

Gungahlin

NEWSLETTER

April 2024

BE INTERESTED IN EVERYTHING GOD DOES

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Proverbs 25:2 NKJV

Anything that reveals something about our Creator is something we ought to be interested in. Scripture is in a classification all by itself as God's written revelation. But mathematics discloses a distinctive dimension of God's personality too. Along with art, and science. The Bible says: 'And God gave Solomon' wisdom and exceedingly great understanding, and largeness of heart like the sand on the seashore. ... He spoke three thousand proverbs, and his songs were one thousand and five. Also, he spoke of trees, from the cedar tree of Lebanon even to the hyssop that springs out of the wall; he spoke also of animals, of birds, of creeping things, and of fish. And men of all nations, from all the kings of the earth who had heard of his wisdom, came to hear the wisdom of Solomon.' (1 Kings 4:29, 32-34 NKJV). Solomon's breadth of knowledge gave him such a depth of wisdom that 'from all nations, people came to listen to Solomon's wisdom'. Who sent those men? 'The kings of the world, who had heard of his wisdom.' As Spirit-filled citizens of God's kingdom, we haven't been called to avoid the culture but to inform it, instruct it, and illuminate it. 'It is the glory of God to conceal a matter, But the glory of kings is to search out a matter.' (Proverbs 25:2 NKJV) God loves it when we realise something or encounter something new to us, even if our discoveries are common knowledge. Isn't that a normal parental reaction when our children discover new things? When you keep asking the right questions, God will keep giving you the right answers.

https://vision.org.au/the-word-for-today-reading/

Sunday Connect Groups 9:15am April 7th,
No connect groups 14th, 21st and 28th April (School Holidays) and
5th May Ministry Team only 9:15am time of prayer and planning
Starting 2nd Term Kids Ministry Connect groups will move to during the church service only.



Wherever there is hardship or injustice, Salvos will live, love and fight alongside others to transform Australia one life at a time with the love of Jesus



Giving By Direct Deposit

Westpac Bank Gungahlin Salvation Army BSB 032 730 Account: 113257



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Friday 26th April 10am Cafe Injoy @ Gold Cre

RSVP to church office by 23rd April



Gungahlin



Monday 20th May-Sunday 26th May

Volunteers are needed for static collection at local shopping centers.

Rosters will be available late April



Thank you for your generous giving as at 31st March our known self-denial giving stands at approx. \$6,000



RESPONSE SAES VOLUNTEER TRAINING

This training is for people interested in joining the Salvation Army Emergency Services *RESPONSE* volunteer team or for current members wanting to refresh or renew their volunteer training. The training covers,

- who we are, our culture,
 - · how we operate,
 - how we work with government during disasters,
 - food safety
 - how we keep track of everything that happens.

This is a great opportunity to meet likeminded people who want to serve those who need support in times of emergencies. Invite family and friends, all are welcome. A days training here will help you be better prepared for when SAES is called upon to serve the community.

This is a zero cost event, lunch and refreshments provided.

Change of Date

When: Saturday 13-04-2024 - 9:30 AM to 3.30 PM

Venue: The Salvation Army Queanbeyan
226 Crawford Street Queanbeyan

RSVP

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By 8th April









Do you have sight problems?

We have a vision clinic coming to town soon where we will be doing eye examinations

Glasses will be supplied free of charge if required.
Limited appointments available.
Call or stop by to book your appointment today.

Canberra City 17 April

Gungahlin 18 April

Appointments from 9.00am

Email applications to for Canberra City and Gungahlin Corps

onesightact@salvationarmy.org.au

Phone: 6242 6037

No Medicare card required







Dear friends,

Last year I sent out a 'rallying cry' of 'Jesus-centred, Spirit-led, hope revealed' across the Army.

These weren't intended to be more words crammed into an already crowded space ... but a 'rallying cry' to stir our hearts and serve as a measure to ask ourselves;

'Is Jesus central to who we are and all that we do?'
'Where and how is the Spirit leading us?'

'Where are we seeing hope revealed?'

And today, as we sit here at the dawn of Easter, I reflect on the centrality of Jesus, in all I do.

- Jesus as my Saviour John 3:16-17
- Jesus as a servant Philippians 2:5-11
- Jesus as my shield John 17:15-19
- Jesus as my source of life Colossians 1:18
- Jesus as my reason for living, loving, and fighting John 13:34-35

Easter is a time we can all reflect on His sacrificial act of love that has the power to not only transform our own life but the world around us ... and this transformation comes in his centrality in our lives and as we choose to take up our own cross of:

- Loving sacrificially
- Serving with a joyous spirit
- Shielding and protecting those most vulnerable in our communities
- Being a bringer of hope and life in all we do
- Living, loving and fighting, alongside others to transform Australia one life at a time with the love of Jesus!
- Jesus, Saviour, Risen, Lord of all, alive and active today

It's not going to be easy ... It's never going to be straight-forward ...

But it is going to be the best thing as individuals and as an Army we can do! God with us and in us. We don't do this alone.

We need to continually ask ourselves; 'Is Jesus central to this?' 'Where is the Spirit leading us?' 'Where am I seeing hope revealed?'

And as we continue to take this journey, may we find comfort in the words of our founder Catherine Booth.

'Whatever the particular call is, the particular sacrifice God asks you to make, the particular cross God wishes you to embrace, whatever the particular path God wants you to tread, will you rise up, and say in your heart, "Yes, Lord, I accept it; I submit, I yield, I pledge myself to walk in that path, and to follow that Voice, and to trust Thee with the consequences"? Oh! but you say, "I don't know what God will want next."

No, we none of us know that, but we know we shall be safe in God's hands.'

— Catherine Booth

Bless you, grateful for you and to you.

Commissioner Miriam Gluyas

Territorial Commander The Salvation Army Australia Territory 28th March 2024