

# PARRAMATTERS

SUNDAY 20 AUGUST 2017

Parramatta Salvation Army



## WORSHIP TODAY

**9AM** Chapel at the Willows  
Easy English Worship

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

**NOON** Young Adults Gathering

**5-7PM** PRAYER NIGHT @  
AUBURN [Greater West Cluster —  
Auburn Corps, Granville Corps, Ryde  
Corps and Parramatta Corps]

## TOPICS:

SUNDAY 20 AUGUST:  
Jesus my friend

SUNDAY 27 AUGUST:  
Jesus our guide

## 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 Tables' 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 is 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.

## 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 to gather my family and another family together

## PRAYERPOINTS



Please pray for Margaret Robinson who is undergoing surgery next week.



Your prayer support for Denise Thomas would be appreciated as she transitions into her new role.



Please pray for Kate and Duane Anderson as they battle ongoing health issues.



Your continued prayer support for Paul and Val Lucas would be appreciated while Paul continues to receive treatment.



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.



*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.*

## GATHERING AT TABLES...

I had an interesting evening recently where after our meal we used the Salt and Pepper cards to help in our conversation.

It was a great idea as everyone was involved as we shared aspects of our lives together. I hope you will all take on this aspect of sharing during this month!

God bless everyone as we seek to grow His kingdom here in Parramatta!

By Gordon Bowie

We had our Chinese monthly fellowship on the Saturday morning of 4 August 2017. We gathered around the table in the back of our church hall. The five of us opened God's word together and read John 3: 1-21. We discussed and looked at what it meant to be "born again". This was also the topic of our first week gathering around the table.

We considered what it meant to be "born again" as a Christian. It is an experience all Christians go through when coming to know of Christ's salvation. We are born OF water and the Spirit. When our sins are washed by Jesus' blood, we are no longer prisoners to our sins like our old selves. Jesus is our hero! When we are marked by the Holy Spirit, we know that we belong to God. Now that we are born again, we have a new identity and can live out this calling.

During our time together, we shared food, shared laughs, shared discussions of what the passage meant, all around the table. We also shared with one another what was happening in our lives. Finally, we prayed for one another and trusted that our fellowship could only be grown by Christ.

By "gathering at the table", we had a great opportunity to get to know one another and know the Lord more together. It was such an enjoyable gathering.

By Bing Bing Tan

## UPCOMINGEVENTS

### LADIES FELLOWSHIP

WEDNESDAY 23 AUGUST 2017

**Special guest: Shelley Soper**

10am for morning tea and 10.30am for the meeting. All are welcome to come and join in!

### YOUNG ADULTS

There will be a young adults gathering on Sunday 20<sup>th</sup> August (after church). We will be joining together for lunch at The Hunterford Clubhouse, Governors Way Oatlands. Cost is \$5. Please let Daniel or Rachel Betteridge know if you would like to attend. We would love to see you there.



# CORPSNEWS

## IT'S HAPPENING IF WE ARE READY OR NOT!!

Yes, we have sold our property and have to start planning **NOW** for our move! So if you are a leader of a section and have storage cupboards, we suggest you go through them and identify....

- What can be thrown out (anything that hasn't been used in the past twelve months is a start)
- Things you need to keep but not use for some time. We will have storage that won't be easily accessible, however you need to keep anything to be stored to a minimum.
- Things you currently use and need to be moved to our new temporary site.
- Things that are no longer required but in a saleable condition can be directed to our Family Store.

Everyone from our Corps is invited to attend a Clean Up day which is happening on Saturday 14th October from 8.00am to 12.00pm. We will have skip bins available for the dumping of 'rubbish'.

So plan to join in the fun on the 14th October. If you require any additional information please see Marty Bust.

## BREAD RUN VOLUNTEER

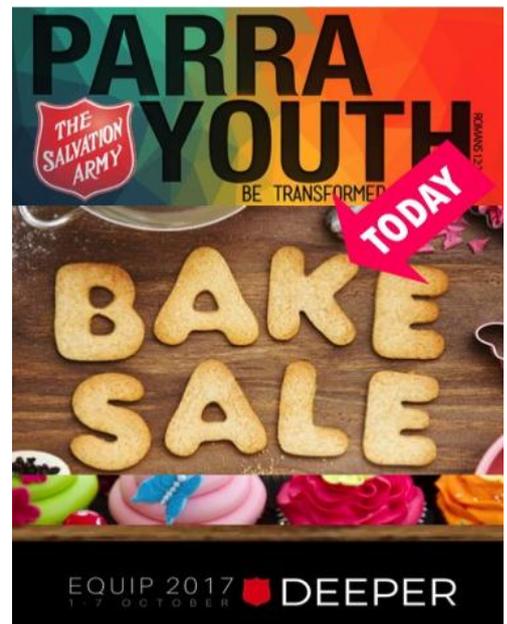
The Connect Site is looking for a volunteer to pick up the bread from the North Rocks Bakers Delight on the 1st Sunday of the month and drop it back at Smith Street on the same day. If you are able to assist please let Daniel Betteridge know by calling 9891 4526 or email [daniel.betteridge@ae.salvationarmy.org](mailto:daniel.betteridge@ae.salvationarmy.org).

