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# 300th school signs on for KickStart breakfasts

**AUCKLAND**, NEW ZEALAND

n September, Sanitarium Health Food Company and Fonterra, its partner in the KickStart Breakfast program that provides breakfasts for schools around New Zealand ("KickStart breakfasts win Social Heroes award," News, October 3), saw the 300th school join the program.

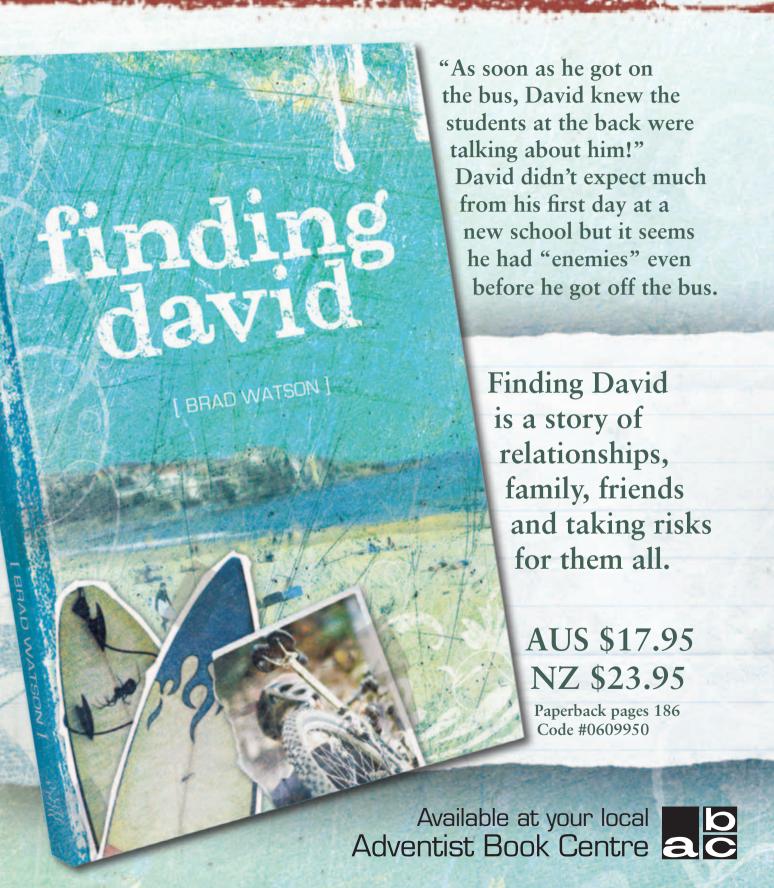
Lincoln Heights School in Massey, Waitakere, marked the milestone on September 9 with a breakfast for 40 young students with Pierre van Heerden, general manager of Sanitarium New Zealand, and Barry Harris, special advisor of Fonderra. School principal Debbie Waikato says joining KickStart Breakfast would be a boost for the school's

breakfast club. "A weekly delivery of free milk and cereal from Fonterra and Sanitarium will be the cornerstone of our breakfasts, and will complement the great support we also receive from our local community to ensure all Lincoln Heights children get the right start to their school day," says Mrs Waikato.

The "rapid uptake" of KickStart Breakfast since its launch as a pilot program in April 2008 shows the program is meeting an important need at schools, according to Mr Harris. "We've had fantastic feedback from teachers, which confirms the value of the program and that a healthy breakfast is

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key building block for a successful day at school. Many schools report that students in the program are more focused and ready to get down to work, and are learning valuable new social skills through the KickStart Breakfast," he adds.

Mr van Heerden says the partnership between Sanitarium and Fonterra is a "great example of two companies working together to promote health and nutrition in our communities.

"KickStart Breakfast is based around a community-partnership model—Sanitarium and Fonterra providing the cereal and milk, and each school and community taking responsibility for preparing and delivering it to students each week. We are committed to improving the health and wellbeing of our communities, and KickStart Breakfast helps give kids an opportunity to have breakfast."

Every week, KickStart Breakfast provides Weet-Bix and Anchor Mega Milk to 300 low-decile schools. The aim is to



Partnership for learning: Pierre van Heerden, general manager of Sanitarium New Zealand; Debbie Waikato, principal of Lincoln Heights School; and Barry Harris, special advisor of Fonterra with students at the school.

educate children about the difference a nutritious breakfast can make, and more than 12,000 students consume more than 24,000 breakfasts per week. Sanitarium and Fonterra now plan to extend the program to 500 schools.

