



# BLACKTOWN CITY CORPS NEWSLETTER

31st January 2016



Corps Officers—Captain William & Susanne Geracia

Visitors are always welcome at Blacktown. Please share in morning tea following the meeting.

**TODAY**—31st January, OASIS resumed today, please let young people know that Sunday School (Oasis) is available. Also, JUNIOR SOLDIERS resumes.

## FEBRUARY:

7th Prayer Meeting at 10am in the Hall

11th Corps Council Meeting.

12th Youth Group—GLOW GAMES @ Hall. 7– 9 pm.  
Entry via Gold Coin. Crazy Glow Stick themed Games & Supper.

14th Self Denial Launch & Delve (Bible Study)

19th—21st Captivate

22nd—26th Officers Retreat

26th Youth Group MOVIE NIGHT @ Hall 7pm—9 pm  
Entry via Gold Coin. Bean bags, pop corn, lollies, choc tops & Movie on the Big Screen.

28th Koinonia Lunch & Praise Meeting 2pm



1st February Ron Whitehouse

2nd February Wendy White

## ALL YOU CAN EAT CHALLENGE!

ROUSE HILL MEN , WINDSOR MEN ,

DURAL MEN & BLACKTOWNMEN

16th February, \$30 plus drinks, 7 pm

RSVP by 10th February

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## HOME LEAGUE SYLABUS



2nd February Captain Susanne

9th February Keyra Robinson

16th February Move: Hallelujah part 5 & 6

23rd February Major Mavis

1st March Captain Bill

8th March Betty

15th March Tony Reid—Maritime Museum AE@  
Australian Submarine.

22nd March Major Mavis “The Passover”  
Easter Meeting

29th March Maree Hill “What’s the Buzzz”

## WEEKLY GIVING

Open Plate \$

Generous Life \$



## PRAYER REQUESTS

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

Pray for Rena.

Keep Praying for Kath Paddison .

Pray for Sandra Robinson & Phil Robinson who are not well at this time.

Pray for Estelle Ring.

Pray for our Government that they will make wise choices in all they do.

Continue to pray for our Junior Soldiers and all our young people and their leaders.

Pray for all the children & teaches as they are heading back to school.

Pray for those who finished their HSC last year and are making life choices with work & uni.

Pray for all those who once attended this Corps (or other place of worship) and who no longer worship anywhere. "Pray the prodigals home" they may not agree with us or like us but they are helpless against our prayers.

### This week pray especially for:

Don & Bronwyn Jenkins, Ivan & Noelene Kelly, Tracey, Whitney & Mitchell Kuiper, Janice Lane, Masalo Laumua, Craig, Erin & Jared McCready, Ross & Caryl McCready, Michael, Rose & James McDonald.

**GIVE THANKS TO GOD** for the answers to prayers and for the many blessings he gives us daily. Thank Him for JESUS and for the change it has made to our lives.

**PLEASE NOTE:** If you have a Prayer Request, or if you would like your Birthday or Wedding Anniversary listed in the Newsletter (or if I have a wrong date listed) please see Gail Salmon with the details.

*If you would like to have your copy of the Newsletter sent to your computer, please email Gail Salmon at [gail\\_salmon@bigpond.com](mailto:gail_salmon@bigpond.com) to be included.*

**OUR TIMES ARE IN GOD'S HANDS;  
OUR SOULS ARE IN HIS KEEPING.**

**IMPACT** is the youth ministry of The Salvation Army Blacktown

IMPACT youth is for young people aged 12 to year 12. We're all about fun, friends and faith!

We have two aims, we want to reach young people and tell them about Jesus so He can have an IMPACT on their lives. Secondly, we want to encourage and equip young people to have an IMPACT on the world.

### **OUR YOUTH TEAM**

PETER HARDY (YOUTH LEADER)

CARMEN DOUGLASS (YOUTH LEADER)

MADDIE MUIR (YOUTH LEADER)

Captain BILL & SUSANNE GERACIA (PASTORS /OFFICERS)

LAUREN MASON (YOUTH SUPPORT)

### **HOW CAN YOU SUPPORT US ?**

#### **1- Tell people to come**

As this is a ministry of your church we would love you to encourage any young people who you know to come and get involved in our program. This is for anyone high-school aged.

#### **2- Pray**

We're trying new things and pursuing the kingdom of God. In this, we ask for prayer in protection and wisdom as we navigate new terrain. Maybe you'd even consider joining our prayer list? Talk to Captain Bill, Susanne or Lauren if you'd like to receive monthly prayer updates.

#### **3- Consider becoming a leader for Term 2**

As we aim to bring new youth into our program we will need more hands to 'make light work'. Prayerfully consider if being a youth leader is something you'd like to look into and then talk to either Captain Bill, Susanne or Lauren and we can begin the process.

#### **4. Donate**

We are dedicated to being faithful stewards of the resources that God provides and there are always costs involved in running a ministry. If you'd like to make a contribution to the youth group financially place your donation in an envelope marked 'youth group' and give it to either Captain Bill, Susanne or Lauren.

Did you know that the 2011 Census showed that there was over 26,778 teenagers living in the Blacktown Area? By 'revamping' our program we hope to reach further into this age group. We are thankful for the rich heritage of Youth and Leaders that have existed at Blacktown Salvation Army. We are learning that everything is seasonal. We have established a great group for young adults where those connected to our Church can grow, we now believe God is calling us to reach into the community and engage more with High School aged teens within Blacktown & Surrounding suburbs.