

Y E A R o f G A T H E R I N G @ T A B L E S

# PARRAMATTERS

SUNDAY 16 JULY 2017

Parramatta Salvation Army



## Welcome TO THE Sydney Staff Songsters!

Welcome to any  
visitors attending  
the SSS events and  
our worship at  
Parramatta.

3PM SATURDAY:  
workshop

7PM SATURDAY:  
concert

## WORSHIP TODAY

**9AM** Easy English Worship

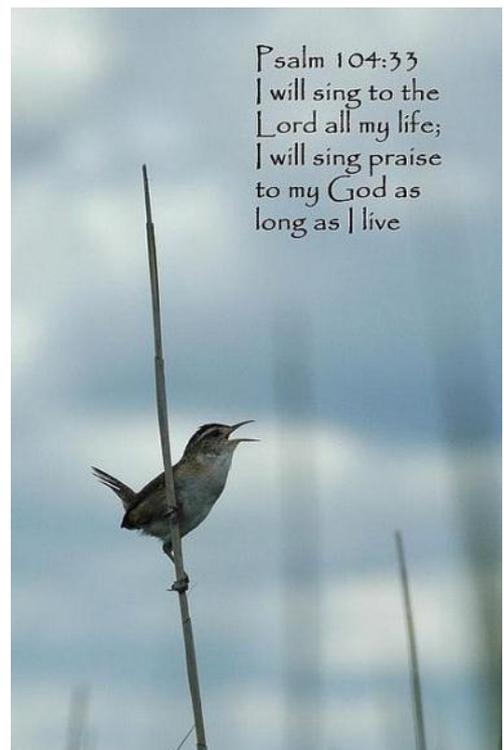
**10.30AM** Family Worship with  
the Sydney Staff Songsters.  
Join us for Morning Tea after  
worship, served in the Connect  
Centre opposite the citadel.

## NEXT:

SUNDAY 23 JULY  
Dedication of Elsie Evans  
Ceremony led by Envoys  
Randall & Glenda Brown  
Worship led by Major Colin  
Maxwell

7.30PM FRIDAY 21 JULY  
Youth Worship led by Major  
Nicole Viles

SUNDAY 30 JULY  
Worship led by Lt Nicola Poore



YEAR of GATHERING @ TABLES

YOU ARE INVITED

# TO GATHER

AROUND A TABLE WITH FELLOW BELIEVERS  
TO LEARN, TO SHARE, TO BUILD EACH OTHER UP  
BIBLE STUDIES & CONVERSATION CARDS AVAILABLE FOR ALL GATHERINGS

ALL PEOPLE, ALL NATIONS, ALL GENERATIONS... IT'S ALL ABOUT JESUS

AUGUST

## GATHERING?

Throughout August everyone from our church family is invited to **gather**: to share together, to learn together and to encourage each other to grow in faith. This idea of 'Gathering at Table' is to transform the focus of our gatherings into a kingdom focus. So when we meet for a coffee, a snack or a meal there will be conversations that go deeper and unpack both the joys as well as the challenges of life and how our faith makes a difference.

So how can you get involved? It's easy. Invite someone to meet with you in August to have a conversation about their Saviour, their friend, their guide, their hero - Jesus. You can invite them into your home, into a group you are already part of or to your favourite café. You can invite one person or ten people. There will be a bible study booklet to use or we can provide 'conversation cards'. Every Sunday the sermon will focus on a story about Jesus which is then linked to the bible study notes found in the booklet.

Groups are already available to join: Tuesday morning women's group [Glad McComb], Thursday easy English group [Marg Poore], Thursday night bible study group [John McComb], Friday night bible study groups [Bev Mole, Betty Hazell, John Godkin], Ladies Fellowship on 2 August [Kerrie Parker], Chinese Discipleship Group on 5 August [Bing Bing Tan], Sunday PEEC group [Keith Humbley]. Groups starting up in August: Sunday lunch group [Sharon SB], Sunday 5pm group [Richard Eden], Young Adults group [Rachel & Daniel Betteridge]. Please make contact if you would like to join any one of these groups. Please talk to any of the PCC team if you would like help starting a group.

## GATHERING OPTIONS?

- I am already in a group so I will invite someone to the group
- I am going to join an existing group
- I am going to start a new group
- I am going to meet with my friends
- I am going gather my family and another family together

## PEOPLENEWS

- ◆ Last week John Sanders, brother of George, was Promoted to Glory. Our love and prayers are with George and his family in this time of grief and loss.
- ◆ John Donovan is home from hospital but still awaiting updates on his health. Although the operation was successful it showed that the tumour was malignant. This will mean further testing and treatment.
- ◆ Dot Griffin is recovering well from having a tumour removed on her leg just recently.
- ◆ Congratulations to Mitch and Jen Staines on the birth of Gretel - (a welcome addition to the extended Eden family).
- ◆ Sharon and Grant will be away the next few weeks on furlough. Thank you to those leading worship in their absence. Please refer any corps matters to CSM's Martin Bust and Dot Griffin.

