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## **Go And Make Disciples**

Jesus says, "go and make disciples of all nations, baptising them... and teaching them to obey everything I have commanded you" (Matthew 28:19-20). This has been the challenge and opportunity of every generation for the last two millennia. Generation after generation faced significant and varied challenges in their pursuit of obedience to Jesus' command. We are no different. Whether it be global pandemics, state legislation or increased hostility, it is important to stay adaptable with our eyes firmly fixed on the prize. Making disciples in 2021 requires different skills and methods than it did in 1941, or 1517, or even 303AD.

How do we stay nimble in an ever-changing environment without compromising our mission? We are required to know ourselves, know our opponents and to know God. This self-awareness is an important first step in our journey of making disciples. If we don't know ourselves, how can we know how to help others?

Recently an author by the name of Carl Trueman published a book called The Rise and Triumph of the Modern Self: Cultural amnesia, expressive individualism, and the road to sexual revolution. I cannot recommend more highly a book to help you navigate our cultural moment. In this book, Carl traces the origins of some of today's biggest problems through the last couple of hundred years of history. In this extended reflection on the development of the concept of 'self' he gives a model of reflecting on the influences that affect how you view the world. This book provides an opportunity for self-reflection as well as some excellent tools for assessing the world as it stands today.

We need to recognise the challenges before us and respond with God's wisdom as we seek to make disciples. I am so glad that we are not alone, but part of the body of Christ. Let us draw near to each other and to God as we seek to pursue His mission.

**Davo Gunning** 

# **Adelaide Presbyterian Church**

### **Mount Barker Congregation**

Greetings from the folk of St. Andrews, Mt Barker, trusting that Christmas 2020 and New Year 2021 treated everybody well after a disastrous year for church work in all denominations.

In April 2020 during the height of the pandemic, Mrs Margaret Beavis and her family were able to celebrate her 80<sup>th</sup> birthday. Her husband, Brian, is currently battling healthwise.

Things came to a standstill while the church closed for some time during the year, however our Pastor, Peter Lim, kept in touch with people with text messages and notification of Bible readings of his subject. When things returned to be more normal, morning tea was enjoyed, complying with COVID 19 restrictions. Following the 2<sup>nd</sup> lockdown in October-November, morning tea has been discontinued.

During the Sunday morning service prior to Christmas the Sunday school children re-enacted the Nativity story. Thanks should be extended to the Truyen and Green families for their conscientious efforts in educating the children with Christian knowledge and values. A small gift was presented to each child following the service.

Thanks should be extended to Mrs Yvonne Dawson, our church organist, for her encouragement and help with the musical side of church worship. Grace White has played some of the hymns on the organ a few Sundays and this is a credit both to her and to Yvonne.

So far this year church worship has resume at 11am with Sunday school commencing at 10am.

As Damien Carson has resigned from his congregation at Para Hills, Peter Lim has been given the position of pastor to Mt Barker and Seacliff. Peter was given permission to conduct the sacrament of Holy Communion at Mt Barker in December and February, with Elder Matthew Green distributing the elements, according to COVID 19 conditions.

Vintage must be near at hand as we have been privileged to have our South African lass, who lives in Strathalbyn, at a few services. She has returned to work at Langhorne Creek, a grape growing district south of Adelaide, after spending the winter in northern NSW.

Wishing all congregations every success for 2021 – hoping there will be no serious disruptions.

Arthur Crompton

### Seacliff Congregation

2021 has begun as 2020 finished, with our Lord still reigning in glory. That fact is the reason we exist as a church and why we gather in worship and fellowship.

It is the cord that binds us together at Seacliff, the source of our life, the hope of our prayer life. Jesus reigns and brings us His salvation. That is our comfort and joy and peace.

As we dwell together in unity and as we struggle to find our place in the world, that is turning steadily away from the knowledge of Christ and His ways, we look to Him and ask for His strength and light.

