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WAHROONGA, NEW SOUTH WALES

After an absence of 23 years from mainstream television, the weekly Adventist TV show "It Is Written" (IIW) will be broadcast in Australia on the Seven Network, commencing this month.

Management at the Seven Network say that this program is the only religious program to be broadcast on their network and will compete against similar programs in the early morning timeslots on Channels 9 and 10.

The half-hour program will be introduced each week by Australian presenter Pastor Gary Kent and will feature IIW

speaker Shawn Boonstra. Pastor Kent has been approved by "It Is Written International" as their speaker for Australia. It is expected that in 2008, Pastor Kent will be the primary speaker for the program, with hopes that the program will be available across the South Pacific Division.

Pastor Kent has been working with a group of church members and the Greater Sydney Conference to establish this ministry. The Australian Union Conference are also involved to ensure effective communication and integration with the national evangelistic plans of the church.

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Lament

Grief is a vital part of an authentic life of faith.

WE NEED TO PRACTISE SADNESS. It need not be grand or eloquent, poetic or dramatic; just simple sadness.

Try it sometime. Watch or listen to a news broadcast or flick through a newspaper and allow yourself to feel the real people suffering in each headline. Look across the city lights and reflect on how each light represents a different story, each unique and with its own joys but also each scarred by pain and tragedy. Listen to the people with whom you come into contact and hear the frustrations, disappointments and sorrow, often not far below the surface of their lives. Be sad.

It seems it should be an easy thing to do but I don't think many of us do it well. We're too quick to rush into explanations, justifications and rationalisations; too ready to get mad, get even, become sentimental or indulge in a few moments of contrived outrage that is talkback radio's stock-in-trade; and in our church setting, we're too easily tempted to see each new tragedy, tremor, turmoil or terror as yet another evidence that we are right—morally, prophetically, theologically or culturally.

And we miss the profound human and spiritual experience of being just plain sad.

Or we work hard to convince ourselves we need to smile because "God loves you," that somehow allowing ourselves to be sad would deny our faith. But even the preacher of Ecclesiastes points out that there is "a

time to cry" and "a time to grieve" (Ecclesiastes 3:4*). In the world in which we live, grief is a vital part of an authentic life of faith. Indeed, our faith should soften our hearts in a world that tends to harden them against repeated sorrow.

One of the aspects in which so much of our worship and worship music is lacking—and perhaps more so in contemporary worship—is the act of lament. It seems we have not learned how to share our sorrows and fears in the communal setting of our worship services. Yet, Christian musician Michael Card has suggested that of the 150 psalms—the hymnbook of the Old Testament—80 express lament, frustration and uncertainty to God.

And so many people of faith throughout the Bible had their dark hours and cried out to God, often with great vehemence, as part of their experience of faith. Jesus Himself—in His heartbroken, Good Friday cry of "My God, my God, why have you forsaken me?" (Matthew 27:46)—demonstrated that such bitter expression is not wrong and may even be an act of faith, dark though it may be amid an even bleaker darkness.

Faithful lament "is the voice of those who know God's goodness but find the troubles of the present moment near overwhelming. Such a lament, sung in our midst, does not solve anything really. But so much of life's trouble has no easy solution. So learning to sing songs of faithful lament helps us give voice to our experience together,

before God" (Christian Scharen, *One Step Closer*).

Rather than being a denial of faith, the experience and expression of authentic grief is an affirmation of the God we are questioning. It is a path "well worn by the footsteps of these ancestors in the faith who brought their doubts, suffering and even outright anger before the God whom they knew to be faithful regardless of how things looked at the moment" (Scharen).

The reality is we mourn what we care about, or as one poet puts it, "Every lament is a love song" (Jon Foreman). And as God's people, we are called to care for it all, to feel the pain of the brokenness of our world. We are called to care about everyone and everything. Every person, with their unique hurts, fears and sorrow, matters. And the big stories of our world are important to us primarily because so often real people are being crushed, oppressed and excluded. The grief we feel is an initial recognition that this is not how it should be.

Two of the most profound moments in the ministry of Jesus are when He paused to grieve openly for the people, the city, the nation He cared about (see John 11:35 and Matthew 23:37).

Jesus wept—and at times, in a world of such sadness, so should we.

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CHIP catches media attention

SUNSHINE COAST, QUEENSLAND

Local media interest in the Loma Linda University–developed Coronary Health Improvement Project (CHIP) has been strong.

Several newspapers on Queensland's Sunshine Coast recently featured Pastor Mike Brownhill after successfully completing the program, including the *Sunshine Coast Daily*, *Nambour Weekly*, *Caloundra City News* and *Buderim Weekly*.

Pastor Brownhill, pastor of Landsborough and Maleny churches, Qld, recently completed the program and told the papers he has seen the results. "Within the first month I had dropped from 86 to 79 kilos," says Pastor Brownhill. "That was not skimping on food—just eating the right food. The bottom line is I am feeling fit and healthy and can stand in front of the mirror and feel happy with myself."

Programs conducted in 2006 in Landsborough, Qld, and Waitara and Parramatta, NSW, achieved similar results and local media seems to thrive on these success stories. Two non-Adventist women from the Waitara program claim "everyone should do the course."

More recently the *Sunshine Coast Daily*

printed a letter to the editor from Landsborough CHIP director Margaret Owens, extolling the virtues of CHIP, directly under a photograph of rock star Billy Thorpe, who had died of a heart attack the previous week. Ms Owens, a registered nurse with 12 years cardiology experience, has been approached by Channel 7's *Today Tonight*, who plan to feature CHIP on national television. "I believe CHIP is the best program out there.

There is nothing to compete with it. It really does work," she says.

A participant's heart-attack risk drops by 50 per cent by completing the 40-hour program. A follow-up program then encourages graduates to maintain their new, healthy lifestyle.

CHIP presents the Adventist lifestyle in a contemporary scientific format and is attractive to the contemporary secular community, while providing a way for churches to impact their local



Pastor Mike Brownhill pictured in the *Sunshine Coast Daily* after successfully completing the CHIP program.

communities.

Pastor Brownhill has since lost a further three kilograms and both his cholesterol and blood-pressure levels have reduced. He is so enthusiastic about the program that he is travelling to Parramatta in Sydney to conduct a training program this month.—**Malcolm Rea**

More @ www.chiphealth.com

A CHIP leader training program is to be conducted over the weekend of April 13-15 at Parramatta church in Sydney.



