



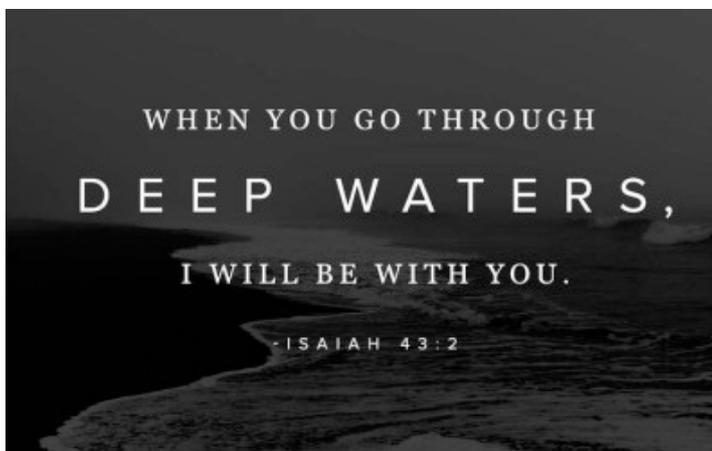
WELCOME TO

Epping Church

WKLY NEWSLETTERS

17/10/19

If you have anything to share with the church, please don't hesitate to contact us on the below emails.
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EVENTS

Nov 9	Adventurer Investiture
Nov 16	Pathfinder Investiture
Nov 17	Vegetarian Recipe Club
Nov 23	Business and Board Meeting
Nov 27	Gingerbread House Social
Dec 14	Epping Church Christmas Program

PRAYER REQUEST

- Please pray for all our Epping Church Bible Study Groups
- Please pray for all the members of our local and global church
- Please pray for Blacktown ADRA in providing service to the needy, particularly with limited resources
- Pray for my Macquarie Uni Adventist club that we continue to grow and gain influence at Macquarie Uni
- Pray for future campus ministry groups across Sydney
- Pray for the establishment of an official Adventist Group at Sydney University

THIS SABBATH
@EPPING

Elder: Vanessa

Speaker: Eva Ing

Offering: MVAC School
Scholarships

17/10/19

Last Sabbath

We had a special prayer and gifts for Mia and Jessica, who are in Year 12 and sitting their finals exams very soon.

Our speaker was Pr Nigel Ackland and his sermon was titled "On-the-Job Training". He spoke about how God used Memory Events to teach the children of Israel - some of which included:

The Passover Feast of Unleavened Bread; The Feast of Weeks; The Day of Atonement; and The Sabbath. Jesus also used activity-based learning to teach - one important Memory Event he created for us so we could make it part of our Christian journey and a powerful, personal experience with God was Communion, which we also celebrated during the service.



SUMMER 2020 CAMP



**Registration for 2020
Summer Camps will be
open next week!!**

Registration for all Camps fills up really fast—literally within minutes! If you are seriously thinking of sending your children to one of our Camps next year, then make sure you are on your computer at 7PM (right on the dot) ready to register them.

Here is a quick Summary of the Camps:

Juniors camp

For those aged 10-12 years old
Camp dates: 10 – 15 January, 2020
Cost: \$385 per person

Young Leaders camp

For those aged 16-18 years old
Camp dates: 16-20 January, 2020
Cost: \$320

The camp will have a leadership focus, equipping and inspiring Young Leaders to excel in their schools and in life. This camp will still be packed with activities, including water-skiing.

Teen camp

For those aged 13-15 years old
Camp dates: 21-26 January, 2020
Cost: \$385 per person

IMPORTANT INFORMATION FOR REGISTERING:

Registration for each camp will be open on a different date. Please see opening times below:

Young Leaders – October 14, 7PM

Juniors – October 15, 7PM

Teens – October 16, 7PM

Online registration will appear on the following website:

www.sydneyadventistyouth.com/events

Registration will close when camps are sold out or on **December 9**.

Social Committee Function

SOCIAL COMMITTEE FUNCTION



GINGERBREAD HOUSE DECORATING

Venue: Epping SDA Church, 2 George Street Epping

Date: Wednesday 27 November 2019

Time: 7.00pm

Cost: \$20.00

For all enquiries please contact:

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MEMORY VERSE OF THE WEEK

WEEK THIRTY ONE

“ Therefore go and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, 20 and teaching them to obey everything I have commanded you. And surely I am with you always, to the very end of the age.”

Matthew 28:19-20

To all our valued supporters,

To say the year has been one of change would be an understatement. As I reflect on the last year, and what we have been able to achieve at Light of Hope Cambodia, I am humbled and filled with hope for the future. Humbled because of the journey of faith in which we are being led. At times things were uncertain, but God has provided us with tangible signs that He is with us and not once did we lack for what we needed. I am filled with hope for the future because I see the lives of children and families impacted daily, both for now and eternity.

Our significant milestones in 2018-2019 included:

- The opportunity to build on our food production program, to increase our sustainability, with the expansion of our fruit orchard on the property.
- The implementation of two kindergarten classrooms for early childhood learning.
- The 100% pass rate of all students completing government exams.
- The graduation of several university trained students who are now independent and dutifully employed.
- The opportunity to build capacity in our in-country staff through training and personal development programs.

I acknowledge that these successes and others must be attributed to the dedication of many – from the generous and unwavering support of our donors and volunteers, and the care and commitment of our staff in-country, to the determination of the youth and children in our care who have gladly made the most of the opportunities set in front of them.

