



**Moreton Rivers  
Presbytery  
Newsletter**

24 Jan 2018

*Encouraging and equipping God's people for God's mission.*

## WELCOME

Welcome to our fortnightly newsletter. It's full of what's happening around the Moreton Rivers Presbytery and beyond.

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## WHAT'S on:

-  **29 January**  
Resourcing Committee Meeting
-  Meeting
-  **29 January**  
Educating and Equipping Committee Meeting
-  **3 February**  
First Aid Training
-  **6 February**  
Pastoral Relations Committee Meeting
-  **6 February**  
Standing Committee Meeting
-  **17 February**  
YAG
-  **24 February**  
Worship & Preaching Day
-  **28 February**  
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## PRESBYTERY NEWS:

### ***Prayer and Pastoral Concerns***

Please pray for Aspley Uniting Church, for Rev Sandra Jebb and for the congregation as they seek to minister to those in their community.

Please pray for Chaplains who are ministering in the police force, for their ministry to colleagues and the community.

### ***Passing of Rev Alan Anderson***

Rev Alan Anderson passed away on 30th December 2017. Rev Anderson served as a Community Minister prior to his ordination in 2008 and provided ministry in the Morningside Area (also previously known as South East Uniting Community) as well as in a number of other supply positions within Queensland. Please pray for Merle and the Anderson family.

### ***Commissioning Service – Pastor Tim Bennett***

***Sunday 28 January 2018, 2.00 pm, Ashgrove West Uniting Church***

***491 Waterworks Rd, Ashgrove***

The Presbytery, along with the congregation of Ashgrove West Uniting Church, we would like to invite you to the Commissioning Service of Pastor Tim Bennett – Mission Development Officer, Inner Ring.

Rev Dr Rob McFarlane will be preaching.

You are welcome to join us for afternoon tea after the service. If you would like to attend please contact the Presbytery Office at [office@moretonriverspresbytery.org.au](mailto:office@moretonriverspresbytery.org.au) or Ph: (07) 3366 0236

### ***Commissioning and Conclusion Service – Pastor David Busch***

***Friday 9<sup>th</sup> February 2018, 7.00 pm, Beenleigh Regional Uniting Church***

***36 – 50 Mt Warren Boulevard, Mt Warren Park.***

The Presbytery of South Moreton would like to invite you to the Commissioning of Pastor David Busch in his new role of Presbytery Minister South Moreton Presbytery and Conclusion of his previous role.

If you would like to attend please contact the South Moreton Presbytery Office at [office@southmoreton.org.au](mailto:office@southmoreton.org.au) or Ph: 3 807 7421

## PRESBYTERY NEWS: *Continued*

### ***Introducing Pastor Tim Bennett – Mission Development Officer (Inner Ring)***



Hi I'm Tim. I have been a Uniting Church Pastor since 2010. I spent eight years at Logan Uniting Church in South Moreton Presbytery working on the ministry team there. My background is originally in telecommunications engineering, but I have detoured through corporate sales and then spent a decade in fundraising with World Vision and the Heart Foundation. My role as Mission Development Officer in the Presbytery is very exciting. I will be primarily working with the 12 "Inner ring" churches - if you drew a circle around the CBD - to help them to find fresh ways of being church. I will also have resource ministry responsibilities at Ashgrove West UC as they very generously agreed to fund my role for five years. Ultimately, I envisage we will have a network of diverse "Fresh Expressions" of church in Moreton Rivers that are vibrant, thriving groups of Jesus-followers who that reach many people for Christ.

### ***Nominations for Presbytery Resourcing Committee Members***

The Resourcing Committee is currently looking for members!

If you could like to nominate to be part of the Resourcing Committee please [click here](#)

### ***Uniting Church in Australia Name Badges***

If you would like a name badge, please contact the presbytery office.

Email: [office@moretonriverspresbytery.org.au](mailto:office@moretonriverspresbytery.org.au) or phone: 3366 0236.

Closing date for orders is **Wednesday 31<sup>st</sup> January 2018**

### ***Lay Preacher Details***

We currently updating Lay Preacher details for the Presbytery database. If you have a Lay Preacher/s in your congregation can you please send the following details to:

[adminsupport@moretonriverspresbytery.org.au](mailto:adminsupport@moretonriverspresbytery.org.au)

Name

Congregation

Best Ph for Contact

Email

Address

Blue Card Number and Expiry Date

Availability (i.e. own congregation or willing to travel)

**Also if you have Lay Preacher/s in your congregation who have retired/become inactive or deceased please also please let us know at the email address above.**

## PRESBYTERY NEWS: *Continued*

### MRP COMMITTEE MEETINGS:

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| 29 January  | Resourcing Committee Meeting              |
| 29 January  | Educating and Equipping Committee Meeting |
| 6 February  | Standing Committee Meeting                |
| 6 February  | Pastoral Relations Committee Meeting      |
| 28 February | Presbytery Meeting, Kenani                |

**Next 2018 Newsletter:** Wednesday 7 February 2018

**Submissions due:** Monday 5 February 2018

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## MISSION EDUCATION NEWS:

### ***Nominations for Educating and Equipping Committee Members***

The EEC is currently looking for members!

