

## HARVEST E-NEWS TERM II 2007

Welcome to the second edition for the year's series on E-News, normally this is out before term II school holidays. Trust those of you who are taking the time out to 'chill' out during the school holiday's are making the most of it. Chill out should be more like thaw out given the fresh n frozen mornings.

It's hard to believe that our family has just clocked 2 years @ Horsham since moving in July 2005, how time fly's. If you haven't been up with news we have bought ourselves a home and look forward to moving in 3 weeks. Kate's mum visited last weekend and raved about the warmth, hospitality and friendship of the church. We continue to believe for the day that she will open her life up to the Lord.

Harvest Christian Church has a bright future ahead of itself; please continue to pray for us as we so desperately need to believe God for someone to lead the youth. We are specifically praying for a person who will have the capacity to also oversee the 30 years of age and under bracket. In addition, it would be wonderful to have a young married couple on board.

Given the drought that we are coming out of, and the way finance has been affected by it, this would be a financial challenge to us as a church to staff at this time. However we must invest into the future of the church and I don't see anyway around it.

Once again, I wish to thank you all for working so hard, we are all one team committed to the one cause working with one heart.

In looking over the last two years it's been fantastic to see all the new families that have joined us, linking hands and hearts together in partnership seeing the gospel of Christ championed in our region.

### MISSIONS

In respect to our missions endeavours \$4700.00 was sent off to Watato from the Walkathon funds as well as other initiatives by our women. The art exhibition @ Paraphernalia raised \$1400.00 towards the Horsham North Kinda in addition to our \$200.00 a month contribution. A few other items have been purchased to supply the Kinda with necessary equipment. A reminder that we are still partnering with Grant First Priority AOG World Missions which is headed up by Grant, you can log onto their website link and view the current and previous magazine issues.

<http://www.aogwm.org.au/mediagallery/magazine/currentissue/tabid/514/Default.aspx>.

The Higgins continue to receive our monthly contributions for the work in Thailand, Wendy Hobbs and Leanne Barber are scheduled to arrive there in October 2007 for a recognisance trip. They will return to us with information and feedback on how we can further support the work in that nation. We also continue to support the amazing work of the Christian Emergency Food Centre as well as High School Chaplaincy. The chaplain Alan Corby will be bringing a presentation to Harvest on the first Sunday in August 10:00am service. He welcomes any questions from the floor that you may have.

Our children's ministry team is doing a great job with many kids from the community still connected and being impacted by the Sunday morning Extreme Kids team. If you would like to volunteer your help and serve in this area please feel free to contact Jane Moore.

There will be more info on missions in our Third Term E-News.

### IN BRIEF

#### APRIL

Easter Sunday night saw a tremendous roll up of 173 people (52 visitors) for the screening of **One Night with the King**. A big thank you to Andrew for setting up surround sound in the main auditorium. Later in the month the **GMF Kids Band** joined us at our Café Harvest evening 208 people attended with 81 visitors many non-churched. A huge thank you to the hospitality team who worked hard feeding so many.

#### MAY

Stan Longiindis '**Stan the Man**' 8 Times World Heavy Weight Kick Boxing Champion. We received so much positive feedback with many wanting him back next year. We saw 9 decisions that night all from outlying areas and an attendance of 193 for the evening service.

## **JUNE**

**Youth Alive Melbourne** visited Harvest with 6 decisions on the Friday night and a great roll up for morning and evening services. **Benj Geeling** was incredibly inspirational in his preaching. Particularly his commitment to the vision 'Free to be Kids'. **The Women's Conference 'Contagious'** ended up a great success with over 80 in attendance a great start for the first one. Speakers Deborah Candler & Michelle Hobbs were well received and many cd's of their sessions were ordered. Jacinta Hennesey bought along a non-churched friend who was blown away by the event speaking highly of the whole weekend. Everyone worked so hard Kate and the team did an awesome job with it all, special thanks to Lyn who put in a huge effort.

## **CELLS**

I wish to applaud and thank all those who open their homes for Cells Ministry and in particular those who give themselves to leading these groups. There's some tremendous feedback from these groups and in the next edition I will have your comments listed here. If you aren't already belonging to one of these groups it is our hope that you'll get connected. Please refer to the church newsletter for leaders, venues and details or see John Hair for further assistance

## **KEY DATES**

**Kerang Western Districts AOG** Leadership Meeting Friday July 27<sup>th</sup>.

**Pastor Andrew Evans:** Sunday July 29<sup>th</sup> 5:30pm @ Horsham Golf Club, drop primary school aged children off at church 5:00pm. If you haven't already booked please do ASAP at the reception centre. 2 Course meal @ \$15 per person including tea & coffee

**25<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Team:** Those of you who are on this team please remember the first planning night is on Thursday July 19<sup>th</sup> 7PM @ the Thomas'

**OH&S Training Night:** Thursday August 23<sup>rd</sup> for all Stewards, Deacons, and department leaders plus board and eldership, an evening has been planned to familiarise ourselves with emergency evacuation procedures, operation of equipment in the event of a fire and first aid gear.

