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08 / The Salvation Army, with General André Cox and Commissioner Silvia Cox, and Commissioners Floyd and Tracey Tidd leading the march behind the flagbearers, makes its presence felt on the streets of Adelaide during last month's historic events in the South Australia capital. Photo: Shairon Paterson

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START A HEALTHY HABIT WITH 100 DAYS OF SHARED SCRIPTURE

WORDS SCOTT SIMPSON MANAGING EDITOR

The Bible refers to God's Word as "a treasure of knowledge and understanding" (Proverbs 2:6 *The Living Bible*) and yet, according to a recent Bible Society survey, only 20 per cent of Christians in Australia read scripture daily. The main reason offered for not opening the Bible is that we are just too busy.

It seems to me that, living in the midst of an increasingly materialistic, secularist culture, it is imperative that we rediscover the urgency and importance of God's Word in our lives. It requires discipline, but we must seek to know the Scriptures, first and foremost for the sake of our own salvation and, in turn, our Christian discipleship and service for Christ.

The Salvation Army in Australia is in the midst of a "100 Days of Shared Scripture" initiative. It was launched last month as part of major Salvation Army celebrations in Adelaide (see our coverage on pages 8-13), and builds on the recent "100 Days of Ceaseless Prayer" project.

If you're among the 80 per cent of Christians in Australia for whom reading the Bible isn't a regular part of your routine (and statistics clearly suggest that many people reading this will be), then perhaps 100 Days of Shared Scripture is an opportune time to introduce some healthy habits into your day.

In the opening lines of Psalms, we read: "Blessed is the one who does not walk in step with the wicked ... but whose delight is in the law of the Lord, and who meditates on his law day and night." To read scripture is to invite blessing upon our lives.

Through reading the Bible we get to know God. It is his written revelation to humankind and it's essential reading if we want to deepen our relationship with him. And it's not just any book. It is the Word of God and is able to transform lives. It is living and powerful and accomplishes its purpose ... if the reader absorbs it and obeys its teaching.

If we read it intentionally it penetrates deep into our soul, reveals our thoughts and attitudes. It gets to the truth: we see ourselves as we really are in the mirror of God's Word. It convicts and challenges; correcting, coaching and changing us.

An open Bible is a meal spread before you. On every page there is nourishment prepared by God, but it's up to you whether to accept the invitation to feast. Make it part of your daily discipline to mine the "treasure of knowledge and understanding" that is scripture. ¶



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LOOKING OUTSIDE THE LEADERSHIP BOX

Effective partnerships the key to navigating change



*Commissioner Floyd Tidd is the National Commander,
The Salvation Army, Australia*

Bob Dylan may have penned the words, "The times they are a changin'..." over 50 years ago, but they still ring true today. Change is all around us and occurring at an accelerated rate far exceeding any time in the past. With culture changing so rapidly around us, the question many people are asking is: Can The Salvation Army change? That leads to further questions: Can Army leadership change enough to keep up? Can Army leadership risk not changing?

As the Church in general (and The Salvation Army in particular) has been forced to navigate the confusing and turbulent waters caused by the shift from a modern to a postmodern world, it might be helpful for us to remember that today's leadership is not the first to face the dilemma of ministry integrity and effectiveness in a changing culture.

In the early days of the Church, Peter was confronted with a similar situation. In spite of his personal convictions about how the Church should be organised and operate following the ascension of Jesus, Peter's views were challenged as the Church moved out from an almost exclusively Jewish context and entered the Gentile culture. As difficult as it was for him, Peter began to understand that God was calling the Church to minister in a radically new way as it expanded into new cultures. These changes would begin with Peter (the leader) and continue through him to other leaders as the Church adapted to a changing context while remaining committed to the unchanging gospel.

Leadership looks different in the emergent postmodern culture. Jimmy Long, in his book *Leadership Jump*, suggests, "If the modern leader is represented by hierarchy and directing, the emerging leader is represented by a culture of networking, permission-giving and empowerment". Long proposes that the issue before church leadership in these years of transition between cultures is not so much a choice between two leadership approaches as it is about how best to form partnerships between leadership styles. Existing leaders and emerging leaders partnered together can most effectively lead

the Church through these changes, gracefully engaging the emerging culture without compromising the Gospel.

In true partnership, existing and emerging leaders need to listen to each other. Existing leaders will benefit from the insights and interpretation of the elements of an emerging culture that the emerging leaders can offer. Emerging leaders need the experience of the existing leaders and their understanding of how God has brought his church to this point in time and culture. Existing leaders can provide power and resources, and also wisdom and encouragement through the difficult times ahead.

As I reflect back over my own leadership journey, I recognise the reality of what Paul, in his letter to the Philippians, refers to as "the privilege of being partners in the Gospel". At various points in my own life, "existing" leaders entered into partnerships with me, though often unrecognised by myself at the time. Each of these existing leaders approached their leadership ministry as partners. They listened, invested time, opened themselves to questions and to accountability as leaders. They demonstrated trust and developed trust through the releasing of power and resources. They took risks that did not always result in success.

As a leader in the Australia One journey, I ask myself: Can I do less than they did in seeking out and committing to strong partnership with emerging leaders? Like Peter in Acts 10, perhaps that which I am convinced of in my understanding of how we live out God's mission today, needs to be revisited. Can I surrender parts of my present understanding and my all-too-often fixed attitudes, in order to see what God may have in mind?

The answer to the urgent questions that I asked at the beginning of this article lie with leaders – existing and emergent – who are committed to partnering in their leadership with mutual respect, a joyful openness and willing accountability.¶

CONDEMNATION TO COMPASSION

Understanding the plight of the mentally ill is something the Church continues to struggle with. In part one of a two-part series, **MATT CAIRNS**, of the Territorial Social Program Department, looks at the myths surrounding this medical condition and how we can better help those who battle mental illness.

A middle-aged man stood up during the testimony time at church and shared that he had been feeling so depressed lately that he had even thought about taking his own life, simply to end the mental anguish. Rightly, the corps officer took time in the service to pray for this man and invited others to gather around and support this brother in prayer. While some prayed for healing and peace, some prayed that this man would draw close to God again, and others prayed that whatever was spiritually holding this man back would be removed so that he may regain a fullness of spirit. Others, completely unsure of how to respond or what to say, stayed in their seats.

Unfortunately, this scene is played out time and time again within the Christian setting, demonstrating a lack of understanding around the complex relationship between mental illness and faith. This is a vital topic for discussion, as research shows that one in five Australians will experience a mental illness, and most of us will experience a mental health problem during our lifetime.

A mental illness is an acute health problem that significantly affects how a person feels, thinks, behaves and interacts with other people. It is diagnosable by medical professionals and can be treated like other health conditions in order for the person to lead a productive and healthy life. Examples such as anxiety disorder, major depression and schizophrenia are but a few of the mental illnesses experienced by people, including many Christians. There are many health issues that affect our mental state and they need to be understood for what they are – problems with a person’s health and not their spirituality.

DISPELLING AGE-OLD MYTHS

In the context of the Church, the populous has tended to formulate its own pseudo-theology regarding mental illness,

based upon a general understanding amongst the laity. This lay-theology, that is, a general understanding of how theology and mental health interact, has evolved not in consultation with experts or scholars but within the communities themselves. Sometimes the general consensus, the *sensus fidelium* (sense of the faithful) can be a useful resource for the Church, and sometimes, such as in the context of mental illness, it can be dangerously unhelpful and damaging. Oftentimes, mental illness manifests such a stark contrast to the “joy in the Spirit” that is expected within Christian communities, that the assumption that sin must be involved somehow seems fitting.

Historically, people of most god-based religions believed that the divine affected everything. In ancient pre-scientific times, divinely-controlled outcomes made the most sense. If crops failed it was as punishment for displeasing the god/s – any understanding of soil management and weather cycles was beyond an ancient mind. Battles were won or lost depending on who the god/s favoured. If someone became sick and died, it was not the outcome of a natural disease process, but the outcome of a divine choosing and, therefore, the dying person must have displeased the god/s. Today, we, as Christians of the Wesleyan variety, would not look at a flood as God’s outpouring of displeasure on a particular town, or quietly wonder what our neighbour “did” in order to deserve breast cancer. However, we still tend to draw a connection between mental illness and sin.

In a 2005 study involving various Australian denominations, almost 38 per cent of respondents agreed with the statement that major depression and schizophrenia may be evidence of demonic influence. A further 25 per cent remained “neutral” on the question. A 2007 anonymous survey of Christians found that one-third of those who had suffered from a mental illness had experienced fellow church members expressing to them

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Understanding that it is a health condition and has nothing to do with a person’s level of spirituality or closeness to God will help shape our reactions to the mentally unwell”

that their illness must be “a result of personal sin”.

Even within the religious published material dedicated to helping those going through difficult times, the language used regularly discusses demon possession and personal sin as major factors influencing one’s mental health. A study by Christian psychologist Marcia Webb found that “Demonic forces were cited more often than any other potential source of depression”. We don’t blame diabetes on personal sin. We don’t blame heart failure on personal sin or demonic influence. If I get the man-flu, nobody blames it on my sinful behaviour, yet for some reason we so often fall to spiritual reasoning when it comes to mental health issues. This connection between mental health and sin that still exists today must be broken, for it is not only poor science in regard to what we understand about brain physiology, it is also poor theology that can so easily harm those already vulnerable people in our congregations who suffer from mental illnesses.

ELIJAH’S EXAMPLE

A great scriptural example we can look to in regards to viewing mental health is found in the Prophet Elijah’s cry, “I have had enough, Lord ... Take my life; I am no better than my ancestors” (1 Kings 19:4). Having been chased and continually threatened by King Ahab, Elijah collapses under a bush and calls for the Lord to end his suffering and take his life. Fear and despair have overtaken Elijah to the point of suicide. Yet the Lord does not chastise him for lack of faith or command him to repent and pray more. Nor does God look to see what demonic influences might be at play. Instead God approaches this weary and distressed man with compassion and hope. God attends to his physical needs by providing sustenance and space for rest. We read, “All at once an angel touched him and said, ‘Get up and eat’. He looked around, and there by his head was some bread baked over hot coals, and a jar of water. He ate and drank and

then lay down again” (1 Kings 4:5-6). Later in the chapter we read that God also provides Elijah with a companion, someone to help share the burden of his calling and hope for the future. In Elijah’s darkest hour, there is no condemnation of personal failure, but rather divine compassion and encouragement for a better future.

How can we better help our brothers and sisters who suffer from a mental illness? We must better understand how mental illness works. Understanding that it is a health condition and has nothing to do with a person’s level of spirituality or closeness to God will help shape our reactions to the mentally unwell. It will move us from a place of condemnation to a place of compassion.

Within this place of compassion we are able to show gentleness towards the sufferer, seeking ways of engaging with them to help them through this health crisis. Whatever the illness may be – cancer, heart surgery, or depression – when someone who is unwell knows people are supporting them and are there for them no-matter-what, then the outcomes are overwhelmingly more positive. This support also needs to encompass the families of those suffering a mental illness, for it is often also a difficult road for them to travel. Suffering from a mental illness can be frightening and isolating, and even more so when we feel judgment rather than support. We in the Church must change our thinking around mental health and seek to love the mentally unwell in ways that will lead to better outcomes for all involved. As Jesus reminds us, “Truly I tell you, whatever you did for one of the least of these brothers and sisters of mine, you did for me” (Matt 25:31-46).

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 * Part two will appear in the November issue of *Pipeline*

General puts official seal on ‘once-in-a-lifetime opportunity’.

World leader charges Tidds with ‘total mobilisation’ of Army in Australia

WORDS BILL SIMPSON PHOTOS SHAIRON PATERSON

Commissioners Floyd and Tracey Tidd were officially installed as national leaders of The Salvation Army in Australia, by General André Cox in Adelaide on 17 September. Their installation at City Salvos (Adelaide Congress Hall) coincided with the official launch of Australia One, under which Australia’s Eastern and Southern territories will be united as one national territory for the first time since 1921. Commissioner Floyd Tidd was installed as National Commander and Commissioner Tracey Tidd as National President of Women’s Ministries.

Australia was originally part of the Australasia Territory, which included New Zealand, established in 1886. New Zealand became its own territory in 1912, leaving Australia as a stand-alone territory until the formation of the separate Southern and Eastern territories nine years later.

Commissioners Floyd and Tracey Tidd were appointed Southern Territory leaders three years ago, after serving in their homeland Canada and Bermuda Territory. They will lead a team in bringing together the current operations of the Australia Southern and Eastern territories until the new national territory officially begins on 1 January 2019.

Several other new national appointments have already been announced, including the appointment of current Eastern Territory Chief Secretary-in-Charge, Colonel Mark Campbell,

as National Chief Secretary, and Colonel Julie Campbell as National Secretary for Women’s Ministries. They will officially begin their national appointments on 1 January 2017. The national headquarters is currently operating from Canberra. A decision on a permanent national headquarters will be announced later, along with other national appointments.

The installation and launch ceremony was supported by Melbourne Staff Band and Sydney Staff Songsters. Aboriginal elder Uncle Frank Wanganeen provided a Welcome to Country, recognising that Adelaide – like the rest of Australia – was originally Indigenous land. Federal Senator David Fawcett read a message from Prime Minister Malcolm Turnbull, and Senator Alex Gallacher represented Opposition Leader Bill Shorten. Adelaide Lord Mayor Martin Haese, who earlier in the day hosted a civic reception, also spoke at the installation and launch. Other political and church leaders also attended the event.

Recently retired former Australia Eastern Territory Commander, Commissioner James Condon, introduced General Cox and Commissioner Silvia Cox. The General told the Adelaide audience, which was boosted by people throughout Australia and other parts of the world via live-streaming, that there were many reasons for the choice to move towards a unified territory. “I am pleased that the decision was based on the right reasons,” he said. “This is not a reflection of decline or ►



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01. General André Cox and Commissioner Silvia Cox conduct the installation ceremony of Commissioners Floyd and Tracey Tidd.