If you could like to nominate to be part of the EEC please [click here](#).

### ***2018 Fundamentals of Transitional Ministry and Intentional Interim Ministry Courses have been cancelled.***

### ***Workshop on teaching new songs to Congregations***

***Saturday, 27 January, 11:00 am-12:45 pm,***

***Indooroopilly Uniting Church (74 Station Rd)***

How can ministry agents or worship leaders give encouragement and confidence to Congregations to learn new worship songs? UCA liturgist, choir leader and educator, Rev. Dr Amelia Koh-Butler, is leading a workshop to offer some help. Just turn up, and pay \$5 at the door. This is part of the Songwrite national UCA workshop for worship song writers, being held at Indooroopilly UC from January 26-28. If you want to stay on for lunch, it will cost \$10, and please RSVP by Tuesday, January 23, to Rev. David MacGregor, [dmacgreg1@optusnet.com.au](mailto:dmacgreg1@optusnet.com.au) or 0414 392 802.

For more information please [click here](#)

### ***2018 Learning for Living Courses***

***Registration now open!***

For more information and registration [click here](#)



### ***2018 First Aid Training – Registration now open !***

For all information and registration [click here](#)



### ***Lifeline Course***

For all information and registration [click here](#)



### ***Period of Discernment Information Session***

***Saturday 10<sup>th</sup> February 2018, 2.00 pm -4.00 pm***

***Chermside Kedron Community Church, 590 Gympie Rd, Chermside***

Where are you headed with God ? If you are wondering "what's next?" in your life or walk with God, then doing a Period of Discernment may be for you !

If you are interested in attending please call Mark Cornford on 0421 950325.



## MISSION EDUCATION NEWS: *Continued*

***National Pioneer Ministers Gathering Conference  
Thursday 24<sup>th</sup> May – Saturday 26<sup>th</sup> May 2018  
Maroochydore Waterfront Camp & Conference Centre  
Maroochydore, Queensland***



This gathering seeks to develop a community of innovators and experimenters with a passion for mission and birthing new forms of contextual church.

For all information and online registration [click here](#)

### ***2018 Mission Education Date Claimers***

Here are some dates for your 2018 diaries to help you be equipped for mission, ministry and service. Details to follow:

- Thursday, 22 February: Learning for Living "Exploring the OT" commences at Ashgrove (10 Thursday evenings)
- Saturday, 24 February: Worship & Preaching Day, Pine Rivers Uniting Church ,  
Theme: "Transitions in Worship"
- Saturday 7<sup>th</sup> April : Sacraments Training Day, equipping Lay Presiders TBC

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## YOUTH AND CHILDREN NEWS:

### 2018 Youth Combines



For dates and events [click here](#)

### 2018 Young Adults Events



For dates and events [click here](#)

**Speaking of Wellness Speakers Program –  
“Understanding your kids & their digital life”  
Wednesday 7<sup>th</sup> February, 7.00 pm,  
Faith Works Community Church, 177 Bennetts Rd, Norman Park**



For more information and registration [click here](#)

### Godly Play Taster Day

**Godly Play**Australia

**Saturday 10<sup>th</sup> February, 9.00 am – 3.00 pm, Chermside Kedron Community Church,  
590 Gympie Rd Chermside**

This is an opportunity for people to find out what Godly Play is all about and learn a little bit about the theory and practice of Godly Play. There will be plenty of time to explore, wonder and ask questions about Godly Place.

Presenter: Rev Brenton Prigge, (Children, Youth and Family Minister at CKCC). Accredited Godly Play Trainer and Storyteller).

For more information and registration [click here](#)

For tax invoice [click here](#)

### 3 Day Godly Place Core Training

**Godly Play**Australia

**5 – 7 April, Chermside Kedron Community Church, 590 Gympie Rd, Chermside**

For those who come away from the taster day with a keen interest to start using Godly Play.

Presenter: Rev Brenton Prigge, (Children, Youth and Family Minister at CKCC). Accredited Godly Play Trainer and Storyteller).

For more information and registration [click here](#)

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## YOUTH AND CHILDREN NEWS: *Continued*

### **2018 Growing Youth Ministry Training Days**

To grow the ministry with Children and Young People in the Moreton Rivers Presbytery through leadership, existing ministry staff development, encouraging and equipping next generation of ministry staff.



**Partners Dinner – Monday 26<sup>th</sup> February 2018**

**6.00 pm – 9.00pm**

**Ferny Grove Tavern, Samford Road, Ferny Grove**

**For further information click on information flyer below.**

**For RSVP click on online registration below.**

For all training day information [GM flyer 2018](#)

For online registration [click here](#)

### **2018 IGNITE Conference**

**Saturday 3 March, Mueller Performance**

**Arts Centre, Rothwell Brisbane**

For all information and registration [click here](#)



### **Safe Ministry with Children Training**

**Saturday 10 March 2018, The Gap Uniting Church**

For more information and online registration [click here](#)



### **2018 Easter Madness – Registrations Now Open !** **6-9 April 2018, Sunshine Coast Recreation Centre,** **Currimundi**

For all information and registration [click here](#)



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## COMMUNITY NOTICES:

### **2018 Australia Day Reconciliation Services**

For all information please [click here](#).

