

#### **Opportunities for Ministry**

Oasis Sunday 9:00 am

Family Worship Sunday 10:30 am

Delve Bible Study 2nd Sunday of each month 1:30 pm

Koinonia (FELLOWSHIP LUNCH) 4th Sunday each month

Junior Soldiers During the meeting every 2nd Sunday

PRISM Program Monday 7:00 pm

Ladies Fellowship Tuesday

Morning tea 10:30 am

Home League 11:00 am

Ensemble Practice Tuesday 7:30 pm

Kids at Play Wednesday 10:00 am

Band Practice Wednesday 7:30 pm

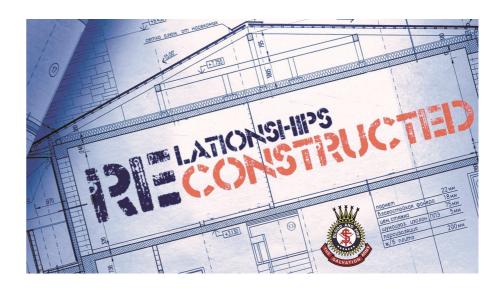
Know your Bible Thursday 9:30—10:30 am

Timbrels / Your Group /Life 6:30 every second Friday Night.

Please note: Any inclusions in the Newsletter please contact Captain Bill or Susanne or Gail Salmon.

Gail can be contacted on 4733 2401 (leave a message) or email: gail\_salmon@bigpond.com

# Blacktown City Corps Newsletter 23rd November 2014



Visitors are always welcome at Blacktown. Please share in a time of fellowship during morning tea following the Service.



**Corps Officers** 

Captains William & Susanne Geracia

REVIVE (Youth Group) 28th November—Murder Mystery Party!

**TODAY** following the meeting there will be a short Youth Group Leaders meeting.

<u>December 7th</u> after the meeting there will be a FULL rehearsal for the Carols with the band, singers and actors. Please see Naarah with any questions.

Next Sunday, 30th November, we will be starting our meeting as normal at 10:30 and then we will be live streaming commissioning from Qld at 11am. Please feel free to stay and watch the event with us. Then join with us for



the <u>Thanksgiving Service and Dinner</u> at 6pm. Please see the noticeboard to sign up—pay on the night. (\$8 per person, under 5 free, \$24 family of 4). TODAY is the Last day to sign up.

Are you free on December 1st & 2nd? The Home League are visiting some Nursing Homes to perform a little Christmas concert for the residents. It is always a blessed time. If you are interested in joining us, to support the Home League, please see Betty for details.

<u>CAROLS IN THE CARPARK</u> December 14th. Please see Susanne or Naarah if you can help in any way. A list of 'jobs that can be done' is on the notice board. It's not too late to help! See Naarah or Susanne if interested.

White fairy lights and also gazebos are needed for the Carols in the Carpark event—if you can please lend these items see Susanne or Naarah.

CHRISTMAS DAY SERVICE 9:30 am. Come and Celebrate Christ's Birth with your family and friends.



Les Crowder is in need of volunteers to collect at the Christmas Kettle at Seven Hills Plaza (was Centro) from Thursday 4th December to Christmas Eve on

Wednesdays, Thursdays, Fridays & Saturdays. Seating provided for shifts of 3 hours or more, if you are able, and hopefully in pairs. Please see Les for all details.



HOME LEADUE is a vital ministry with our Corps and throughout the year they raise a lot of money; much of which is donated to different funds and projects. I would like to honour and thank the Home League for their donations in 2014:

\$ 910 \$ 100	to Overseas Child Sponsorship to the Bush Church Aid Society
\$ 100	to the Fellowship of Least Coin
\$1,965	to the Territorial Project.
\$ 425	for the Missionary Basket
\$ 100	to the Leprosy Mission
\$ 35	for Aged Care Christmas Gifts
\$ 500	to Majors Peter & Gail White
\$ 500	to Majors Norm & Isobel Beckett
\$ 955	to the Salvos Gifts for Christmas

BLESSINGS on this wonderful Ministry!