02. Aboriginal elder Uncle Frank Wanganeen gives the Welcome to Country acknowledgement at the start of proceedings.

03. Commissioner Floyd Tidd unfurls the Australia One Territory flag during the launch at City Salvos, Adelaide.



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01. The Sydney Staff Songsters in full voice at the special Australia One launch in Adelaide.

02. Commissioners Floyd and Tracey Tidd kneel at the mercy seat as they are officially installed as the national leaders of Australia.

lack of financial resources. The decision is a good one and makes perfect sense. It enables us to speak with one voice to government and other national partners. It enhances mission opportunities while reducing the cost of administration. It is anticipated that savings that will accrue will enable us to establish a Mission Support Endowment to benefit the work of the Army on the field."

The General said the formation of one territory was a once-in-a-lifetime opportunity for Australia to experience the renewal of God's spirit and refocus on his mission. "Don't miss it," he said. "God is not calling us to gather in halls and places of worship. God is calling the Army to total mobilisation. We are not an Army serving in peace time. We are an Army that is called to war against sin and evil, against injustice and against suffering and depravation that is a damning indictment of our generation.

"God is calling us to be more than a worshipping community and much more (to be) a serving community. We need to see more of our uniforms out on the streets of our cities. We need Salvationists to be mobilised in serving soup on the streets, meeting the homeless, visiting the elderly and bringing light and hope into the lives of people without hope."

Next year, he said, The Salvation Army around the world would be involved in "total mobilisation". "We cannot sit and enjoy the relative comfort and security of our places of worship while people are literally dying, despairing and lost," he said.

Responding to the General's comments, Commissioner Tracey Tidd said: "It's not about how many people come to our worship services. It's about how many people we serve." She appealed to Australian Salvationists to "take necessary risks"; to look at the formation of one territory from God's perspective.

Commissioner Floyd Tidd supported his wife's comments, suggesting that while the merger of two territories was history, it was also "his [God's] story". "This is God's story that he has been unpacking for years," he said. It wasn't really a merger or a unification, he said. "It's a creation – God's creation." God was doing something new in The Salvation Army in Australia. "And he doesn't want you to miss out."

Commissioner Tidd appealed to Salvationists not to live in the past or even the present, but to have vision. "If your vision isn't enough to scare you," he said, "it's probably insulting to God." □



Kingdom view from Prayer Summit.

Army's 'united' future committed to God

WORDS AMANDA MERRETT AND ANNE HALLIDAY PHOTOS JOEL GIBSON



➤ During the Saturday evening meeting of the Prayer Summit, artist Sarah Keane created a work that reflected the themes of the weekend; "that our Lord has our land, physically and metaphorically, all the brokenness it entails, in his hands".

The Salvation Army's National Prayer Summit, held over the weekend of 10-11 September in Adelaide, brought together leadership from the Army's two territories in Australia – Australia Eastern and Australia Southern. Joining them were 30 official divisional delegates, including 10 representatives from Queensland, and NSW and ACT divisions. They were joined by many more Salvationists at a live-streamed event at City Salvos (formerly Adelaide Congress Hall) on the Saturday evening.

The summit, which was the culmination of the 100 Days of Ceaseless Prayer initiative, opened where the work of The Salvation Army in Australia had its beginnings – under a gum tree. National leaders, Commissioners Floyd and Tracey Tidd, opened the official program at Adelaide Botanic Park, with a Gum Tree Ceremony symbolising the humble start of the movement in Australia. Those in attendance shared in prayer, praising God for his faithfulness to the Army and asking that he would be the centre of all the Army's ministries. Commissioner Tracey Tidd shared a reflection, reminding the gathering that

"prayer transforms lives and the communities in which we live".

Delegates then returned to City Salvos for prayer workshops on hearing God's voice (led by Commissioner Lyn Pearce), prayer as social action (led by Major Belinda Spicer) and creative prayer (led by Major David Mundy).

The highlight of the summit was the Saturday evening service. Around 130 people joined delegates at City Salvos, with more than 100 people also engaged online. The service reflected on 2 Chronicles 7:14 and took the form of three movements – Humble Ourselves, Heal Our Land, Hear Your Voice. At the end of each movement there was an opportunity to reflect and respond in prayer. The gathering, including those online, then broke into prayer stations for 30 minutes, during which people engaged in creative and tactile forms of prayer.

Throughout the night, painter Sarah Keane created an artwork that reflected the themes of the weekend. "When creating this piece, I wanted to strongly represent that our Lord has our land, physically and metaphorically, all the brokenness it entails, in his hands," she said. "His hand creates a heart shape engulfing our land, to remind us that as his people serving him, we need to continue to place it in his hands, humble ourselves, repent, seek him and his will, his heart for the Kingdom to come and to see Satan crushed in individual lives, cities, this nation – for all to be set free."

The summit concluded on the Sunday morning with a prayer walk around the city centre of Adelaide.

Following the success of 100 Days of Ceaseless Prayer, leadership has launched the second national initiative of Australia One. 100 Days of Shared Scripture began on 23 September and will be an opportunity for Salvationists and friends to share in Scripture and stay close to the heart of God. Stay up-to-date with all the latest information about the Scripture initiative at 100days.australiaone.info □



Adelaide's special place in Army history.

Although dwarfed in size and substance by the bigger cities of Sydney and Melbourne, the South Australia capital city has enhanced its significance in Salvation Army history by hosting the installation of the first national leaders in almost a century

WORDS BILL SIMPSON



(Above) An artist's impression of the Adelaide Botanic Park meeting, where Edward Saunders and John Gore stood on the back of a greengrocer's cart and told listeners about God and The Salvation Army.

Whenever Salvation Army history in Australia is spoken of, it is Adelaide which first comes to mind. It was in the South Australia capital city where arguably the most memorable event in The Salvation Army's Australian history took place. Although not the "official" start of The Salvation Army in Australia, historians, generally, recognise an event which occurred in Adelaide's Botanic Park on 5 September 1880, as highly significant.

It was so significant that The Salvation Army held substantial celebrations in 1980 to mark its centenary. A plaque is placed in the park to commemorate the 1880 event. Interestingly, the Adelaide Botanic Park website describes it as "the first successful" Salvation Army meeting in Australia. Salvation Army archivist Lindsay Cox says it's pretty well documented in Army circles that a few people proclaiming Army connections met earlier in Brisbane and Melbourne, but those events, while interesting, do not attract any official recognition. Adelaide 1880 does.

Both Salvation Army record-keepers and historians, generally, accept that two converts of William Booth's Christian Mission (later Salvation Army) who emigrated from England – builder Edward Saunders and railway worker

John Gore – somehow came together in Adelaide and agreed to hold public meetings. The most prominent of those meetings was the one held in the Botanic Park. Saunders and Gore, with several like-minded people, stood on the back of a greengrocer’s cart in the Botanic Park and told Adelaide about God and the Army.

It was, according to the Botanic Park website, a time, in Adelaide, of “economic depression, with nothing but charity and government rations for the large number of unemployed to rely on”. True to William Booth’s Salvation Army intention, Gore, the Botanic Park record shows, is reputed to have said: “If there’s a man here who hasn’t had a square meal today, let him come home to tea with me.” It’s unknown if he had any takers.

The Botanic Park account indicates that Saunders and Gore had attempted to preach in a city square before the park event, but “had been met with derision from the attending crowd”. It was an interesting reception, given that South Australia was officially proclaimed a province on 28 December 1836, as “a centre of civilisation for free immigrants, promising civil liberties and religious tolerance”.

Adelaide was also to become well known as “the city of churches”. South Australians, by the way, proudly boast that, unlike NSW and Victoria, their state was the first established as a “free settlement” rather than a “convict settlement”.

Anyway, it seems that the success of the 1880 Botanic Park meeting and subsequent public interest inspired Salvation Army founder and first general William Booth – back in London – to officially establish the Army in Australia. General Booth despatched Captain Thomas Sutherland and Mrs Adelaide (interesting!) Sutherland to Australia and The Salvation Army officially opened its work in Adelaide on 17 February 1881, when the Sutherlands arrived. Another Salvation Army “first” for Adelaide! The Salvation Army Australia Southern Territory website home page advises: “It is Adelaide that owns the right to claim the first official Salvation Army corps in Australia.” It goes on: “The new officers arrived wearing the first Salvation Army uniforms seen in Australia. Thomas wore a scarlet jacket [ex-British



Army), navy blue trousers and spike-topped white helmet. Adelaide [Sutherland] wore a princess robe-style dress with a small bonnet. They brought with them 12 uniforms and were met by 68 converts and Army followers.”

Within three years, according to the Southern Territory website, 32 officers were commissioned and 12 corps formed. The Salvation Army had also started in Sydney and Melbourne by then. But neither of the two more substantial metropolises can claim Salvation Army history like Adelaide. In 1880, Adelaide was pretty much a large country town. South Australia’s entire population was little more than 275,000. There was no electricity in the capital – but telephone communication was in its infancy.

Today, Adelaide is Australia’s fifth largest city in terms of population, with more than 1.3 million people. The *Lonely Planet* international tour guide describes Adelaide as: “... sophisticated, cultured and neat casual.” A *Sydney Morning Herald* travel writer a few years ago said of Adelaide: “... (it) really has managed to capture the cultural high ground.”

The Salvation Army, too, has modernised. Adelaide Congress Hall has recently been renamed City Salvos and hosted the installation of the first national Salvation Army leaders in Australia since the original Australasian (Australia-New Zealand) territories were split into the Australia Eastern and Southern territories in 1921. Another “first” for Adelaide! And, as in the days of Saunders and Gore, the homeless and hungry can still “come home for tea” at The Salvation Army in Adelaide. □



(From top) The new national leadership of The Salvation Army in Australia (from left) Colonels Julie and Mark Campbell, and Commissioners Floyd and Tracey Tidd, at the spot in Adelaide Botanic Park where Gore and Saunders preached (Photo: Jacob Dyer); Captain Thomas and Mrs Adelaide Sutherland, the first officers appointed by General William Booth to Australia.

Appointment changes.

The following appointments of Salvation Army officers are effective from 12 January 2017 (unless otherwise stated). Please pray for these officers and their families as they prepare to move and take up these new challenges, along with the corps and centres that will be receiving new officer personnel across NSW, Queensland and the ACT.

NATIONAL OFFICE*National Training Program*

Assistant to the National Training Principal, Major Terry Grey

OFFICE OF THE CHIEF SECRETARY*Office Of The Chief Secretary in-charge*

Territorial Governance Co-ordinator, Major Jeanette Stoltenberg

Secretary to the Executive Office (change of title), Envoy Joy Johns

Territorial Strategic Change Unit

Territorial Project Strategy Officer & Second In Charge (effective 4 October 2016), Captain Steven Smith

PERSONNEL ADMINISTRATION

Retired Officers Chaplains NSW/ACT, Majors Darrell & Joanne Slater

PROGRAM ADMINISTRATION

Assistant Secretary for Program - Corps/Social, Major Lyn Edge

Territorial Mission Support Team

Territorial Youth and Children's Ministry Secretary (additional appointment, effective 12 September 2016), Captain Narelle Unicomb

Writer (general resources) (effective 11 October 2016), Captain Joanne Smith

Red Shield Defence Services

Chief Commissioner, Red Shield Defence Services National Headquarters, Major Brett Gallagher
Officer in Charge & Senior Representative, RSDS Royal Military College, Captain Jon Belmonte
Representative, RSDS Royal Military College, Captain Leah Belmonte

Chaplaincy Services

Assistant Chaplain Princess Alexandra and Mater Hospitals (pro tem, effective 5 September 2016), Captain Sonia Whitehouse
Inner City Homelessness Services Sydney
Inner City Network Chaplains, Lieutenants Mark & Tamaryn Townsend

Inner City Network Chaplain, Major Kate Young

Brisbane Recovery Services Centre (Moonyah)

Managers, Brisbane Recovery Services Centre (Moonyah), Lieutenant Richard & Cadet Leanne Hardaker
Associate Managers, Brisbane Recovery Services Centre (Moonyah), Majors Christine & Graham Tamsett (entering retirement April 2017)

Dooralong Transformation Centre

Manager, Dooralong Transformation Centre, Major Gavin Watts

Gold Coast Recovery Services Centre (Fairhaven)

Assistant Managers, Gold Coast Recovery Services Centre (Fairhaven), Captains Clover & Lyndley Fabre

William Booth House Recovery Services Centre

Associate Manager, William Booth House Recovery Services Centre, Major Sherrie Nicol

Aged Care Plus

Director of Mission & Chaplain, Elizabeth Jenkins Place Aged Care Plus Centre, Major Edith Kardell
Chaplain in Training, Carpenter Court Aged Care Plus Centre (pro tem, effective 12 September 2016), Lieutenant Nicole Park
Director of Mission & Chaplain, Maybanke Aged Care Plus Centre, Lieutenant Nicole Park

BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION*Communications and Fundraising NSW/ACT Sydney Wide Regional Office*

Assistant Communications & Fundraising Director Sydney Wide, Major Colin Young

The Collaroy Centre

Mission Director, Captain Joanne Williams

● NSW/ACT DIVISION*Divisional Headquarters*

Second In Command (additional appointment), Major Shelley Soper
Divisional Secretary, Major Colin Maxwell
Divisional Personnel Secretary – Team Member, Major Wendy Watts
Multicultural Resourcers, Majors Bruce & Glenys Domrow

Divisional Personnel Secretary – Team Member,
Major Trevor Nicol
Communities of Hope Coordinator, Major Bryce Davies
New Expressions Coordinator, Major Alison Gallagher
New Expressions Coordinators – Central Coast,
Envoys Craig & Danni Stephens
Divisional Salvos Women Co-ordinator, Captain Carole Smith
Area Officers – Hunter & Central Coast, Captains Fran & Mark
Everitt
Area Officers – Sydney Wide, Majors Belinda & Lynden Spicer
Area Officers – ACT & NSW South Coast Area, To be
announced