### **Workshop for Worship Song-Writers**

#### **Friday 26<sup>th</sup> January – Sunday 28<sup>th</sup> January 2018, Indooroopilly Uniting Church**

Songwriter 2018, the third national workshop for worship song-writers in the Uniting Church, is being held at Indooroopilly UC, Brisbane, over the Australia Day long weekend, 26-28 January 2018. The previous two events (Canberra and Adelaide) drew song-writers, young and old, from across Australia for a wonderful weekend of learning, writing, recording and worship singing. Keynote speaker for 2018 is Tanya Riches (composer of "Jesus, what a beautiful name"), a Hillsong pastor from Sydney with a deep experience of cross-cultural and First Peoples music.

Online registrations at \$150 will be available soon. For further details visit <https://ucasongwrite.wordpress.com/>

### **Rev. George Barnes' 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of Ordination**

**Sunday 4<sup>th</sup> February 2018, 9.00 am**

**Trinity Grove Uniting Church, 1 Hawden St, Wilston**

All are welcome to come and celebrate Rev. George Barnes' 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary of his Ordination.

### **Garage Sale**

**Saturday 17<sup>th</sup> February 2018, 6.00 am – 12 noon**

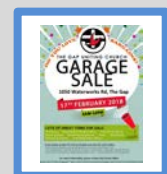
**The Gap Uniting Church, 1050 Waterworks Rd, The Gap**

The Gap Uniting Church is having its Annual Garage Sale on Saturday 17<sup>th</sup> February . Kitchenware, Furniture, Sporting Goods and Garden Tools are just some of the many items for sale. Come along for great finds and fantastic bargains.

Donations are being accepted at the Church from 9am to midday on

Saturday 10<sup>th</sup> February. For more information contact The Gap Uniting Church

office on 3300 2712 or visit <http://thegapuca.org.au/activities-and-events/local-community/garage-sale/>



### **Centre for Practical Spirituality - New Farm Quiet Day**

**Saturday 24<sup>th</sup> February, 9.30 am – 3.30 pm**

The Merthyr Road Uniting Church Centre for Practical Spirituality will be holding a Day of Quiet on Saturday 24<sup>th</sup> February, 9:30am to 3:30pm. The theme for the day will be "Self-emptying: Living in the Way of Jesus. A guided journey as we enter Lent." The Day of Quiet will be led by Rev Dr Neil Pembroke, author of "Moving Toward Spiritual Maturity" and Associate Professor at The University of Queensland. The cost will be \$25 per person; \$40 for 2 people; \$65 for 3 people, and includes morning tea and lunch. To register, or for more information, contact [spiritualitycentre@mruca.org.au](mailto:spiritualitycentre@mruca.org.au) or phone 3358 6945.

## COMMUNITY NOTICES: *Continued*

### ***St Andrew's War Memorial Hospital 60th Anniversary 2018***



Officially opened in May 1958, St Andrew's War Memorial Hospital at Spring Hill will mark its 60th anniversary next year. The largest of only three War Memorial Hospitals in Australia, and the only one in Queensland, St Andrew's was established when the Presbyterian Church sought a fitting memorial to those who had served in the first and second world wars.

Perhaps you or your parents were involved on committees or in raising funds for the hospital; you may have completed your nursing or medical training here; you may have photos or other memorabilia from the past that you would like to contribute, or you may have worked here previously. Please let us know also if you would like to be informed of upcoming events.

For more information or to submit your stories please contact [lisa.aitken@uhealth.com.au](mailto:lisa.aitken@uhealth.com.au)

### ***Blue Care: North Pine & Kallmar Retirement Villages: villas available***

We currently have freshly refurbished 2 bedroom units available for \$255000. Kallmar is located at [40 Narangba Rd Kallangur](#) and has 1 bedroom units available for \$150000. Both villages are co-located with a residential care facility, with easy access to shops and transport. For further information or to arrange an inspection call Glenn on 0400 630 026. Visit [www.everthingincommon.com.au](http://www.everthingincommon.com.au) or call us on 1800 998 122 Experience Retirement Living at its best at Blue Care's North Pine and Kallmar Retirement Villages. North Pine is located at 260 Francis Rd Lawnton

### ***Reunion -Youth Group/Congregations of the Ashgrove Methodist Circuit (The Gap, West Ashgrove, Oakleigh and Ashgrove 1965 – 1969)***

***Saturday 21<sup>st</sup> July 2018, 11.00 am – 3.00 pm***

***The Gap Uniting Church, 1050 Waterworks Rd The Gap***

For more information and RSVP [click here](#)

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