

**Opportunities for Ministry** 

| Oasis   | Sunday            | 9:00 am        |  |
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| Family Worship  | Sunday            | 10:30 am       |  |
| Delve Bible Study 2nd Sund                                  | day of each month | 1:30 pm        |  |
| Koinonia (FELLOWSHIP LUNCH) 4th Sunday each month           |                   |                |  |
| Junior Soldiers   | see Frances Mil   | ls for details |  |
| 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         | 10:30 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:

## Blacktown City Corps Newsletter

# 6th April 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

2 Kempsey St. Blacktown

If you missed giving in the Self Denial Altar Service last week, please place your envelope in the bag with your normal offering.

Please sign up for the Sedar Meal on April 17th at 6pm. Cost is \$5.

Next Sunday is DELVE! Bring meat to grill and your Bible!

Please take note of all the upcoming Easter Services.

SPREAD THE WORD about our Easter Services.

Last week of <u>OASIS</u> for Term 1 is April 13th. Join us May 4th as we start our new pack called ON TRACK.

The next <u>SUBSCRIPTION CONCERT</u> is May 3rd at 7:30pm. SAVE THIS DATE! Tell your friends.

Please return Kids Check forms ASAP.

<u>CORPS DIRECTORY UPDATES</u> available today. Please consider a donation of \$3 if you are picking up a new full directory. There will be a bucket available for donations.



Sydney Staff Songsters have a new CD out prior to their United Kingdom tour. Jan Clarke has agreed to take orders for the CD's . Please give Jan your name and how many CD's you would like ..... Each CD will cost \$20.

<u>DON'T FORGET</u> to check out the NOTICBOARD for new calendar information.

#### We Believe (Sermon Series)

Over the course of the next three months (with a couple breaks in between) we as a Corps, as the Body of Christ are going to be looking in depth at what we believe. The 11 Doctrines are the core faith principles of which we stand and believe. These 11 Doctrines printed below is what the worldwide Salvation Army united together believe. These 11 statements of faith will challenge us over these next few months, so I encourage you to read them, get to know them, come with your questions, your thoughts and we will unite together as we seek to go deeper in our understanding of these statements.

May the Holy Spirit guide you! Bill

We believe that the Scriptures of the Old and New Testaments were given by inspiration of God, and that they only constitute the Divine rule of Christian faith and practice.

We believe that there is only one God, who is infinitely perfect, the Creator, Preserver, and Governor of all things, and who is the only proper object of religious worship.

We believe that there are three persons in the Godhead-the Father, the Son and the Holy Ghost, undivided in essence and co-equal in power and glory.

We believe that in the person of Jesus Christ the Divine and human natures are united, so that He is truly and properly God and truly and properly man.

We believe that our first parents were created in a state of innocency, but by their disobedience they lost their purity and happiness, and that in consequence of their fall all men have become sinners, totally depraved, and as such are justly exposed to the wrath of God.

We believe that the Lord Jesus Christ has by His suffering and death made an atonement for the whole world so that whosoever will may be saved.

We believe that repentance towards God, faith in our Lord Jesus Christ, and regeneration by the Holy Spirit, are necessary to salvation.

We believe that we are justified by grace through faith in our Lord Jesus Christ and that he that believeth hath the witness in himself.

We believe that continuance in a state of salvation depends upon continued obedient faith in Christ.

We believe that it is the privilege of all believers to be wholly sanctified, and that their whole spirit and soul and body may be preserved blameless unto the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ.

We believe in the immortality of the soul; in the resurrection of the body; in the general judgment at the end of the world; in the eternal happiness of the righteous; and in the endless punishment of the wicked. Sermon Series



## "WE BELIEVE"

## Please read and let God open your hearts.

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#### **HOME LEAGUE SCHEDULE:**

| $\Rightarrow$ | April 8th  | Cadets          |
|---------------|------------|-----------------|
| $\Rightarrow$ | April 15th | Cadets          |
| $\Rightarrow$ | April 22nd | Major Holley    |
| $\Rightarrow$ | April 29th | Mystery Auction |





### APRIL BIRTHDAYS

| 6th  | Lachlan Hardy    |
|------|------------------|
| 8th  | Caryl McCready   |
| 12th | Allison Douglass |
| 12th | Gwen Scott       |

## Pray for them and wish them a Blessed Day!



This EASTER would you consider purchasing a chicken or two from the Salvation Army SAID Office. The CHICK EFFECT is a small scale, family based poultry production

which brings a substantial economic impact to rural communities.

Chickens can be purchased at \$10 each (tax deductible) from the Salvation Army web site. salvos.org.au/said/ Then go to the "Chick effect" item and see a snap shot of what it's all about. To order a 'chicken or goat' click on the appropriate 'picture'.

PLEASE NOTE: on Thursdays & Fridays from 9-12:30 the Blacktown City Bowling Club will be using our car park. There will still be 5 allocated spots for Corps use.

## WEEKLY GIVING

Open Plate Giving \$ 174.95 Planned Giving \$ 1,200.00 Self Denial \$ 14,919.65



Continue to pray for Cadets Chris & Kay Ford and their children Jessica & Sarah as they continue to fellowship with us.

We are looking for eager volunteers who are willing to put on their best smile and become a member of our street ministry team on Saturday mornings at Westpoint for a few hours. Please see Susanne or Bill if you would like to help in this way.

**WOMEN'S REFRESH DAY** with Major Denise Parkinson (our new DC).

Wednesday 9th April at 10:30am. Parramatta Pak Event Centre, Parramatta Morning Tea & Lunch \$25.00 Numbers & money required by 25th March. Please see Betty or Susanne if you are interested.

**SPECIAL NOTE:** We are 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.

## PRAYER LIST

Pray for our Young People's ministries and ministry opportunities.

Continue to pray for Peter, Gail & Alex in Africa

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

Pray for Rena with continued serious health concerns.

Dot has now left for Campbelltown. Please pray for her and her family as she settles into her new home.

This week pray especially for: Stephen, Karen, Michaela, Wendy & Isaac White, Majors Ron & Lyn Whitehouse, Norma Wiseman, Anita Wright, Rena Young

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

God loves us not because of who we are, but because of who He is.