NSW Northern Rivers Area

Corps Officer, Casino Corps, Cadet Natarsha Laundon
Corps Officers, Grafton Corps, Lieutenants Kylie &
Martin Herring
Corps Officers, Port Macquarie Corps, Majors Ed &
Yvonne Henderson

NSW North/North West Area

Corps Officer, Glen Innes Corps, Major Amanda Choy-Show

Hunter and Central Coast Area

Corps Officers, Gosford Corps, Captains Melanie-Anne &
Ross Holland

NSW Central West Area

Team Leaders, Orana Cluster (previously known as Dubbo
Corps & Wellington Corps), Lieutenants David & Lara Sutcliffe
Team Members, Orana Cluster (previously known as Dubbo
Corps & Wellington Corps), Cadets Katrina & Michael Hindle
Corps Officers, Upper Blue Mountains Corps, To be announced

Sydney Wide Area

Corps Officers, Campsie Corps, Majors David & Kim Hawke
Team Leaders, Greater Liverpool Corps (additional
appointment), Majors Belinda & Lynden Spicer
Team Members, Greater Liverpool Corps, Cadet Ayly Girling &
Captain Zane Haupt
Corps Officers, Hornsby Gateway Corps, Cadets Lloyd & Sally
Stanimirovic
Corps Officers, Southern Highlands Corps, Lieutenants Erin &

Jake Horton
Strategic Team Leader, Sydney City and Eastern Suburbs Hub
(additional appointment), Major Bruce Harmer
Corps Officers, Sydney Congress Hall & Managers William
Booth House, Majors Bruce & Carolyn Harmer
Associate Corps Officer, Sydney Congress Hall (change of title),
Lieutenant Carolyn O'Brien

ACT & NSW South Coast Area

Corps Officers, Batemans Bay Corps, To be announced
Corps Officers, Gungahlin Corps, Lieutenants Dominic &
Samantha Wallis
Strategic Team Leader, NSW South Coast Hub (additional
appointment), To be announced
Corps Officers, Tuggeranong Corps, Captain Andrew & Kirsty
Stringer (Transfer from AUS Territory)

NSW South West Area

Corps Officer, Griffith Corps, Major Lyn Cathcart

● QUEENSLAND DIVISION

Divisional Headquarters

Area Officer - Brisbane West (additional appointment), Major
Christine Ivers

Central Queensland Area

Team Leaders, Capricorn Region Corps, Captain Dale & Major
Roslyn Brooks
Team Members, Capricorn Region Corps, Cadets Ben & Rachel
Knight
Corps Officers, Central Highlands Corps, Cadet Anthony &
Lieutenant Vanessa Hunt
Strategic Team Leader, Central Queensland Hub (additional
appointment), Captain Dale Brooks
Corps Officers, Mackay Corps, Lieutenants Lydia & Steve
Spencer
Strategic Team Leader, Mackay Hub (additional appointment),
Lieutenant Steve Spencer

South West Queensland Area

Corps Officers, Ipswich Corps, To be announced
Corps Officers, Warwick Corps, Cadets Dee-Ann &

Zak Churchill

Brisbane Wide Area

Corps Officer, Beenleigh Corps, Major Heather McKeown
Associate Corps Officers, Gold Coast Temple Corps (additional appointment, pro tem, effective 1 October 2016), Majors Kevin & Valmae Holland (R)
Corps Officers, Noosa/Coolum Corps, Majors Denise & Warren Parkinson
Corps Officers, Redcliffe City Corps, Captain Greg & Major Lenore Pack

● OTHER TERRITORIES

Australia Southern Territory

Australia Southern Territorial Headquarters

Assistant Secretary for Personnel, Major Robyn Smartt

Catherine Booth College

Director of the School for Learning & Development & Coordinator – Planning and Administration, Major Howard Smartt
Assistant Training Principal – Administration, Captain Adam Couchman
Coordinator of Mission and Ministry Formation (additional appointment), Captain Adam Couchman
Coordinator of Mission and Ministry Formation, Captain Megan Couchman

On Leave of Absence: Captains David & Rachel Busst

Out of Appointment: Major Andrew McKeown

Imminent Retirements:

We would like to honour the following officers who will soon be retiring. We thank God for their faithful ministry.

Major Kay Nelson
Majors Christine & Graham Longbottom
Majors David & Meryl Cook
Captain Phillip Sharp
Major David Knight
Territorial Envoy Angela Czoban

A number of other appointments were announced a week prior to the previously mentioned changes. These include:

Lieut-Colonel Bruce Stevens, National Secretary for Communications (effective 1 November 2016)
The appointment of the National Secretary for Communications as part of the Australia One National Leadership Team will create a new Cabinet Secretary position for the National Headquarters providing oversight to the eventual merger of Public Relations, Communications & Fundraising, Editorial and IT.

Lieut-Colonel Debra Stevens, National Prayer Coordinator (effective 11 January 2017)
The appointment of the National Prayer Coordinator reflects the priority given to prayer as a foundation for Australia One.

Major Greg Morgan, National Training Principal
The appointment of the National Training Principal will provide oversight to the development of a united national training program for officer training.

Major Stuart Evans, National Secretary for Business Administration (with the rank of Lieut-Colonel) (effective 1 February 2017)
As a member of the Australia One Leadership Team, the National Secretary for Business Administration will provide oversight to the eventual merger of Business Departments and Services other than IT.

The above-named appointments will work together under the direction of the National Commander and in cooperation with the Chief Secretaries-in-Charge for each territory, as well as respective Cabinet Secretaries.

Major Donna Evans, Assistant Chief Secretary, Office of the Chief Secretary-in-charge (with the rank of Lieut-Colonel) (effective 1 February 2017)

Major Peter McGuigan, Communications & Public Relations Secretary, Sri Lanka Territory (effective 20 October 2016)

Captain Tara McGuigan, Youth & Candidates Secretary, Sri Lanka Territory (effective 20 October 2016)

Changing lives the heartbeat of Collaroy.

Mission comes first for Army's iconic centre

WORDS ESTHER PINN



It wasn't until Richard Javor accepted Jesus into his life that he began to see God's bigger picture for him as the manager of The Collaroy Centre. Richard's business objective was clear when he became manager – provide a high-quality accommodation and catering service for The Salvation Army, taking advantage of the spectacular views of Sydney's northern beaches.

While putting this objective into place, God gave Richard another view. "After talking to people and getting to understand what The Salvation Army was about, I realised what I'd been searching for my whole life was here, but I couldn't put my finger on it. Before I knew it, I found that my values and my beliefs lined up with Christianity," he says.

On becoming a Christian, Richard suddenly realised he could make his job a platform for reaching people for Jesus. "Over the first year-and-a-half I realised this was more than a job. This was about providing people with an experience, an exposure for people to see Christianity. Starting a relationship with Jesus is one of the most important things you will ever do with your life."

Developing missional opportunities was now a priority for Richard, and this is where the role of the centre's Mission Executive, Sherrie Cocking, is vital. Sherrie runs many of the centre's missional programs for people of all ages. One of these missional programs is the popular Single Mums Camp, where mothers of pre-school-aged children are invited to attend a five-day camp for free. A similar free camp for grandparents, who have custody of their grandchildren, is also held annually. This camp is designed to give these grandparents a break and gives up to 30 families a holiday.

The centre also sponsors a number of church camps for corps that aren't in a financial position to host their own retreat. Raymond



▶ Collaroy Centre manager Richard Javor with celebrity nutritionist Zoe Bingley-Pullin, a big supporter of The Salvation Army's work.

Terrace Corps leader Tracey Iles recently brought a group of 40 people to the centre for a weekend retreat.

"The Collaroy staff has a very big part in God's puzzle, changing people's lives," she says. "We had people saved that weekend. We had people searching now that weren't before. Without that opportunity they wouldn't be in that position right now. I just want to say a very big thank you to The Collaroy Centre."

The centre is also very involved in the local community. It hosts a free Christmas carols event, its staff collect for the Red Shield Appeal and the centre offers emergency accommodation during times of crisis, like when the damaging storms hit Sydney's northern beaches area in June.

"The centre is more than just a place of business," Richard says. "We're a business to support the greater Salvation Army. This isn't about us filling our bank account; it's about delivering the mission priorities of the greater territory."

Richard is not alone when it comes to finding hope through Jesus at The Collaroy Centre. There are countless stories of lives being impacted through the love of Christ. ▶

MUMS CAMP TURNED JOANNE'S NIGHT INTO DAY

Joanne Cockle says she was in a very dark place when she arrived at the Single Mums Camp at The Collaroy Centre 10 years ago. Recently separated from her partner, she and her two-year-old son had moved in with her father, but life was a struggle and she was depressed.

Needing welfare assistance, Joanne had gone to a Salvation Army centre. She remembered the time her family received help from the Army when she was a child. "When I was 11 and my parents were separated, The Salvation Army gave my mum some Christmas presents so that was why I knew to go to The Salvation Army for food when I was struggling," she says.

Someone at The Salvation Army recommended the Single Mums Camp to Joanne. Broken and hurting, Joanne decided she had nothing to lose, so decided to attend even though she didn't know what to expect. What she found was something she had never fully experienced. "Looking back, that was the first time I really felt loved," she says. "The women there, they really just loved on us. And we did learn a bit about God's love without realising it."

She also said it was a great opportunity for her to have a rest while her son was being looked after. "It was a beautiful location that I wouldn't have been able to afford on my own."

After the camp, life took a few more wrong turns, but Joanne knew a seed had been planted. She moved to the NSW Central Coast and was invited by a friend to attend Long Jetty Corps. "When I got there I felt like, 'Oh, I'm home'. I just felt like that was where I was meant to be," she says of that experience four years ago. Joanne says she began to experience God's deep love every day and her faith grew to a point where last year she was enrolled as a soldier.



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"I really do feel like God's led me to where I am today and part of that journey was definitely the Single Mums Camp"



Joanne and her two children – Ethan (13) and Grace (3) – are very involved at Long Jetty Corps, with Joanne running a discipleship course. She also recently finished her Diploma of Community Service and completed her work placement at The Salvation Army's Dooralong Transformation Centre. "I just want to pass on what I know about God to others. I hope they, too, can feel loved on like the way I was," she says.

Joanne says she owes her faith journey to the experiences she had at The Collaroy Centre. "The seeds that were planted at the camp were watered at Long Jetty. I really do feel like God's led me to where I am today and part of that journey was definitely the Single Mums Camp.

THE WEEK THAT CHANGED ALEASHA'S LIFE

When Aleasha Yaxley was invited to attend the Single Mums Camp at The Collaroy Centre, all she could think about was the free holiday on offer. Little did she know that it would be a week that would change her life.

Aleasha had come into contact with The Salvation Army at Tweed Heads. She was 24, addicted to the drug "ice" and her life was, in her own words, "dysfunctional". A series of unhealthy relationships, one of which resulted in her giving birth to a daughter, had led her down a dark path.

Aleasha was getting help from the kind people at Tweed Heads Salvation Army, but life was still a battle. "I was living in two worlds. That world of church and also in addiction," she recalls. It was during this time that Aleasha knew something needed to give, and so she jumped at the chance to attend the Single Mums Camp with her four-year-old daughter, Taleah. At Collaroy, she heard the gospel message and

gave her life to Christ. "I didn't intend to do any of that, I just wanted to go to camp. Get away. But now, years later, I realise that was the greatest thing I got from camp."

Aleasha went back to Tweed Heads a changed woman. She started attending a program called Celebrating Recovery at Tweed Heads Corps and slowly overcame her addiction. Clean now for over two years, Aleasha is giving back. In 2014, she began working for the Army's welfare assistance program, Doorways.

"Now that I'm in this job I see them, especially females, coming in here and they've got a lot going on and I just want them to know there's more for them in life," she says. "I want them to know God's helped me and that he can help them, too. So now my motivation is to connect with people and help them through their journeys. And to let them know they are loved. And to also tell them about God."

01. *Since attending the Single Mums Camp at Collaroy, Joanne Cockle and her two children have found a spiritual home at Long Jetty Corps.*
02. *Aleasha Yaxley gave her heart to Jesus at the Single Mums Camp, a week that she says changed her life.*

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The Collaroy Centre has between 110-160 staff, depending on the season, who are dedicated to the mission of The Salvation Army.

The centre can sleep 440 people on site at one time and has up to 20 activities on offer, including 3D cinema, laser tag, rock climbing, drop pole and much more.

For more information or to book a stay at The Collaroy Centre, go to collaroycentre.org.au or phone (02) 9982 9800.



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Taking it to the NextLEVEL

Building character, competency and confidence in leaders

Captain ANNE JEFFREY outlines a leadership program which has been successfully piloted in the Australia Southern Territory and is set to be introduced to the Eastern Territory and Papua New Guinea. Captain Jeffrey is the Territorial Coordinator/Lead Facilitator of this new program called NextLEVEL Leadership

One of the most difficult challenges faced by Salvation Army corps in Australia today is a lack of leadership personnel. In many instances it is not necessarily a lack of desire among people to serve, but rather a sense that the competencies required or their confidence to do so is limited.

In response to this dilemma, the Women's Ministries Department in The Salvation Army Australia Southern Territory stepped out in faith earlier this year and embarked on an innovative endeavour to bring a program called NextLEVEL Leadership from Canada to Australia and Papua New Guinea. Commissioner Tracey Tidd, having experienced the benefits of NextLEVEL Leadership among colleagues in Canada and the United States, initiated a pilot program to make this training available to develop lay leaders, staff and officers in the territory.

NextLEVEL Leadership is renowned for its focus on growing godly character, developing leadership competencies and inspiring Christian confidence. While the curriculum

was initially designed for women in cultures where leadership opportunities for women were limited, NextLEVEL Leadership Australia will be available to men and women – volunteers, lay leaders, staff and officers – when it is expanded into the Eastern Territory and PNG.