## **PLEASE SCROLL DOWN FOR INFORMATION ON APPROACHING EVENTS**



**SUNDAY JULY 15<sup>th</sup> 10:00am SERVICE**

**Paula Connelly Singer  
Songwriter and Communicator**

Her Life story and testimony of Christ's healing power has inspired her to write songs such as 'Never give up' and 'Uncover' are two of many tracks in her new album 'Just Believe'. The album has been exceptionally produced by David Holmes and co produced by Andy Sorenson at the Grove studios in Sydney. Paula is soon to release her book with her personally story titled 'Inside Out' Check out her website [www.paulaconnelly.com](http://www.paulaconnelly.com)



**SUNDAY JULY 29<sup>th</sup> 10:00am SERVICE  
5:30pm @ Horsham Golf Club 2 Course Meal, tea & Coffee please phone office for bookings 53820906.**

Founder of the Family First Party, he was elected to the South Australian Legislative Council on 9 February 2002. For 30 years, Pastor Evans served as Senior Minister of Paradise Assembly of God in Adelaide. He was National Superintendent of the Assemblies of God in Australia for 20 years 1977 to 1997. He received a Doctor of Divinity from the Californian Graduate School of Theology on 5 August 1981. He was also awarded a Doctor of Ministries on 20 September 1994 from the School of Theology in California. Come hear Pastor Andrew's story and why he got involved in politics.



**Life Church Worship Team & Guest Speaker  
Pastor Nicholas Tsakis**

**SUNDAY AUGUST 26<sup>th</sup> 10am & 5PM**

Pastor Nicholas Tsakis and his Creative Arts Team from Life Church Melbourne are bringing up their worship team, with highlights of the recently released new CD Praise Album 'Shout it Loud'. Pastor Nicholas is a dynamic and inspirational prophetic communicator whose passion for life is evident in his preaching. For a preview of their new album log onto <http://www.myspace.com/lifechurchmelbourne>



**EDGE CONFERENCE Sept 10-13, 2007**

Many of our people have already registered to this, be sure to check out the line up of speakers, conference hospitality, registrations, kids and youth programs by logging onto [www.edgeconference.com](http://www.edgeconference.com)

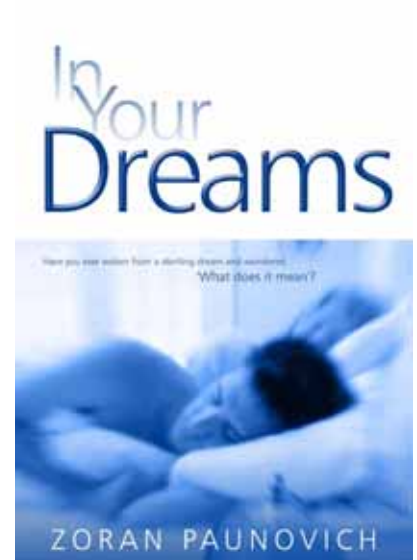
It would be awesome if we could get over 50 of our church attending this especially the worship ministry, hospitality, deacons and stewards.

**MOVIE: 'FACING THE GIANTS' SEPTEMBER 23<sup>RD</sup> 5:00pm**

It's the movie that has stopped more than 1 million people in theatres. A courageous heart warming story of faith, family and football.

**A SURROUND SOUND EVENT: BRING THE WHOLE FAMILY**

**IN YOUR DREAMS  
Sunday 12<sup>th</sup> Aug 10:00am**



Be sure to place this event in your diary, Pastor Zoran has preached on this subject at many churches in our nation with many souls saved and plenty of visitors attending.

Everyone dreams, have you ever wondered what they could mean? Have you ever had a dream that once waking lingered on during the day? Could a dream reveal certain things about the future? Are recurring dreams important? What does it mean to dream about certain people and certain places? Are they fictitious meanderings of the mind or could they contain messages for us. What about nightmares, what are they and why do we have them.

PROPHETIC SCHOOL will officially commence on Tuesday August 7<sup>th</sup> 6:30pm Details will be announced at Sunday services.