◆ **Carmel Adventist College, WA**, recently celebrated the beginning of its **centenary year** celebrations with the cutting of a special **five-tiered cake** during school assembly. Honoured guests for this occasion were **John and Enid Eaton** (pictured left to right), who commenced studies at Carmel 50 years ago. The Eatons met

for the first time at the school and were married in the college chapel in 1961. Assisting in the celebrations were their grandchildren, **Brydon Eaton** and **Larissa Hockley**. Brydon is a student in Year 11 at Carmel, while Larissa is completing her teaching practicum at Avondale College.—**Kerrie Long**

◆ **TV advertising** for a free viewing of *The Search* videos will screen in **Wollongong/South Coast area** on WIN Television, April 14-22; also TV advertising for a free viewing of *Digging Up the Past* will screen: in

Orange/Dubbo on WIN Television, April 14-22.

◆ **Four Avondale School students, Cooranbong, NSW**, achieved exceptional results at the recent **Sydney Equestrian Interschool (SEI) Championship**, held at Sydney Equestrian Grounds. **Jessica Willard** (pictured) took out the overall SEI Champion trophy with a first and second in dressage and took out first in the St George Grand Prix for her division. **Samantha** and **Harrison Faber** along with **Tessa Stoddard** also topped the podium in a number



of events. The success comes as no surprise for the school, which has seen excellent results dating back several years. "We have a very talented group of riders and have had at Avondale for quite a while," says **coordinator Donna Nevell**.—**Braden Blyde**

Experts affirm soy health benefits

LOS ANGELES, CALIFORNIA, USA

Soy protein-rich foods, when consumed each day as part of a healthy lifestyle, can reduce the risk of heart attack by 15 to 20 per cent, according to leading world experts on soy foods who met in Los Angeles in mid-March to review the latest scientific research on soy and health.

Dr James Anderson, Professor of Medical and Clinical Nutrition at the University of Kentucky, USA, said the cholesterol-lowering effects of soy foods remain significant and may contribute to reducing total cholesterol levels by 5 or 6 per cent in both men and women.

“The *British Journal of Nutrition* this month published a review article by the internationally esteemed cardiologist Professor Cesare Sirtori affirming over 10 years of research claiming the heart-health benefits of soy foods,” said Dr Anderson.

“Other studies show it takes just two serves of soy protein-rich foods each day as part of a healthy lifestyle to reduce the risk of heart attack in men and women by as much as 20 per cent,” he said.

Cardiovascular disease is the largest cause of death in Australia (36 per cent) and is a leading cause of disability. Furthermore, 3.5 million Australians suffer from one or more

long-term cardiovascular conditions.

Australia’s representative at the meeting, Sue Radd, is a consultant and nutrition adviser to Sanitarium Health Food Company on soy and other plant foods. Ms Radd said soy protein is proved to reduce bad LDL cholesterol and triglycerides while significantly raising the protective HDL cholesterol.

“A portfolio of foods and natural plant ingredients including soy, nuts, soluble fibres from oats, oat bran and barley, and plant sterols collectively reduce cholesterol even better than adding a single cholesterol-lowering food to your diet,” said Ms Radd.

“We find we achieve cholesterol-lowering effects of 20 to 25 per cent in our motivated clients, with soy foods playing a significant role in preventing heart disease and increasing heart health,” she said.

“Two serves of soy protein-rich foods could include any combination of soy milk on breakfast cereal, a soy burger at lunch, a soy smoothie or yoghurt midafternoon and/or tofu in a stir-fry in the evening.”

Soy is a natural “superfood,” rich in important nutrients. It also contains no cholesterol or animal fat, is low in saturated fat, high in fibre—in the case of soya beans—and carbohydrates.

Dr David Jenkins, physician and Professor of Nutritional Sciences and Medicine at the University of Toronto, Canada, said



The health benefits of soy products, such as Sanitarium's So Good, has been confirmed by leading soy researchers.

soy, when consumed as an essential part of a portfolio of other cholesterol-lowering food types, can achieve similar results as the early statin drugs under the right conditions.

“These drugs can lower cholesterol by up to 30 per cent. Even if you are only halfway successful with the food portfolio approach and get only a 15 per cent reduction, this is still a spectacular result,” said Dr Jenkins.

Dr Anderson said everyone can experience the health benefits of increasing soy protein foods in their diets.

“Heart-health benefits are available to healthy men and women who want to maintain their wellbeing as well as to patients facing the onset of heart disease,” said Dr Anderson.—*Julie Praestiin*



◆ On March 2, the **Wollongong church, NSW**, hosted the **2007 Annual World Day of Prayer**. This event provided an opportunity for Christians of **different faiths** to worship together as fellow believers. **Joy Butler** (pictured third from left), director of women’s ministries and coordinator of prayer ministries for the South Pacific Divi-

sion, spoke on the theme for this year, “**United under God’s tent.**” Representatives from various churches took part in the program while **Illawarra Adventist School Choir** led the music. The church was filled to capacity and many stayed for the buffet luncheon following the service.—*Amy Ang*

◆ **Canberra (ACT) church** member **Julie Nagle** has won the **Ulster Union Award**, which recognises a young woman who shows **qualities of leadership** to promote the aims and objec-

tives of the **Woman’s Christian Temperance Union (WCTU)** in her home territory. The award entitles her to attend the International WCTU world convention at Indianapolis, USA, later this year. This award has been given by the **Northern Ireland Union since 1971**. She is the national corresponding secretary for the WCTU and is working in conjunction with **Janelle Davis** to set up a new website to assist the work of WCTU. She says, “WCTU is a valid and worthwhile organisation to be involved with and I plan to

assist its new **M.A.D@ (Mad at drugs, alcohol and tobacco) project.**”—*Joy Butler*

◆ Young people from the **Palmerston North, NZ, junior Sabbath school** participated in the “**Meet your neighbours**” project from March 17 to 22. The project was run during Sabbath school time and included the juniors **introducing themselves** to our **church neighbours** and giving a gift of a loaf of bread, canned food and apples, along with other small food items. The

DAYS AND OFFERINGS: ◆ APRIL 14—WORLD MISSION BUDGET OFFERING/LITERATURE EVANGELIST RALLY DAY

Kids course goes online

WAHROONGA, NEW SOUTH WALES

The Adventist Discovery Centre's Bible course for kids is now available online. Let's Explore is a dynamic Bible-study series, designed for children aged nine to 13.

Of the 10 courses made available on the centre's website over the past two years, this is the most recent.