NextLEVEL Leadership Australia sits under the umbrella of the Australia Southern Territory and is licensed to reach into every state and territory of Australia and PNG. With the pilot program completed there is a commitment to make the training available to anyone in The Salvation Army from 2017.

The task of identifying delegates for the pilot program was an arduous one for the NextLEVEL Leadership team, as the budget allowed for just 20 delegates across Australia's two territories and PNG. With research revealing a gap in the leadership demographic at corps level in the under-45 age group, the team wanted to ensure that NextLEVEL Leadership would be relevant and beneficial for people within this demographic. The



NextLEVEL Leadership started in Canada in 2001 to help Christian women find their voice and transform the community around them.

Since then, the training program has expanded to include men and women in Germany, Ghana, Paraguay, the United States, Colombia and now Australia and Papua New Guinea.

The vision of NextLEVEL Leadership is to see Christian leaders equipped to find their voice and transform nations. The mission of NextLEVEL Leadership is building leadership confidence by integrating leadership development and Christ-centred spirituality.

program requires a two-year commitment from the participants, therefore it was determined that, for this reason, officers and employees would be invited based on their appointments, having the scope to accommodate this commitment.

Officers in their first five years of service were exempt due to their existing study responsibilities. It was also recognised that this would be a fantastic personal development opportunity for people of every age and that feedback from a broad spectrum would be beneficial to the pilot project, so the demographic was extended to achieve this. An endeavour such as this takes enormous investment and there was a need to ensure that the initiative would be sustainable, therefore it is viewed that potential facilitators will be recruited from the pilot group.

The recruitment opportunity gained strong interest and divisional leaders identified many more than the quota of 20 delegates. Recognising the benefit of such an opportunity, a further 15 women were invited as a result of divisional or corps financial support.

Delegates from all around Australia and PNG along with facilitators from Canada met at Geelong Conference Centre for one week in May to complete the four modules of Integrated Leadership. The group consisted of officers and employees engaged in a wide range of ministries, including corps leadership, chaplaincy, community programs, social programs as well as divisional and territorial

leadership. A depth of passion for ministry was evident and a desire to bring about change in order to "grow stronger teams for a stronger Army for greater impact". Each delegate went away equipped with valuable practical tools to increase their competencies in order to enlarge their leadership capacity and effectiveness. They were empowered to share their learnings with their families, colleagues and ministry teams.

The curriculum covers many facets of leadership from team building and communication skills to planning for change, growing in confidence and dealing productively with people of different personalities. The training and tools provide delegates with new skills, a better understanding of gifts, deepened faith and heightened passion to pursue calling or vocation. Each of the modules can be held in two days of intensive interactive learning in a small group setting or broken down into two- to three-hour workshops over a number of days/weeks.

Committed to integrating spiritual and leadership development principles, NextLEVEL Leadership uses relational learning, recognising that people often learn better from someone they know, trust and can relate to. It is interactive and incorporates a variety of teaching styles to connect with different personality types. NextLEVEL Leadership uses "strengths based" models of leadership development designed to build on existing skills and competencies and take them to the "next level". □



- GROWING GODLY CHARACTER
- DEVELOPING LEADERSHIP COMPETENCIES
- INSPIRING CHRISTIAN CONFIDENCE

01. (From left) Commissioner Tracey Tidd (National President of Women's Ministries), Colonel Karyn Rigley (Territorial Secretary for Women's Ministries and NextLEVEL Leadership Lead Facilitator), Ellen Duffield (Director of The Leadership Studio and NextLEVEL Leadership at Muskoka Woods, Canada), Captain Anne Jeffrey (Divisional Secretary for Women's Ministries CVD and NextLEVEL Leadership Lead Facilitator), Catherine MacKeil (Consultant for NextLEVEL Leadership, Canada).
02. The group of delegates who were invited to take part in the NextLEVEL Leadership pilot program in Australia.

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Aged Care Plus' walk for Freedom.

Annual fundraiser supports fight against slavery

WORDS SIMONE WORTHING PHOTOS CHRISTIAN BENCI

The young, not-so-young and every age in between recently joined hundreds of other walkers across the Australia Eastern Territory to raise money for the annual Salvation Army Aged Care Plus Walkathon. The main walk, from the Army's Territorial Headquarters in Redfern, Sydney, to Hyde Park and the ANZAC memorial, took place on 1 September. Aged Care Plus centres at Bass Hill and Dulwich Hill in Sydney, Canowindra in western NSW, and Brisbane, also hosted walks.

When *Pipeline* went to print, participants had raised more than \$70,000, with the total expected to rise through to the close of the appeal in mid-October. This year's walkathon beneficiary is The Freedom Partnership, The Salvation Army's national initiative to end modern-day slavery.

Aged Care Plus Chief Executive Officer, Sharon Callister, said the walkathon was a reflection of Aged Care Plus' unwavering commitment to serving suffering humanity. "We are extremely proud to once again partner with The Freedom Partnership this year to raise vital funds to support victims of modern-day slavery and ultimately bring this distressing reality to an end," she said. "The Salvation Army Aged Care Plus is committed to supporting the wider initiatives of The Salvation Army, of which The Freedom Partnership is one, and having a positive impact on the lives of those

who are suffering and overlooked in our communities."

The Freedom Partnership National Manager, Jenny Stanger, said the contribution from the walkathon enabled the Partnership to have a profound impact in the lives of Australian modern-day slavery victims. "The Freedom Partnership aims to mobilise community, business and government to realise their contributions to modern-day slavery and take action to eradicate it," she said. "The support we are able to offer victims of modern-day slavery is made possible through the walkathon, its participants and their generous donations."

For more information on the walkathon, go to agedcareplus.salvos.org.au/walkathon-2016. To donate to the walkathon online, go to salvos.org.au/walkathon2016

The Salvation Army Aged Care Plus has 16 residential aged care centres across NSW, the ACT and Queensland, seven centrally located retirement villages, one respite and day centre in the ACT and a range of Community Home Care and Support packages assisting older Australians in their homes. Go to agedcareplus.salvos.org.au for more information. □

To learn more about The Freedom Partnership, go to endslavery.salvos.org.au



Participating walkers in their bright red T-shirts attracted a lot of attention on the streets of inner Sydney on 1 September as they raised awareness for The Salvation Army's Freedom Partnership, collected donations and did their sponsors proud during the Aged Care Plus Walkathon. Photos: Christian Benci



THE ARMY ON THE BIG SCREEN

In the second of a two-part series, edited by LAUREN MARTIN, *Pipeline* publishes excerpts from *A history of The Salvation Army in secular movies and music* by Garth Hentzschel, President of the Brisbane Chapter of The Salvation Army Historical Society

Easily identifiable Salvation Army icons, such as the uniform and various objects and logos, are often used in secular movies and songs as a symbol of purity or of something deeper. Yet as any symbol, Army symbols are also easily defiled and ridiculed.

Although Australian films are not alone in defiling Salvationists and misrepresenting ideologies, it certainly is more prevalent. One Aussie film, about sexuality, *The Sum of Us* (1994) first introduces Gran and Auntie Mary in such terms: You see, real strict Salvation Army, Mary was. I mean, Gran, too, but just not as bad as Mary, you know [Laughs]. Later, the film infers that the bond between Gran and Auntie Mary, who is a Salvationist, is a lesbian relationship.

Bad Boy Bubby (1993), another Australian film which misrepresented ideologies, earns an R18+ rating. Bubby spent 35 years locked in one room and abused by his mother. She used a false understanding of the environment and Christianity to control him. Bubby only escapes by killing the cat, his mother and newly arrived father. When he escapes his abusive prison he meets many characters that aid or detract to his knowledge of love, God and humanity.

Two negative images in this film which connect to The Salvation Army are where Bubby is seduced by a Salvation Army girl and witnesses Salvationists steal from the collection tin to pay for pizza. Although the Salvationists in the film portray a bad image of Christianity, Bubby falls in love with a nurse called Angel, a believer, and a good advertisement for Christian kindness.

Lilian's Story (1996), too, is an Australian film about a woman born at the turn of the 20th century who begins her life in a respectable middle-class family, and ends it as an infamous eccentric on the streets of Sydney. It is very loosely based on a famous Sydney eccentric, Bea Miles. She had gone to one of Sydney's top schools, had briefly gone to university but dropped out, then

had been institutionalised as insane. In the film, Lilian's sexual abuse as a child was the reason for her mental health problems. Her brother becomes a Salvationist to escape the horrors he saw, and tries to set Lilian free.

A more positive and hopefully realistic understanding of The Salvation Army's love for God and humanity can be seen in Olivia Newton-John's song *Long Live Love* (1974), sang as England's entry into the 1974 Eurovision song contest and Cliff Richard's *Good on the Sally Army* (1978). Both songs are entirely about The Salvation Army and its ability to change lives for good and for God.

While the films discussed misrepresent the true heart of The Salvation Army, didn't William Booth preach that any publicity was good publicity?

✓ **DID YOU KNOW?** The Aussie song *Holy Joe The Salvo* (1975) by Johnny Ashcroft was written on an airline sick bag? The Hurstville Salvation Army corps band plays on the recording and it was used by The Salvation Army as its 1975 Red Shield Appeal Song. The song had such an effect that it caused the affectionate name for The Salvation Army in Australia to change from the "Sallies" to the "Salvos".



A LIFELONG LEGACY

Faith through love is worth passing on

WORDS MAJOR CHRISTINE IVERS

"That precious memory triggers another: your honest faith – and what a rich faith it is, handed down from your grandmother Lois to your mother Eunice, and now to you! And the special gift of ministry you received when I laid hands on you and prayed – keep that ablaze! God doesn't want us to be shy with his gifts, but bold and loving and sensible" 2 Timothy 1:5 (The Message).

As a nanna to five grandchildren, I am consciously aware of them watching everything I do, copying every word I say, wanting to cook like I do or be where I am. I love every minute I am with them! Spending time with my grandkids is an incredible opportunity and responsibility at the same time. An opportunity as I spend time with them, playing, encouraging, nurturing and speaking into their lives and loving them. A responsibility as I need to be aware that every move I make is being watched, and imitated, and every word heard is often repeated.

The Apostle Paul seemed to have some insight into this kind of human behaviour when he wrote to the Ephesians, "Watch what God does, and then you do it, like children who learn proper behaviour from their parents. Mostly what God does is love you. Keep company with

him and learn a life of love. Observe how Christ loved us. His love was not cautious but extravagant. He didn't love in order to get something from us but to give everything of himself to us. Love like that" Ephesians 5:1-2 (The Message).

Here Paul was teaching some very important Christian values:

- Watch what God does – be imitators, be observers.
- Act how God acts.
- Love unconditionally and make it a lifestyle.
- Be extravagant with the love God has given us.

You see, Paul understood love to be the ultimate evidence of the believer's connectedness to God. Both the apostle and John Wesley saw love as the characteristic of God's holy people. Wesley's view was also that, by having the grace of God infused into the soul through the Holy Spirit, one's love for God and others is made pure and complete; their lifestyle cannot help but increase in virtue, finding expression in loving and selfless actions.

It is no wonder, then, that faith working outwardly through love was one of Wesley's favourite biblical themes as expressed when Paul speaks to the

Galatians: "I suspect you would never intend this, but this is what happens. When you attempt to live by your own religious plans and projects, you are cut off from Christ, you fall out of grace. Meanwhile, we expectantly wait for a satisfying relationship with the Spirit. For in Christ, neither our most conscientious religion nor disregard of religion amounts to anything. What matters is something far more interior: faith expressed in love" Galatians 5:6 (The Message).

Wesley, apparently, understood this when he said, "I learned more about Christianity from my mother than from all the theologians in England." The Apostle Paul also knew the value of this, of a legacy being passed on, when he mentioned that Timothy's honest, rich faith had been handed down from his grandmother Lois to his mother Eunice. What a rich and giving heritage – what a long-lasting legacy!

At the end of the day, I wonder what you want people to remember about you. May their memories come as a result of a lifelong legacy. ¶

** Major Christine Ivers is Queensland Divisional Personnel Secretary*



Commissioning & Celebration

Sunday 4 December 2016

10am - Ordination & Commissioning

2.30pm - Sending out

**Edmund Rice Performing Arts Centre
82 Stephens Road, South Brisbane**

Leaders: Commissioners Floyd & Tracey Tidd,
Colonels Mark and Julie Campbell

ADDITIONAL EVENTS:

Graduation Ceremony

Thursday 24 November 2016, 7pm
Earlwood Corps - 58 Earlwood Avenue, Earlwood

Covenant Day*

Wednesday 30 November 2016

Principal's Reception and Silver Star Lunch*

Saturday 3 December 2016, 1.30pm

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SOMETHING OF VALUE ... IN THE HAND

Writing that reflects who we are



WORDS PETER MCGUIGAN

When I was 32, out of the blue I received a letter from The Salvation Army headquarters appointing me to assist in the production of Salvation Army publications in Melbourne. I was absolutely flying in my second appointment as a Salvation Army officer, serving as corps officer at Centenary Corps in Brisbane's western suburbs.

I actually liked the idea, mostly because I enjoyed writing and saw it as an opportunity to write more. I saw writing as important to God. It was the Holy Spirit who told the author of Revelation: "Write, therefore, what you have seen, what is now, and what will take place later" (Revelation 1:19). Perhaps even more profound was the instruction to Habakkuk: "Write down the revelation and make it plain" (Habakkuk 2:2). Nevertheless, there were mixed feelings about going to Melbourne.

Upon arrival, I realised there was a lot to learn and knuckled down to mastering the art of journalism, copy editing and proofreading, albeit within this small but very professional Christian publishing house. Those who have worked in newspaper production will agree that editorial work is a world of its own, including its own language. There were ems and ens, fonts and kerning, widows and orphans, paste-up grids, proofreading symbols, and "rules of writing" that I never knew existed. I was given Strunk and White's *The Elements of Style* to read in my spare time, and even an editorial "bible" to always keep within arm's reach – the style manual. These were pre-desktop publishing days, although the editorial department had just purchased Pagemaker and within three years manual preparation of pages would be a thing of the past.

