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Autumn & Winter Warmers

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Mother's Day in May, and all the shopping centres and arcades were just so full of flowers. Then driving along, there were flower stalls full of colourful blooms. It always makes everything look so happy and cheerful. Everyone smiling around; planning meals, dinners; happiness everywhere! It is not just Mother's Day, it is a Family day, when families all get together to be thankful - for the whole family. Let us thank the Lord for precious families.

Beautiful Sunset, Clare Valley SA









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

"I will wash mine hands in innocency; as will I compass thine Alter, O Lord."

Psalm 26:6

Our hands do most of our work, they represent our daily activities. To wash them, is to cleanse our ways, and to do so in innocency, is to wash them in the Lord's teachings, which are truth. In so far as we live from self we are guilty, but in so far as we act from the Lord we are innocent. To compass the alter of the Lord is to draw near to Him. It is to ascend into the hill of the Lord, which those do who have clean hands and a pure heart.

Prayer:-

O Lord, with my whole heart I have sought Thee. O let me not wander from Thy Commandments. Thy word have I hid in my heart.

Amen

Beautiful Sunset, Clare Valley SA

In the hustle and bustle of our daily busy lives, one forgets the beauty of the earth. The picture on the previous page, was taken just last weekend, in the tranquil valley, at Clare in SA, about an hour and 10mins from Adelaide. Even though the cooler weather is upon us, just being able to enjoy the Gourmet weekend at Clare, is a must for many. Buses and coaches are put on, to take visitors back and forth safe and sound.

As well as the lovely Adelaide Hills and of course, the beaches all along, there are so many places of wide open spaces and natural beauty in abundance. To be outside and enjoy the real beauty of God's creations, refreshes the soul and soothes ones spirit. Take time out to enjoy life's wonders.

Assembly 2018 at Stanwell Tops

A most welcome Assembly was held from 3rd to 5th May. A really enjoyable and worthwhile time it was, meeting and sharing with friends to discuss and go over current Church matters. There was some forward planning for us all and a mutual pooling of ideas. It was a full on Agenda, with interesting presentations on different topics.

Plenty of time for socialising and catching up wih others, as well as the tranquil setting and scenery. Some even spied a kangaroo hopping around the perimeter of the complex. The bushland setting was so relaxing. The catering service by Stanwell Tops friendly and helpful staff was very good, and the menu supplied for all palates, very much appreciated. Our rooms in the Banksia section, were really appreciated; and we seemed quite privately positioned in the complex.

Many thanks to N.C.I.A. and particularly to Carolyn Heldon- for their care and organization.

This article is from the "New Age" magazine put out by the N.C.I.A. It is on the N.C.I.A. website:-

www.newchurch.net.au reprintd here for those of you who are unable to access the internet.



Here in Adelaide, we will be celebrating New Church Day on Sunday 17th June, at the Service, then followed by a shaed luncheon afterwards, in the Church Hall.

New Church Day June 19th Celebration

Here, first, is the statement from True Christian Religion 791:

"After this work was finished, the Lord called together the twelve disciples who followed him in the world. The next day he sent all of them out to the entire spiritual world to preach the gospel that the Lord God Jesus Christ reigns and that his kingdom will last for ages of ages, as foretold by Daniel (Daniel 7.13-14 and Revelation (Revelation 11.15 also that "people who come to the wedding feast of the Lamb are blessed (Revelation 19.9 This took place on June 19th 1770."

One can of course take those words completely literally. The Lord did that at that point in time. It isn't really an issue, although the statement may raise eyebrows with people who wonder how that can get reported.

It's good to go behind worded statements and try and get hold of the essential idea it is presenting. The heart of the statement is that the Lord broadcast the resonating truth from one end of heaven to the other and as a result into our own world, that there is one God who is the Lord God Jesus Christ.

This is the centrepiece of what we celebrate on June 19th, on New Church Day. And from that comes everything else: that the one God Jesus Christ is the true way of understanding and loving the Lord; that the one God Jesus Christ has overcome the power of evil to swamp the minds of people and given us our freedom to choose and follow what is good; that the Lord's Word is true because it shows us the right way we are called on to live our lives; and that this breath of fresh air from all of heaven is not for a chosen few but is for absolutely everyone who will worship the Lord Jesus Christ by whatever name they call him, and who translates that into their own dedication and personal practice, shunning all evils as sins and turning towards the light as the glory of God.



News of Members

While other folks are recovering well, please spare a thought for some who are ongoing with their ailments. Both **Fred and Elizabeth Welling** have needed frequent Drs Visits. Liz for her ongoing medical condition and Fred injured his arm on a door and has needed a skin graft on an area. Fortunately, the graft took and healing is well on the way.

Birthdays

Joy Chettle has just celebrated her 90th Birthday at the end of April. Her son, Andrew and his family, with her daughter, Julie, all shared a dinner date out.

Heather Wade celebrated her birthday at the end of April too. Heather enjoys various activities around Adelaide.

Kim Evans, and June Johnson have birthdays in May too, as well as a few other family members. It always seems like a fun month, does May.

lan Brock has his birthday at the end of June. Ken Johnson at the beginning of June and two more family members too.

Zoey Holder has her birthday on 11th July too.

It is always so good celebrating birthdays.

VERY BEST BIRTHDAY WISHES to you All

Service for June and July 2018

June 2018

17th - June - New Church Day Service and luncheon.

24th - June - Service, Traditional and Musical

July 2018

15th - July - Service,

29th - **July** - Service, Holy Supper, and shared luncheon

Diary Dates and Activities 2018

<u>North Metro Study Group:</u> Should be up and running again soon. Will now probably be held on Wednesday evenings at 7.00pm, at one of our member's home, just North of the CBD. Please contact 0417 632 207 for details.

Presentations This is planned for Saturday 23rd June, afternoon 2.30pm

<u>Adelaide Bible Study -</u> and discussion time: - This is being planned as a Skype group meeting, to accommodate those in different suburbs.

<u>Computer Awareness</u> held on Thursday 21st & 28th June, morning from 10.30am - 12.00pm. Just arrive July dates will be given.

<u>Coffee and Chat time</u> this also happens on Thursday mornings concurrently with Computer Awareness, on 21st and 28 June. July dates will be given.

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