Christianity is not just Christ in you, but Christ living His life through you.



November 24-26th the new Sound System is being installed.

Don't forget THE SALVOS GIFTS Catalogue.



Please join the band for the following dates if you can. Doug is always appreciative of extra people coming along to help hand out calendars and talk to people.

- ⇒ December 11th Seven Hills Plaza 7 pm
- ⇒ December 18th Westpoint 7 pm
- ⇒ December 19th Marsden Hospital Westmead



# HOME LEAGUE SCHEDULE:

⇒ 25th Nov. Christmas Service—Captain Bill & Susanne.

#### **COMING EVENTS: Please check the notice board for all coming events:**



### November 29th at 7:30pm

# The Festival of Christmas Band Programme

will be held here at our hall. Tell your friends. Come and enjoy a great night of music.

It would assist us greatly if you would like to donate a cake or slice or something for the supper following the programme. If you cannot make if to the programme donations can be accepted before that and we can use the facilities of the freezer. Many thanks.

<u>Corps Camp:</u> Sign Up Sheet on the noticeboard: <u>PLEASE Sign up NOW</u> to show your interest.

- Stanwell Tops—June 26-28th 2015
- Guests Majors Gary & Judith Baker
- ♦ 215 days away!
- Prices (can pay over time to Susanne but must be paid in full before going to camp. Under 3 free. 3-5 years \$20.
   6-12 years \$63. 13 years and up \$73. These prices are per person per night.

#### **WEEKLY GIVING**

Open Plate Giving \$ 90.85 Planned Giving \$ 1,120.00

#### Sermon Series

# Please read and let God open your hearts.

"Dear Friends, Healthy relationships are vital to our existence and our wellbeing. Relationships are important to us, but are they healthy? Over the next three weeks we will be exploring what God says about different relationships that we enter into and are a part of. We will explore our relationships with God, with ourselves, with others, and what to do when we are in an unhealthy relationship. We will explore passages such as John 1:12-13, Genesis 1:26-31, Genesis 2:18-25, and 1 Corinthians 12:14-23. Come and lets journey together through our own relationships and our relationships with each other as the Body of Christ." Blessings Bill & Susanne

Continue to Pray for ENID RODGERS who is recovering from a fall.

Bruce & Tracey Sheaves as they prepare to move.

Stephen, Karen , Michaela, Wendy and Isaac White as they prepare to move.

Sandra Tillson is still not well.

Bella Heard is still recovering.

Grahame Bellamy is having knee surgery, pray for a speedy recovery.

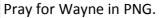
SPECIAL NOTE: We are still looking for a 'willing volunteer' to help Bill with pub ministry on a Friday night. If you feel this could be your way to minister to others, please see Bill as soon as possible.



Willing Volunteers to clean the building once a month.

## PRAYER LIST

Please pray for our Officers, Captain Bill & Susanne and their family as they minister to us.



Pray for Rena with continued serious health concerns.

Please continue to pray for Kath Paddison and thank her for the lovely flowers she donates every week.

Continue to pray for Sandra Robinson and her family.

Pray for Estelle Ring who is having more surgery.

Continue to pray for Cadets Chris & Kay Ford and Jessica & Sara as they are Commissioned next Sunday.

Continue to pray for Gavin, Jen, Charlotte and Avery. Avery is improving and they are all grateful for Prayer.

Pray for Doug Turner as he is at home recovering from a hip replacement.

Pray for a revival in ourselves, our Corps, our City, our Army and Leaders.

<u>This week pray especially for</u>: Helen Van Loon, John Vesely, Shirley Watts, Stephen, Karen, Michaela, Wendy & Isaac White, Majors Ron & Lyn Whitehouse, Anita Wright, Rena Young.

Give thanks to God for the answers to prayers and for the many blessings he gives us daily.