We seem to be so insignificant in reality but we want to be significant in our world of southern Adelaide and our families, so we reach out to Him for help.

We are thankful for faithful, godly input from Peter Lim each Sunday as he preaches the Word.

We are thankful for those who meet together both in our weekly service, and also in weekly growth groups which have begun anew in February.

We are thankful for the insights from Acts that are being revealed to us, the growth of the small number of apostles who were filled and used by the Holy Spirit.

We are grateful for the craft group that gives us an opportunity to have more informal times with each other on a monthly basis.

We are thankful for the prayers that are offered in the company of each other for the particular needs of ourselves and those who are dear to us.

We are thankful for the difficulties that confront us, a small congregation that seems to just exist, because it reminds us that we are weak and that we wholly depend on Jesus and His work in and through us, that we need to find our life always in Him.

We are thankful that He has given us great and mighty promises and He is able to keep us in Him.

We are thankful for the weekly updates from Matt, who serves in the Middle East. He tells us of the growing number of workers who have joined him and the way they have been led to develop the school there to reach more students in more ways. We are thankful that Matt and those with him have been provided for and protected as they serve their Lord in that place.



Gathering at the Blunts on Australia Day

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There have been troubles - the death of Sue Dollman's father; the illness of Di Hermanson; the family stresses of others.

There have been joys – the birth of a beautiful son to Lucy and Marchin, a brother for Miguel; the pleasure of having Peter's wife and sons join us often for our service; the church family gathering at the Blunt house for Australia Day and Praveena's birthday; safe keeping of our extended church family in Malawi and Brazil, especially in light of the COVID 19 pandemic.

Our God is good and we are thankful that He has revealed Himself to us in His Word and that through it we can make sense of this world in which we live with all its complexities.

He is on the throne and reigns and He is our source of life and our hope.

Heather Blunt

# Karnkendi Campsite

After the social calendar being wiped clean since mid March 2020, particularly for the state of Victoria, we have thankfully seen some activity at Karnkendi.

The relaxing of restrictions saw, mainly from Victoria, a tourist boom hit the little town of Nelson post Christmas with folk more than keen to enjoy time off with family and friends. Never have I seen the bin at the Nelson Roadhouse overflowing and spilling onto the driveway.

As predicted the Mt Gambier Revival Fellowship pulled the pin early for their yearly Christmas/New Year family camp at Karnkendi. Although we did not ever, officially, have a cancellation from Scotch Collage with their rowing camp in late January, the total lack of response to calls and emails made it clear they were not going to venture out of SA, with the 3 day state lockdown reinforcing possible and quick changing outcomes for all who intended to travel.

Due to this uncertainty of flexible restrictions larger groups, other than family, were put on hold. However, we were able to finally have a reasonable sized Thai family group use the camp for 4 days, including Christmas day, which was lovely to see them back as regular past users of the facility.

Post Christmas did see a couple of unexpected arrivals due to the demand for accommodation. A reasonable sized group of family and friends, recently from Afghanistan but residents of Mildura, were desperately in need of a large tent site and amenities due to not being able to make their booked accommodation with a small infant being unfit to travel. This was followed by another lovely couple who could not find any accommodation in the area.

Our final small group was a Christian family from Nhill who stayed at the camp for 5 nights in late January.

The cost of the camp to smaller groups is prohibitive so with KKC committee

approval we have lowered the minimums and increased the nightly rates per person to align with that of a motel which is working well for us.

As discussed we have had a complete overhaul of the Karnkendi website with a few changes to happen but we will start to get this site out to our potential user groups and also remind past groups.

At this stage we have a small group from St Martin's Year 11 Christian outreach camp planned for the 19-20th February so fingers crossed for this to go ahead for those attending; a large Thai family group from Melbourne for Easter who booked and paid a deposit nearly 2 years ago; then our annual series of students from Beacon Hills College for their Outdoor "Explorer" programs spanning 6 weeks, in two groups, starting 19th of April - we are gearing up for this to go ahead, with the stage area being available as a new shelter for students camping out we can finally turn the floodlight on for the purpose it was intended after over a year in readiness.