"What is exciting about the new online Let's Explore course is that it features 15 interactive study guides," says Pastor David Price, associate director for the Adventist Discovery Centre. "It has a dynamic flash animation-based introduction with high-tech music and graphics. Most of all it has brilliant colours, which have proved cool with kids!"

The lessons contain Bible references that are already inserted into the web page and the references are hyperlinked to an online Bible program. "So the kids are getting heaps of Bible information right from the original source!" says Pastor Price.

One student commented, "I have learned a lot of fascinating facts from this Let's Explore series. It has cool info. The most exciting thing that I learned is that Matthew 24 has all this information about the end-time."

Another student says, "I have done lots



Nathan Shirley and Sophie Hoover trial the Let's Explore course online.

of your courses in the past year and thoroughly enjoyed them. I always feel inspired, informed and mostly relieved after doing them."

Adventist Discovery Centre senior instructor Elizabeth Ludlow says interest has come from all over Australia and New Zealand for the correspondence courses and many Adventist schools are now doing the Let's Explore course as their Bible studies. "The online courses are all free, so students can do the course without incurring any costs for the lessons," she says.—**Adventist Media Network**

More @

www.adventistdiscovery.net.au

IIW returns to Australian TV

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A strategic alliance has also formed with the Adventist Media Network to ensure integration with the overall media ministry within Australia and the South Pacific.

Adventist Media producer and director Andrew Hunt was impressed with Pastor Kent's presentation in a recent filming of introductions for the first IIW broadcasts. "The production schedule was very demanding yet Gary maintained a warm, caring, yet sincere manner throughout," says Mr Hunt.

"Sanitarium was helpful in providing initial contacts and negotiations with the networks," says Neale Schofield, leader of the Fountain in the City church plant in Sydney and one of the group working to establish the IIW broadcasts. "In February 2007, we received notification that Channel 7 were prepared to provide the opportunity to run the program."

"It Is Written" is an international Christian TV ministry that is a donor-supported, non-profit ministry owned by the Seventh-day Adventist Church. Funds for the Australian broadcasts will be raised through private donations.—**David Gibbons**

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Check local TV guides for schedule.

kids were enthusiastic about the project. "Meet your neighbours" will take place once a month to teach them the skills of **meeting people and sharing friendship and faith** to people outside the church community.—**Julene Duerksen-Kapao**

◆ ADRA UK director **Bert Smit**, program officer **Pansi Katenga** and three other **ADRA team** members were **held at gunpoint** by armed robbers on March 1 while on a visit to monitor adult literacy education in **Port Moresby, Papua**

New Guinea (PNG). The robbers ambushed the ADRA minibus following a visit to the **Jesus Centre Halfway House training centre**. The thieves took video and camera equipment, a laptop computer, credit cards and money, as well as Ms Katenga's Malawian passport, which contained her United Kingdom work permit. Adventist churches met to pray. Within 24 hours, the credit cards were returned. Within 48 hours, Ms Katenga's passport was also returned. Police told the team that if the minivan they had been driv-

ing in had visibly carried the ADRA logo, the robbery probably wouldn't have occurred because of the agency's good reputation in the region.—**BUC Communication Department/Adventist Review**

◆ A **double-decker bus** is being used in a new way to minister to **children and teens** in **Yeovil, Somerset, UK**. The new "church" bus was launched on February 22, using an old bus that once belonged to the local district council, but **church planters Dana and**

Leslie King saw great potential for ministry. Paying £300 for the bus, it has been totally renovated and transformed with coloured designs attractive to youth. The bus interior has been completely reconstructed. It contains a **mini cafe** with a small kitchen for teens, a **media centre**, a **multisensory playing area for children with disabilities** and a soft play area for toddlers. The bus will travel all over Yeovil and the surrounding villages to serve children and young people.—**Aris Vontzalidis**

South Queensland youth get “revved up” to help

BRISBANE, QUEENSLAND

Young people in Brisbane, Qld, during Youth Week of Prayer have donated enough money to sponsor 19 motorcycles for district directors in Papua New Guinea. Originally asked to provide the sponsorship portion for only two motorcycles at \$A750, the young people far exceeded expectations, raising \$A14,250 during the week.

Pastor David Lawson, coordinator of the motorcycle project, was overwhelmed by the support shown. “Praise the Lord for such a wonderful, generous group of young people,” he said. “Give the youth a vision and they will respond.”

A brand-new Yamaha motorcycle was on display under the Week of Prayer theme, “Going God’s Way—Full Throttle.” Each night an offering was taken up. During the Sabbath program, more than \$A6000 was raised. One young person’s parents heard about the project and gave five sponsorships.

Last year Pastor Lawson set a goal of funding 10 motorbikes for district directors around the South Pacific Division



Pastor Martin Losi with one of the two motorbikes sent to the Solomon Islands.

(SPD). The SPD sponsored 50 per cent of eight bikes and eventually money for 11 was raised. This year, Pastor Lawson set the target at 20, after which “The Quiet Hour” program in the United States agreed to pay half for the first 20 bikes. Yet with the help of the young people, the total has already become enough to fund 23 motorbikes and there are 20 on order. So Pastor Lawson has increased his target for this year to 30.

“I will have to come up with another exciting project to put to the young people for the 2008 Youth Week of Prayer,” says Pastor Lawson.—**David Lawson/RECORD staff**

Retired president “plants” new church

POWAT, PAPUA NEW GUINEA

Retired mission president Pastor John Wawah is continuing his ministry through retirement by starting a new congregation in his non-Adventist tribal community.

Rather than settling into his family home on Tong Island, Papua New Guinea, when he retired in 2002, Pastor Wawah took his wife and young son to Powat village, on the island of Manus, where there is no Adventist presence.

“I had two reasons for settling in Powat village,” says Pastor Wawah. “The people there wanted me to take over some traditional land that rightly belong to my late father and, second, I wanted to plant a church in the area because it had no Adventist presence.”

Pastor Wawah built a house for his family soon after he arrived in Powat. After settling into their new house, he enlisted his relatives to build a permanent church building. They used his chainsaw to mill timber for the church.

