

Missionary News

- **Kylie's** 4th newsletter, along with some very clear guidelines for correspondence, is now available from Roslyn and Lyn. Praise God that Kylie's housing is now settled until May. Please pray for a three-year residency visa, for training programs for staff and for the hope that Kylie will further develop her training skills to move into this area in the future, for small groups with workers and increased understanding and teamwork with her 'boss'.
- **Roger, Lynn and Eleanor** have arrived in Addis Ababa to commence their CMS orientation. Please pray for them as they settle in. Their newsletter is on the mission noticeboard.
- **Jon, Deb, Ollie and Simeon's** March newsletter is now available. Praise God for their safe arrival in a new city, for Ollie settling into his new school and for Jon being pleased to be back at work. Please pray for much to be learned, new places to understand, for local relationship-building, for Simeon to replace the friends he is missing badly, and for Deb and Simeon in a new mum's group and Bible study group.

Parish prayers

- Please pray for **Lynley** and family following the death of Lynley's mum — aged 104!
- Please pray for **Thea** as she continues her arduous treatment, expected to continue until at least July.
- Please pray for **Shirley** as she settles into her new home in Eltham. She would love to hear from anyone, but please phone first. Shirley is leaving behind 45 years in North Carlton and St Michael's!
- Please pray for **Dave and family**, members of our congregation. Dave currently works as a chaplain at Ivanhoe Boys Grammar, youth ministries facilitator for the Northern and Western regions of Melbourne Diocese and chaplaincy education co-ordinator at Ridley College.

Giving at St Michael's

The recommended — and easiest — way of giving at St Michael's is by direct transfer from your bank account or credit card. This is arranged by 'Auto-ADF' at no cost to you or the church. Forms may be found at the back of the church; account details are available by request to the church office. You may then put a 'voucher' in the plate each week to indicate that you have given directly.



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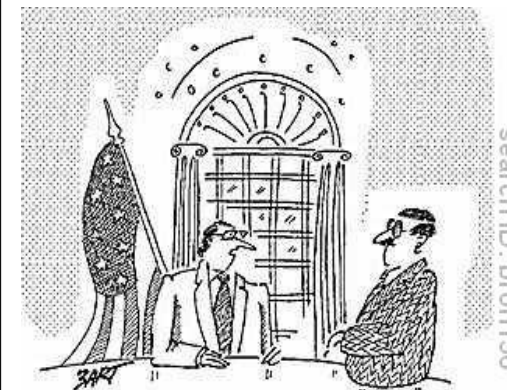
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**PROCLAIMING CHRIST
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This Week 14 March, 2010

Relationships without revenge

Do not retaliate; love your enemies. What is Jesus saying to us here? Are we to become doormats, and weakly suffer every injustice done to us? In this counter-cultural passage, Jesus sheds light on God's Old Testament law on how we are to deal with people who persecute, abuse or act in any way that would rouse our vengeance. In a world where payback and legal action are widespread, this controversial passage illustrates God's will in dealing with our responses to injustice, allowing us true freedom.



"Tell them there'll be no retaliation, then check with the chiefs of staff, the media and our major allies what leeway we have in the adapted dissuasion department."

10am Holy Communion Service

Leader: Noelene
Speaker: Melanie
Music: Dianne
Readings:
Joshua 5:2-12 Barb
Proverbs 3:1-6 Noelene
Matthew 5:38-48 Shelley
Prayers: John

A new 5.30pm service begins **THIS SUNDAY, 14 March**. Cards advertising the service are available for members to pass on to friends and neighbours.

Women's Group Pub Night, **THIS TUESDAY, 16 March**

From 7.00pm, Great Northern Hotel (cnr. Pigdon and Rathdowne St). Come for a drink, a coffee, desert, a meal or the lot! All welcome. RSVP to Roslyn.



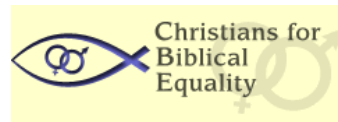
Terry is teaching a series of six beginners classes in oil painting at Princes Hill Community Centre on Tuesday evenings. For more information, or to enroll please call (9387 7740), email (enquiries@princeshill.org.au), or speak to Terry on Sunday morning.

Asylum Seeker Resource Centre Theatre

The creative drama group at the ASRC is preparing for a full theatre production called *Journey of Asylum*, to be performed at 5.30pm at Trades Hall on the following days: Tuesday, 16 March, Wednesday, 17 March, Friday, 19 March, and Saturday 20 March. The production will feature asylum seekers creatively telling their own stories. For more information, please contact the ASRC (9326 6066).

Christians for Biblical Equality Brunch, **Saturday, 20 March**

10.00am-12.00pm, 32 Fordham Ave, Camberwell. Rev. Anne Sells (Vicar, St. Matthew's, Panton Hill), Rev. Cheryl Catford (Director, Evangelical Alliance) Rev. Anthea McCall (Lecturer, Ridley College) and Rev. Edie Ashley (Vicar, St. Peter's, Pynesville) will be part of a panel to discuss issues facing women in ordained ministry, RSVP to Denise Cooper-Clarke.



Zadok AGM and launch of *ethos* Centre for Christianity and Society, **Saturday, 27 March**

6.15pm, Ridley Melbourne, followed by dinner. Tim Costello will speak on "post-Copenhagen climate change and the poor", with responses by Mick Pope (meteorologist), Amar Breckinridge (economist), and Gordon Preese (Director, *ethos*). For more information and for bookings, go to www.ea.org.au.

St. Michael's Easter Services

- Maundy Thursday (1 April) — 7pm, followed by a dinner to be held in Williams Hall
- Good Friday (2 April) — 10am Reflections on the Cross of Christ
- Easter Sunday (4 April) — 10am Holy Communion, 5.30pm Holy Communion

Christians for Biblical Equality International

is holding its 22nd annual conference, 'Better Together', here in Melbourne, 11-14 June. Over 30 well-known Christian leaders, men and women, are contributing. For more information about the programme, or to register, go to www.cbe.org.au.

Data projectors needed

Do you have a portable data projector that you could loan to the CBE Conference for a period of Friday, 11 June to Monday, 14 June? Please contact Steve if you might be able to help in this way.



The March issue of *The Melbourne Anglican* is available in the foyer. This issue includes: a special 8 page lift-out entitled 'The Case for God - in defence of Christian belief', including responses to atheism (and the global atheist conference in Melbourne 12-14 March). Contributors include Dorothy Lee, Alister McGrath, Roy Williams, Andrew McGowan, Peter Adam, Colin Goodwin and Roland Ashby; a supplement on Christian Overseas Aid and Development Agencies; a report on the Ordination of Deacons, and an interview with newly ordained deacon Heather Cetrangolo, whose mother and grandmother are also ordained; and coverage of Black Saturday anniversary services in St Paul's Cathedral and Kinglake.



Upcoming Sermon Series

10am Service — *Counter-culture* — Matthew, chapters 5-7

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| 21 March | <i>Hypocrisy-free zone</i> | Matthew 6:1-6, 16-18 |
| 28 March | <i>God-centred prayer</i> | Matthew 6:7-15 |
| 11 April | <i>Spiritual superannuation</i> | Matthew 6:19-34 |
| 18 April | <i>Relationships with honesty</i> | Matthew 7:1-12 |