



Central Vic Salvos

22nd June 2025

Hebrews 10:24-25 "Let us think of ways to motivate one another to acts of love and good works. And let us not neglect our meeting together, as some people do, but encourage one another, especially now that the day of His return is drawing near."

I love God's written word, it holds a wealth of information and insight for our total well being, for our complete health - physical, spiritual and emotional. But, and it is a big BUT – we can't fully understand what we read, unless the Spirit of God is guiding us. And the Holy Spirit will only guide us as far we are willing to go. God will not force His Will on anyone, He gives us the freedom to choose, we can choose 'life' or 'death' we can choose 'light' or 'darkness', we can choose 'truth' or 'lies'.

Now that may seem like no choice at all, I mean, who would willingly choose death over life, or lies over truth?? – but, and here is another but, – unless we understand what God is offering us, we don't really understand the importance of the choice.

The Bible tells us that 'Jesus is the way, the truth and the life'. (John 14:6)

To be a follower of Jesus, we must wholeheartedly, totally, completely **BELIEVE** that what God says is true.

Unfortunately though, I find so many 'Christians', that is people who believe they are Christian, call themselves Christian, but they don't spend time reading God's Word, don't spend time with God in prayer, don't spend time meditating on 'the Truth'.

We can't be praying to God and asking for the things we want, without also spending time with Him simply just to be with Him, spending time desiring to know Him, to worship Him, to adore Him, to love Him – can we?

In Luke 11:9 Jesus tells us to "keep on asking, and you will receive what you ask for." But we can't just leave it there, we must continue reading through to verse 13 where He says – "So, if you sinful people know how to give good gifts to your children, how much more will your heavenly Father give the Holy Spirit to those who ask."

The second coming of Jesus isn't far off, it really is drawing near, much nearer than we might think – so yes, let us think of ways to motivate each other to acts of love and good works, to encourage each other, and the best way I can think of to motivate us, is to encourage us all to 'ask God for the Holy Spirit', and to keep asking Him to fill you with His Spirit, daily, so that His Spirit will continually flow in you, and through you, and change you, and in so doing – change the world around you.

Liz (Central Vic Salvos, Maryborough Corps)



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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

The Salvation Army has implemented a new purchasing model for uniforms and branded clothing.



This model comprises online ordering with physical pop up stores. To provide Soldiers with access to the new purchasing platform, we require the information requested in the form linked in the QR code or <https://www.salvosonline.org.au/uniform-orders>

THANK YOU FOR THE RED SHIELD APPEAL

Monday 30 June

Morning tea for all who helped during the Red Shield Appeal - Greater Bendigo

Venue: Eaglehawk Corps

Time: 10:30 am

This event is for both Bendigo and Eaglehawk volunteers



ART WORKSHOP HELD AT EAGLEHAWK





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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 and Beth Waldron Anstice) 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.'



LIFE GROUPS

What is a life group you ask?

Small groups of 5-10 people, who meet together regularly (2 times a month) to worship, pray, read God's word, discuss faith, possibly share in a meal and do life together. If you wish to become a host please see Liz Conway or call 5459-0500

Women's Fellowship - Mondays 10.30am
Janet's Bible Study - every 2nd Wednesday
Noon Prayer - Thursdays 12noon



MARYBOROUGH
Digital Doorknock



Eaglehawk

FELLOWSHIP LUNCH

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

MAKING A PSALM 23 BRACELET



July 15 at 11:30 am

Cost \$5

Lunch to share



SUNDAY 20 JULY AT 10AM.

Leading worship will be **THE COURIERS**
a male Quartet that have performed
contemporary Christian Gospel music
around country and metropolitan Victoria
for many years. The Couriers believe in
sharing the message of the Gospel in song.
There will be a corps lunch followed in the
afternoon at the PSA.

LAST WEEK OF COLLECTING FOR THE RED SHIELD APPEAL

Mon 23 June - Saturday 28 June

10am - 6pm

Please register your availability to Major Karen



BAND AND CHOIR



Are you interested in singing or playing an
instrument.



If YES



Choir - register your interest with Julia

Band - register your interest with Darren.



Just as the way we think of certain personalities impacts our interpretation of their words, the way we think of the writers of the Bible deeply impacts how we hear their words.

Paul the writer attributed many of the letters in the New Testament is imagined as anything from a super-Tele evangelist style preacher to a top gun missionary to a bigoted misogynist to a five star church planting pastor.

Most times the claims about Paul by preachers tell us more about the kind of preacher they wish they were than anything we have concrete evidence for about Paul.

Certainly Paul plays down his own abilities, reminding the incorrigible Corinthians for example that he had brought lofty words or big speeches to them, but that in his weakened God's power and spirit were demonstrated.

He also admits to many tears.

So much for the big tough guy.

The quality of our hearts not our fine sounding words are what really communicates.

Today was Mental Health Day at Maryborough Education Centre and we were invited to provide a lunchtime art therapy activity.

The room was a buzz of children creating acknowledgements of their tears in the construction of this Mandala. We talked about how our tear help us with sadness and the patterns and pictures you see on the bubble wrap demonstrate ideas the children had for things that help them with their tears. Many thanks try Libertè Rose who accompanied me and connected gently with the children in this space.

One of the lovely gifts of being community together is the freedom to cry with one another as well as to laugh, to be wholly human. It's good for our mental health, as the children of MEC were acknowledging, and good for our spiritual health, and it's good for making clear that we rest on God's faithfulness and wisdom, not our own sense of having it all together.

As we continue to track along with Paul and Corinthians over the next few weeks we'll see no perfect saints, but real whole humans doing their best to sort out life together, and we'll be doing the same.

1 Corinthians 2v3-5 I came to you in weakness and in fear and in much trembling. 4 My speech and my proclamation were made not with persuasive words of wisdom[b] but with a demonstration of the Spirit and of power, 5 so that your faith might rest not on human wisdom but on the power of God.



CASTLEMAINE
Digital Doorknock

DIARY DATES

June 29 Prayer and praise night 5pm

July 6 pancake Sunday 10am

July 20 Junior soldiers lunch 12 noon





Chapel Service

Come along for our Chapel service. A relaxed service where we celebrate God and who he created us to be.

Every Thursday 11:15am-11:45am
Worship centre, enter via back gate



Bendigo



DISCOVERY CHURCH

Alpha

Discovery church is starting a new program called Alpha

Alpha is a beginners course for people who want to know who God is and our place in the world.

Starting 9th of March 5:00pm
If you are interested please contact
Kenneth: 0466 233 230
or
Captain Ashir: 0408 746 144

Bendigo



Laundry



Stop by the big orange box next to the Worship Centre and have a chat with our friendly volunteers while you wash your clothes.

Monday: 1.00pm - 3.00pm

Thursday: 10.30am - 1.00pm

Please make sure you arrive 45 minutes before closing to allow enough time to dry your clothes

Community Meals



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.



GREATER BENDIGO
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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



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

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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



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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.