The Cottage is still occupied and with Parks Vic extending the fire season / burn off programs this could push out to the end of June or July, having at least one of the couple resident for longer than the 6 month contract.

I have started a little painting program to close up bare timber before the winter weather is upon us and my ever trusty assistant Heather has put in 10 Kangaroo Paw plants at the front of the camp as low maintenance to keep things in trim at the entry point. Also, the planter barrels have had an overhaul with a fresh batch of flowers as well.



Thank you to committee member Mal McLean for

running the border requirements with permits which were not required by the time he came south to see us, as a large tree branch had dropped and required reducing in size with a general trim of other low hanging branches sorted.

God Bless,

Harv and Heather McBain Karnkendi

# **Mission Aviation Fellowship PNG**

### The call

'He has told you, o man, what is good; and what does the Lord require of you but to do justice, and to love kindness, and to walk humbly with your God?' Micah 6:8

When you are looking to understand what God wants you to do in the circumstances you are faced with, God's word has the power to convict you of



the next step. For us, years back, God put on our heart to get actively involved in overseas mission work. And these words of Micah continued to encourage us in this endeavour.

After immigrating from the Netherlands, we lived in Adelaide from 2001 and then moved to Mount Gambier in 2005 and became part of the MGPC family (Mount Gambier Presbyterian Church). Now, 16 years later our children, Anne, Jozua,

David & Naomi have all finished high-school and are either enjoying a gap-year or studying at university, with only Naomi living with us now.

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A major change in our circumstances, which allowed for the next step.

### The Cause

In December 2019 we were asked to pray for and consider assisting at a medical and organisational level in a pilot project to reduce maternal mortality in Kompiam, in the Highlands of Papua New Guinea (PNG). The Enga Baptist church established the Kompiam District Hospital in the 1990's, and there are many challenges that the population is facing, one of the major ones having access to a hospital in the first place.

Before that call from PNG Jeroen had already worked with Mission Aviation Fellowship (MAF) in PNG in 2017 for three months and some further short stints



in Cairns and Africa, and experienced firsthand the importance of their work. MAF's vision is to see isolated people physically and spiritually transformed in Christ's name, through sharing God's love through aviation and technology.

Last December both MAF PNG and Kompiam

Hospital confirmed that they would be able, willing and keen to locate us in Kompiam. This was a real answer to prayer, as this allows Diana to work at the

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hospital, irrespective of the pilot project taking off or not, and allows Jeroen to work as Project and Finance Manager for MAF PNG remotely for part of the



time, and at other locations if and when required. For instance, Mount Hagen hosts MAF PNG's major office, which is only a short flight or a 5 hour drive away. Both investment in better internet two years earlier in Kompiam, and our world-wide Covid-19 experience with working remotely has made this a viable option. And we are

very thankful for this opportunity for both of us to work in our professions.

Diana's experience has been in emergency, followed by training as a rural GP, specialising further in GP obstetrics and anaesthetics. This exposure will serve her well when they start working with Dr. David Mills at the hospital. The fact that the hospital is starting rural clinical school also fits well with Diana's local training experience.

Jeroen is a Chartered Accountant and has worked in audit and in management and various roles in business and local government. He enjoys organisational, finance and system management and designing and implementing process improvements in these areas. As a private pilot he loves aviation too, which is always useful.

For MAF to grow its impact in the communities it is of great importance to have its people, operations, management and systems running as smooth as possible, consistently, efficiently and effectively. This all takes time, effort and skill to maintain and to improve. Work that Jeroen enjoys.

Although the initial steps seemed to be slow, we are hoping to leave for PNG in July this year, God willing, for an initial period of four years.



