

House of Prayer For All Nations—Adelaide Inc and Mission World Aid Inc

NEWSLETTER

December 2006 Edition

From the Director

Dear Friends,

We are coming to the end of what has been a very fruitful year in our ministry. I look back at all the interstate assignments, the trip to Vanuatu, the launch of Prayernet SA, and the continuing ministry at House of Prayer and I thank God for His faithfulness. The Young Adults' group continues to be a blessing and the weekly Men's meeting gives the men an opportunity to worship and pray together and strengthen each other.

The prayer ministry in our Prayer Tower in the city has continued this year thanks to the faith of Mark Mudri in whose premises it is held. Mark is a close friend of this ministry and is on our Advisory Council. Pastor John Ridley and Pastor Sue Thiele continue to oversee the weekly prayer teams in Parliament House, praying not only for our parliamentarians, but for upcoming legislation.

Adelaide is beginning to be known as a city of prayer.

State Library Exhibition

The former leadership of Pray SA has asked us at House of Prayer to take over the co-ordination and publicity for the State Library Exhibition (in the Mortlock wing) called "South Australia's Christian Heritage". The exhibition was launched on September 20, 2004 and has attracted interest around Australia.

We have now produced a beautiful poster suitable for church notice boards, informing people of the exhibition and the hours it is open. We have also produced, with the help of Keith Birks, a promotional DVD which is for sale for \$5, and new brochures telling the story of the exhibition. This has been due to the hard work of Pastor John Ridley and our House of Prayer librarian, Pauline Redman. Pauline's daughter-in-law designed the posters which are available free of charge.

We need an army of people to help us publicize this amazing exhibition – the first of its type in the nation. If you would like a poster, DVD or pamphlet please contact House of Prayer on 8370 1256. We are hoping every church noticeboard will display the poster in 2007. We have also had smaller cards printed to give out to members of the public.

If you haven't seen the exhibition, the Mortlock Wing is open Monday to Sunday from 10am to 5pm except on Christmas Day, Boxing Day, New Year's Day, and Good Friday.

Intercessors' Camp

We are still dancing around praising God for our Intercessors' Camp held at Hahndorf Resort from 10-12 November. About 175 people came including some from Queensland, New South Wales, Victoria, and Western Australia.

Our guest speakers were Sister Simone and Sister Elpida from the Evangelical Sisterhood of Mary in Sydney. They brought to us the profound but simple message of God's love and of His faithfulness when we follow Him. Their testimonies inspired us and were particularly timely because we now need to step out and find new premises for House of Prayer. The Sisters taught us many principles on the walk of faith which we now must take hold of as we move forward.



Sister Simone and Sister Elpida

The anointing of God on the worship was again incredible and took us to another level. We unexpectedly were led on both the Saturday morning and the evening in prolonged times of spiritual warfare and we were very encouraged to see the young people rise up in this. There is a generation of young Christians that are coming forth as a mighty army! The Lord is doing it and it gives us such encouragement and hope for the future.



Intercessors marching around the auditorium in warfare worship

On the Saturday we had three guests from America who are involved in Operation Outcry, an organization raising up awareness of the suffering of women following abortion. This is a hidden issue and one that needs to be addressed. Often our politicians, when passing legislation, do not see the full story or the long term effects and it is our job to help them in this. It was good to see so many people attend the Town Hall to hear them a few nights later.



From left: Robyn Grace, Ken and Kay Painter, Karen Bodle, Mark Mudri and Jenny Hagger



The young people leading out in a warfare dance



Rebecca Jeyaseelan painting a prophetic picture

Moving

As I have mentioned we are moving! After nearly nine years at Aldgate we have been informed by the Church of Christ that they are now ready to demolish our two buildings and build a new church. We are so grateful for their provision to us all these years. We must now find premises much larger as we have already outgrown our current place. Much larger! This will mean that more finance will be needed and as we always do, we look to the Lord and hold on to every promise He has given us.

Please join us in prayer that we will discern the Lord's new direction to us. We are proclaiming the prayer of Jabez, "Oh that you would bless me and enlarge my territory." 1 Chronicles 4:10. Other scriptures you might look up are Micah 7:11, Isaiah 54:2, Isaiah 9:3, and Isaiah 26:15.

