNING THE CALL TO MINISTRY

Exploring what ministry might look like for you starts with the simple step of asking for more information. We have a team of people who are dedicated to helping you discern what your next steps are – and who can also answer any questions you may have about ministry, calling, and becoming a leader in The Salvation Army.

To find out more, fill out an Expression of Interest form online and we'll get in touch with you.
<https://www.jotform.com/213146616652858>





Central Vic Salvos



PRAISE GOD FOR:

- Please continue to spend time daily in **ADORATION** of our Amazing and Awesome God, reflecting on God Himself, Praising Him for and in His Love, for His Power and Majesty, for His Wonderful gift of Christ.
- Praise Him for our families and friends, our neighbours and all the people He calls us into a relationship with.
- Praise Him for the Vision and Mission of The Salvation Army, and the part Central Vic Salvos has, the part we each have, in 'preaching' the Gospel message to all nations.
- Praise Him for all the committed and faithful followers of Christ throughout Central Vic Salvos.
- Praise Him for all those who have recently made a decision to follow Jesus and Praise Him for all those who have yet to make that decision (through the help of the ministry of Central Vic Salvos).
- Continue to offer prayers of **THANKSGIVING** - being thankful and grateful for everything that God gives you, for everything that God does for you, even the tough times that we go through, knowing that God will use them for our spiritual growth, if we allow Him to.



PLEASE PRAY FOR:

- Our Mission and Vision as we share the love of Jesus by: Caring for people, creating faith pathways, building healthy communities and working for justice, so that wherever there is hardship or injustice, Salvos will live, love and fight alongside others, **TO TRANSFORM** Central Victoria **ONE LIFE AT A TIME WITH THE LOVE OF JESUS.**
- For every officer, soldier, adherent, employee, youth and child, that we will each be active in sharing our faith and spreading the Gospel message, reaching out in practical ways to minister to the needs of our communities, to daily put our faith in action.
- For **PROTECTION** for our Church Leaders - (Major Karen Armstrong, Captains Ashir Morris and Hummera Ashir, Beth Waldron Anstice and Captains Heather and Peter Stamp) and their families - if we are advancing the Kingdom of God, we will come under attack of the enemy, and those in leadership are prime targets. Use scripture (Isa. 54:17, Ps 91, Ps 23, Isa. 45:2) Cover them in the Blood of Jesus. May they always seek God first, in everything they do.
- Pray for yourselves and families - we all need protection from the enemy if we are living according to God's will for us.

Psalm 86: 11-13

'Teach me Your ways, O Lord, that I may live according to Your truth! Grant me purity of heart, so that I may honour You. With all my heart I will praise You, O Lord my God. I will give glory to Your Name forever, for Your love for me is very great.'



Maryborough

Captain's Amy and Ronald Stobie will be joining with us next Sunday 22nd of June for Worship at 10.00am



MARYBOROUGH
Digital Doorknock



Maryborough Salvo's Play Space

Thursday's 9.30am - 11.00am*
27 Wills Street, Maryborough

Free Indoor/Outdoor Play, Music, Reading,
Friends and Healthy Snack.
Something for everyone,
bring a gold coin donation and a piece of fruit.
From birth to school age.
Contact: 5459 0500
*during school terms



Central Vic Salvos

Installation/Welcome

Sunday July 6th @ 10.00am
Followed by morning tea/lunch



Please join us to welcome Captains Heather and Peter Stamp
with Andy, Lily and Molly

Eaglehawk

FELLOWSHIP LUNCH

Tuesday 24 June at 12pm at the
Borough Club Eaglehawk. For more
information please see Major Karen.



PSA

Pleasant Sunday Afternoon Concert

The churches of Eaglehawk have combined to raise
funds for the Winter Night Shelter
Sunday 20th July 2025
Venue: Eaglehawk Uniting Church
Featuring Eaglehawk Citizen Band &
Golden City Pipe Band, along with other musical
support

2pm start Donation Entry
Contact Karen 0427 759 641
for more information



WORSHIP THROUGH CREATIVITY:

Ephesians 2:10 emphasizes that Christians are
created in Christ Jesus for good works,
including artistic expression, which can be an
act of worship.