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### The challenge

As people who like to be independent, marking own future, we have learned, sometimes slowly and at times rather abruptly, to always put our trust in the Lord, for all our provisions, health and faith (Proverbs 3:5-6). And God constantly has shown Himself to be faithful, take our fears away and give us peace. He has never been far away, nor left us or our family on our own. So, in that knowledge we can with confidence now take the next step of leaving our children behind in Australia and commit to this stage of our lives to working in mission overseas.

To share the assurance of sufficiency in Jesus' payment on the cross for our sins, of salvation by God's grace alone, both in word and in deed, is what we are called to do. In our case this will now be in PNG. And to do this there, further forces us to depend on Him and His church. We are thankful to serve for and be endorsed by the Australian Presbyterian World Mission (APWM) in this work, and we are also very thankful for the encouragement of our local Mission Prayer



Group and of MGPC as our sending partners.

And we have learned, and are learning more each day, how important a praying family of believers is to support such mission work, to refocus us on being dependent on His work and word,

not our own efforts and together reach out to isolated communities to see transformation in Christ's name.

So, over the coming weeks and months we are hoping to visit some of the SA Presbyterian churches and some other denominations to talk about partnering with MAF, Kompiam Hospital and our role in this. In this way we like to inform you about the work of MAF and how this supports the local churches in reaching out with the gospel, how this assists communities and in people's health outcomes, and how both Kompiam Hospital and MAF are focussed on training local staff in the medical and aviation services to service its own people more and more. We are also encouraged by your prayers for us, our children, and our wellbeing for the initial settling in, as for the long term.

Another way to partner with us through more regular communication. We invite you to sign up to our Facebook group (<a href="https://www.facebook.com/groups/">https://www.facebook.com/groups/</a> Jeroen.Diana.News/) for regular updates and our newsletter, or, if you prefer a newsletter by mail or email advise us of this on <a href="mailto:jeroen.diana.news@gmail.com">jeroen.diana.news@gmail.com</a>.

You might also want to consider partnering with us financially, as many modest but regular contributions will allow us to go and continue to work in this mission

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field for the longer term. For this you can follow the following link: <a href="https://maf.org.au/zwijnenburg/">https://maf.org.au/zwijnenburg/</a> (tax deductable) or contact MAF on 1800 650 169.

Please contact us for any questions (Jeroen on 0417 915 274, Diana on 0421 059 936), if you like any more information, for us to share our story with you or your church or to share your story with us. We are very



excited to start this journey, expecting to return to Australia every second year on furlough and keen to revisit our supporters when possible.

Blessings,

Jeroen & Diana Zwijnenburg

### **Naracoorte**

Greetings to our brothers and sisters in the Name of the Lord.

This year is moving at a fast rate, here we are already in the 3rd month of 2021, however, things are rolling on at St Andrews Naracoorte. The one thing we are all missing is the company of Gaius and Verily Goh. They spent Christmas with their daughter and her family in Melbourne and left for Naracoorte just after New Year to stay with us for about 10 weeks, but were turned back at the border check-point, so had to drive all the way home to Armidale. Gaius usually preaches each Sunday, conducts Bible Studies each week and visits all the congregation. They also host all members of the congregation for lunch on Sundays which gives each of us another opportunity to fellowship with them. We are hoping that they will be able to come again sometime in the future. We are also hoping that Rudi and Heila Schwartz will be able to come for a stay in the manse as well, when this virus is under control. Meanwhile our Elders are doing a great job providing Worship Services for us each week.

PWA and our Fellowship Group have had their AGM's and we are praying that we can hold regular meetings this year. As you know it is difficult to plan ahead these days. KYB Bible Studies are going well and we have 9 ladies attending regularly.

We are looking forward to attending World Day of Pray at the Lutheran Church in Naracoorte on Friday 5th March, when we can pray for Vanuatu.