Pastor Wawah will not conduct any public evangelism program in the area until after the church has been completed. He plans to complete the church and have it dedicated later this year.—**Matupit Darius**

◆ **Gospel music is now on the radio in Japan.** “Gospel Revolution” is the first entirely gospel music program on a regular radio station. Started a year ago, the program has a good listener base and regular sponsorship. The weekly program features some of the nearly 100 new Japanese gospel music groups. Station representative Hirofumi Araki says, “At first we were surprised and a bit hesitant of having a gospel music program. Now we are considering extending the time as well as expanding the program content.”—**ASSIST News Service**

◆ **Packages of soil from the Holy Land** are being sold in the United States for \$US20 per 450 g parcel. A special ceremony was held at Port Newark, New Jersey, United States, complete with tuxedos and even a rabbi, as the first shipment of Holy Land earth arrived. Steven Friedman, president of Holy Land Earth, hopes people will embrace his product and use it for **burials, luck, a keepsake and any other purpose.** “The ground of Israel is considered sacred by several major religions,” he says. “Holy Land Earth brings that sacred soil to anyone who

wants a little piece of the Holy Land.”—**Steven Friedman**

◆ **A Christian website** that introduces people to Jesus, **whosjesus.com**, and helps answer tough questions in a creative, interactive way, has won an **award for excellence.** **Tim Donahue**, founder of coolhomepages.com, has been reviewing sites for over 15 years and is impressed with the site. “Given the subject matter, it’s refreshing to have a visual approach that is not old-school or biblical looking.” The site is a leader in using Flash web design and

is changing the way the internet is used to talk about religion.—

Gary Brown

◆ **Famous Christian writer Philip Yancey**, author of “What’s so amazing about grace?” has been involved in a **serious car accident.** Rolling his Ford Explorer, Mr Yancey suffered a smashed vertebrae, but no damage was done to his spinal cord and he is expected to make a **full recovery.** “I am profoundly grateful to so many who put the word out, who prayed and continue to pray for my recovery,” says Mr Yancey.—**Christianity Today**

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Revive thrives in Auckland

AUCKLAND, NEW ZEALAND

Revive, a coffee-free cafe opened by Adventist church members in Auckland, has celebrated its second year in business with an ever-increasing number of clients.

Opened in 2005 (“Adventist opens vegetarian restaurant in Auckland,” *News*, March 26, 2005), Revive has built on its concept of serving healthy, mostly organic foods—and avoiding coffee, meat, white bread and fattening sweets offered in many other cafes.

Jeremy Dixon, founder and co-owner of the business, says, “Our first 12 months were tough as we built our reputation, but it has certainly paid off—not just in achieving our goals, but also for the health of our cus-

tomers. Clients continue to share their feel-good and weight-loss stories with us.”

The cafe has received positive reviews in the local media and *The Greenwood Guide to New Zealand*.

According to Mr Dixon, customers are also telling him Revive serves the best salads in New Zealand. “Every day we have freshly prepared salads available. They’re a far cry from the traditional lettuce and carrot varieties,” says Mr Dixon. “Most of them are meals in themselves.”

In September last year, hot meals were added to the menu. These change on a daily basis and Mr Dixon says that “giving the staff time to create new dishes every day keeps them inspired and helps the food have little special touches that make our place unique.”

Other initiatives the cafe has put in place have included email newsletters, office catering and running healthy cooking classes on Monday nights. The classes are run by Peter Chaplain, a top New Zealand vegetarian chef who has hosted a number of TV cooking shows.—*Adele Nash/Jeremy Dixon*

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www.revive.co.nz



Revive celebrated two years of business in Auckland on February 14.

Adventist scholar dismisses tomb doco

BERRIEN SPRINGS, MICHIGAN, USA

The Discovery Channel’s March 4 broadcast of the *Lost Tomb of Jesus*, a documentary claiming to be about the discovery of Jesus’ remains, raised debate in secular and religious communities around the world about its veracity.

Outrageous though the documentary’s claims may be, Dr Randy Younker, a professor and researcher at the Institute of Archaeology located on the campus of Andrews University, says Christians cannot afford to ignore them. “A lot of people today haven’t yet made up their minds about [Jesus’ divinity] and will grab on to and be enthusiastic about these claims. Paul says to ‘always be ready to give a reason for your faith,’ so it is the Christian’s responsibility to show that these sorts of claims are not valid and don’t undermine our faith—in a respectful way, of course.”

Dr Younker maintains the *Lost Tomb of Jesus* is not one of those instances where faith must shelve science. Rather, he and a host of other scholars—Christian and secular—think the documentary relies on sensationalism, sloppy translations and incorrect statistics to boost “at best, a bogus claim made by quasi-archaeologists with an agenda.”—*ANN*

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PapSDA scientist receives global recognition

PAPATOETOE, NEW ZEALAND

Dr Maurice Curtis, a member of the Papatoetoe church who has been living and working in Sweden since 2005 and is involved in research at the Centre for Brain Repair at Gothenburg University, has received global recognition for his research into brain regeneration.

For the past eight years, Dr Curtis has been involved in researching ways to encourage the brain’s own stem cells to replace the neurons (brain cells) that die due to neurodegenerative diseases such as Parkinson’s, Alzheimer’s and Huntington’s disease.

This work has been performed as a New Zealand–Sweden collaboration. On March

2, the journal *Science* published the findings of Dr Curtis’s research as the cover story.

Dr Curtis is passionate about neuroscience. “I am continually amazed at how complex the brain is and how much we have yet to learn about how it works,” he says. “The brain is the epitome of creation and I feel truly blessed to have the opportunity to work out just a fraction of its intricacy.”

In 2003, his research group discovered patients with Huntington’s disease had significantly greater numbers of stem cells than the “normal” brain. It was also discovered that the stem cells had the ca-



Dr Maurice Curtis.

capacity to replace the neurons. This discovery was contrary to previous medical opinion that neurons could never be replaced.

The big question became, “How do we make the stem cells migrate from their place of birth into the region affected by neurodegeneration (neuron loss)?”

The hope is that by finding the cue that dying cells give the new cells to indicate their demise, and by finding ways to stimulate new cell production that human suffering from neurodegenerative diseases can be alleviated.—*Emma Weslake*



In 1930, LAC transport "Henry" the horse was famous for sitting down when he needed a rest.



In 1933, this Ford truck was used to carry finished items from the old basket factory and provide college transport. The driver is John House and Mr Milward is standing.

Students at LAC today—Sam Tairea and Charlie Pelman—about to board one of LAC's current buses.



The bus to Longburn

BY JULENE DUERKSEN-KAPAO

ANYONE WHO HAS ATTENDED Longburn Adventist College (LAC) will have a range of memories of how they arrived at Longburn and how they travelled into town on shopping days. Prewar students "fondly" remember getting off the old steam trains in Palmerston North to be met by college staff who transported them back to Longburn by horse and cart. Later a variety of old trucks fulfilled the task. An old indestructible Bedford truck did the job for many years after World War II and was finally retired in the 1970s.