Approximately 80 per cent of the schools currently participating in the program are primary schools and are located on the North Island. Around 60 per cent of the schools are rated decile 1 and 2.—**Sharyn Brady** 

More @ www.sanitarium.co.nz

## Enrolment down but more study theology

#### **COORANBONG, NEW SOUTH WALES**

espite a dip in total enrolment, a record number of students are studying theology at Avondale College this semester. The faculty has increased enrolment by 15 per cent—the largest increase of any faculty—since semester two this past year.

Some 162 students studied theology then; 191 are now. The number of theology undergraduates is now 142, up from 119 in second semester this past year. Postgraduates number 49. Total enrolment at Avondale in second semester this past year stood at 1294; it is now 1286, a decrease of less than one per cent.

Data analyst Chris Thiele says a dip in second semester enrolment is a continuing trend, despite Avondale's strong growth. "The number of new students who enrol in semester two does not usually offset the number of students we lose through attrition but our retention rates, particularly in education and nursing, are still pretty high," he says.—*Kirsten Bolinger* 

## Website established to promote motorbike ministry

**SUNNYBANK HILLS, OUEENSLAND** 

etired Adventist church pastor David Lawson has launched a website in order to further promote his project to purchase motorbikes for church pastors in the Pacific Islands.

The website features books written by Pastor Lawson, and CDs and DVDs containing sermons and scenic photos. According to Pastor Lawson, "The proceeds from the sales on this website are used, along with donations from sponsors, for a special project that benefits the spread of the gospel in the South Pacific Islands."

Pastor Lawson has been fundraising to pay for motorbikes to be used by pastors and administrators in remote areas around the South Pacific Division since 2006, after a visit to the Papua New Guinea (PNG) Highlands.

"I talked with a number of our pastors, seeking to find their greatest needs to help improve their efficiency and outreach. The most common answer was the need for some form of transport," he says. "Most of them had 20 to 50 churches under their care. While some had personal transport, the majority relied on public motor vehicles that were not reliable and sometimes not very safe. Many of the pastors just walked."

There are now 53 motorbikes being used in PNG and Vanuatu, and Pastor Lawson says he now has enough funds to purchase another 11

"One pastor recently wrote to thank me for the motorbike. He has 26 churches and was able to visit them twice a year," says Pastor Lawson. "Now he uses the bike to visit five churches every Sabbath, preaching five times. His churches see him every five weeks instead of 26."—*Melody Tan* 

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## Outreach results in baptisms in Samoa

APIA, SAMOA

n the evening of August 23, 190 people were baptised by 20 pastors in the Olympic-sized pool at the Samoa Aquatic Centre—a venue judged as the only one capable of hosting a baptism ceremony of this size. More than 1000 people witnessed the baptisms and joined in singing the hymn "Jesus keep me near the cross" at the close of the ceremony.

Sua Julia Wallwork, director of Women's Ministries for the Samoas-Tokelau Mission, says, "We've had baptisms before in churches—in our local churches—but this is the first time we've taken this public. And it's the first time there's been a big public baptism for any church."

According to Mrs Wallwork, the number



It took 20 pastors to baptise all 190 candidates.



An outreach series run by Dr Erika Puni saw 190 people baptised in Samoa.

of people baptised exceeds numbers at any previous baptisms in Samoa.

The baptisms followed a two-week evangelistic series run by Dr Erika Puni, stewardship director for the General Conference. The nightly meetings were held at the Samoas-Tokelau Mission's youth hall and according to organisers, the hall was "filled to capacity with church members and non-members alike, all searching for the good news of salvation."

The meetings were presented in both English and Samoan, with the help of local church pastors.

There are 35 churches in the Samoas-Tokelau Mission, with around 7500 members.—**Sua Julia Wallwork/Melody Tan** 

More @ http://missionws.spdweb ministry.org

## Longburn musical a Runaway success

#### LONGBURN, NEW ZEALAND

or the first time in 30 years, Longburn Adventist College (LAC) has produced its very own musical. *Runa*way was written by Lindsay Morton, a teacher at the college. *Runaway* was performed at The Globe theatre in Palmerston North from August 25 to 27, and involved 60 students, staff and community members.

Apart from the three evening performances, the cast also held a matinee show, which was attended by 200 local primary school students. The production is an original interpretation of the prodigal story (see Luke 15:11-32) and highlights the special character of the school. The script was developed early in 2009, with auditions and rehearsals starting in March. None of the students in lead roles had performed in theatre before. The cast also performed the play at the Papatoetoe Adventist church on September 26.—*Carl Hergenhan* 



Students performing a scene in Runaway.



