



BLACKTOWN CITY CORPS NEWSLETTER

1st May 2016



Corps Officers—Captain William & Susanne Geracia

TODAY:

Generous Life— The Altar Sunday (where you hand in your new pledge cards) will be TODAY during the Service. The new envelopes for offering will be handed out May 8th to be used starting May 15th.

Banking details (if you are wanting to make direct deposits):

The Salvation Army Blacktown City Corps.

BSB 732 071 Account: 071 926

The **SELF DENIAL APPEAL (OWSOMS)** please take an envelope and place in the normal collection over the next few weeks.) Thank you for your generous giving and may God richly bless you.

Today—30th April—1st May—Sydney Youth Councils.

Pray for our young folk at Youth Councils.

- 1st May Prayer Meeting—10am at the Hall.
- 8th May There will be NO Delve today due to Mothers Day
- 7th May Ladies Breakfast add name to list.
- 14th May Commissioners Condon Retirement Service
- 21st May Subscription Concert, 7:30 pm. Tell your friends.

There will be NO meeting at the Corps on May 29th because of **RED SHIELD**. Pray for the special time and be prepared to assist where you can. On Sunday April 24th after church during Koinonia Captain Susan will be available to help people register as a volunteer for Red Shield and also to complete their working with children checks if they are going to take a team out or if they are going to be a driver. I will go over all the information with them at that time! Any questions, please see Captain Susan.

Junior Soldier will be held on the following Dates:

- 8th May
- 22nd May
- 5th June
- 19th June
- 3rd July.



HOME LEAGUE SYLABUS.

- May 3rd Captain Susanne—Mothers Day
- May 10th Wayne Robins—"Three Women & the Men in their Lives".

UPCOMING PREACHING CALENDAR.

- May 1st Captain Susanne: 2 Corinthians 9: 6-15
- May 8th Captain Bill: Philippians 4:10-20

Well Christmas & Easter are over and what comes next on The Salvation Army calendar? **RED SHIELD!!!** Lets all get excited and motivated and ready to help at a local level! First things first, the Red Shield weekend is May 28th & 29th (remember no Church on the 29th). We generally collect on that weekend from 9am—4pm both days. Usually there are other locations besides the door knocking that we do during the week leading up to the weekend. You may be wondering what happens to the money that is raised during the time of Red Shield? This money goes into the Social Services work that The Salvation Army does. So counselling, rehabilitation, Youthlink and the many other services in the local area. Every one of The Salvation Army has a monetary goal; ours is \$28,000. So, you may be asking how can I help? There are several areas in which help is needed and, depending on the area there are different people to ask. I have put on the Notice Board a layout of what is needed along with the number of people needed for that area. I have also included the person to speak to; that is, the person in charge of that particular area.

Captain Bill and I are counting on the Church Family to help us this year! You may feel like you can't help; but believe me there is something for everyone! If you are will to go door to door or stand at a community collection point the you are the face of The Salvation Army. What an amazing task you have!

Please pray about how you can help and if you have any questions come and speak to Captains Susanne or Captain Bill

WEEKLY GIVING

- Open Plate \$ 227.00
- Generous Life \$ 585.00



PRAYER REQUESTS

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

Pray for Rena.

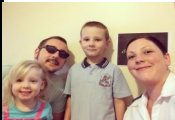
Keep Praying for Kath Paddison.

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

Pray for Estelle Ring.

Pray for our Junior Soldiers and all our young people and their leaders. Pray for each of our sections & leader.

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.



Pray for Michael, Katrina Jacob & Emmalyn Hindle as they join us for out training.

Pray for Peter Hardy as he is at Salvos Discipleship School. Pray that God will guide and bless him in all he does.

Pray for Bob Rogan and his work & ministry at the Corps.

Thank you for praying for Bob & Debbie's Grandson—Emmet Brown. Emmet is an answer to prayer and is much better (will still be coughing for a while). Thank you again for your prayers.

Continue to pray for Freda who had a fall and smashed her shoulder.

Muriel Pethybridge has been readmitted to Blacktown Hospital and is far from well. Please Pray for Muriel.

This week pray especially for:

Bela & David Heard, Freda Hill, Maree & Kelvin Hill, Robyn Hobbs, Robert & Judy Holley, Violet Holman, John, Letitia, Nathan, Sarah & Hannah Hughes, John, Barbara & Warren Hughes, John Hughes

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.

WORRY DOES NOT EMPTY TOMORROW OF ITS SORROW; IT EMPTIES TODAY OF ITS STRENGTH.



Red Shield Family Store Prayer Requests:

Many of the Family Store Volunteers have requested prayer from their Corps Family. Please pray for and support the Family Store Manager and Volunteers.

Pray for Lyn & Ivan Daly as they wait for results of tests. This is a stressful time, waiting is always hard. Please pray for God's guidance and strength.

Mr. Leslie Wallwood whose facing a number of operations.

Mrs. Lyn Daly who has a worrying diagnosis to face up to.

Mr. Graeme McGee who asks for prayer for a close friend who has just lost his leg in an horrific accident and is in critical condition.

Mrs. Brenda Lenkeith who asks for prayer for a young mother she knows who is in the final stages of recurring cancer and leaves 4 young children and a distraught husband.

Vicky Nichols asks for prayer for Paul in her family who is diagnosed with cancer.

WANTED TO PURCHASE: Ladies Uniform Open Neck size 18-20. See Lyn Daly if you can assist.



Hayley Grigg

1st May	Jack Douglass
1st May	Norma Wiseman
2nd May	Kate Hardy
3rd May	John Vesley
4th May	Bella Heard

If you would like to have your copy of the Newsletter sent to your computer, please email Gail Salmon at gail_salmon@bigpond.com to be included.



The Red Shield Family Store is in need of **CLEAN PLASTIC BAGS** and/or **Newspapers**.

If anyone can assist please see Mark Andrews.