College picnics, carting produce grown in the gardens, picking up supplies, running students into town were all part of a myriad of tasks those old transport methods fulfilled. Trips involving a large segment of the student body meant hiring a bus from Rutherfords, so the cost of these trips limited their number.

Today the college owns a range of vehicles including two buses. These buses are invaluable for a college set in a rural

area, saving large amounts of money that would otherwise go to outside providers. Class trips, camp trips, shopping trips and, of course, the regular Sabbath trip by the boarders into church each week are catered for by our own buses.

The two buses owned by the college have faithfully served these needs—one for 11 and the other for seven years. The college logo and student pictures on the back of the buses have become well known in the Palmerston North area. Each year the large bus is a witness much further afield when it takes a group of Saniku College students—our sister college in Hiroshima—on a trip around the North Island.

Unfortunately both buses are ageing and coming to the end of their economic life. Repair bills are growing larger and the need to replace them is becoming more urgent. New Zealand Ministry of Transport regulations for school buses are tightening, making replacement of the college buses imperative.

"It is invaluable to have our own buses,"

reports LAC principal Bruce Sharp. "Our two buses continue to provide an excellent service but the cost of running them is escalating. We really do need to replace them with something newer and more reliable."

With Longburn's centenary year rapidly approaching (2008), today's LAC student will have memories of a different sort compared to students of 50, 60 or even 70 years ago. They will still be fond memories of happy times spent travelling with their college mates. New buses will ensure this aspect of college life continues.

This year's Union Institutions Offering in the New Zealand Pacific Union Conference is earmarked toward replacing the two larger buses at LAC. The college community eagerly looks forward to your generous offering and reporting back when our new buses arrive. **R**

Julene Duerksen-Kapao teaches Bible at Longburn Adventist College, Palmerston North, New Zealand.

Union Institutions Offering—April 21

LAA student receives arts award

BY DAVID JONES

KRISSIE HOPKINS, A YEAR 12 STUDENT at Lilydale Adventist Academy (LAA) in 2007, has been awarded a “Top Arts” Award by the Victorian Curriculum and Assessment Authority.

The “Top Arts” Award is reserved for students who have presented an outstanding art portfolio as part of the Year 12 VCE art course in the areas of painting, sculpture, photography, short film, textiles, etching, drawing and mixed media works. Miss Hopkins developed a photo journalism portfolio based on a tour of China. In addition to her impressive range of images capturing the lives of people in China, she fashioned an impressive Manchurian soldier in the ceramics department.

Recently Dr Darryl Murdoch, principal of LAA, and Mr Anthony Jensen, LAA’s head of art, attended a “Top Arts” award ceremony conducted by the National Gallery of Victoria in the Ian Potter Centre, Federation Square, Melbourne (Vic). Miss Hopkins was honoured along with a select group of VCE art students and her work is on display in the Ian Potter Centre until the end of May 2007.

Mr Jensen praised Miss Hopkins for her endeavour, determination and creativity in producing an award-winning portfolio. He noted that “Krissie has produced amazing work considering the current state of the art, photography and ceramics facilities at the academy.”

Dr Murdoch concurred noting that “after 28 years of operation the Art and Workshop Technology facilities are well below standard. There was a sense of making do, which has got to the point of embarrassment when taking prospective families on tours of academy facilities.”

Currently the Art and Workshop Technology Departments are being renovated at LAA. The building has been completely



Current building work at Lilydale Adventist Academy will renovate and expand the art and technology facilities at LAA.

gutted enabling the combining of many short term “add-ons” into an integrated facility where students will be able to access materials and equipment efficiently. Dr Murdoch indicated that the renovation project would cost close to \$A500,000, with more than half the funds coming from Australian Government funding. It is hoped that a generous response from across Australia in support of raising the funding shortfall will occur on April 21, when LAA is recipient of the Australian Union Conference’s Institutions Offering.

Dr Murdoch expressed appreciation on behalf of the LAA community for the generous support in the past with funds from previous Institutions Offerings supporting the development of a long-awaited library/resource centre at LAA.

This new facility commenced operation at the beginning of the 2007 school



year and has quickly become a centre of learning at LAA. The staff and students eagerly await access to the renovated Art and Workshop Technology facilities in the near future. **R**

David Jones is public relations coordinator for Lilydale Adventist Academy, Lilydale, Victoria.

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More?

BY SUSAN JOHNSTONE

MY DAUGHTER, JESSIE, IS JUST learning to talk. When she wants something to eat, she no longer points to it with a pleading look in her eyes; she can ask for it. She does this by saying, “More?”

Initially, she learned this word when she had eaten her meal and we offered her another serving, asking, “Do you want more?” Now she associates the word with any request for food, be it first serve or second serve.

I found it funny that she has mistaken the word *more* to mean “food.” *How can she ask for more*, I thought, *when she doesn't have any in the first place?*

But perhaps her limited grasp of the English language points out a profound truth. She knows she is not starving: she has three meals a day, plus morning tea and afternoon tea. She is not really lacking for sustenance by any global standard. Many children in poorer countries are blessed if they can have one meal a day. So although Jessie hasn't even started lunch, whatever food she eats after breakfast is surplus or supplementary—*more*.

We live in a land of plenty. Even those on government pensions and social security payments, although finding it a struggle, need not starve. “Comfortable” income earners complain about taxes and debts—mostly self-inflicted—yet they have clothes to wear and a roof over their heads. The majority of advertising on television, in magazines and in glossy catalogues shoved in our mailboxes, promotes things we don't need. If we needed it so badly, we wouldn't require advertising to persuade us to buy it.

Most of the commercials entice us to buy items of decadence: surround-sound

entertainment systems, the latest fashions and accessories, wide-screen plasma TVs, broadband internet connections, mobile phone ringtones and wallpapers, a plethora of household appliances and gadgets, cars that cost as much as a cheap house in a country town. The excesses are sinful.

How confident would we feel explaining our budget to someone in a developing country, where basic health care is not guaranteed?

That we destroy our health through our indulgence in sugary, high-fat foods with no nutrition, leaving broccoli and beans to go mouldy in the crisper drawer of the fridge—while many people don't even get regular meals of rice or beans?

That we get fat from sitting around entertaining ourselves with Xboxes, DVDs, computer games and chat rooms, escaping only to drive to the corner shop for junk food and the Sunday paper—while many people, including children and pregnant women, have to work long hours every day just to earn a minimum wage?