"And in the midst of everything be always giving thanks, for this is God's perfect plan for you in Christ Jesus." 1 Thessalonians 5:17b

Pat Leitch

# **CALLING ALL LADIES**

Presbyterian Ladies Weekend at

Mount Gambier Presbyterian Church
Allison Street, Mount Gambier.
To be held on a date to be announced, possibly over
a weekend in May 2021.
Main Speaker

Main Speaker
Vivienne Peate

# **Wattle Range**

### Millicent Congregation

The Millicent folk wish all of our Church friends a peaceful and healthy New Year.

We thank all the good faithful people who are helping to keep our church open.

We held two Christmas Services, one on Christmas Day and two days later on the following Sunday. We had quite a good attendance, with our friends the Bish family finally able to cross from Victoria to be with us.

After so many catastrophes in 2020 we pray that we do not have fires, floods and earthquakes and that a vaccine will successfully halt the spread of the covid virus. Such a dreadful loss of life all over the world.

We sadly have lost the wife of Derek Redman, who is our Elder and our rock. Maureen will be remembered fondly by us all. We offered our prayers and love to Derek, his son Jamie and daughter Rebecca and their children.

We also lost Mrs Sheila Millie who attended St Andrews for a number of years and passed away at Hart Court in January.

Recently we welcomed Brendan Provis who conducted our service. He was accompanied by his wife Barbara. Owing to the virus we don't have many visiting preachers. We had quite a good congregation that day. We are still grateful to Pat Beckett for supplying the music each Sunday.

Psalm 103:8 "The Lord is compassionate and gracious, slow to anger and abounding in love."

Thelma Thomas

# Come and Stay at Karnkendi, Nelson

Established in 1955 Karnkendi Campsite features comfortable accommodation for groups of up to 80 people in a quiet bushland setting just over the SA/Vic border at Nelson in Victoria, approximately 30kms south of Mount Gambier.

Of the fifteen rooms eight have ensuites. There is a spacious dining hall which features an open fire and a well equipped caterers kitchen for the use of campers. A conference room is available with



television and DVD/VCR. A laundry with a washing machine and dryer are available for campers along with large grounds for outdoor games and activities.



Your stay at Karnkendi can be as energetic or relaxing as you choose.

The region features: excellent bushwalking in national parks, check out the migratory birds; the beach at Discovery Bay and the wild Great Southern Ocean. A walk to the Glenelg River where fishing, swimming and scenic cruising are all waiting for you. These features and the unique local limestone caves mean you'll need to return

again and again to fully experience all that Karnkendi has to offer.

This campsite is owned by the Presbyterian Church and you are all

encouraged to support this campsite. Come as a family or join with several families. Get your congregation together or join with another congregation and hold a Church Congregation Camp at Karnkendi. It doesn't matter how young or how old you are, Karnkendi can cater for you.

Your campsite is in urgent need of your support. Please consider holding a camp at Karnkendi in the near future.

For pricing, more information and to book a camp contact Heather on 0448 871 225.



# **Presbyterian Inland Mission (PIM)**

### From The Patrols

### History comes alive

Sometimes we are reminded of PIM's rich heritage in very tangible ways. Like PIM, the Royal Flying Doctor Service (RFDS) was founded by the Rev John Flynn as a response to the great needs of our nation in the early part of the 20th century.

Flynn's vision made an enormous contribution to opening up the outback and making life safer, and also healthier, for those living and working there. Sometimes PIM Teams have to make use of the RFDS themselves. In September, our newest PIM Team, the Chais, called on the RFDS when their son, Lewis, was injured.

Lewis had what seemed like a minor accident on his little pushbike after being scared by some local dogs. Alvin and Narelle took him to the local nursing post when the pain didn't abate after a couple of days. On assessing Lewis, the nursing post staff quickly arranged for the RFDS to fly in to Mt Magnet and take Lewis and Narelle immediately to Perth. After many tests, it was confirmed that Lewis' pancreas had been split completely in half.