◆ Yarra Valley church, Vic, recently held an auction, raising \$A1722.30 for a young literature evangelist in Cambodia who had been mugged and her motor scooter stolen. Some church members got busy making things—embroidery by Carmen Bunce, a painted mountain scene on a wooden plaque by John Bunce and Joy Totenhofer made croqueted hangers

of many wonderful colours. There were also many items brought in or donated. After weeks of planning and advertising, the night started with Pastor Ed Totenhofer closing Sabbath before auctioneer Daryl Thomson "took the reins." With a sense of humour, he made going to an auction great fun. Around 50 people attended, ranging from children and young people to adults. Ninety-five per cent of items donated were sold, which outdid the church's previous auction two years ago of \$A1500 for a Solomon Island water project.—May Southern/Les McKeon

◆ Another year has seen the victorious launch of rocket projects built by the Year 6 class at Avondale School, NSW. Over 90 individual launches of a wide variety of model rockets made the event spectacular. It was the climax of three weeks of theory and five weeks of construction. A tradition of over 20 years, the rocketry module at Avondale School is organised by Year 6 teacher Graham Head. Building model rockets is the practical element of a study of space and flight. After passing their test on theory, students choose a kit from a range of different designs



and are rewarded with the opportunity to launch the models they have built. This year, some of the powerful rockets travelled more than half a kilometre down the airport strip. The engines used are solid fuel propellants that come in different sizes. Having closely studied a strict safety code, the students were able to enjoy a safe and exciting day.—Susan Rogers

## Creationism challenged

#### KATHERINE HOOGENBOOM, VIC

As a science student at a secular tertiary institution, my views on creationism (RECORD, October 24) are constantly challenged. Indeed, macro evolution and a billion-year-old earth history are considered solid truths by every lecturer I have ever had. There is no longer a "theory of evolution" but rather, an unspoken acceptance of Darwinism in the educational atmosphere.

Over the years, I have come to take in these views with an open mind. After all, science is science and while admittedly "evidence" that first appears as fact can be misleading in the end, there is much that points toward an earth that dates far prior to 6000 years. However, I was unaware that Adventism or at least some parts of it—had recently come to embrace the acceptance of an old earth, let alone that a Geoscience Research Centre even existed.

Putting research and scientific evidence aside, doesn't this clearly contradict what Ellen White said was the true age of the earth? I by no means take her writings as unquestionable truths but surely we should take that point a little more seriously? As one of the pioneers of the Adventist church and a prophetess, it is disheartening to think that God might have forgotten to correct her on that one small point concerning earth's history. It would be even more tragic if everyone bickered over the age of rocks rather than focusing on the second coming of Christ. I think Creation has a pivotal role in the story of salvation and redemption. If the prophet of our own church claims the earth is 6000 years old, shouldn't we have a little more faith in those words?

## **Environmental action**

#### **EMMA CAMPBELL, NSW**

I read the Creation edition (October 24) with anticipation and some slight disappointment. There was much for the heart and the head but very little for the hands. I applaud Nathan Brown and Harwood Lockton for reminding us of our job as God's stewards in caring for creation. I had hoped—and keep hoping—to see so much more. I would like both leadership from the church hierarchy and action from the members on practical things to do to care for our earth, and our neighbours both near and far.

Incidently, October 24 was also the most widespread day of environmental action in history. Over 5200 events were held in 181 countries to call for a clear solution to the current climate crisis by reducing the level of carbon dioxide in our atmosphere to below 350 parts per million. It would have been wonderful to have my church interested in and acting on this issue. I would have been so proud to be able to say to my unchurched friends—who consistently and compassionately act as stewards of creation—that my church was standing beside them on this.

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## Record Roo

Hi kids!

After Joshua died, the Israelites had different types of leaders called judges. One of these judges was a prophetess named Deborah and God had a special plan for her.

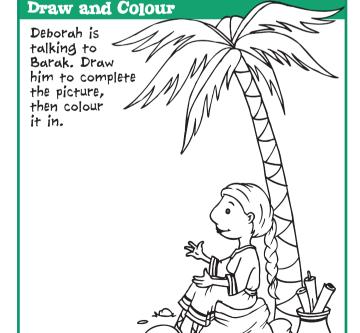
### Bible Text

, the wife of Deborah, a was leading Israel at that time. She held under the Palm of Deborah... and the Israelites came to her to have their \_decided. Judges 4:45, NIV.

### **Word Puzzie**

Read the story of Deborah in Judges Chapter 4, then see if you can unscramble these names of these people that are in the story.

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Answers: Jabin, Sisera, Deborah, Barak, Lappidoth, Abinoam, Heber, Jael.

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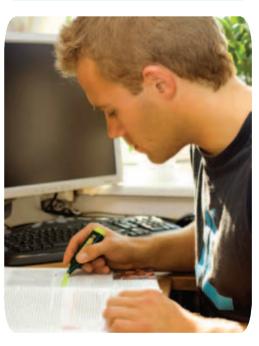
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