That we live in a society where boutique shops to discount clothing stores expect consumers to buy a new wardrobe of clothes each season? Just a few decades ago, the only good clothes a person owned was their church outfit.

Most of the Western world's clothes are made by labourers in developing countries, for negligible wages in oppressive working conditions. Why? Do we need more clothes? Aren't there enough clothes in second-hand shops and many tonnes languishing in boxes, in cupboards and in spare rooms?

This addiction of needing more—*more* treats, *more* entertainment, *more* convenience, *more* items to feed our pride and

sense of acceptance among our peers—is blinding us to the amazing things we already possess. Do we thank God for the blessings we have now—and have had in the past? And not just material blessings but spiritual blessings?

It's easy to see why the “spiritual” life gets neglected in our thinking when our lives are so wrapped up in worldly pursuits. In this consumerist society we are in danger of becoming consumerist Christians. Even when we pray we approach God like some divine Santa Claus, asking Him for all the things we want, rather than coming to Him to give ourselves.

Do we really know what is important in life? Why whinge about interest rates and bills when we are assured that God will supply our every need? Why worry about having to wear old clothes when we know God looks at the heart? And why try to “keep up with the Joneses” for our sense of self-worth when we know God accepts us and loves us?

Max Lucado puts it well in his book *In the Grip of Grace*: “You see, from Heaven's perspective, grace is enough. If God did nothing more than save us from hell, could anyone complain? . . . Having been given eternal life, dare we grumble at an aching body? Having been given heavenly riches, dare we bemoan earthly poverty? . . . If you have eyes to read these words, hands to hold this book, the means to own this volume, He has already given you grace upon grace.”

Do we want more? Or has God already given us life abundantly? **R**

Susan Johnstone writes from Stanthorpe, Queensland.



The mind of Christ

BY PATRICIA HUNT

RECENTLY, I WAS REVIEWING familiar Bible verses in my mind, and my thoughts fixed on Philipians 2:5-8:

“Let this mind be in you, which was also in Christ Jesus: who, being in the form of God, thought it not robbery to be equal with God: but made himself of no reputation, and took upon him the form of a servant, and was made in the likeness of men: and being found in fashion as a man, he humbled himself, and became obedient unto death, even the death of the cross.”*

As these words sunk deeper into my understanding, I tried to think of Jesus’ thoughts. *What was His mind like?* He was the Sinless One, the Lamb without blemish and without spot (see 1 Peter 1:19). So pure, He had never allowed a sinful thought to lodge in His mind. Yet this was the mind that hung on the cross, burdened down with the sins of the whole world!

How did He feel with His mind being invaded by so much sin, the wickedness of all the world from the beginning of time to its very end? Was this why He had cried out, “My God, my God, why hast thou forsaken me?” (Matthew 27:46)?

Perhaps that was why His Father was not able to come near to comfort and support His Son. Christ not only took our sins upon Himself, but He *became* sin for us (see 2 Corinthians 5:21). As in the sanctuary services, people had to place their sins on the “lamb without blemish,” so we have to place our sins on the “spotless Lamb of God.” Hadn’t John said, “Behold the Lamb



of God, which taketh away the sin of the world” (John 1:29)?

As I continued to contemplate this most amazing event in history, I imagined how Jesus would have felt when burdened down with all that evil and I wondered which was the very worst sin that confronted our Saviour?

Was it the sin of the cruel murderer? After all, Jesus was the Creator and giver of life. Or was it the greed and covetousness of the armed robber who took by force what belonged to others or robbed banks?

He was the giver of good gifts to everyone. What about the paedophiles? How could His pure mind even consider the harm inflicted on children whom He loved so much? He had used a child as an example of what His followers ought to emulate.

But then I thought of the little sins. He must take even the smallest of our transgressions to be our Saviour—the little white lies, the petty theft at the workplace or the misrepresentations and cover-ups in prominent circles sometimes hidden from public view, as well as the impatient attitudes and harsh, unkind words spoken in our homes to the ones we love most.

Then I asked myself, “Which sin did Jesus find the hardest to die for?” As the events in the life of Christ filled my mind, I remembered that His most severe rebuke was to people who were unaware of their real condition, people who saw themselves as being above reproach, respectable, religious people. He even called them “vipers” (see Mat-

thew 23:33).

And yet He died so all of them—and all of us—can be forgiven. The Son of God “made himself of no reputation . . . and became obedient unto death, even the death of the cross.”

What humiliation! What a Saviour!
God, let Your mind be in me. **R**

**Bible quotations are from the King James Version.*

Patricia Hunt writes from Auckland, New Zealand.

Kellie Hancock

Prayer keys:

“Just pray *no!*”

WITH JOY BUTLER

P RAYER IS NEEDED ON BEHALF OF THE ISSUES RELATED TO and the people involved with drugs, alcohol and tobacco around the world. The 17th Annual Worldwide Week-end of Prayer and Fasting for this issue and these people takes place on April 14 and 15. In April 1991, a group committed to intercessory prayer on behalf of the addicted and their families and this began an ongoing prayer ministry.

Substance abuse, alcoholism and the illnesses and crime resulting from these scourges affect us all and costs governments billions of dollars every year. Substance abuse has been directly linked to violence and sexual immorality and is a major source of income for organised crime and terrorist activities.

This group of pray-ers is seeking to enlist one million prayer supporters from around the world to join in the battle. Some suggestions for this focus on prayer could be:

- Concerts of prayer;
- Rallies and marches to promote awareness and media support;
- Sermons and Bible studies concerning substance abuse;
- Christian outreach to the addicted;
- Support of existing substance prevention and rehabilitation programs, such as those provided in Australia and elsewhere by the Adventist Development and Relief Agency; and
- Establish a support/prayer group in your church for the addicted.

Those who work closely with addicted people are calling us to pray for their work and for the concerns of substance abuse. A Christian doctor in Brisbane has urged us to pray. The Women's Christian Temperance Union in Australia has recently met at their triennial committee and urges us to pray. This is the battle zone and we need the whole armour of God. Please just pray *no!* to substance abuse of all kinds.

A prayer point: Pray that the addicted will seek after God with all their heart, soul, mind and strength (see Deuteronomy 4:29) and will place their trust in Jesus Christ as both Saviour and Lord. **R**

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Joy Butler is coordinator of prayer ministries for the South Pacific Division.