As I learnt the ropes, there was something of far more importance than the technical side of editing that began to stand out for me. It was that people take seriously what they read in print. The Salvation Army's publications reflect, like a mirror, the organisation to itself. This includes telling the story of Salvation Army mission, nurturing the spiritual life of readers, challenging their perspective on issues of justice and ethics, lifting morale, inspiring vision and confronting challenges to both the Army and the wider church.

Our publications and their editors and staff, in other words, give us something in the hand or online that we can hold up or point to and say: "This is us." In Christ, we ARE transforming

people's lives and circumstances. With God's help, we ARE addressing past failings, we ARE going into dark places, we ARE being "the light of the world" and the "salt of the earth", and in today's context, we ARE facing the complexity of being a 21st-century Salvation Army. It's all in here; read all about it!

In the past decade, The Salvation Army's *Pipeline* magazine has won the Best Feature award three times at the annual Australasian Religious Press Association awards dinner, including the 2016 awards dinner held in Sydney last month. This is not something to be taken lightly. The standard of religious journalism in Australia has been very high for many years. The judges of the awards are among the best editors and writers in the country.

This year, there were more than 40 entries in the Best Feature (Multiple Authors) award category. The winning feature (Gold Award) was headlined "Half a century of hope". Here is what the judge had to say about this piece of Salvation Army journalism: "Five articles by four writers constitute this feature about the 50th anniversary of the Red Shield Appeal. They are well-written, factual, contain human interest, and have been skilfully edited to complement each other and create a cohesive whole. It is solid work."

This year, *Pipeline* also won a Bronze Award for Best Opinion article. This was for "Erring on the side of compassion: Same-sex marriage debate demands grace" by Major Grant Sandercock-Brown. The editorial team also won the Best Magazine Design category. The Australia Southern Territory's *On Fire* magazine and both the Australian *WarCry* and the New Zealand *WarCry* also picked up awards.

Salvationists should be proud of their publications and committed to reading them, not only because of this award-winning standard of journalism, editing and design, but because they reflect who we are as a movement, what we stand for, and how God seeks our partnership in transforming humankind and renewing the whole of creation.

* Major Peter McGuigan is chairman of the Territorial Moral and Social Issues Council



Snowden

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RELEASE DATE
 22 September



◀ (Top) Joseph Gordon-Levitt stars as Edward Snowden in Oliver Stone's new film, *Snowden*.

When former CIA employee and government agency contractor Edward Snowden put tens of thousands of top-secret documents into the hands of the world's media, he had this to say about his motives: "I didn't want to change society. I wanted to give society a chance to determine if it should change itself. All I wanted was for the public to be able to have a say in how they are governed."

The new Oliver Stone film *Snowden*, that chronicles the events that led up to his decision, will come as a revelation to many. The production not only conveys the shocking ways in which governments invade their citizens' privacy, it also highlights our own complacency in standing up for the things we believe in.

Snowden introduces us to a young "Ed" who has been recruited by the CIA and is studying at the agency's secret school for technology specialists. During that time, he meets his girlfriend, Lindsay Mills, who acts as the film's human foil to his computational character. Snowden's career in electronic intelligence is blossoming. He works for a slew of government services who shuffle him around the globe, allowing him to observe first-hand the increasing ability surveillance teams have to pry into personal lives. But it's not until he is employed by the United States' National Security Agency that his disquiet begins to grow.

Stone shows us a man cracking under the weight of growing convictions. We watch as Snowden the patriot witnesses billions of

private telephone records, texts and emails harvested and analysed, with only the slightest hint of judicial oversight. Webcams are turned on by remote to spy on unwitting allies; American "persons of interest" are routinely tracked by their mobile phones. Ed realises these actions are violating the very freedom they're supposed to preserve. Yet he struggles to act on his conviction because it would mean losing his happiness with Lindsay.

Snowden's eventual leaks of top-secret documents have been considered the act of a patriot by some, and a traitor by others. What interests me as a Christian, though, is the firm connection he establishes between his public and private lives. Eventually, Snowden realised that he couldn't hold to the tenets of freedom in his heart and not allow it to effect his actions. Similarly, we all need to realise that the public-private distinction is a convenient myth. We are who our words and actions reveal us to be. Or, as Jesus puts it, "A good man brings good things out of the good stored up in his heart, and an evil man brings evil things out of the evil stored up in his heart. For the mouth speaks what the heart is full of" (Luke 6:45).

In *Snowden*, the hero realises that happiness can exist separate of our circumstances. Ed finds contentment even though the might of the US Government is turned against him and he may never see the shores of his homeland again. The key was unifying his heart with his hands: "As of today I am happy because I am no longer worried about tomorrow – because I am satisfied with what I did today."

The real Snowden doesn't consider himself a believer; at different times he's claimed to be both Buddhist and Agnostic. Paradoxically, though, his approach to living a faithful life is one that a Christian can well adopt. Any faith we hold in Christ that does not travel as far as our words and actions because of the risks involved, is no faith at all. - **Mark Hadley**





Miss Peregrine's Home For Peculiar Children

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Another best-selling children's book has been mined for the movie screen, and parents might be thinking this has become an occurrence as regular as springtime. But the arrival of *Miss Peregrine's Home For Peculiar Children* holds the key to a spiritual lesson that's well worth regular consideration.

Miss Peregrine's Home For Peculiar Children is based on a *New York Times* bestseller by author Ransom Riggs. It introduces us to Jacob Portman, a 16-year-old boy who is the special favourite of his grandfather, Abe. The old man tells his grandson he grew up in a special orphanage filled with strangely gifted children who live under the protection of "an old bird". When Abe dies in mysterious circumstances, Jake goes looking for the orphanage and discovers a sanctuary locked in 1940s Britain where the marvellous Miss Peregrine keeps her charges safe from dark creatures.

Among the occupants Jake meets is a girl who is lighter than air, a boy who stores bees inside himself and, most importantly, a young woman who has the power to control air. Emma has actually been living in the orphanage's time bubble for close to a century. Together they explore Jake's own power to see Hollowgasts – the gruesome creatures that hunger for the powers he and other "Peculiar" possess. Soon his ability to see the unseeable will become crucial for their survival as voracious creatures of the night gather to destroy Miss Peregrine's refuge.

Not surprisingly, the film's producers have



Miss Peregrine's Home For Peculiar Children tells the story of a special orphanage for strangely gifted children.

turned to Tim Burton to bring Riggs' world to life. Burton is a master of the macabre, and in particular the unexpected wonder and unsettling fears that comprise many of our childhood memories. However, the uneasiness that emerges from *Miss Peregrine's Home For Peculiar Children* comes ready-imported from the original book.

Ransom Riggs is a connoisseur of forgotten worlds. His hobby is collecting "found photos" – old and orphaned pictures that have found their way into flea markets and swap meets. These black-and-white visions of bygone eras were the inspiration for his novel, and often capture unusual moments and expressions in the midst of everyday life. Through them we glimpse intensely personal stories that are simultaneously strange and familiar. It's this foot-in-two-worlds feeling found both in the film and the book that contains the greatest benefit for the Christian.

Miss Peregrine's Home For Peculiar Children uncovers a significant plane of existence that exists alongside, underneath and behind our own. Those who follow Jesus aim to encourage their children to hold the same perspective. The Australia in which they live is just that part of reality that protrudes into the visible and tangible. Behind it is a spiritual world in which our everyday words and actions take on dramatic significance. That's because, the apostle Paul writes, "...our struggle is not against flesh and blood, but against the rulers, against the authorities, against the powers of this dark world and against the spiritual forces of evil in the heavenly realms" (Ephesians 6:12).

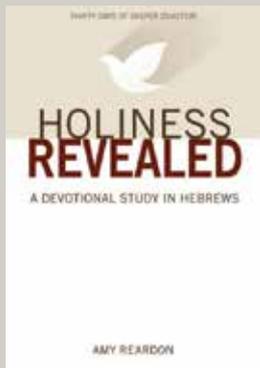
Films like this one can help us in some ways to open our children's eyes to the truth that they are involved in a much more significant drama. But, unlike the inhabitants of *Miss Peregrine's Home For Peculiar Children*, this is not a story where they have to fear the ending. They have entered the fray at a point in history where the battle is already won. Thanks to Jesus' triumph, it is the enemy who is on the back foot. The only real danger for little minds is succumbing to a distinctly 21st century error: This is all there is. - **Mark Hadley**

01

Read

Holiness Revealed

– Major Amy Reardon



Seattle Temple Corps Officer for the Western USA Division, Major Amy Reardon, thoughtfully guides readers through 31 days of in-depth devotions, unpacking and discovering the heart of the epistle Hebrews. *Holiness Revealed* is also designed as an excellent resource for personal or group Bible study, providing engaging prose for daily soul care rather than merely busy-work Bible assignments. The biblically relevant devotional helps Scriptures transform contemporary disciples' minds and hearts by revealing the power of the new covenant and its guarantor, the perfect priest Jesus Christ.

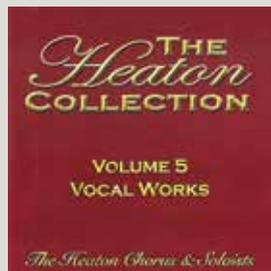
A paperback copy can be purchased for \$11.99 and an e-book version for \$9.99 from Wesleyan.org

02

Listen

The Heaton Collection: Volume 5

– The Heaton Chorus & Soloists



Retired Bandmaster Kenneth Downie (Exeter Temple, United Kingdom) reviews *The Heaton Collection: Volume 5 – Vocal Works* by the Heaton Chorus and Soloists

If, like me, you are fascinated by the music of Wilfred Heaton (1918-2000), you now have the opportunity to hear some "new" music of his, even though he died 16 years ago. A chamber choir, formed to perform this music, consists of songsters from various corps in the United Kingdom, directed by Songster Leader Martin Bennett of Nottingham William Booth Memorial Halls, whose great aunt (the excellent sleeve notes by Paul Hindmarsh tell us) was Heaton's first piano teacher, in Sheffield. Two fine soloists, Hazel Launn (soprano) and Bobby Irvine (tenor), are featured, as well as piano accompanist Elliot Launn and a 10-piece brass ensemble.

You can now hear how Heaton's compositional mind was working at the age of 12. The song entitled *The Army's Marching Song*, with words by May

Bennett, is no doubt influenced by the kind of band marches Heaton would have heard as a child. It was published in 1933. Published in 1938 was the song *Our Glorious King*, with words by Walter Windybank. It is performed here with a brass accompaniment created by Richard Holz. In a very different vein is *Intercede, O Lord*, written in the 1950s, one of three lyrics by Kenneth Tout which Heaton set to music. It is a marvellous marriage of words and music, full of tension, full of pleading, which is only resolved in the final bars, as the music resolves from the stark minor key to its relative major. This song is a highlight for me. The other Tout songs are *A City Prayer* and *Eternal Decision*. There is one last contribution from Kenneth Tout, made at the request of Paul Hindmarsh in recent days. Paul's sleeve note explains that the music *For Babe Born This Day* was originally written by Heaton for clarinet, for his granddaughter Emma, in the 1990s. Its inclusion on this recording, in a new guise, is very fitting.

Albert Mingay was another with whom Heaton collaborated. This came about because Mingay was Heaton's corps officer at Sheffield Park in the 1930s. I am privileged to have the original manuscript of *With Empty Hands*, given to me by Heaton, including the handwritten original copy of the words by Adjutant Mingay. It was one of a number that he gave me that he had never heard, so that my wife Patricia could record it for him. It has a lush, romantic quality, which will probably come as a shock to those acquainted only with Heaton's band music. In a letter to me dated 11 March 1993, he says of it: "I seem to have been suffering from an acute bout of Debussyitis at the time." It is beautifully performed here by Hazel, and the challenging accompaniment,

Win

Simply email your name and address to eastern.editorial@ae.salvationarmy.org, with the words "Pipeline giveaway" in the subject line for your chance to win our giveaway copy of *The Heaton Collection: Volume 5 – Vocal Works* by the Heaton Chorus and Soloists.



Congratulations

The winner of our giveaway copies of Lieut-Colonel Lucille L. Tufrey's book *Viewpoints: Nature's Parables on the Biblical Perspective*. and Stephen Poxon's edited devotional *Through the Year with William Booth* is Keith Mackie.

including the Debussy moments, are effortlessly handled by Elliot Launn. Mingay also provided *Marred For Me*, a song for male voices, on a subject that you might think rather sombre for such a young composer – but this was no ordinary young composer!

In sharp contrast, *Safe In The Promised Land* features the male voices in dialogue with soloists Bobby Irvine and Richard McIntosh. It is a high-spirited romp through a song (anon) from an early Salvation Army songbook, with a colourful brass accompaniment reminiscent in places of his famous brass work *Toccata*. The solo *Welcome For Me!*, published in 1970, is given a warm and lyrical performance by Irvine; the charming words by Fanny Crosby elicit some beautifully tender lines from the composer.

Irvine's other contribution is the much-loved *On The Road*, another Mingay collaboration from the 1930s, while Hazel Launn features again in a setting of Ralph Featherstone's words, *My Jesus I Love Thee*. She handles its high register with ease. Elisha Hoffman's *Glory To His Name!* is given a more thoughtful setting than has often been provided by others in the past.

Also newly included in this recording and given a first recording are *Three Hymns*. The first two are settings of words by John Bunyan, and the latter by Henry Longfellow. Hindmarsh has adapted these from Heaton's manuscript, producing straightforward, a cappella chorales that can be sung and enjoyed by groups of all standards.

