## SOUL FOOD February 2015

Where two or three are gathered together in my name there am I in the midst of them



2015 New Church Camp

### A Life of Charity

#### What is involved in living the life of charity?

If we learn the Lord's will (by reading the Word and reflecting on it) and then use our abilities to put the Word into action in our lives, we will be living a life of charity.

The Lord teaches that there are five kinds of activities which make for a balanced life:

- (1) daily work
- (2) benefactions
- (3) duties
- (4) signs of charity (or piety)
- (5) recreations (see Doctrine of Charity)

In Matthew 25, the kingdom of heaven is compared to a man who gave his servants five, two or one talents, and returned later, asking how each servant had used them. The five additional talents that the faithful servant gained symbolize the spiritual enrichment we should seek for our lives. And the five kinds of charitable activities are like five anchors that we should try to have in our lives. If we spend all of our time working and forget to take time for recreation, we will cease to have the energy to be useful. If we spend all of our time recreating, we will eventually be bored and unhappy, because it is a useful life that brings us true happiness.

#### Annual New Church Camp.

(This year at Philip Island Adventure camp)

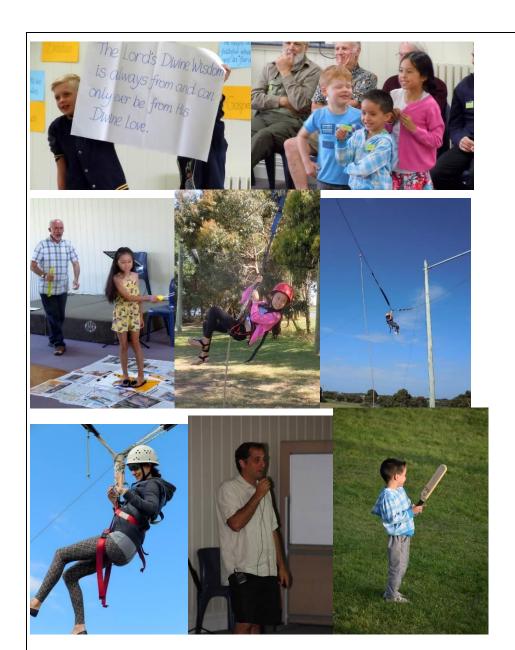
A Life of Charity is lived at the camp as each of the 5 activities are involved

- (1) Work: Classes each morning for each level
- (2) Benefactions: kindness and love to each other
- (3) Duties: teams to lay the tables and clear away etc
- (4) Signs of charity: devotions held each morning and evening
- (5) Recreation every afternoon

This newsletter we focus on the wonderful time that was had at the camp through a series of pictures. For the rest of the pictures see the link below:

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## **Birthdays.** January – Richard 17<sup>th</sup>, Ann 26<sup>th</sup>.

February – Lisa 12<sup>th</sup>.

### Calendar February 2015

Sun 1	5pm worship Shared meal.	McDougal House 20 Clydesdale St, Como.
Sun 8	10.30am worship. Sunday school. Shared meal.	McDougal House 20 Clydesdale St, Como.
Wed 11	Divine Providence Class 11.00 am	Val's
Sun 15	10.30am worship. Sunday school. Shared meal.	McDougal House 20 Clydesdale St, Como.
Sun 22	10.30am worship. Sunday school. Shared meal.	McDougal House. 20 Clydesdale St, Como.
Wed 25	Divine Providence Class. 11.00am.	Val's



Todd on "Heaven"

Michael on water slide



Julian and children

Family class



# We are all created to become angels of Heaven which is a kingdom of communities.

Worship Services are held weekly see attached Calendar for venue and times or

http://www.newchurch.org/societies/perth/newsletters

#### Aurora New Church Circle

McDougal House, 20 Clydesdale St, Como.

**Aurora Face book page** was created in 2007 by the young people at a Saturday afternoon gathering. Here is the address.

#### www.facebook.com/aurora.circle

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