



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	
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:
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Blacktown City Corps Newsletter

10th August 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



BLACKTOWN MISSIONARY MORNING

Please note change of date: Tuesday 26th August



10:15 for Morning Tea

11am Service.

Guest Speakers Majors Kim & David Hawke

Donation \$5.00

All proceeds go to the Territorial Project Tanzania, empowering rural women through training in midwifery and sewing.

There will be Home League stalls, cakes, books, plants & items on our trading table.

If you would like to donate items for any of these stalls to help raise money, it would be a great help.

Please see Betty for more details or if you can help in any way.

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

Message received from Wayne & Janine.

.. Arrived in Moresby with no problems. Stayed there till Sunday afternoon and then flew to Lae. Everyone was surprised to see us. Lots of tears and cuddles. It was very emotional. We had to buy some food on Sunday afternoon and we were welcomed back by the shop manager—I still don't know who she is but she knew us by name.

I don't have my own computer so I am borrowing one of the office ones to get this message out. Trouble is, that the way she has this computer set up is making my neck ache from constant bobbing up and down—don't know how she can work like this.

Yes, there have been some major issues to deal with here. Wayne is presently out getting a photo copier for the school. All of the ones here a 'bugarup'. Looks like there is a lot of maintenance to catch up on as well. It is all coming back to me on how hard we worked here last time. The Officers that followed us did nothing and it caused a lot of problems for the Army and the poor staff here who were trying to keep the school running.

We are living in the Army's Motel until our old house is vacated on the weekend. Don't know what to expect when we move back in. We only came with our suitcases, no cargo coming this time. I hope we will have the basics that we left behind in the house otherwise we won't even be able to boil water on Sunday night. Wayne is enjoying the hot weather. I am sitting in front of an air conditioner at present and freezing—I have not acclimatised to PNG yet. They have had months of rain up here and the ground is nice and muddy at present—great for my sandals (might have to go native and go barefoot). I am so glad I remembered to pack my umbrella.

We are both well and will be in touch next week when we move into an office.

Bye for now, Janine.

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.



AUGUST BIRTHDAYS

14th Asaiah Peters

Helen Van Loon will be leaving our Corps in early September.

Helen first came to Home League in 2000. Laurel Sloane’s daughter Kym, who is Helen’s daughter-in-law suggested that she come along to Home League with Laurel as Laurel enjoyed it so much. Since then she has been coming along to church and being a part of our Corps family.

Helen has been a great asset to Home League, she has run the Trading Table each week, raising hundreds of dollars for our funds. She has faithfully picked up some ladies each week for Home League and we have appreciated that.

Each Christmas she has helped on the Christmas Kettle, and took part in our six aged care centres with Christmas concerts. Helen also collected for the Red Shield Appeal every year.

Helen has led our Members Day meetings and has been very helpful in Home League. She is moving to the Central Coast in a few weeks time. We all thank her for her love and support and for all she has done here at Blacktown and trust she will make many new friends at Erina Corps. We wish her God’s blessing and good health.

HOME LEAGUE SCHEDULE:

- ⇒ 12th Barbara Maxell—Leprosy Mission
- ⇒ 19th Major Lyn Whitehouse
- ⇒ 26th Missionary Morning



COMING EVENTS:

DELVE today: 1:30 at the Quarters. Please bring your Bible and meat to cook on the BBQ.

Corps Council Meeting on August 14th for all members INSTEAD of the September meeting date.

YOUTH GROUP SCHEDULE:

August 15th PUTT PUTT

August 29th FROZEN

September 13th Search the City Scavenger Hunt

For all details please see Daryl.

Listings are on the Notice Board for the “Koinonia” Lunch on the 27th August. Please fill in your names—numbers etc... only 2 Sundays away. Please come along and enjoy the GOOD Food—lots of folk to talk to—good company.

A Corps Picnic has been listed in the Corps Calendar for September so there will be NO KOINONIA lunch for that month.

AKoinonia 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 closed to the date.

WEEKLY GIVING

Open Plate Giving \$ 123.10

Planned Giving \$ 1,425.00



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!

Pray for Frances Mills who going on a Mission Trip to Tanzania soon and when she returns, Frances and Robert are moving to Queensland. Frances & Robert have served faithfully here at Blacktown and will be greatly missed from our Corps, however, we know they will be a blessing to those at their new Corps.

Pray for Helen Vanloon who will be moving away very soon. Helen will be missed! (see info on next page)

***Great occasions for serving God come seldom,
but little ones surround us daily.***

PRAYER LIST



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

Pray for Wayne & Janine Robbins who are now in PNG. Janine will be back in 6 weeks and Wayne will be back in November.

Bruce Parker is now out of hospital. Continue to pray for Bruce.

Elaine is out of hospital! Continue to pray for Elaine's health.

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.

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

This week pray especially for: Joan Adkin & Hayley Hawrylcw, Madelina Ary, Lyndon, Jennie, Gabriel, Isaac & Elijah Baker, Grahame & Christine Bellamy, Lynn Blakesley, Marie Carey.

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