The hymn-tune arrangement, *Martyn*, forms the finale to this recording, in a specially created version for choir and band, to George Robinson's words

Loved With Everlasting Love. Heaton was a shy, private man, with enormous gifts as a composer. For a variety of reasons – including the particular nature of his own spiritual journey, feelings of rejection by the musical establishment, both inside and outside The Salvation Army, and his own sense of perfectionism – his compositional output is not as large as it might have been. This recording offers us a unique opportunity to hear just a little bit more of his work, and I am grateful to his son-in-law Bryan Stobart, the Heaton Trust, Martin Bennett and all the dedicated musicians involved in this project for making that possible.

The Heaton Collection: Volume 5 – Vocal Works is available from Salvationist Supplies for \$28.50. Go to thetrade.salvos.org.au or phone (02) 9466 3257.

03

Read

Catherine Booth: Laying The Theological Foundations of a Radical Movement

– Major John Read



Major John Read, The Salvation Army's Ecumenical Officer for the United Kingdom and Republic of Ireland Territory, recently visited the Australia Eastern Territory to share the importance of Catherine Booth's ministry for a contemporary Salvation Army. Much of what he spoke about fills the pages of his newly released book, *Catherine Booth: Laying The Theological Foundations of a Radical Movement*.

Catherine Booth's achievements as a revivalist, social reformer, champion of women's rights, and, with her husband William Booth, co-founder of The Salvation Army, were widely recognised in her lifetime. However, Catherine Booth's life and work has since been largely neglected. This neglect has extended to her theological ideas, even though they were critical to the formation of Salvationism, the spirituality of the movement she co-founded.

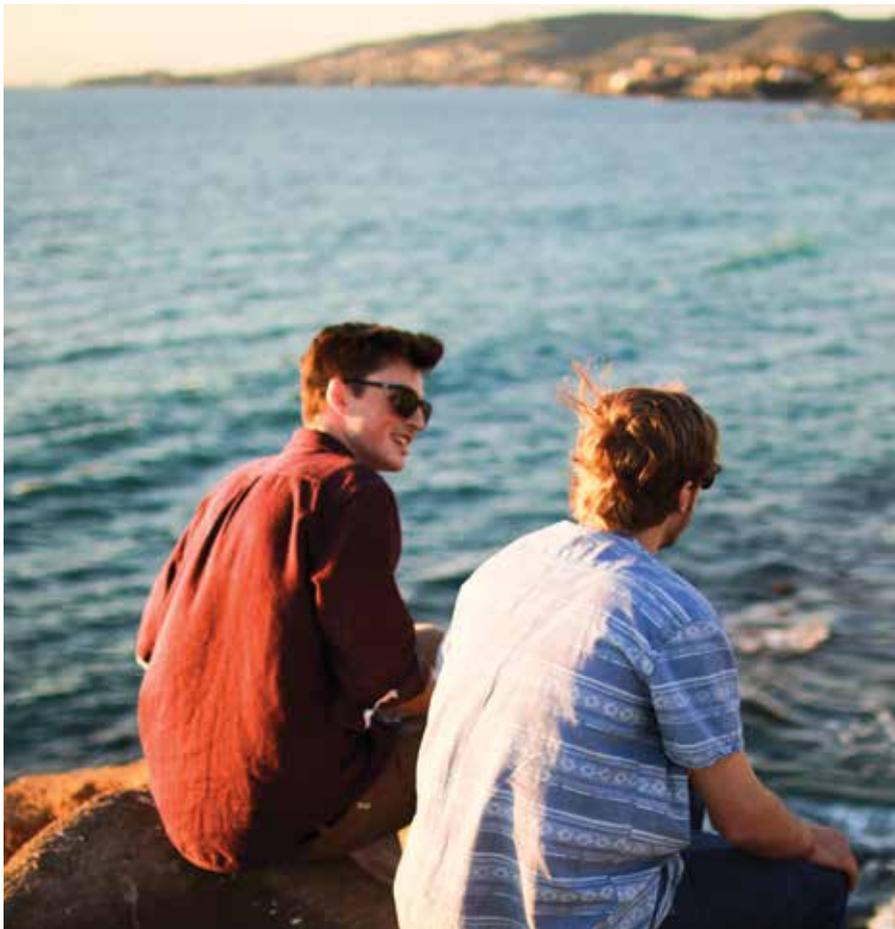
This book examines the implicit theology that undergirds Catherine Booth's Salvationist spirituality and reveals the ethical concerns at the heart of her soteriology and the integral relationship between the social and evangelical aspects of Christian mission in her thought. Catherine Booth emerges as a significant figure from the Victorian era, a British theologian and church leader with a rare if not unique intellectual and theological perspective: that of a woman.

A paperback version can be purchased for \$22.60 or a kindle version for \$8.60 from amazon.com

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Territory launches School of Evangelism.



Effective ways of sharing the Gospel has been the focus of a four-week Spring School of Mission and Evangelism held at Rockdale Corps in Sydney. Photo: Cole Hutson

Most of us have experienced that moment with a friend, when the subject of Jesus comes up and we're not always quite sure how best, and most naturally, to share the good news of salvation.

Effectively sharing our faith is an essential part of the Christian walk, but it's not something that comes easily to everyone. To equip people to be more able to share their faith more effectively, Rockdale Corps hosted The Salvation Army's Spring School of Mission and Evangelism last month.

Captain Darren Kingston, South Sydney Hub Leader and Territorial Just Men Coordinator, has been engaged to promote evangelism throughout the Australia Eastern Territory, and is overseeing the school.

Last month's spring school featured four free sessions held on Thursday evenings. Speakers included Daniel Korrel (using drama to communicate the Gospel), Reverend Dr Michael Frost (internationally recognised Australian evangelist and missiologist), Territorial Envoy

Craig Stephens (Manager, Dooralong Transformation Centre) and Captain Kingston.

"The sessions with these experienced evangelists were lecture style, with some interaction and opportunities for small group discussion and personal stories," Captain Kingston said.

"The purpose of this school is to train up people in evangelism – to equip the body of Christ in how to share the Gospel in different ways and work through what that might look like.

"We will look at different approaches to evangelism, discuss practical ideas in sharing faith, equip people with real tools to evangelise in their own settings and equip the body to evangelise as a whole.

"This is a growth opportunity for our territory to learn how to evangelise well. Through the filming of these presentations, we also hope to take them to country towns throughout rural NSW and Queensland."

To find out more, contact Captain Kingston at darren.kingston@ae.salvationarmy.org

Myer partnership helps rebuild lives.

Women and children trying to find freedom from family violence are benefitting from a new partnership between The Salvation Army and Myer. Since 1 August, every customer making a purchase at Myer stores across Australia has been offered the opportunity to buy goods or make a donation to help The Salvation Army provide assistance to families in need.

The two-year "Myer Give Registry" program also includes Myer's pledge to "gift match" any goods purchased by their customers. So, if a customer purchases a blanket or some homewares to donate, Myer will match this and donate the same item to an additional family in need. This "matching" offer only applies to those who purchase goods to donate via the Myer Give Registry and does not apply to financial donations.

Donated goods will be delivered directly to The Salvation Army Families Supported Accommodation Network in Brisbane North, Caboolture, and the Sunshine Coast in Queensland; Samaritan House in Sydney, NSW; and the Braddon SalvosConnect site in the ACT.

Condoms conduct Brengle fellowship in Eastern Europe.

Retired Commissioners James and Jan Condon, former leaders of the Australia Eastern Territory, last month travelled to Moldova, in The Salvation Army's Eastern Europe Territory (EET), to conduct two Brengle fellowships – one for officers and one for soldiers.

Colonels Rodney and Wendy Walters, officers of the Australian Eastern Territory and EET Territorial Leaders, hosted the events.

Delegates from Romania, Georgia and Ukraine, also part of the EET; the Netherlands, Czech Republic and Slovakia Territory; and Finland and Estonia Territory, also attended the fellowships. "It was truly an international holiness seminar and an amazing experience," Commissioner Jan Condon said.

"Despite the challenge of being interpreted, the Spirit's presence was very evident. Our translator, Yuri Gulanytsky, is a godly man who made it easy for us to teach on the Holy Spirit, holiness and prayer. The delegates were very open to the Spirit and the prayer times were special."

The Condoms also shared in worship at Bucharest Corps in Romania.

SAGALA groups brave cold for inaugural divisional camp.



The SAGALA group of campers and leaders display their old divisional pennants in a symbolic "bringing together" ceremony.

History was made as 92 campers and leaders came together at Crosslands Youth and Convention Centre in the beautiful Berowra Valley, north of Sydney, for the first NSW and ACT Divisional SAGALA Camp on 1-3 July.

The nights were cold to be camping in tents but this didn't dampen the spirits of the enthusiastic Guards, Rangers, Sunbeams and Adventurers. Each morning during Flag Parade, the sun rose over the mountains right

on cue as the flag was raised and the national anthem was sung.

In a special ceremony, representatives of each of the former five divisions in NSW and the ACT presented a pennant boasting their old divisional badge. These were strung together with a new pennant featuring the new Divisional SAGALA badge, to symbolise the bringing together of five divisions into one. Campers experienced a mix of fun activities like glow-in-the-dark games and a campfire, times with God through devotions and at the Bush Chapel, as well as badge work.

SAGALA groups travelled from Dubbo, Forster/Tuncurry, Maitland City, Penrith, Southern Highlands, Springwood, St Marys and Tuggeranong. Between them, the campers completed 153 proficiency badges, learning skills in areas such as camping, hiking, compass reading, sports and news. A number of Star Awards were also achieved and some campers completed the tasks needed for the Southern Cross Award and General's Guard Award. A highlight for many was the feeling of accomplishment after the challenging Saturday afternoon hikes.

– Captain Sandra MacDonald

Celebration of The Song Book of The Salvation Army.



Brenda Inglis Powell gave a presentation on her book, *Soldiers in Different Armies*, at a recent Salvation Army Historical Society meeting. Photo: Lauren Martin

For 150 years The Salvation Army has sung its way around the world with its own distinctive songs and music. Beginning in 1875 using *The Revival Hymn Book*, the Army has continued to grow its repertoire of unique Salvation Army music through the regular publication of Salvation Army song books.

To celebrate the history of The Salvation Army song book, the Sydney Branch of The Salvation Army Historical Society will be holding a special public celebration on Sunday 13 November, from 2.30pm, at Hurstville Salvation Army.

Participating will be Hurstville Salvation Army's band and songsters, vocal guests Warwick Kingston and Mandy Williams and accompanist Margaret Ross. All are welcome to attend. Further enquiries can be made to the President of the Society, Major David Woodbury (david.woodbury@ae.salvationarmy.org)

Meantime, what started out as a quest to un-

derstand herself and her family, blossomed into the stirring memoir which Brenda Inglis Powell presented to the August meeting of The Salvation Army Historical Society Sydney Chapter.

Brenda presented a delightful presentation on her father, William "Jock" Inglis, who was Salvation Army Welfare Officer, Albert Moore's "Batman" during the Second World War in the Middle East and on the Kokoda Track.

Brenda explained that it was common practice during the war for commanding officers to appoint "Red Shield Corporals" from the ranks to "assistant" or Batman duties. Albert Moore's appointment of Brenda's father Jock Inglis was the start of a strong and lasting friendship between the pair.

Crossing between tales of war involving her father and home soil where she recounted her mother's upbringing and the pair's burgeoning love story, Brenda wove her story of *Soldiers in Different Armies*. Her book is on sale at amazon.com

Auburn Corps hosts empowering ANYA day.



The ANYA women's day held at Auburn Corps attracted an encouraging number of younger delegates. Photo: Claire Hill

Kym Briggs, the NSW and ACT Divisional Salvos Women Coordinator (Sydney Wide), was the guest speaker at Auburn Corps' 12th annual ANYA women's day on Saturday 20 August. More than 120 women attended from corps in the Sydney inner-west area.

The day included presentations, testimonies and workshops which all connected to the theme, "Be Brave".

Kym spoke on the theme from Philippians 4:6, discussing what it is that gets in the way of people being brave in their everyday lives. "Sometime we don't think we are a courageous person, but maybe we just need to know how to access the courage that God has planted inside each of us," she said.

Lieutenant-Colonel Miriam Gluyas, NSW

and ACT Divisional Commander, led a workshop "Be Brave – Step Out" on doing whatever it is God has asked you to do. In her workshop, Fay Foster, Territorial Salvos Women Coordinator, spoke about knowing who you are, and making the right choices for you. "Be Brave – Dance", led by one of Auburn's African church members, and "Be Brave – Craft Workshops" were also offered.

A market on the day raised \$700 for Salvation Army women in Papua New Guinea, who now host their own ANYA days each year. A further \$500 was raised that will go to a school in Kenya.

ANYA is a Russian derivative from the Hebrew "Hannah" and means favoured or treasured by God.



Guest speaker Kim Briggs shares her thoughts during the ANYA women's day at Auburn.

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Larssons take Queensland on creative ministry journey.



Kevin Larsson takes an open rehearsal during a band workshop at Redcliffe City Corps.

Band and songster members in south-east Queensland benefited from the training and experience of two international guests and accomplished musicians – Salvationists Kevin and Jacqui Larsson – in August. Kevin, who serves as The Salvation Army’s Divisional Music Director in Southern California, and Jacqui, Assistant Divisional Program Secretary, spent two days in the Brisbane region conducting workshops and rehearsals with local bands and songster groups.

Kevin is a writer, arranger and composer, recognised throughout the Army world for his musical theatre-style brass band arrangements, including *They Shall Come from The East* and *Temple 125*. Kevin, and his Salvationist brother, Karl Larsson, also wrote and directed two musicals – *Spirit II* and *Covenant*. *Covenant* was performed at Boundless, the 150th anniversary celebration of The Salvation Army in London last year. Jacqui was the producer of *Covenant* and is known for her successful development of youth choruses and singing companies in Southern California.

“We were delighted to have international guests of such calibre – people who have taken risks, gone on the creative ministries journey

and have much to teach us,” said Chris Brindley, Mission Support Team – WorshipArts. “We had positive discussions on how they are promoting a brass ministry that is both spiritual and active, developing their vocal ministries, engaging with children, and establishing a discipleship approach for children and youth who come to these ministries with their Salvationist friends. These two days were the Army’s version of professional and ministry development.”

