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Feace and Love



With some tragic events that have recently happened in Brussels, Europe, and some other countries, let us all please continue to pray for peace and love to triumph. Pray that the families affected will find comfort, support, peace and love to help them deal with these events.

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For a while Adelaide has been thinking of having a name that reflects we are a Christian Church and having a name with a more modern stance. The Church name has not been changed since the 1800's. A concern with the word 'Society', gives an impression in this day and age, that maybe we could be some sort of "club" or exclusive "group", and could be off-putting to some, particularly the younger generation.

This was a Motion at the January Committee meeting and two options were put forward to members, with an option of any more suggestions.

As it involved a slight change to the Constitution, a Notice went out to members about this, with the Notice for the Annual General Meeting. Proxy forms were also sent out for those who would not be able to attend.

At the AGM, after discussion, a third name was put forward by a member, so similar to the previous two suggestions, and the reason for it seemed very logical. At a vote, this was accepted – as it is above in the heading. This official change with the S.A. Government Associations Registrar, still needs to go through. The forms for this will be attended to shortly. Meanwhile we will use our new name, as it does not affect the registered Incorporated name.

Our Church is still a Not for Profit, Charitable Incorporated Association, and when the official documents are through, it will remain so.

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ADELAIDE CHURCH MOTTO

"The Law of the Lord is perfect"

This motto was created at the time the New Church began here in Adelaide in 1844. As relevant today as it was then.

Inspirational Thoughts

"And these words, which I command thee this day, shall be in thine heart:...And thou shalt write them upon the posts of thy house, and on thy gates ."

Deuteronomy 6: 6,9

The words spoken of, are the first great commandment: the Lord is one, and is to be loved with all the heart and soul and might. Of such importance were these words that the people were told to write them on the posts of their houses, and on their gates.

Spiritually understood, one's house signifies one's mind, one's own character. The gates represent the things believed, that give entrance to heart and mind. If the commandment of love to the Lord, is written on your gates, you are happy indeed.

Prayer:-

O Lord, let Thy tender mercies come unto me, that I may live: for Thy commandment is my delight. Amen

News of Zachary —the Hospital Boy

It is good news regarding Zachary, the young lad in Adelaide, who was transferred from the Women and Childrens Hospital here, to Sydney for lifesaving treatment in December.

Zachary and the family are all back in Adelaide and Zachary is now under the care of the WCH; he is in isolation at home and is not allowed in any public places. His medication regime is plenty throughout the day and needs to be stricly timed as well.

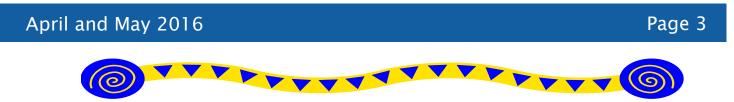
The best news is that on 22nd March, the bone biopsy taken, showed he is currently cancer free. Zachary's Mum and Dad, brothers and all the family, are elated with the latest news. It is now a matter of constant medication and careful watching. Zachary has just turned 16 yrs old.

It is always such good news, when we here of the wonders that Medical Science and Doctors can do in this day and age. These dedicated people are inspired by God to do the best for their fellow people. The Mum of Zachary has thanked lots of people, for their prayers and support during this time. We will be following Zachary's progress and in a few months time, maybe at last, he will be feeling more like himself and a teenage lad. He has been a very brave and positive young man.

It is quite a good time in mankind's history, to realise the advancements that have happened in so many areas. With the tragedies happening in some parts of the world, which distresses many people, let us just remind ourselves, that the Lord is in charge. It is with the Lord's grace that the vast majority of people in the world are safe. Let us continue to pray for all.



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Adelaide Oval

The redesigned Adelaide Oval is really worth seeing, if you happen to be visiting Adelaide at all. Just recently, a friend of ours had a visitor from Scotland, who wanted to visit the Oval and possible a tour. As Ken and I are SACA members, phoned the Oval – they do tours 3 times a day and one just needs to preferably book in. The times we are at the Oval, but what a treat it was to go on a guided tour, to places we have not seen before. These pictures were taken from inside the famous Heritage Listed Adelaide Cricket Scoreboard. This was created and installed in 1911 an is a real feature. The mechanics at that time had to be devised and created to make it work for all players and teams. To this day, it is still handled completely by manpower. On a day when either Cricket or Footy are playing, there are usually just 4 men inside the Heritage building to speedily change and handle all the scores and names.



These views above, were taken from looking out from inside the Board building. There are three floor levels with narrow stairs. Well it is more like 3 stages, as the wooden floors have to all stand away from the score board, to enable all the changes the men have to do. The numbers are all listed on the inside as well, more or less with chalk and/or paint, and each name/number level has its own contraption for changing the scores. This is by way of roller wheels and chains each side of each number to quick change.

The little circles in the middle here at the back, display the number that shows on the outside. Each column has written on it, Units, Tens and Hundreds.



Here is the Tour Guide, showing us The Hall of Fame and timeline of the cricket here.



There are even some special Heritage Listed Trees at the edge of the grassed area at the Cathedral end. These were planted at the end of the 1800's and early 1900's, by the King and Queen at the time, visiting Adelaide and Australia. Beautiful magnificent trees that grace the grassed Family area and give some shade too.

N.C.I.A. Conference in Canberra 5th – 7th May 2016

Attending from Adelaide, will be Randall Rabone, Pauline Merritt, and June Johnson. This is an important Conference for the N.C.I.A. and plenty of various topics are on the Agenda. June is a Presenter for one of the topics being discussed at the Conference.

These three people will be away from Adelaide and the Service dates for May have been adjusted to take this into consideration.

Please note that the Service dates for April and May, will be held on the 1st, 3rd and 4th Sundays, with the Holy Supper and shared luncheon on the 4th Sunday as usual.

If any of the Adelaide people have some thoughts or matters regarding the N.C.I.A., please contact any of the three – as named above – to discuss and give your point of view.

Services for April and May 2016

April

- 3rd April Traditional Service
- 17th April Traditional Musical Service
- 24th April Service & Holy Supper; shared luncheon.

May

1st May - Traditional Service 15th May - Traditional Musical Service

22nd May - Service & Holy Supper; shared luncheon

Activities 2016

<u>Angel Meditation</u> The next sessions of Angel Meditation will be Thursday April 28th at 10.30am; then Thursday May 26th at 10.30am. This is held in the Church Hall, Tea/coffee and biscuits provided. All welcome to this calm relaxing time. Info - phone 8277 1891. <u>Book Study</u>: - "Divine Love & Wisdom" from Swedenborg's Writings. This is still in progress and is held fortnightly on a Wednesday evening at 7.00pm. Anyone is welcome to join in. Please phone 8277 1891 for more details.

<u>Bible Study</u> and discussion time: - This will be held on some Thursday mornings at 10.30am. Please phone Church 8277 1891. It could be arranged for another time or even a home study.

Further Information for any of the above, please phone the Church - 8277 1891

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Contributions for Newsletters

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