



Blacktown City Corps

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	see Frances Mills 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.

Blacktown City Corps Newsletter

16th March 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

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:

KIDS CHECK!! - PLEASE BRING IN!!!

We warmly welcome the Cadets and their family who are with us today. Make them feel welcome and assure them of your prayers.

NEXT SUNDAY, 23rd March—we will have Envoy Roz Edwards join us and lead our meeting as we celebrate Seniors Week.

ALSO: KOINONIA time has come around again. Listing for numbers and if you can give us an idea of what you would like to bring, is on the notice board. There is even a list of what you brought last time (in case you can't remember, if you want to bring the same). Great fellowship and great food at our first KOINONIA meal so if you did not make it last time please come and join us next week. We do not have time to cook meals from scratch on Sunday morning so if you can bring them prepared so we can warm them up it would be much appreciated.



YOUTH GROUP CAR RALLY—March 21st.

Timbrels at 6:30 and then Youth Group at 7:30.

LADIES BREAKFAST—April 5th—Sign up sheet on notice board.

THE CORPS DIRECTORY is close to print—photos are being taken by Major Holley. If you have any alterations or need to submit families please do so today. See Jan Clarke please for any changes.

DON'T FORGET 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 innocence, 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.

March Sermon Series

“WE BELIEVE”



Please read and let God open your hearts.

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GIVEN	FAITH
PRACTICE	GOD
RULE	SEEK
LISTEN	TELL
BELIEVE	KNOW
WHAT	PERSONAL



HOME LEAGUE SCHEDULE:

- ⇒ March 18th Major Lyn Whitehouse,
- ⇒ March 25th Bella Heard,
- ⇒ April 1st Major Robert Holley.



MARCH BIRTHDAYS

- 14th (sorry I missed last week) Sandra Robinson
- 18th Elaina Geracia

Pray for them and wish them a Blessed Day!

CONGRATULATIONS! Gaylene Ring has just completed 10 years service as an employee at Rebel Sports. Gaylene was presented with a certificate, trophy and gift card. Well done Gaylene!!!



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 to be supplied next week. Please give Jan your name and how many CD's you would like Each CD will cost \$20.

SELF DENIAL started on 23rd February and will run until March 30th when we will hold our altar service. Please pick up the information on the back table and prayerfully consider giving.

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 \$ 120.80
 Planned Giving \$ 1,095.00

Cadets Chris & Kay Ford and their children Jessica & Sarah will be commencing ministry with us from March 16th. Please pray for the Cadets as they come to join us. Following is a photo and info from the Cadets.



Hi, we are Chris and Kay Ford and we have two girls, Jessica and Sarah. We moved to Sydney last year to come to college from Calamvale in Brisbane. We are really loving Sydney and the new experiences we are having. We are really excited to be coming to Blacktown soon and getting to know as many of you as we can.

When we manage to get some family time, we like to explore Sydney. Some of our favourite places are the beach at Brighton Le Sands, La Perouse and the Blue Mountains. Everything seems so close here, it's great!

Chris and Kay don't mind a bit of motor racing, particularly the V8s. Jess and Sarah love being girls and playing with their friends.

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.

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.

Pray for Lavender Freeman and the family at this time.

This week pray especially for: Bob & Debbie Rogan, Max & Natalia Roorda, Kath Rowe, David & Gail Salmon, Sanjay, Gayali & Jhanui Javasingh.

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

*Never pass up an opportunity to enjoy nature's beauty -
it's the handwriting of God.*