Live painting is an act of creativity.
The act of creativity reminds us that
we worship and are made in the
image of an Eternally Creative God.

WORSHIP PAINTING DAY

Tuesday 17th June from 10am
Come along if you are interested in discovering a
new way to worship God.

Eaglehawk Salvation Army
Church Street

Art is valued and
inspired by God as a
means of reflecting and
glorifying the wonder of
God.



INSPIRED ARTISTS:

Exodus 35:35 mentions that God filled
the Israelites with skill to create artistic
works for the Tabernacle, highlighting
His inspiration of artists for worship.



Castlemaine



National Prayer Day – Thanks

The local gathering for the National Day of Prayer with 23 people from 4 different Castlemaine churches was hosted at the Church of Christ. I was glad to lead the second hour and I'm very appreciative of Alison's support and those who prayed at home too.



Pictured – interactive prayer installation. Our local and national churches 'lampstands' (Revelations 1) Jesus walks in our midst, hearing our prayers and bringing words for us too. Let those with ears hear the Spirit.

SOLSTICE SALE

FRI 20TH JUNE

Castlemaine Thrift Shop

SALVOS
50% OFF
4-7PM

MAAW
50% OFF
4-7PM

WINDARRING
50% OFF
3-6PM

"We are disciples of Christ.
Christ goes before us.
The world needs His light."

POPE LEO XIV



CASTLEMAINE
Digital Doorknock



Refugee Week

15 - 21 June 2025

Finding Freedom: Diversity in Community





Bendigo

Gravel Hill site 150th celebration

Celebrating 150 Years of the Gravel Hill Building!

Join us for a special occasion as we commemorate the rich history and legacy of the Gravel Hill Building.

This milestone marks 150 years of community, service, and faith.

Event Details:

Date: Wednesday, 9th July 2025

Time: 11:00 AM – 11:30 AM

Lunch: 11:30am–12:30pm

Location: 65–71 Mundy St, Bendigo VIC 3550

Come and be part of this historic moment with us.

Let's celebrate together!

For more information, contact us at:

(03) 5440 8410

Opening hours: 9:00am–4:30pm



Bendigo



<https://www.salvationarmy.org.au/bendigo/>



Bendigo Corps celebrated volunteer week, thank you so much to all volunteers who help us in the ministry work you all are highly appreciated.



GREATER BENDIGO
Digital Doorknock



The Hilltop Cafe provides delicious free meals three days per week.

Monday: 12.00pm - 1.00pm (meals by impact recovery)

Thursday: 12.00pm - 1.00pm

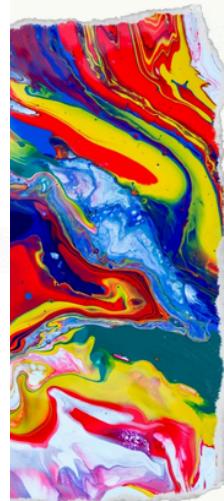
Friday: 10.00am - 12.15pm (meals by MADCOW)

Drop In

Why not drop into the Worship Centre on Thursdays between 2.00pm - 5.00pm and have a chat with Dave or our friendly Chaplain, Shiralee. Or come to the Church Service on a Sunday from 10.00am - 12.00pm.



Bendigo



BENDIGO ART SPACE

A free, relaxed drop-in art space.
Inspired by starting afresh and discovering how the Master Creator can do something new within us.
Come, be inspired and create with us!

MONDAYS 1:00PM–3:00PM

THURSDAYS 1:00PM–3:00PM

IN SHELTER SHED (OPPOSITE CAFÉ)



Thrift Shops

BENDIGO THRIFT SHOP

2B Thistle Street, Golden Square

Ph: (03) 5459 0504

Open Hours:

9am-4:30pm Monday to Friday

9am-2pm Saturday

BENDIGO CBD THRIFT SHOP

18 Pall Mall, Bendigo

Ph: (03) 5459 0509

Open Hours:

9:30am-4:00pm

Monday to Saturday

EAGLEHAWK THRIFT SHOP

4 Marong Rd, Ironbark

Ph: (03) 5459 0508

Open Hours:

