

**Opportunities for Ministry** 

Oasis	Sunday	9:00 am
Family Worship	Sunday	10:30 am
Delve Bible Study 2nd Sund	lay of each month	1:30 pm
Koinonia (FELLOWSHIP LUNCH) 4th Sunday each month		
Junior Soldiers During the meeting every 2nd Sunda		ting 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

# 28th September 2014

	This is my command -
	be strong and courageous! Do not be
	be <b>strong</b> and courageous! Do not be afraid or discouraged. For the Lord your
	God is with you wherever you go.
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	Joshua 1:9
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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

Junior Soldiers will be held today during the Meeting.



The National Servicemen & their families will be joining us today for their annual Church Parade. Please accept a special welcome and invite to stay and share in lunch following the Service.

Everyone is invited to stay for the KOINONIA lunch straight after the meeting.

A Koinonia lunch will be held on October 26th and that will be our last for the year—as on November 23rd we will be having a "Thanksgiving Meal" and further information will be given closer to the date.

A very Special HAPPY 95th BIRTHDAY to Violet Holman for October 7th! What a woman of God and a Salvationist through and through! Violet grew up in a Salvation Army family and has held 8 positions in the Corps including Songster leader and bandswoman. She is currently very involved and committed to Home League by keeping the attendance book each week.

Pray especially for Jo-Anne Douglass as her father passed away this past week. Pray for the family.

#### WEEKLY GIVING

Open Plate Giving \$ Planned Giving \$



Christmas is a time to celebrate the birth of our Lord and Saviour, Jesus Christ. What better way to celebrate this

season than to have a party and sing some carols. This year we are wanting to take the party to our community by having carols in the carpark. In order to do this, we need your help. There are many opportunities for you to get involved. Including market stalls, drama, show casing of our talented Corps folk. We are even hoping to have a choir. But in order to do this, we need you to express your interest in being part of this exciting event and sign up today. Please see Naarah or Captain Susan if you require and further info—sheets are on the Notice Board.

There is another email from Wayne this week—as there was not enough room in the Newsletter to record, I have printed it out and put it on the Notice board.

ENSEMBLE WORKSHOP OPEN DAY—October 18th from 1-5. If you are interested in joining the ensemble please come along.

**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.

**DON'T FORGET** to check out the NOTICBOARD for new calendar information.



#### **BIRTHDAYS**

30th SeptemberEllis Jade Peters1st OctoberNoelene Kelly4th OctoberAnita Wright



28th September Michael & Christine Jameson

True wisdom begins and ends with God.

#### HOME LEAGUE SCHEDULE:



- $\Rightarrow$  30th Sept. Ruth & John Tween—"Tween's Tours".
- $\Rightarrow$  7th Oct. Captain Susanne. Bring & buy a cake—Fundraising.
- $\Rightarrow$  14th Oct. Betty—Peace Love Faith
- $\Rightarrow$  21st Oct. Major Mavis & Major Judy
- $\Rightarrow$  28th Oct. Kath & Val—Craft Morning

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

<u>YOUTH GROUP MEETING & Carols in the Carpark</u> Meeting after the meeting next Sunday 5th October. ALL Youth Group leaders are asked to be attend to plan term 4 at 1:30pm.

<u>Note:</u> <u>Summer uniform</u> starts Next Sunday—October 5th. DAYLIGHT SAVING also starts on October 5th, remember to put your clocks forward by 1 hour.

OASIS LEADERS MEETING—Wednesday October 8th during Band Practice. PLEASE BE THERE! Some things to discuss urgently. Come help us get ready for term 4 and decorate in our new theme of the CIRCUS!

<u>COLLEGE GALA DAY</u>—Saturday 11th October 9am—3pm, 120 Kingsland Road. Bexley North.—see notice board for details.

**MUSIC SUNDAY** October 19th.

<u>WOMEN OF WORTH (WOW) October 24th—26th</u> (rego closes October 7th). Please see Susanne and/or check out the noticeboard for flyers. Please note: Cabins are limited! If you haven't handed in your forms now is the time to do so!



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

- Stanwell Tops—June 26-28th 2015
- Guests Majors Gary & Judith Baker
- 278 days away!
- Prices to come soon



#### Sermon Series

### Please read and let God open your hearts.

Jesus, in the Book of Revelations spoke truths to these Seven Churches.

In August and September, we will look at these Churches and explore their reactions. We will also discover what the Church can learn from Jesus' words and how we can avoid laying ruins as is revealed in these Seven Churches of Revelation. Start reading now Revelations Chapters 1-3, and start praying that God will expose us to the truths of Jesus' words!

This year Captain Susanne would like our Corps to participate in Operation Christmas Child. This is an amazing ministry run out of Samaritans Purse. In 2013 over 300,000 shoeboxes were packed by Australians and New Zealanders. This year they are being sent to South East Asia and the South Pacific. Collection month is October—stay tuned for more details or chat to Susanne!



PLEASE PRAY for Maddie Muir, Whitney Kuiper and all the teens who will be attending EQUIP (the old Music Camp) - starting today. Pray that lives will be changed and that the Holy Spirit will begin a work in these young people that will continue & grow as they return from camp.

## PRAYER LIST

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

Pray for Wayne in PNG.

Pray for Rena with continued serious health concerns.

Kath Paddison is at home but far from well. Please continue to pray for Kath as she seeks to do God's will.

Continue to pray for Sandra Robinson and her family as she is still recovering from her surgery.

Pray for Estelle Ring and her family as they have all been unwell.

Pray for John Humphreys who is in hospital.

Pray for Sandra Tillson who is not well at this time.

Continue to pray for Cadets Chris & Kay Ford and Jessica & Sara as they continue their studies at The Training College and prepare for commissioning.

Pray for Ron & Lyn Whitehouse as they travel to New York to visit Gavin, Jen, Charlotte and finally get to meet Avery for the first time.

Pray for Rhiannon Greenaway (you all bought chocolates to support her trip to Uganda).

<u>This week pray especially for</u>: Sanjay, Gayali & Jhanui Javasingh, Don & Bronwyn Jenkins, Ivan & Noelene Kelly, Tracey, Whitney & Mitchell Kuiper, Janice Lane.

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

