

2018: beyond the walls

# PARRAMATTERS

SUNDAY 9 SEPTEMBER 2018

Parramatta Salvation Army



A  
generous  
LIFE

PARRAMATTACORPS

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12 noon - 2 pm

*"Come along and bring your family to our community Block Party!"*

- Free Food
- Soft Drink and Bake Sales
- Coffee Van
- Stalls
- Jumping Castle & Kids Activities
- Face-Painting

The Salvation Army 60 Good Street Granville

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suppress a  
generous  
thought

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## PRAYERPOINTS



As we conclude our Generous Life series we pray that God will continue to help us live a generous life that reflects his generosity to us.



We are praying for the Granville neighbourhood as we welcome our neighbours to our corps Block Party this Sunday.



Prayer is desperately need for the emergency response teams in Kure City, Japan as they assist the victims of the recent typhoon.



We are praising God for rain this week in some areas of western NSW that have been severely affected by the drought.



Please remember those in our corps family who are still undergoing treatment or recovering from operations. Also for the families who are supporting their progress and facing the challenges that ill-health present. This week we particularly think of Lorraine Kelly as she recovers from surgery.



We praise God for the generosity of the people from the Parramatta Corps! We pray that the Ecuadorians youth will respond to the invitation and attend the Youth Camp.



The National Appointment Bulletin was released on Thursday 9 September so we are praying for the Officers who will be taking up new appointments in 2019.



*If you would like us to pray for you or your loved ones, contact either **Marty Bust or Dot Griffin** for it to be included in the newsletter.*

## TYPHOON RAINS TRIGGER SALVATION ARMY DISASTER RESPONSE IN JAPAN

Excavation of thick mud and high-pressure water jetting are among the responses made by The Salvation Army in Kure City, Japan, in the weeks following a typhoon that has been described as the 'deadliest freshwater disaster since 1982'. Several areas in western Japan were hit by more than a metre of rainfall in less than three days. Flooding and mudslides in June and July were widespread and 238 people have been confirmed as dead or missing, with the Hiroshima prefecture suffering particularly heavy damage.

The Salvation Army's emergency response in Kure has been centered on removing the muddy debris which has contaminated homes. This has benefitted 2,000 people in the Tennou, Yasuura and Kawajira communities. Further mud, timber and detritus has been cleared away from roads, ditches and drainage channels across the area. More than 2,000 sandbags have also been provided and deployed where necessary to protect properties.

The Salvation Army has been working in partnership with Samaritan's Purse and the Japan International Food for the Hungry charity as well as 23 local churches and the prefecture authorities. One hundred families have been provided with bottled drinking water and portable plastic water tanks, necessitated by infrastructure failure. Meanwhile, 200 volunteer workers helping to clean up the community have been issued with healthcare kits containing dust masks, gloves and cooling packs to help counter heatstroke. Supplies of rice have also been distributed in the community.

Children and young people are often particularly affected by disasters such as this, and The Salvation Army's day nursery and girls' home in Kure have been providing additional care to around 60 children. Other communities have also been assisted by Salvation Army emergency workers. Clean water has been supplied in the Kawiri, Onomichi and Tengzhou districts. Sanitary items were delivered to authorities in Kurashiki City for distribution where appropriate, and disinfectant sprayers have been deployed in the Osaka region.

The Salvation Army will continue to provide practical, emotional and spiritual support in the flood-affected areas as communities rebuild their homes and livelihoods. A short video that illustrates some of The Salvation Army's response is available from @wemmick03 on Twitter: watch at [sar.my/kurew3](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=sar.my/kurew3)





# CORPSNEWS

## 426 CHURCH STREET UPDATE

As you may know the new National Property Team has now taken over the management of our building project. In the long run this will be a good outcome. Oliver McGeachie, our new Project Manager, has been great to work with. He and his line manager Matt Fisher have brought a new level of professionalism to the project.

However their efficiency has highlighted some problems. One of them was a \$2.7 million budget shortfall. This has meant that we have to find more money but also scale back on the build. Therefore we have agreed on some major, cost-cutting, design changes: cutting the furniture and AV budget, losing some storage, creating a new income generating tenancy in the north west corner of the building. As soon as our architect has redrawn the plans we'll make them available for you to look at.

The other major, and disappointing, news is that the build will not be finished until at least December 2019. This will pose some challenges for us in our temporary location and our Corps Leadership team and Pastoral Care Council will spend some time reassessing our program for 2019 to make sure we're doing all we can to help each of other to stay focused on our mission and for each of us to feel included during this time of transition.

Remember, the end goal will be worth this temporary discomfort and compromise in terms of our facilities. God is still with us, we are still his people.

## ECUADORIAN YOUTH DELEGATE DONATIONS ALMOST REACHED OUR GOAL!

We have now raised \$7,565 which means we can sponsor 108 of our target of 150 youth. Thank you to everyone who made a donation to this project. We are still accepting donations if you would like to support the Youth Camp in some way.

