



**Moreton Rivers  
Presbytery**

**Newsletter**

12 July 2017

*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.

To sign up to the newsletter register your details at:  
[office@moretonriverspresbytery.org.au](mailto:office@moretonriverspresbytery.org.au)

## KEEPING IN TOUCH:

-  Like us on Facebook
-  Moreton Rivers Presbytery website
-  email the office
-  Uniting Church in Australia (Qld Synod) Website
-  Office phone number: +61 7 3366 0236

[SUBMIT AN ENTRY FOR THE NEWSLETTER](#)

## WHAT'S on:

-  13<sup>th</sup> July 2017  
EEC Com. Meeting
-  15<sup>th</sup> July 2017  
Safe Ministry with Children – Indooroopilly Uniting Church
-  20<sup>th</sup> July  
Learning for Living Sem 2 Ashgrove Commences
-  29<sup>th</sup> July  
Presbytery Meeting – Merthyr Rd
-  29<sup>th</sup> July  
Rev. Fa Matangi Induction – Merthyr Rd
-  29<sup>th</sup> July  
Renovators Dinner - Toowong
-  30<sup>th</sup> July  
Centennial Service – Norman Park

## PRESBYTERY NEWS:

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

Please pray for the congregation of Sandgate Uniting Church and for Rev Anne Hulbert, Pastor Mandy Hine and the congregation as they seek to minister to those in their community.

Please pray for Chaplains working in aged care facilities; for their ministry to residents, families and staff.

### ***Presbytery Induction Services July***

The Presbytery, would like to invite you all to the following induction service:

#### **Rev Fa Matangi @ Merthyr Rd Uniting Church - July Presbytery Meeting venue**

Saturday 29th July approx. 12:30pm followed by 40th Anniversary Celebrations lunch (all welcome).

Those attending the Presbytery Meeting, the induction and staying for lunch please rsvp here:

[Pres meeting, induction service and Lunch.](#)

For those who are just attending for the Induction Service and lunch – please rsvp via this link:

[rsvp induction and lunch only](#)

Please contact Kathy at the Presbytery Office 3366 0236 or [office@moretonriverspresbytery.org.au](mailto:office@moretonriverspresbytery.org.au) to RSVP (by 20<sup>th</sup> July)

### ***Trinity College: Trinity Unplugged***

***The Challenges We Face: Scientists reflect on why they believe***

***Friday 7-9 pm, 28<sup>th</sup> July***

***Trinity College Queensland, Level 1, 60 Bayliss St, Auchenflower QLD***

***Cost: \$10***

This session will suit all ages but especially high school children, university students and Christian people who struggle with questions that arise from science.

<https://www.trinity.qld.edu.au/challenges-face-scientists-reflect-believe/>

## MRP COMMITTEE MEETINGS:

**13 July** Educating and Equipping Committee

**29 July** Presbytery Meeting (including Fa's Induction & 40<sup>th</sup> Anniversary luncheon)

**Next Newsletter:** Wednesday 26<sup>th</sup> July 2017

**Submissions due:** Monday 24<sup>th</sup> July 2017

Scroll down to find **MISSION EDUCATION NEWS:**

## MISSION EDUCATION NEWS:

### ***Fundamentals of Transitional Ministry Course***

***4-6 September 2017, Brisbane***

Fundamentals of Transitional Ministry is a three day program designed to give participants an introduction to the key concepts and practices of ministering with congregations and agencies in times of transition.

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



### ***Learning for Living – Exploring New Testament (North Lakes) & Talking about God(2) (Ashgrove)***

Learning for Living is a course in spirituality, focussing on enrichment of self, mission to the world and ministry to the church. Doing the whole course equips people in their ministries as lay preachers, Bible study leaders, chaplains, etc. You can also do single subjects for your own interest.



Our next subject at **North Lakes (Exploring the New Testament)** is planned for three Saturdays (30 Sept, 14 Oct & 18 Nov).

Our next subject at **Ashgrove (Talking about God 2)** commences 20 July 2017 (runs Thursday nights from July – Oct 2017).

Come along to grow your ministry or to deepen your own faith and knowledge.

Register now! For more information and registration please [click here](#).

### ***Mission Shaped Ministry***

You are invited to share a learning journey in a supportive community to be equipped for a lifetime of good practice and learning in growing fresh expressions of church. Whether you want to start a new fresh expression of church, or find a missional edge for your congregation, mission shaped ministry will encourage, equip and inspire.

- **Saturday 26 August: MSM—Young Adult Mission, including Digital Discipleship, Ministry with “Next Gen”, and Understanding Generational Differences.**
  - *Queensland Synod. 9.00 am—4.00 pm*
- **Saturday 25 November: MSM—Discipleship & Spirituality in Missional Communities)**
  - *Highfields Cultural Centre. 9.00 am—4.00 pm*



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

For further information please contact Jill Bow: [adminsupport@moretonriverspresbytery.org.au](mailto:adminsupport@moretonriverspresbytery.org.au)

## MISSION EDUCATION NEWS: *Continued*

### ***Study Tour to Israel & Jordan: 8-27 April, 2018***

#### ***INFORMATION NIGHT: 7.00 PM, Friday, 14 July***

Our experienced tour leader, Biblical scholar and educator, Rob McFarlane, is leading a group to Israel & Jordan. The tour will focus on Biblical studies, Byzantine Christianity, as well as Islam, Judaism and Christianity. The full brochure/itinerary and booking form are on our website: [click here](#).