A Just Brass group rehearsal at Redcliffe City Corps, north of Brisbane, was the Larssons’ first engagement. In the evening band workshop at Redcliffe, Kevin led an open rehearsal and then had an open question time.

The following day, Brisbane City Temple (BCT) songsters hosted an open rehearsal at the corps with Kevin and Jacqui, followed by a workshop with the BCT band.

Prior to the Brisbane rehearsals, Kevin conducted a workshop with the Sydney Salvation Brass band at Campsie Corps.

The Larssons, who were in Australia by invitation of the Melbourne Staff Songsters and Melbourne Staff Band, also spent time in the Southern Territory for the “Sing it Up” event on 20-21 August. – **Simone Worthing**

Australia One leadership team taking shape.



The Salvation Army’s International Headquarters has announced several new appointments to the Australia One National Leadership Team, to be based in the national office in Canberra.

“The leadership team being assembled at the national level will work closely with their counterparts in the [Australia Eastern and Southern] territories to build structures that will support the functions of a new national administrative model for The Salvation Army in Australia,” said Commissioner Floyd Tidd, National Commander.

Lieutenant-Colonel Bruce Stevens has been appointed National Secretary for Communications, effective from 1 November. The appointment will create a new Cabinet Secretary position for National Headquarters, providing oversight to the eventual merger of Public Relations, Communications and Fundraising, Editorial and Information Technology.

Lieut-Colonel Debra Stevens has been appointed National Prayer Coordinator, and will take up the role from 11 January 2017. The appointment reflects the priority given to prayer as a foundation for Australia One.

Major Greg Morgan has been appointed National Training Principal, taking up the role from 11 January 2017. The appointment will provide oversight of the development of a united national training program for officer training.

Majors Stuart and Donna Evans, officers of the Australia Eastern Territory currently serving in the Netherlands, Czech Republic and Slovakia Territory, will be returning to Australia to take up new appointments from 1 February 2017.

Major Donna Evans has been appointed as Assistant Chief Secretary, Office of the Chief Secretary-in-charge.

Major Stuart Evans has been appointed as the National Secretary for Business Administration and will provide oversight to the eventual merger of business departments and services other than IT.

They will take up their new appointments with promotion to the rank of lieutenant-colonel. – **Simone Worthing**

Women's camp opens doors to wholeness.



Major Sharon Clanfield was the guest speaker at the Queensland Divisional Women's Camp. Photo: Carmen Seaman

Women from corps and Salvation Army expressions around the Queensland's south-east corner gathered on 29 August-1 September for the Queensland Divisional Women's Camp – the first of three women's "Refresh" camps being held around the state.

Major Sharon Clanfield, Area Officer – Brisbane Wide, was the guest speaker at the first

camp, held at Brookfield in Brisbane's west, and will also lead the next two camps, on 21-23 October at Lake Tinaroo, south of Cairns, and on 4-6 November at Coolwaters, south of Yeppoon.

Major Clanfield presented four sessions, following the theme "Open the Door", speaking from Isaiah 54. The worship electives available during camp included creative prayer, art and

soul, creative movement, singing and timbrels. The creative electives included fitness, jewellery making, paper craft and cupcake decorating.

"It is a beautiful and precious thing to see the women, from different walks of life and backgrounds, embracing and supporting each other," said Lieutenant-Colonel Sandra Godkin, Divisional Director of Women's Ministries.

Salvos serve at new St George community hub.

The Salvation Army's Moneycare program is an integral part of an innovative community hub that opened in the St George area, southern Sydney, in August.

The new St George Community Connections Hub allows people in the area to access a range of free services in one central location. These services include the provision of a Salvation Army Moneycare financial counsellor, the involvement of Salvos Legal, St Vincent de Paul, Centrelink, English classes, the Department of Families and Services and NSW Police. The hub will operate weekly from the Kogarah Storehouse, an outreach mission of the Brighton-Kogarah Uniting church.

Angela Ryan, Salvation Army Doorways Worker in Hurstville and Campsie, was involved

with the initial community discussions about the need for a centralised hub in the local government area to best meet the need of clients.

"The hub fits beautifully with the Doorways model of helping clients help themselves," she said. "It's a great collaborative approach to work together with our clients and other agencies to fill any gap in services and best meet the needs of clients."

The Salvation Army's financial counselling services will be highlighted later this month, with the staging of its second annual Moneycare Day on 19 October.

For more information about Moneycare or to access assistance, go to salvos.org.au/need-help/financial-assistance/financial-counselling – Simone Worthing

HISTORY SNAPSHOT

The Salvation Army, particularly in its early days, has been characterised by a pioneering spirit which has resulted in numerous achievements and ventures. Read about some of these major events at salvos.org.au/key-moments/

Junior Brass building bridges into Taree community.



Members of the Junior Brass program with bandmaster Kevin Cause (far left) and Corps Officer, Captain Louise Beamish.

Earlier this year, the Taree Corps stepped out in faith and commenced Junior Brass, a program for teaching children to play a brass instrument and also teach them about Jesus.

Under the leadership of corps bandmaster Kevin Cause and many helpers from within the corps and local community, the group has flourished and now has 11 children aged between

7 and 16 learning various brass instruments.

The corps has also commenced the Junior Soldiers program under the leadership of Nina Tisdell, and recently had the privilege of enrolling five new junior soldiers (see story in enrolments section), three of them coming from the Junior Brass program. Another young girl is commencing her junior soldier

preparation course.

The Junior Brass program is held on Tuesday afternoons, followed by Junior Soldiers.

In June, the corps had its first Junior Brass concert which attracted about 70 people including parents and grandparents of the young musicians.

In late August, when the five junior soldiers were enrolled, the attendance on the day swelled to almost 100, again including many parents and grandparents. One family has now started attending Sunday services as a result of the Junior Brass program.

The Vision Statement at Taree Corps is: “We see all people in the Manning Valley filled with the Holy Spirit, coming to a true and personal knowledge of who God is and what he is like.” And the way the corps hopes to realise this vision is outlined in its Mission Statement: “To reach people for Christ, by building relationships of trust in our communities.”

Junior Brass is a program which enables the corps to build relationships with members of the community so that the gospel message can be shared. Prayer is also a key component of mission at Taree. The corps started intentional, ongoing prayer for the Junior Brass and Junior Soldiers programs six months before they commenced.

– Captain Louise Beamish

Australia Eastern officers appointed to Sri Lanka.



▲ Captain Tara and Major Peter McGuigan will take up new appointments in Sri Lanka later this month. Photo: Carolyn Hide

Major Peter and Captain Tara McGuigan will trade Sydney traffic for tuk-tuks when they take up an appointment in Sri Lanka this month.

Effective from 21 October, Peter, currently serving as Public Relations and Fundraising Director in Sydney and Chair of the Territo-

rial Moral and Social Issues Council, will take up the role of Communications and Public Relations Secretary in the Sri Lanka Territory.

Tara will move from her role in the Territorial Communications and Fundraising Department, where she is Development Manager Team Leader (NSW and ACT Division), to Territorial

Youth and Candidates Secretary in Sri Lanka.

Peter said that the challenge is formidable and they will need God to be at the centre of it all. “The work of God, including the resourcing of this work, must arise out of the heart of God; like God is showing us the way and placing divine blessing and anointing upon us because it is all about the flourishing of God’s Kingdom on earth. I am looking forward to seeing God’s Spirit move powerfully ...” he said.

Tara, who is from Sri Lanka, is looking forward to “the challenge of ministry with much less resources than we enjoy here in Australia; the beautiful, innocent faith of people who are poor, vulnerable and often with no family members or support systems, and sowing the seeds of Christlike leadership into the lives of young people.”

Other challenges she foresees will be learning the art of evangelism in a primarily Buddhist country and sensing the nuances of a culture that is more timid and diffident about expressing itself openly. – Simone Worthing

Townsville Faithworks.



Prayer pals stand behind the six junior soldiers who featured during the special service at Townsville Faithworks in August.

Lieutenant Perry Lithgow enrolled four junior soldiers – Cruz Day, Jessica Elliott, and Alyssa and Aidan Mandiri – at Townsville Faithworks on Sunday 14 August. Another two young people, Rebecca and Zac Lithgow, renewed their junior soldier vows.

“It was an exciting day where we not only celebrated the junior soldier enrolments, but also celebrated 10 years as Townsville Faithworks,” said Lieut Lithgow. “It was a great day of recognising God’s faithfulness in the past and the present, and trusting him with our future.”

Noosa Corps.



Lieutenants David and Lara Sutcliffe with the new soldiers and adherents at Noosa Corps.

Lieutenant David Sutcliffe enrolled two new senior soldiers – Christine O’Brien and Natasha Johnston – and accepted two new adherents – Terry O’Brien and Geoff Johnston – on Father’s Day, 4 September.

“We were blessed by their acceptance and excitement in becoming members of the Noosa Corps after being a part of our congregation over the last three years for Christine and Terry, and for less than a year for Geoff and Natasha,” said Lieutenant Lara Sutcliffe. “It is great to see how the lives of these four people have been transformed through the power of Jesus.”

Nambucca River Corps.



Peter Frame and Judy Evans (centre) with Captains Petra and Steve Dorman (Corps Officers), and Majors Lea and David Palmer (Area Officers).

Captains Steve and Petra Dorman, Corps Officers, recently enrolled Judy Evans and Peter Frame as senior soldiers at Nambucca River. NSW Northern Rivers Area Officers, Majors David and Lea Palmer, shared in the special ceremony, praying for the newly enrolled soldiers.

“It was a great privilege to be involved in this occasion,” said Captain Petra Dorman. “Both Judy and Peter are very dedicated both to their God and to the church where he has planted them.”

Taree Corps.



Captain Nathan Hodges enrolls the new junior soldiers at Taree Corps on 21 August .

NSW and ACT Divisional Youth Secretary, Captain Nathan Hodges, enrolled five junior soldiers – Caleb and Shamiah Whitehouse, Cooper and Charlotte Walton, and Ethan Platts – at Taree on 21 August. Three of the new soldiers have connected with the corps through a Junior Brass program which has been running at Taree since the start of the year.

“Introducing the Junior Brass program was a real step of faith for the corps, but the group has flourished and it is wonderful that three of our new junior soldiers have come from the program,” said Corps Officer, Captain Louise Beamish.

Townsville Riverway Recovery Mission.



The new junior soldiers with their prayer pals: (back row from left) Captain Paula Hambleton, Jessie Curnow, Steven Sparrow, Dale Arthur and Phil Stark; (front row from left) Chloe Curtis, Lucy Curtis, Harry Whittle and Joshua Hambleton.

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Captain Paula Hambleton, Associate Officer, enrolled four junior soldiers – Chloe and Lucy Curtis, Harry Whittle and Joshua Hambleton – on Sunday 11 September. During the service, each child shared why they wanted to become a junior soldier: to know more about Jesus, to say thanks for all Jesus has done for us, and to tell others all about him.

“At the end of the sermon all the junior soldiers [at the corps] were invited to join our new junior soldiers and invited to renew their junior soldier covenant with their prayer pals,” said Captain Hambleton. “It was a very special day and time of commitment for all.”

SEND US YOUR ENROLMENT STORIES

In each issue of *Pipeline*, we like to feature brief stories of recently enrolled junior and senior soldiers, and accepted adherents. To have your corps’ or centre’s story included, please send the following details to Simone Worthing at simone.worthing@aue.salvationarmy.org: Date of enrolment; name of corps or centre; name of enrolling officer(s); name of soldier(s) or adherent(s) enrolled and a couple of short sentences about them; and a high resolution photo of the new soldiers or adherents, with names of those in the photo. If the photo is a large group shot, only the names of the new soldiers are required. Photos should be at least 1mb in size, and sent as an attachment. If you have any questions, please contact Simone at the above email address.

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New leaders installed in Sweden and Latvia Territory.



Commissioners Brian and Rosalie Peddle (right) with the new leaders of the Sweden and Latvia Territory, Commissioners Johnny and Eva Kleman.

The Salvation Army's Chief of the Staff, Commissioner Brian Peddle, and Commissioner Rosalie Peddle, World Secretary for Women's Ministries, visited the Swedish capital, Stockholm, to install Commissioners Johnny and Eva Kleman as leaders of the Sweden and Latvia Territory. They also welcomed cadets of

the new session, the *Messengers of the Gospel*. The new cadets marched into the Stockholm Temple Corps hall before being presented to hundreds of officers, soldiers and friends in the congregation and sharing their testimonies.

The meeting was filled with joy, laughter and moments of spontaneity. The installation of

the territorial leaders was framed by energetic songs from Vasa Gospel choir and music from Stockholm South Citadel Band.

Before conducting the installation ceremony the Chief of the Staff read a message from the Army's world leader, General André Cox, who endorsed the new leaders. They pledged loyalty to the work of the Lord in Sweden and Latvia before kneeling at the mercy seat. Major Leif Öberg represented the territory with words of welcome before director Olle Kristensson greeted the new leaders on behalf of the Christian Council of Sweden. Commissioner Eva Kleman, Territorial President of Women's Ministries, pointed out in her testimony that The Salvation Army was stronger together. "It may be a small denomination in Sweden and Latvia," she said, "but little David beat the giant! The important thing is what we are and what we do to achieve the result in the territory's vision of Jesus to all."

In his Bible message, Territorial Commander Commissioner Johnny Kleman spoke about being made bold by God and the importance of following God's calling. He called on the congregation to spread the gospel, saying: "Everyone can be an evangelist." Following an altar call from Lieut-Colonel Kjell Olausson (Chief Secretary) many took the opportunity to meet with God at the place of prayer. – Lars Beijer

Documentary charts Salvation Army's fledgling ministry to underprivileged communities in Slovakia.