Our next goal is to seek ways to support the Salvation Army school in Cayambe which we hope to do through resources. We are still awaiting information of how best to do that. At the 'picnic de domingo' there will also be an opportunity for you to support the IME through the donation of Australian themed gifts—pencils, toys, notepads—for us to hand out at both the camp and the school. Thank you for your ongoing support of this international mission event.

## CONGRATULATIONS

We are sharing in the excitement and joy of the Kwong / Tan family as their daughter, Edwina, prepares to marry on Saturday 8 September.

# COMINGEVENTS

## GOLDEN YEARS [& Ladies Fellowship]

WEDNESDAY 12 SEPTEMBER 2018

### Annual High Tea

Morning tea at 10.00am and meeting at 10.30am at Granville. All welcome!

## SUNDAY 14 OCTOBER @ MIDDAY

'Picnic de Domingo' - corps community lunch celebrating International Mission Event

## FRIDAY 26 TO SUNDAY 28 OCTOBER

AXIOS DISCIPLESHIP CONFERENCE  
Sunday worship together at King's School



## Parramatta Youth Group joins with Auburn and Ryde Corps:

7 September

Collective  
YOUTH NIGHT!

14 September

7.30 to 8.30pm

Life  
groups

## CONNECT SITE NEWS

This week our Connect Site Coordinator made a hospital visit to 'share the love of Jesus' with a welfare client. Selome was able to distribute some of the donations received from the Parramatta Chamber of Council.



Come Aside...Renew, Replenish, Restore, Refresh, Rest  
**Spiritual Retreat**

**WALKING WITH GOD**

Tuesday 9<sup>th</sup> to Friday 12<sup>th</sup> October, 2018  
 Friday 12<sup>th</sup> – Sunday 14<sup>th</sup> October, 2018

*A retreat is a time to pause and reflect on our lives and to spend time with God.*

It is time to enjoy the presence of God – without any other distractions!

During the retreat we spend short times together in worship and prayer. Most of the time, however, is for you to enjoy being with God however you wish: private prayer, reflection, creative expression, listening to God, reading, walking, and resting.

Resources are provided that can help you make the most of your time with God.

*It is about YOU spending time with God in the way that most appeals to you.*

All retreats offer one-on-one conversations for those who would like to more deeply explore how God is at work in their lives at this time.

**Cost:**  
 Tues - Fri \$385 (\$360 twin share)  
 Fri – Sun \$290 (\$240 twin share)



Cost includes all meals, accommodation and use of the Lodge facilities, as well as all retreat materials and creative resources.

Location: Mt Alford Lodge, near Boonah.  
 For further information email [jo-anne.brown@aue.salvationarmy.org](mailto:jo-anne.brown@aue.salvationarmy.org)

**PLEASE LET ME KNOW BY SEPTEMBER 7<sup>th</sup> IF YOU WOULD LIKE TO ATTEND!!**



**All are welcome!**



*please join us for*



**Refresh Floriade**

**26 September 2018**

at

**Camberra City Corps**

CORNER FAWKNER AND ELOUERA STREETS BRADDON

*Guest: Major Ann Lingard*

10AM MORNING TEA FOLLOWED BY GATHERING  
 COST: \$5 FOR MORNING TEA

OFFERINGS TAKEN FOR THE TERRITORIAL PROJECT - SIMBA PROJECT KENYA

RSVP: 10 September through your Corps Officer/leader  
 to [salvos.women@aue.salvationarmy.org](mailto:salvos.women@aue.salvationarmy.org) 8644 0110

**The Gathering**  
 A MULTICULTURAL CONFERENCE  
**21<sup>st</sup> - 23<sup>rd</sup> September 2018**

A joint partnership between  
 Auburn Salvation Army Corps and Inclusive Australia

**FREEDOM**  
 EQUIPKIDS

**For Primary Aged Children Ages 7+**  
 EQUIP Kids is a camp that aims to provide a safe and encouraging environment to help primary aged children discover who they were created to be and equipping them to live it! This year we will be looking at the FREEDOM to be all God created us to be!

<b>DATES</b>	2-4 Nov   Scotts Head	<b>ONLINE REGO</b>	<a href="http://tinyurl.com/EQUIPKids2018">tinyurl.com/EQUIPKids2018</a>
	2 - 4 Nov   Toukley	<b>REGO CLOSES</b>	Friday 19 Oct
	16-18 Nov   Shoalhaven	<b>COST</b>	\$125

**CONTACT** [NSWACTYouthandKids@aue.salvationarmy.org](mailto:NSWACTYouthandKids@aue.salvationarmy.org) | 02 8644 0115



**Still Others**  
 Gathering as One Army

Featuring:

- National Conference Week
- Official launch of The Salvation Army Australia Territory (30 November)
- 'Our Christmas Gift' Concert Spectacular
- Commissioning
- Officers Councils (3 December)
- Something for Salvos of all ages

**27 NOVEMBER TO 3 DECEMBER 2018**  
 Melbourne Convention and Exhibition Centre

If you would like to give to the kingdom building activities in and through our Corps by transfer please use the following details: **BSB 032078; Account No. 000810288; Account Name - The Salvation Army, Parramatta.** Please include an applicable reference on the transfer so we can accurately record the gift.



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 Ministries