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Kids corner



Hi kids,
Would you like to eat the same thing for every meal for months at a time? The Israelites were wishing they had something other than manna to eat so God performed another miracle. Read about it in Numbers 11.
RR


Fill in the Blanks

Now a _____ went out from the _____, and it brought _____ from the sea and left them fluttering near the _____ ...

Numbers 11:31 NKJV

Draw

This boy collecting manna can see something coming toward the Israelite camp. What does the text above say it is? Draw what God sent to the people on the wind.



Colour In

Colour in the picture of the Israelite boy and your drawing.

Adventist breadth

COLIN MACLAURIN, NSW

“Looking at Adventism” (Feature, March 17) provides interesting insights into how the church is perceived in the wider world. I agree that Adventism is more significant in the world than many Adventists know. For example, in the area of theology, our church’s denial of eternal hell has helped this belief grow in the wider Christian world, and is also one of the factors that drew me to this church.

The interviewee’s use of the terminology “historic Adventist” is debatable, but I agree that our more conservative theologians have a closer working relationship with the administration of the church than do our more progressive theologians.

The website <progressiveadventism.com> features more than 20 interviews with all types of people from conservative to liberal and even former Adventists. Perhaps not for the faint at heart, yet it is worth a visit by anyone interested in understanding the broad spectrum that makes up our church today. I pray that our church continues to find room for all people to belong, whenever Jesus is their focus.

A team effort

IAN LITTLEWOOD, PRINCIPAL, NEW PLYMOUTH CHRISTIAN SCHOOL, NZ

I would like to give the rest of the story regarding the New Plymouth Christian School computer suite (“Alumnus gives school a boost,” News, February 24).

The Board of Trustees appointed a committee to bring the computer suite into existence. And although a lot of work was done by Mr McDowell, many hours of cabling and laying in of the electrical wiring was done by Mr Kelvin Stewart.

Several grants were given to the school by various institutions: \$NZ7700 given by the New Zealand Christian Foundation; the New Zealand SDA Schools Association also donated thousands of dollars; and other funds came from Home and School fundraising.

We would like to thank all the people involved in seeing the project to completion and also those who made it financially possible.

Bending the “rules”?

HAROLD GOTTING, NT

Are the writers of “Jesus’ sword” (Letters, February 24) implying that we can “bend the rules”—the Ten Commandments—according to the circumstances of the day? Where then do we draw the line?

I believe we have to obey the Ten Commandments, no matter what! Jesus did. He could have struck down His enemies before

they put Him to death. He could have struck down the Romans before they killed His people and burned down His temple.

Jesus of the New Testament is the same God of the Old Testament, the same God who handed Moses the Ten Commandments, including “Thou shalt not kill.”

We are aware of the persecution of the saints as predicted in Bible prophecy just before Jesus returns. Do we then put on our combat gear, arm ourselves with weapons and be prepared to retaliate? God forbid!

It is a good idea to study the context of Scripture before using it to justify one’s own beliefs on any topic.

Opening our eyes

LIZ BAMFORD, QLD

I thank God that the majority of Adventists have never experienced our church engaging in sexual perversion (“Guilt by association?” Letters, February 17). However, I know a number of church members who have experienced sexual abuse by people employed by the church at the time.

It is the responsibility of the church and its members to provide children and adults a safe place to worship, attend school and fellowship. Let’s be careful we do not go back to the bad old days when most members simply did not want to know or did not have the skills to deal with such a painful issue. Our church in the past has been guilty by association because of our inability to help those suffering in this horrific way.

Fortunately, the Adventist Church has publicly recognised this, apologised and at-

tempted to make amends. That is why we have a 1800 number to assist any persons who are survivors or have concerns.

Praise God for opening our eyes.

Not killing bulls

BERYL CARPENTER, WA

“The place for women” (Letters, February 24) makes a mistake in likening the *priests* of the Old Testament to the *pastors*

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of today. The sons of Levi were to do the specific work of the sanctuary, foretelling the work of redemption that Jesus would do for us. It was appropriate that this role be filled by males.

The priests had a physically hard job—think of the killing of sheep and bulls—not within the physical capability of the average woman. But the tasks of the New Testament leaders were to teach, to guide, to build up community, tasks needing both men and women. Paul was foremost in naming his coworkers, including both men and women.

In choosing His prophets, God has always chosen both men and women—Old Testament, New Testament and beyond. It is only people who discriminate.

IAN RANKIN, NZ

Pentecost brought about a radical change in the experience and role of believers. The new covenant is with the individual believer who is called into a fellowship of believers operating by consensus through the gender-neutral gifts of the Holy Spirit.

The coming of the Holy Spirit shattered old paradigms. Awareness of all the implications of this new experience has taken time and the final chapters of the book of Acts are still being written.

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Weddings

Bragg—Smith. Darren Bragg, son of Len Bragg (Bega, NSW) and Rosie Mackie (Sydney), and Carissa Smith, daughter of Shane (Albury) and Dianne Smith (Montrose, Vic), were married on 11.02.07 at Lilydale Adventist church, Melbourne.
Darren Croft

McClintock—Grant. Kenneth John McClintock, son of David and Glenda McClintock (Suva, Fiji), and Hopal Necola Grant, daughter of Owen and Marija Grant (Jamaica), were married on 27.02.07 at Eden Gardens, Kingston, Jamaica.
Russell Willcocks

Pascoe—Stuart. Leigh Gordon Pascoe, son of Betty (Yarra Junction, Vic), and the late Len Pascoe, and Julie-Ann Marita Stuart, daughter of David and Marita Rayner (Warburton), were married on 11.03.07 in a garden setting at Yarra Junction.
Morrie Krieg

Smith—Huckstepp. Joshua Smith, son of Ian Smith (Banora Point, NSW) and Chantelle Hart (Tweed Heads), and Jody Huckstepp, daughter of Ken and Debra Huckstepp (Currumbin, Qld), were married on 10.03.07 at the Hyatt, Sanctuary Cove, Gold Coast.
Adrian Raethel

Thong—Fame. Khia Thong, son of Kui Von and Fum Thong (Richmond, Vic), and Dores Fame, daughter of Thomas and Teresinha Fame (Sydenham), were married on 28.12.06 at North Fitzroy Adventist church, Melbourne.
Weefong Choo