The Mission Shop

Ruth Magarey has taken over from Rosalie Lewis in running our shop which earned just over \$40,000 last year. The volunteers always have it looking so attractive and most of us who call in inevitably buy something! It is a testimony of what can happen when people of different churches pull together to help the poor. I would love a chain of shops! All we need is more volunteers – we have the stock which is continually coming into the Mission Shed.

Notice!

The Mission Shop will be closed from Thursday December 21 and will re-open on Monday January 15 except for Wednesday January 3 and Wednesday January 10 when the shop will be open from 10am-4pm.

The Mission Shed

Gael Harrison and her team are the most dedicated people you could meet anywhere. They work very hard! So do the people who come and help Anthony Moore pack the containers on Saturdays. I watched as they packed the 40ft container for Israel recently. It is incredible what they fit in. You have to see it to believe it! When the doors close we always pray and thank the Lord for all the items donated and for those who have given the necessary finance to send the container. We so appreciate all your support. We rejoice over every cheque that comes in. We thank God for you. We know that because of your obedience to Him schools and hospitals are being equipped, those in rags clothed, cottage industries set up, and people in homes given provision they could never afford to buy for their own comfort.

All for the love of Jesus. Let us remember the poorest of the poor this Christmas as we go about our own gift buying. They can't speak for themselves, but we can boldly speak for them. Let's contribute towards "make poverty history". We live in one of the most blessed countries on earth. Let God use us to bless those in need.

With love and thanks,

Jenny Hagger

From the Aid Administrator

Suddenly we are into the final flurry of activity for the year! On September 23 a team of wonderful volunteers helped us pack 110 hospital beds into a container. The surplus, together with a heavy trailer load of school books, were loaded onto Hugh Magarey's truck and taken to the Mission Shed for storage until they can be sent overseas.

We are conscious that soon, when all the hospitals have upgraded their beds, this source of blessing for needy hospitals will dry up. The hospital in Escalante, Philippines received funding from their government to build a new hospital because of the beds we sent them!

Then a month later, we had to buy a second container to store office desks and other furniture from a large organization relocating interstate and again our wonderful volunteers had to go down to Woodville and pack several trailers and Hugh's big truck, then unpack them into the container and the shed at Stirling.

On Saturday, November 18 we packed another high cube 40ft shipping container for Israel. This consignment contained a large amount of furniture including office desks, cupboards, shelving units, dressing tables and so forth as well as over six hundred cartons of quality clothing. With six thousand homes hit by rockets, up to half a million people displaced, 4262 civilians injured, and countless small and large businesses bankrupted by loss of normal business outlets, there are many desperate people needing assistance there besides those who have immigrated from the former Soviet Union with virtually nothing.

On December 2 we plan to pack a forty footer for Uganda to send to the Uganda Family Resource Link at the request of Louis and Barbara Leake, an Australian couple who have spent the last ten months there. They need hospital and school equipment and are hoping to receive one hundred sewing machines to help women set up in business under a micro economic scheme.



Children at Nyanza-Lak Village in Barundi receiving wrapped biscuits from one of our shed team members, Robyn, who recently visited there.

Then on December 9, thanks to the gift of books from Rotary, we plan to pack a twenty-foot container for the All India Church of God to supply their orphanages with quality children's books.

The container for Tanzania, packed at the Australian Wool Handlers' premises with their invaluable help, has arrived at Dar es Salaam. Before the port authorities will release it they need to receive a cheque from the Tanzania Treasury to cover the duty we would have had to pay if we had not been granted tax emption. Please pray! Every day it is delayed the shipping company charges demurrage and the Port Authority charges storage, amounting to nearly USD100 per day.

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The Mission Shed will be closed from Thursday December 21 and will re-open on Wednesday January 3.

We are very grateful to all those who have supported us financially and are very grateful too for the service of all our volunteers. We pray that you will all be richly blessed by the Lord. May this Christmas season be especially meaningful for you all.



Children playing on the swing set received in the container (pictured at left) sent to Uganda.

Men queuing, from the oldest to the youngest, to receive clothing.

Gael Harrison



The poorest of the poor waiting to receive much needed clothing.

WEBSITE
Please check out our new look Mission World Aid website at:
www.missionworldaid.org

Notice!
The office will be closed from Monday December 25 until Monday January 1 inclusive.



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