## YOUTH GROUP BAKE SALE

The Youth Group will be holding a Bake Sale this coming Sunday morning 20 August to raise money for Equip Camp. Come along and buy some delicious treats during morning tea.

## AMENDMENT OF CONTACT DETAILS

Last week we advised that Heather Waterson is cancelling her land line phone and in future will use her mobile only. The incorrect number was included. It should be 0430 712 148.



# PEOPLENEWS

- ◆ Margaret Robinson goes into hospital on Monday 21 August for surgery to have both knees replaced. Following her surgery she will go into rehabilitation for approximately three weeks. We wish Margaret a speedy recovery and will miss her in the office during her recovery time.
- ◆ Denise Thomas retired from Community Services on 15 August and has joined the THQ Safeguarding team working as a volunteer in the role of Safeguarding Advisory Consultant.
- ◆ Kerrie Parker hopes to be leaving Rehab Hospital next Tuesday. She has appreciated the prayer support of her friends.
- ◆ Both Kate and Duane Anderson have spent time in hospital this week. They are both home now and would value and appreciate your continuing prayer support.
- ◆ Paul and Val Lucas would like to thank their Corps family for the support given to them by way of phone calls and cards. Paul continues to attend clinic for treatment and is still in home isolation. As of Wednesday this week they were told at the clinic that his treatment is working and he is progressing as well as anticipated. Your prayer support would be appreciated.

**YOU'RE INVITED TO Equip Gala 2017**  
SATURDAY 7TH OCT

FAMILY, FOOD, MARKETS, CHILDREN'S ACTIVITIES AND MUCH MORE  
(DAY'S EVENTS CONCLUDE AT 1PM)

**EQUIP CONCERT 11 - 1** AM PM  
LIVE MUSIC | VOCALS | PERCUSSION  
| GUITAR | TIMBRELS | DRUMS | DANCES

**I REGISTER YOUR TEAM FOR I TOUCH FOOTY**  
FROM 8 AM  
Send team registrations to enquiries@boothcollege.edu.au or contact Booth College for more details

OCTOBER 7, 2017 | FROM 8:00 AM | BOOTH COLLEGE - 120 KINGSLAND RD NTH BEXLEY NTH  
ENQUIRIES PLEASE CALL BOOTH COLLEGE ON (02) 9502 1777

Hosted by **THE SALVATION ARMY**

2017 DATES:  
Thursday 17th August  
Thursday 21st September  
Thursday 19th October  
Thursday 16th November

# Fresh Fire

You are invited to a night of free worship and the release of spiritual gifts and teaching to receive and live in fresh fire from Holy Spirit.

Fresh Fire is for anyone who wants to go deeper with God and be healed and renewed.

**DATE & TIME**

3rd Thursday of each Month (beginning 17/08/17)  
Starts @ 7pm - no end time (leave when you need to)

**LOCATION**

Unit 5/112 Talavera Road, Macquarie Park  
Parking is available on site

**R.S.V.P**

RSVP to amanda.whittaker@aue.salvationarmy.org

SALVOS WOMEN NSW & ACT DIVISION

# SHE

Spiritually Healthy Experience  
**2017**

*Surprises the World*

**OCTOBER 20-22**  
SYDNEY

Register: [www.shewomen.org.au](http://www.shewomen.org.au)  
or via your Corps Officer by 19 September

"EQUIP HIS PEOPLE" EP4:12

# AXIOS

DISCIPLESHIP CONFERENCE  
**SUNDAY 15 OCTOBER**

salvos youth+kids  
youth division

# DEEPER EQUIP 2017

1-7 OCTOBER

a camp that trains, equips & disciplines young people (high school - 25yrs) to impact their communities for Christ

registration: OPENS 1 JUNE - CLOSSES 1 SEPT

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25 August

# GLOW STICK GAUNTLET

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.



If you would like to receive the newsletter by email please send your details to [parramatta.corps@gmail.com](mailto:parramatta.corps@gmail.com)

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