The first anniversary of the official opening of The Salvation Army in Slovakia is being marked by the release of a new documentary film by the International Headquarters Communications Section. Slovakia became the 127th country to have a recognised Salvation Army presence on 1 September 2015.

Over the past 12 months, The Salvation Army's work in Slovakia has grown. In the capital, for example, Bratislava Corps has established a ministry to homeless people in the city. The Army provides food, clothing, education and help with accessing essential services such as healthcare and housing advice. Many of the clients attend and take an active role in Sunday worship. The Salvation Army also provides practical, emotional and spiritual support in several Roma (communities sometimes known as gypsies or travellers) within an hour's drive of Bratislava.

The Roma people are often shunned and

discriminated against by other Slovaks. Roma settlements tend to consist of substandard – often self-built – housing which lacks power and water. There are high levels of poverty, unemployment, crime and ill-health. The Salvation Army is advocating for and empowering such communities.

Overseen by Captains Josef and Stana Knoflík, much of the day-to-day work is led by Salvation Army cadets who are themselves from the Roma communities. They have built bridges in three distinct communities and are already providing essential services to meet deep-rooted needs. The documentary illustrates the stark conditions that many Roma people live in and shows how the Army is trying to address the needs.

To watch the film online, with subtitles available in English, Dutch and Czech, go to sar.my/slovakiafilm. It can also be downloaded for viewing offline. – IHQ Communications

HISTORY SNAPSHOT

In 1943, at the height of World War Two, more than 7000 people evacuated the Far North Queensland town of Cairns. Read how The Salvation Army continued to serve the community during this time of upheaval at salvos.org.au/wartime-service/

Lithuania corps encouraged by visit of world leaders.



General Andre and Commissioner Silvia Cox with members of Klaipeda Corps in Lithuania.

The Salvation Army's world leaders, General André Cox and Commissioner Sylvia Cox, have made their first trip to Lithuania, a two-day visit to Klaipeda Corps in the country's north-west.

The General and Commissioner Cox brought encouragement to leaders, corps members and young people at a series of weekend events.

They were joined by Commissioner Marie Willermark, Territorial Commander of the Germany, Lithuania and Poland Territory, and Major Susanne Kettler-Riutkenen, Officer-in-Charge for Lithuania.

At a women's meeting, led by Auxiliary-Captain Annegret Gollmer (Klaipeda Corps

Assistant Officer), participants spoke movingly about how God had saved them, changed their lives and rebuilt broken families. The corps was officially opened 15 years ago, recommencing the work of The Salvation Army in Lithuania which had ceased in 1944, due to the Second World War.

Testimony to The Salvation Army's influence in the city was given at a meeting of local churches and authorities, sponsors and other supporters of The Salvation Army in Lithuania, including partners of Klaipeda Corps. The General was told that The Salvation Army was a light in the city and that people were happy there was a place where people could find help, love and hope for the future.

The General and Commissioner Cox attended an evening youth event where they were invited to put colourful handprints on the wall in the youth hall. This was a sign that they had become part of the Klaipeda Corps family.

After the Sunday morning meeting, they joined in a families event, which brought together 30 children and their parents. The General and Commissioner Cox wore Lithuanian Salvation Army T-shirts, played with the children and spoke with the parents, most of whom were customers from the second-hand shop.

– Leva Strazdauskiene

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Monday 3 April	Perth
Wednesday 5 April	Brisbane
Friday 7 April	Auckland, NZ
Saturday 8 April	Wellington, NZ
Monday 10 April	Sydney
Tuesday 11 April	Canberra
Wednesday 12 April	Hobart
Saturday 15 April	Melbourne

Great man of God.



Commissioner (Dr) Harry Williams (OF), a former Territorial Commander of the Australia Eastern Territory, was promoted to glory on 7 August, from Edinburgh, Scotland, at the age of 103. Commissioner Williams served as the leader of the Eastern Territory in 1972-73. His relationship with Australia continued on his return to London in 1974 when he was appointed as International Secretary for the Americas and Australiasia.

Commissioner Williams is best known for his 30 years' service in India, with his wife Eileen, where he used his expertise in plastic surgery at four major hospitals. It was for this outstanding work that he received The Salvation Army's highest honour, the Order of the Founder, in 2005.

A Thanksgiving Service celebrating his life was held at Gorgie Corps in Edinburgh on Friday 19 August, conducted by Major David Betteridge.

Born on 13 July 1913, Harry Williams was a soldier and a bandsman at Wood Green Corps. He became a medical student but interrupted these studies to enter The Salvation Army Training College in 1933. Following his commissioning, he returned to his medical studies.

In November 1939, Harry married Lieutenant Eileen Neeve. One month later, International Headquarters appointed them to India. For the next 30 years, the couple served in four of

the Army's major hospitals in India – Thomas Emery Hospital in Moradabad, MacRobert Hospital in Dhariwal, Emery Hospital in Anand, and Catherine Booth Hospital in Nagercoil. When the hospital at Moradabad was taken over by the military authorities, the commissioner served for a short time as a military captain in Poona. While at Nagercoil, in 1969, he was involved in relief work in Vietnam, being seconded to a children's medical relief charity and working as senior surgeon at a new hospital in Saigon.

The commissioner was an acknowledged authority in the field of plastic surgery, becoming a full Member of the British Association of Plastic Surgeons in 1960. In 1970, he was appointed OBE in the Queen's Birthday honours list, in recognition of his specialist work in the field of plastic and reconstructive surgery, particularly in cases of leprosy, and for his 30 years' medical service in India. It was also acknowledged that his skill won for the Catherine Booth Hospital (where he was Chief Medical Officer) a special reputation in the field of plastic and reconstructive surgery.

In 1969, the commissioner was appointed Territorial Commander, Southern India, followed by similar appointments in New Zealand and Australia Eastern. In 1974, he returned to London as International Secretary for the Americas and Australasia and in 1978 he took up the appointment of International Secretary for Planning and Development, which had been instituted to respond to the growing needs of the developing Third World countries.

In addition to the enormous contribution that he made to the service and mission of The Salvation Army, the commissioner

was also involved in ecumenism, representing the Army as a member of the Central Committee of the World Council of Churches from 1975 until his retirement from active service in July 1980.

Commissioner Eileen Williams was promoted to glory in July 2002. In 2005, at a service led by General John Larsson, Commissioner Harry Williams was admitted to the Order of the Founder. The citation read: "As plastic surgeon and strategic health administrator his gifts have been applied to all sectors of society, but especially the disadvantaged. As Salvation Army leader his gifts have created new directions in territories, in international development and ecumenically. As writer and artist his gifts have enabled us to know more of his observations of God's world, God's ways and God's people."

The commissioner authored a number of books including *An Army Needs An Ambulance Corps: A History Of The Salvation Army's Medical Services*, which he wrote in his 90s; but perhaps his best-known writing was *Booth Tucker – William Booth's First Gentleman*.

As a skilled artist, in retirement he sold many of his paintings to fundraise for the Harry Williams Hospital in Cochabamba, Bolivia; maintaining ongoing support and interest in the hospital that bears his name and continues to deliver a ministry of healing and hope to which he devoted his life.

The Salvation Army gives thanks for the life and ministry of this great man of God whose influence and example touched so many, and who will live on in the hearts and minds of those who knew him.¶



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About people

Birth

Cadets Ben and Rachel **Knight**, a daughter, Mia Joy, on 26 August.

Promoted to glory

Major Ray **Allen**, 11 September.

Bereaved

Major Jenny **Allen**, of her husband, captain Scott **Allen** of his father, Major Elaine **Spence** of her brother, Major Ray **Allen**, on 11 September.

Retirements

Lieut-Colonel Kerry **Haggart** on 1 September; Major Kerrie **Farthing** on 1 September.

Appointment

Casey **O'Brien Machado** (Territorial Social Justice Coordinator) has been appointed as a member of the International Moral and Social Issues Council (IMASIC).

Time to pray

25 September–1 October

Queensland Division; Queensland Division Chaplaincy Services; North Queensland Area; Atherton Tablelands Corps, Far North Queensland Hub.

2–8 October

Cairns Corps, Centennial Lodge, both Far North Queensland Hub; Ayr Corps, Townsville Faithworks, Townsville Recovery Services Centre, Townsville Riverway Recovery Mission, Northern Queensland Hub; Longreach Corps/Rural Chaplaincy Base, Rural Expressions Hub.

9–15 October

Mt Isa Corps, Mt Isa Recovery Services Centre, Normanton Recovery and Community Wellbeing Centre, Outback Flying Service, Serenity House, all Rural Expressions Hub, Queensland; Central Queensland area; Blackwater Corps, Capricorn Region Corps, all Central Queensland Hub.

16–22 October

Emerald Corps, Gladstone Corps, Yeppoon Mission, all Central Queensland Hub; Bowen Corps, Mackay Corps, Samaritan House, Mackay, all Mackay Hub; Bundaberg Corps, Gympie Corps, both Wide Bay Burnett Hub.

23–29 October

Hervey Bay Corps, Maryborough Corps, Saills – Bundaberg Tom

Quinn Centre, all Wide Bay Burnett Hub; Western Queensland Area; Dalby Corps, South Queensland Rural Hub.

30 October–5 November

Lockyer Valley Corps, Saills – Darling Downs, South Burnett Region Corps, Roma Corps, Toowoomba Corps, Toowoomba Crisis Accommodation, Warwick Corps, all South Queensland Rural Hub.

6–12 November

Bundamba Corps, Fassifern Corps, Forest Lake Community Church, Inala Corps, Ipswich Corps, South Brisbane missional communities and Centenary Corps, Soundpoint and Sony Foundation Youth and Community Centre, all South-West Brisbane Hub.

Engagement calendar

Commissioners Floyd (National Commander) and Tracey Tidd (National President of Women's Ministries)

Melbourne: Sun 9 Oct - Accepted Candidates Conference (Catherine Booth College), worship meeting

Collaroy: Mon 17 – Thu 20 wOct - South Pacific Conference

Melbourne: Fri 21 Oct - Spiritual Day School For Officer Training (Australia Southern)

Hobart: Sat 22 – Sun 23 Oct - Tasmania Congress

Hobart: Sun 23 Oct - Opening of Divisional Headquarters building

Commissioner Tracey Tidd only

* Commissioner Floyd Tidd only

Colonel Mark Campbell (Chief Secretary)

Colonel Julie Campbell (Territorial Secretary for women's ministries)

Stanmore: Tue 4-Wed 5 Oct – Forward Together conference at Stanmore House.

Bexley North: Thu 6 Oct – Spiritual Day SFOT.

Bexley North: Sat 8 Oct – Gala Day.

Bexley North: Sat 15-Sun 16 Oct – Candidates Weekend.

Collaroy: Mon 17-Thu 20 Oct – South Pacific Conference.

*Sydney: Sun 23 Oct – Blue Knot Day service.

#Sydney: Thu 27 Oct – SFOT Retreat Day.

#Brisbane: Fri 28 Oct – Visit with non-residential cadets.

*Sydney: Mon 31 Oct – Devotions at Sydney Staff Songsters rehearsal.

#Stanmore: Mon 31 Oct – dinner, Stage 3 residential for first-year officers.

Colonel Julie Campbell only

Colonel Mark Campbell only

VOLUNTEER JAN ALWAYS "ON CALL" FOR GOD

WORDS JAN CLARKE



After being given much in the early part of her life, Jan Clarke willingly volunteers to help others. Photo: Adam Hollingworth

Having been lovingly raised in a Salvation Army children's home from the age of five to 10, I can now say the "on call" volunteer part of my life is a return of thanks. The thanks is to those who gave so much to see that I had somewhat of a good start in my life. I was given so much love and care in that Salvation Army home and was taught so much.

Later in life I have found myself as a soldier of The Salvation Army corps at Blacktown, and my faith has called me to listen and take up opportunities that God puts in my path. After many years of family life, finding myself alone in my late 50s was very difficult. But I found that being single created opportunities for me instead of thinking about the obstacles. "No excuses," God told me. "If I ask you to do it then I will equip you with the right tools." Now that I had given my time and energies over to God, he brought forth the opportunities...

I was asked by grieving parents to "christen" a little baby who was not going to be born alive. I stayed in the

delivery room with the parents for a long time, until this very sad event took place, and then helped them arrange the funeral. I just needed to be there for them.

I was able to stay with a family whose little girl was hit by a car and passed away. I did not speak, just let them cry, and I cried with them. Sometimes, at 4am, in the quiet of the night, grief would strike hardest and they would want to talk. There is no timing in these times so, hence, my availability to be "on call" and go when needed was vital.

Some experiences that I'll never forget are from being able to attend the courts with quite a few folk who have been in need. One of these cases was a lady who had been raped, and for five days in court I was able to offer her support by just being there. We could not speak in the court, but just being there was what she needed.

I have been able to take several ladies to months of doctors appointments – X-rays and pretty awful tests following

the discovery of cancer in their bodies. God gave me a car – although it is now 26 years old – but while ever it keeps going I can go where he needs me.

Another great memory was spending the day of domesticity in a woman's home. We caught up on a mountain of ironing she never thought she would get through. We laughed and shared stories and ran out of coat hangers, but someone just needed to be there.

The latest opportunity given to me is with The Salvation Army's Transformation Centre (Recovery Services) at Dooralong up on the Central Coast of NSW. If I can help in picking up something for them or helping by taking a person to the centre from Sydney, I jump into my little car and off we go to the Central Coast.

We just set up a young lady with her daughter in a house that had been provided for her that was totally bare. With the help of the Blacktown Family Store manager, we set up this house with furniture and supplies, all donated, in just 24 hours. It was lovely watching their excitement as they saw that they were being looked after by people who cared. I now just need to be there if they call me.

I will turn 77 this year, but I'm in good health. I am privileged to have four children, nine grandchildren and six great-grandchildren, with another one on the way. I am the fortunate one who is more than happy to take up the opportunities that God asks me to help him with – a link in the grand chain of his work. ¶

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