9:30am-5pm Monday to Friday

9:30am-4pm Saturday

CASTLEMAINE THRIFT SHOP

46 Forest Street, Castlemaine

Ph: (03) 5459 0506

Open Hours:

10am-4pm Monday to Friday

10am-3pm Saturday

ST ARNAUD THRIFT SHOP

70-72 Napier Street, St Arnaud

Ph: (03) 5459 0503

Open Hours:

9:30am - 3:30pm Monday to Friday

10am-2pm Saturday

AVOCA THRIFT SHOP

114 High Street, Avoca

Ph: (03) 5459 0502

Open Hours:

10:00am - 3:30pm Mon, Wed, Fri

BENDIGO

MONDAY

12.00pm - Community Meal

1.00pm - Art Space

12.30pm to 3.00pm - Free Showers

12.30 to 2.30pm - Clothes Washing

TUESDAY

12.30pm to 3.00pm - Free Showers

THURSDAY

9.30am to 12.30pm - Free Showers

10.30 to 1.30pm - Clothes Washing

11.15am - Chapel

12.00pm - Community Meal

1.00pm - Art Space

3.00 to 5.00pm - Drop in space

6.00 to 7.15pm - Zac's Place

12.00 to 2.00pm - Free Hair cuts

(see Hair Aid poster)

FRIDAY

9.30am to 12.30pm - Free Showers

SUNDAY

10.00am - Celebration Service

11.30am-12.30pm - Free Showers

4.00pm - Discovery Church

CASTLEMAINE

MONDAY

10.00am - Playgroup

WEDNESDAY

9.30am to 12.00pm Doorways

FRIDAY

9.30am to 12.00pm - Doorways

SUNDAY

10.30am - Worship Service

65-71 Mundy St, Bendigo

47 Kennedy St, Castlemaine

WEEKLY PROGRAMS & SERVICES

MARYBOROUGH

MONDAY

9:30am to 12.30pm - Doorways

10:30am - Women's Fellowship

WEDNESDAY

THURSDAY

12.00pm - Noon Prayer

2.00pm - Bowls

4.00pm - Kids Club *

FRIDAY

9:30am to 12.30pm - Doorways

5.00pm - Faith Chats *

6.00pm - Youth Group *

SUNDAY

9:15am - Prayer Meeting

10.00am - Celebration Service

(All Age Worship 1st, Corps Lunch 3rd Sunday)

12.00pm - Junior Soldiers (3rd Sunday)

27 Wills St, Maryborough

EAGLEHAWK

TUESDAYS

3:35 to 5pm - Choir Practice.

THURSDAY

1.30pm - Crafty Skills Community

3.00pm - Bible Study (fortnightly)*

4:30 pm - Prayer Meeting - Hall

SUNDAY

9:40am - prays

10.00am - Celebration Service

*not on during school Holidays

51 Church St, Eaglehawk



Contact Us

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MARYBOROUGH

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2 WAYS TO GIVE



IN PERSON
PLACE YOUR CASH
OR ENVELOPES IN
THE OFFERING PLATE



ONLINE
VIA BPAY
BILLER CODE: 437855
REFERENCE #: 10009



doorways

Doorways is our Community Support program. It is the entryway through which those experiencing hardship and/or disadvantage can take proactive steps to find the support they need to overcome life's challenges and find long-term solutions. We offer a range of services from emergency relief to case management and more.

**If you are experiencing hardship or financial difficulties, please call the
Salvos Phone Assistance Line (PAL) on 03 8873 5288.
This service operates Monday to Friday between 9am and 4pm.**

Please be aware no assistance interviews will be conducted from our local sites. Community members presenting to any of our Central Vic Salvos sites will be invited to contact Salvos PAL.



The Salvation Army Central Victoria acknowledges the Dja Dja Wurrung and Taungurung Peoples of the Kulin Nation, the Traditional owners of the land on which we meet and work and pay our respect to Elders past, present and future. We value and include people of all cultures, languages, abilities, sexual orientations, gender identities, gender expressions and intersex status. We are committed to providing programs that are fully inclusive. We are committed to the safety and wellbeing of people of all ages, particularly children.