Continuing in through 2019, our challenge for the future and what drives us is our plan to implement more community development projects. It is easy to become complacent about the situation of so many when we sit inside the confines of the Light of Hope property where essential daily needs are met. A trip into the nearby villages opens your eyes to the immense need still out there in the rural provinces of Cambodia. Needs in the area of health, hygiene and education, amongst others.

Without you, our incredible supporters, Light of Hope Cambodia could not fulfil its objectives to improve the lives of some of Cambodia's most vulnerable. As always, your generosity is very much appreciated!

We look forward to continuing the journey that God has taken each of us on in service of the precious lives in Cambodia; as donors, as volunteers and as staff members.

Yours sincerely,



Sherree Hughes

Light Of Hope Project Manager

"Trust in the Lord with all your heart, and do not lean on your own understanding" Proverbs 3:5

To make your valued donation go to www.wra.org.au/1808lightofhope

Thank you for your continued support!

Your generous continued support of at-risk children in Cambodia through Light of Hope is bringing about great change in some very precious young lives. Thank you! "Ignite Hope" funds go straight to the front line, finding children who are suffering from abuse, abandonment or dire poverty, and are severely at risk, and turning their lives around. Here are just two examples from the past year:

Meet Asa and Ase



Asa and Ase are young brothers who have seen more than their fair share of heartache in their few years. They were part of an impoverished, yet happy and loving family when their father was tragically killed in a motorbike accident. He did not die immediately, and in trying to save his life, substantial medical bills were accumulated. This left the young mother of Asa and Ase in a difficult situation where she now had to support them alone in addition to paying off the medical debt. She worked hard in every daylight hour to provide for her boys. Asa and Ase's mother was so exhausted that she became ill and did not have the time or the money to seek medical care. Tragically, she died at home with only the boys present. Asa and Ase were bought to live with their grandmother who cared for them for several years. Grandma loves the boys, but she is often sick and has to spend extended periods in hospital and is unable to care for Asa and Ase any longer. Asa and Ase now live at Light of Hope, but they go to visit Grandma often as she lives relatively close to the centre. She is so happy to see them growing up in a safe and secure environment.

Meet Panha



Panha grew up in a remote village in rural Cambodia. His mother fell pregnant with him while in Thailand where she had been trafficked against her will. She was a perfectly normal 16yr old girl before she left her family village, but upon return had been so mentally damaged that she was now operating at around the age of a crazed six-year-old. Panha spent the first five years of his life raised by his mother in the village where local neighbours would help and support the single mother as they were able. As Panha grew older, his mother was no longer able to control him, and she started to seriously hurt him to control his boyish behaviour. Neighbours noticed this mistreatment and asked Light of Hope to come and help Panha. When the social workers arrived at the village, it was clearly evident that Panha was not being cared for well. He had burns and bruising all over his body. When Panha came to live at Light of Hope Cambodia he did not play with the other children and his behaviour was unusual, but over time Panha has settled well to his new home and now is enjoying the happy and carefree life that every six-year-old child has the right to.

These are just some of the children whose lives have been filled with hope because of the generosity of donors like you.

Thank you for supporting me and loving me!

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MEMORY VERSES

Week 31

"Therefore go and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, 20 and teaching them to obey everything I have commanded you. And surely I am with you always, to the very end of the age."

Matthew 28:19-20

Week 30

"You have made the commandments of God of no effect because of your tradition."

- Matthew 15:6

Week 29

"Remember to observe the Sabbath day by keeping it holy. 9 You have six days each week for your ordinary work, 10 but the seventh day is a Sabbath day of rest dedicated to the Lord your God. On that day no one in your household may do any work. This includes you, your sons and daughters, your male and female servants, your livestock, and any foreigners living among you. 11 For in six days the Lord made the heavens, the earth, the sea, and everything in them; but on the seventh day he rested. That is why the Lord blessed the Sabbath day and set it apart as holy."

-Exodus 20:8-11

To see the rest of the memory verses see the link below :)

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*PASTOR NIGEL'S
THOUGHT OF THE WEEK*

WE HAVE A JOB TO DO.

17/10/19

This quarters lessons on Ezra and Nehemiah remind me that all throughout history God has had the right person(s), in the right place, at the right time, to deliver a message He wanted delivered. The same is true today. "God has a distinct people, a church on earth, second to none, but superior to all in their facilities to teach the truth, to vindicate the law of God" TM 58.

God has a people in these last days who will prepare the world for Christ's Second Coming in the same way John the Baptist prepared the way for Christ's first coming. These people, God's church, are made up of all those who will one day live with Him in glory. Those who keep the Commandments and have the faith of Jesus. It is bigger than any one organization and includes "other sheep... which are not of this fold" (John 10:16). Their message for the world is of course found in Revelation 14.

What make these people special? Just two things: 1) Nothing of their own doing but the mere fact that they know and teach God's truth; 2) Beyond knowing, they actively share this truth and proclaim the coming Day of the Lord.

It would be a shame to only have one of these two qualities. Now that we know the truth, now is not the time to sit down and relax. Now is not the time to look to the right or the left at the attractions of the world. Now is the time to stay in the middle of the road, eyes fixed on Jesus, and honour the trust that has been placed in us.

"The fear of the Lord is the beginning of wisdom: a good understanding have all they that do His commandments" Psalm 111:10.