The medical team in Perth were deeply concerned about the short and long term consequences of Lewis' very serious injury and were finding it hard to work out how to treat the damaged pancreas in such a small child. A call for prayer went out across the nation, and beyond, and many of God's people lifted Lewis up in prayer. And God answered. Without the need for risky surgery, Lewis' pancreas has continued to work and there now seems no need for anything further to be done. A most serious situation has been resolved. Thank you to all who prayed for this situation, and thanks to God for what He did through Flynn all those years ago to put in place such an effective medical service that has blessed not just the Chai family but countless others throughout the decades.

# **News & Updates**

## Travel plans for 2021

Tourism agencies and government bodies across the country are encouraging Aussies to holiday in Australia in 2021. Why not take their advice and plan a visit to New Dunesk in 2021? We'd love to have you drop in for a short visit or an overnight stay, or to join one of our events:

## Gap Year

1 Feb-26 Nov 2021

Nomads' Network

Begins 14-19 April 2021

**Country Elders' Preaching Workshop** 

26-29 August 2021

### **Camper Trailer Muster**

October School Holidays 2021

For further information, visit our website: www.pim.org.au/newdunesk

For those finishing school and starting out in their working life, our Gap Year program offers the opportunity to spend a year exploring options for living and working in the bush whilst developing useful vocational and ministry skills and contributing to the life of a rural church.

For those at the other end of their working life, and looking forward to a season of road travel around the country, our Nomads' Network promises to create opportunities for fun and fellowship, for learning and serving and for opening doors to use this great season of life to make a useful contribution to the Kingdom.

Plans for our Country Elders' Preaching Workshop are warming up for August. In what is probably a world first, the Presbyterian Church Camper Trailer Muster is also scheduled for the October school holidays. This will be a fun way for families to get to know PIM, enjoy New Dunesk, and find ways to become more involved in making disciples for Christ across our country.

Other conversations are also warming up, as we connect with different groups across our church who are interested in finding ways to make the most of what New Dunesk has to offer.

We are grateful for those Founding Partners who have caught the exciting vision for New Dunesk and have committed to financially supporting us as we establish this brand new ministry venture. We look forward to personally inviting our Founding Partners to visit New Dunesk and enjoy it for themselves. If you are looking to get involved in something new and exciting in 2021, there is still time for you to sign up to become a Founding Partner of New Dunesk.

# Me, a Founding Partner!

When collecting the mail, I was initially struck by the colourful logo and the words 'you are invited' across the front of the envelope. I quickly realised the letter was from PIM and related to their new ministry centre called New Dunesk. But what I was now being invited to?

The invitation inside was unambiguous. PIM were looking for Founding Partners to financially kick-start this new work. They were seeking funds to build the needed infrastructure to get the work going as soon as possible. There were several ways people could be a Founding Partner, and I thought the whole concept was a great idea. From my lockdown in Melbourne I now wanted to be a Founding Partner and support the PIM as they established this new ministry to get the good news of our Saviour to people in rural Australia.

While writing about being a Founding Partner of New Dunesk, I should at least mention what New Dunesk is seeking to do. My understanding is it will be a

place for people from the wider church and across the nation to visit and be both inspired and trained for ministry in rural Australia. They are currently building a conference centre from an old piggery, putting in a campground for campers and caravan-ers, and will soon have their own Heritage Centre for tourists. They will run a Gap Year Program for young people and will conduct many training activities to help ministry happen in the country.

As I look back on my time in the church, I can recall camps and conferences that were a real time of encouragement and growth for me. I applaud PIM for taking the step to establish their own ministry-focused rural homestead and conference centre, which will make a real difference, both in the quantity and quality of ministry in regional Australia. I would humbly encourage others to join with me and become a Founding Partner. Your contribution will bring blessing to many others for years into the future.

Editor's note: Following a personal request of the CEO, this article was submitted [to On Tracks] by an anonymous supporter of the PIM, and now a Founding Partner of New Dunesk. Part of the new Club 100!