## CORPSNEWS

### PROPERTY UPDATE - IT'S ALL POSITIVE! Praise God!

IHQ has approved the purchase of 426 Church Street and after a meeting with Parramatta Council we are 'all good' to submit a DA for a place of worship in that building. We will now be setting up a number of tasks forces to look after the Logistics, the Design and the Events.

### THANK YOU

Bertus and Joyce Offereins express their thanks to Carissa and the 4 Youth Groupers who gave such helpful and willing service to us last week. They not only gladdened our hearts to have jobs which we can no longer do for ourselves done so happily, but restored our feeling of belonging to a wonderful, loving Corps family—a feeling we so easily lose when we are not able to attend fellowship. Thank you very much and God bless you at camp.

*If you have news to share with the wider church family please forward it to the office by Wednesday. Thanks.*

## UPCOMINGEVENTS

### LADIES FELLOWSHIP

WESNESDAY 19 JULY 2017

#### *'Samaritan's Purse' Operation Christmas Child*

Everyone is welcome to join us from 10am for a great morning of fellowship as we work together on our shoeboxes for OCC.

### FELLOWSHIP LUNCH:

#### *'Christmas in July'*

**Saturday 29th July @ Geranium Cottage Dural**

3 course set meal. \$40 per person. Everyone welcome! Bookings with payment by Sunday 16th July. **Please RSVP to Janet Muir**

### HAVE YOU GOT A WILL?

For \$50 we can help. The Salvation Army offers a Wills service, with the generous support of local solicitors, in exchange for a \$50 donation to our community work. It's an opportunity to ensure you have a Will that reflects your wishes while also giving back to your community.

Tuesday 19 September 2017 (10am-1pm and 2pm-6pm) at

The Salvation Army, 34 Smith Street, Parramatta.

Appointments essential—call 1800 337 082

### YOUTH GROUP

This term's Youth Worship will be held on a Friday night.

This term our focus will be 'technology and its impact on youth'.

Our guest speaker at Youth Worship will be Major Nicole Viles.

Anyone is welcome to attend — no age restriction!

## PRAYERPOINTS



Prayer for the Sanders family.



Please pray for those in our church family who are still undergoing treatment or recovering from surgery. Pray for the Donovan family as they care for John & Jeanette.



Safe travels for Hayley Entwistle and John Acock who are overseas on school 'mission trips'.



Pre-planning stage for 426 Church Street with Parramatta Council.



CLUSTER PRAYER MEETINGS:

Sunday 20 August 5-7pm  
at Auburn Corps

Sunday 22 October 5-7pm  
at Granville Corps



*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 and Prayer Network.*

**21 JULY**

**YOUTH SERVICE!**

## UPCOMINGEVENTS

# Kokoda Reflection 75th Anniversary

On the 75th anniversary of the battle for the Kokoda Track, The Salvation Army Historical Society invites you to join with them in remembering those Australians who put their lives on the line.

Guest speaker, **Peter FitzSimons,**  
Author of *Kokoda*.

- Hurstville Salvation Army Band
- Soloist: Mandy Williams
- A contemporary look at The Kokoda Track
- Afternoon tea

**Sunday 30 July  
2:30 PM**

**Menai  
Salvation Army  
11 Pilliga Pl  
Bangor**



"EQUIP HIS PEOPLE" EP4:12

# AXIOS

DISCIPLESHIP CONFERENCE  
SUNDAY 15 OCTOBER



## JUST MEN CONFERENCE

We are privileged this year to have **David Murrow** as our guest speaker. David founded Church for Men in 2005. He's is not a pastor, not a professor or theologian. He's just a guy in the pews who noticed a disturbing trend: churches were losing their men and boys. So he wrote a book, "Why Men Hate Going to Church", which became an instant Christian bestseller, with more than 100,000 copies in print. His efforts have spawned articles in the New York Times, Wall Street Journal, and the Chicago Tribune, as well as TV appearances for PBS, NBC and Fox News. To register or for more information, please click here: <http://tinyurl.com/justmenQLD2017>. Like us on Facebook to learn more about Just Men at: [Facebook.com/SalvosJustMen](https://www.facebook.com/SalvosJustMen).

# Just Men 2017 CONFERENCE

Collaroy, NSW  
4TH-6TH August

Alexandra Headland, QLD  
11th-13th August

Guest speaker: David Murrow



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