Obituaries

Arthur, Marjorie (Marj) Ethel (nee Schulz), born 13.03.1924 at Tenterfield, NSW; died 12.02.07 in Lismore Base Hospital. On 30.03.64 she married Eric, who predeceased her in 1997. She is survived by her sister, Oliveen Roos (Tenterfield), and her brother, John Schulz (Victoria Point, Qld); her stepdaughters, Gwen Arthur (Adelaide, SA), Coral Rice (Laurieton, NSW) and Maxine Clapshaw (Motueka, NZ). She was a gentle, caring, loving person who made everybody feel special. She loved gardening, painting and cooking.
*Ernie Krause
Laurie McMurtry*

Bullock, Concordia Joan (Connie, nee Doble), born 17.6.1923 at Portland, NSW; died 4.2.07 in Canberra, ACT. On 27.11.46 she married Pastor Ken Bullock, who predeceased her on 21.12.98. She is survived by her children and their spouses, Lorraine and John Stiles (Matamata, NZ), Rhonda and Gil Maher, and Geoff and Kathy (all of Canberra, ACT); and her five grandchildren. Connie served with her husband for 51 years in evangelism, pastoral work and education. Students in PNG affectionately called her "mama bilong mipela." She was like a mother to so many students at Jones Missionary College, Kambubu. Since her husband's death she served as an associate pastor at National church in Canberra, ACT. A woman who sparkles for Jesus is far more precious than diamonds, rubies or pearls. Connie was such a woman.
*Alex Currie, Beverley Currie
Dale Arthur, Neil Lawson*

Engler, Rosa, born 15.05.1914 at Zurich, Switzerland; died 16.02.07 in Victoria Point Adventist Retirement Village, Qld. She was predeceased by her husband Walter, in October 2000. She is survived by her daughter and son-in-law, Roseli and Barrie Peach (Brisbane, Qld), and her grandchildren and their spouses, and great-grandchildren. Rosa and Walter were pioneers of Lilydale Adventist Academy and served there for 22 years. She loved her family deeply and will be remembered as a wonderful cook, a sweet, gracious woman and a faithful, hard worker who was always reaching out to help someone in need.
*Trafford Fischer, Arnold Reye
Ray Trim*

Hall, Elvine Ruth (nee Cleverdon), born 14.10.1912 and died 15.02.07 in Charles Harrison Hospital, Cooranbong. She was predeceased by her husband, Ray, on 29.12.85. She is survived by her son, Peter (WA), her daughter, Pamela Weir (NT); her eight grandchildren; her sisters, Mary Muirhead and Marj Green; her brother, Clive Cleverdon; and their families. She was a resident of the Charles Harrison Memorial Home for nearly 20 years.
Leonard Tolhurst

Ion, Sylvia Thelma (nee May), born 29.4.1908 at Port Hedland, WA; died 18.2.07 in Sydney, NSW. On 27.6.1929 she married Bert, who predeceased her on 7.8.63. She is survived by her daughters and their spouses, Elaine and Ben Morris (Perenjori, WA), Yvonne and Bill Bagnall (Wahroonga, NSW), Pam and Dr Tom Ludowici (Cooranbong), and Sue and Dereck Binning (Perth, WA); her 10 grandchildren; her 19 great-grandchildren; and one great-great-granddaughter. As a faithful follower of Jesus, she sleeps awaiting the final trumpet call to eternal life with her Saviour.
Tom Ludowici

Macfarlane, Stanley Harcourt, born 21.07.1920 in Sydney, NSW; died 11.03.07 at Kings Langley Nursing Home, Kings

Langley. In 1943 he married Gwen Needham, who predeceased him. In 1987 he married Margaret Clarke, who predeceased him in 2003. He is survived by his daughter and son-in-law, Susan and Alistair Wilson, and her family (Canberra, ACT). Stan served in the Australian Army from 1941 to 1946. He also worked as chief auditor for the South Pacific Division for many years until his retirement in 1986. He was much loved and appreciated by those who knew him.

*Bill Sleight
Wal Taylor, Robert Craig*

McLeod, Eva St George (nee Broome), born 12.01.1918 at Rockhampton, Qld; died 09.02.07 at Caloundra. On 26.11.38 she married William, who predeceased her on 27.12.70. She is survived by her children, Bill and Marion (Mansfield), Ken and Jenny (Cooranbong, NSW), Brian (Rockhampton, Qld), Yvonne and Ken Luke (Eliambah), and Chris and Paul Bosomworth (Narangba). Eva loved the Lord and His church, bringing up her children to know Him. She was always looking to do good for others. She will be sadly missed by all who loved her.
John Rabbas, Ross Baines

Mitchell, Dorothy Evelyn (nee Walshe), born 20.11.1914 in Sydney, NSW; died 25.1.07 at Melody Park, Nerang, Qld. On 29.1.1940 she married Leslie, who predeceased her. She was also predeceased by her great-grandson, Dyllon, and by her brothers, Alex and Allan Walshe Snr. She is survived by her children and their spouses, Kevin and Leonie (Gold Coast), Dennis and Linda (Sydney, NSW); her four grandchildren and their spouses; and her four great-grandchildren. Dorrie was a quiet and unassuming person, who served her God and others with deep commitment. She is especially remembered for the countless number of young lives she touched through her ministry to children at Guildford church, Sydney.
Allan Walshe

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Nolan, Florance (Florrie), born 23.4.1928 at Dubbo, NSW; died 18.12.06 at Dubbo. In 1945 she married Jack. She was predeceased by her children, John, Stephen and Rhonda Jean Nolan. She is survived by her husband (Dubbo); her children, Shirley Naden, Margaret Walker (both of Dubbo), Jannette Lancaster (Tanilba Bay), Thomas, and Joan Nolan (both of Dubbo); her 24 grandchildren; and 38 great-grandchildren. The eldest of 10 children, Florrie's caring nature endeared her to family and friends. Florrie's busy life of helping others displayed true Christian faith and love. Many church functions were blessed by her wonderful cooking. Her faith was firmly based in God's promises of eternal life. Sadly missed by family and friends.

Graham Wynnatt

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Parkin, Neil Ernest, born 10.08.1943 at Trafalgar, Vic; died 27.10.06 at Mackay, Qld. He is survived by his wife, Jenny (Mackay); his children, Marissa (Mount Tamborine), Brenton (Mackay) and Chiara (Sydney, NSW); his father, Ernie (Yarragon, Vic); his brothers, Alan (Brisbane, Qld), Gordon (Shady Creek, Vic), Brian (Shepparton) and his sister, Marie (Melbourne). Neil was a dedicated and active member of Mackay Adventist church and was committed to the relocation and growth of Carlisle Christian College in Mackay.

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