For more information on New Dunesk, the Founding Partners program and prayer updates, please visit the website: www.pim.org.au/foundingpartners Or call the CEO, Andrew: 02 6100 3510





# **News from APWM Australian Presbyterian World Mission**

We don't often think of Europe as a mission field. It was in Europe, and Germany in particular, that the Reformation commenced in the 16th century. But today it's a different story. Alex Kowalenko, serving with APWM and European Christian Mission in Portugal, comments, "Europeans have been inoculated against the gospel."

German Jotham Booker is currently in Australia to study theology and writes "Most Europeans are nominal Christians. They would belong to some sort of state church, they may know a bit about it but often only the negative things about the church, or a personal bad experience they've had... it's really a Christian heritage that they have, no personal convictions anymore."

You can read about Europe's need for the gospel in the latest edition of ECM Australia's latest magazine. ECM is an APWM Partner Agency.

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Do you want to know what God is doing among Australia's Indigenous people? The latest edition of The Australian Indigenous Ministries (AIM) magazine is now available for download. AIM is an APWM Partner Agency, with PCA minister, the Rev Cliff Letcher serving as the acting General Director. Please join Cliff in praising God that a new General Director has been found. Cliff also serves on the APWM National Committee.

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It's easy to forget that Satan seeks to try and hinder the progress of the gospel. One of our APWM missionaries recently made significant gospel progress in a particular community. Not long after a member of that community who is opposed to the gospel, made a series of unfounded accusations, together with some threats, on social media about the missionary. Our missionary has relocated to another location for a little while.

Please pray for God's protection for those on the frontline.

Rob and El Falls are in Sydney, developing their partnership support and preparing to go with APWM to Vanuatu to teach at the Talua Theological Training Institute. They are waiting for the borders to open, both in Australia and Vanuatu. They are also seeking more partners for their support which is currently at 82% of budget.

They have just commenced a prayer blog connected with their website. It's a way for them to communicate with regular, short, sharp posts about how the Lord is working through them and at Talua. Check out the first post here:

https://www.fallsvanuatu.info/blog/21feb-remote-work...

### PRAYER POINTS

- Pray for all those who have been affected by the recent fires and floods throughout our country.
- Praise God for our new and living hope through the raising of Jesus Christ from the dead and pray that multitudes will discover this as this message is proclaimed over Easter.
- Intercede for the Federal Government; Prime Minister Scott Morrison; that he will lead with integrity, stand firm in his belief and hold fast to his faith.
- Pray for the Leader of the Opposition Anthony Albanese; that he will be guided by Christian principles and come to know Jesus as his Lord and Saviour.
- Pray for the Presbytery of South Australia, Davo Gunning Moderator, Gary Ware Clerk.
- Pray for the Adelaide Church;
   Davo Gunning, Peter Lim, Ben Harvey; congregations and elders.
- Pray for persecuted Christians throughout the world.
- Pray for 'M' serving in west Asia.
- Uphold all those who were affected by COVID 19 throughout last year and into this year.

- Pray for the PIM and that someone will be found for the John Flynn Patrol.
- Pray for the Whyalla Church; elders and congregation.
- Pray for Christians to be instruments of truth and grace in the midst of skepticism and increasing opposition to the Christian faith.
- Pray for the towns and cities of South Australia, for the people in them who do not know Christ, including unsaved family members, friends and work colleagues.
- Give thanks for the rain that has fallen over various parts of our nation and pray that God will send rain to those areas that are still in drought.
- Pray for goodwill, hope and compassion of all who bear responsibilities in government -Commonwealth, State, Territory together with local authorities to address the issues we have as a nation
- Intercede for the Defence and Police forces.
- Pray for the rollout of the COVID 19 Vaccine.

### **Editor's Note**

Thank you to all who have contributed items for this issue of SA News they are all very much appreciated. Contributions for the June 2021 issue are to be in my hands **no later** than **5.00pm Monday**, **17**<sup>th</sup> **May 2021**.

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