This trip is filling fast! RSVP for the info night by Friday, 7 July.

**Information evening** 7.00 pm, Fri 14 July, Presbytery office.

### ***Transforming Worship:***

#### ***A national conference on worship in the UCA***

#### ***27-30 July, 2017, Burnside City UC, Adelaide SA***

- Worship as transformation and formation in the presence of God
- Interplay between worship, learning & mission
- Shaping intergenerational worship
- Worship in multicultural communities
- Preaching: making Gospel sense
- Crafting music and imagery for worship
- Worship 'outside the box'



For more information please visit <http://transformingworship.com.au/>

### ***President's National Ministry Conferences 2017***

Assembly President Stuart McMillan's two National Ministerial Conferences will be held in **Darwin 29 June - 2 July** and **Adelaide 22-25 August**. The Darwin conference theme is "Honouring First Peoples as Sovereign". The Adelaide conference is combined with the UL17 Conference "Growing Leaders to Grow the Church". Contact Rob McFarlane if you want to coordinate travel and accommodation for Adelaide.

**For more information please** [click here](#).

### ***Safe Ministry with Children Training – Bremer Brisbane Presbytery***

Please note the upcoming SMC (Safe Ministry with Children) Training date and venue:

**Saturday 15<sup>th</sup> July – 9am – 12 noon at Indooroopilly UC**

Please RSVP to Melloney Braithwaite: 0413 667 671 [admin@bremerbrisbane.org.au](mailto:admin@bremerbrisbane.org.au) if you would like to attend.

## MISSION EDUCATION NEWS: *Continued*

### ***NCLS results – workshops on mission planning***

Congregations now have access to their full National Church Life Survey (NCLS) profiles on-line. Have a look at yours and explore the resources available to help you use these insights into your congregation and community to be more intentional in your missional engagement.

<http://www.2016ncls.org.au/>

To help you use your material to the full, we are holding two workshops:

#### **Introductory NCLS profiles and resources workshop**

7.00-8.30 pm

Tuesday, 8 August

MRP Training Room, 22 Ashgrove Ave, Ashgrove

Leaders: Scott Guyatt and Rob McFarlane

An introduction to reading and interpreting your congregation's NCLS profile, as well the new tools that NCLS is providing to help you use these insights. A great workshop for ministry agents and 1-2 key leaders from congregations and faith communities,



#### **NCLS Mission Planning workshop**

9.00 am - 12.30 pm (including morning tea)

Saturday, 16 September

MRP Training Room, 22 Ashgrove Ave, Ashgrove

Leaders: Rob McFarlane and Scott Guyatt (tbc)

Read and interpret your congregation's NCLS profile and engage in some active mission planning for your congregation or faith community. The first 90 minutes will focus on interpreting your result to understand yourself and your context. The second 90 minutes will focus on how practical ways to enhance your missional engagement with your community. Ideal for whole leadership teams to attend.

RSVP online [click here](#) or Jill Bow: [adminsupport@moretonriverspresbytery.org.au](mailto:adminsupport@moretonriverspresbytery.org.au)

### ***Worship & Preaching Day – Fresh Expressions and Inclusion – Sat, 19 August***

Our next Worship & Preaching Day will have the theme of Fresh Expressions & Inclusion. Learn about starting new things, engaging with your community, and including people who normally feel excluded from worship.

There will also be a strand for Lay Preacher candidates focused around the call to worship and confession.

The day will conclude with a gathering for current Lay Preachers.

9.00 am – 3.30 (followed by the Lay Preacher gathering)

Faith Works Uniting Community – Norman Park, 177 Bennetts Rd, Norman Park

More details on program and registration available soon. Meanwhile, hold the date!

## MISSION EDUCATION NEWS: *Continued*

### ***Greek Geek Group: For preachers who want to work from the Greek text***

A lot of people have done a little bit of Greek and would like to use it more. If that's you, a new group is starting which will meet monthly to look at Greek Gospel passages coming up in the lectionary, with a focus on interpretation for preaching. We will also explore tools for using the Greek we have for ministry and encourage one another to use our Greek more.

First passage: Matthew 14:13-21 The Feeding of the 5,000 (lectionary for Sunday, 6 August)

Where: Café, ground floor at Synod

When: 10.00-11.30 am

Tuesdays 25 July, 29 August & 26 September

**For more information and to RSVP, please contact Rob McFarlane:**

[edofficer@moretonriverspresbytery.org.au](mailto:edofficer@moretonriverspresbytery.org.au) or 3366 0236

---

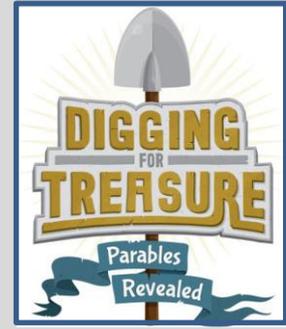
***Scroll down to the next section: Youth and Children News***

## YOUTH AND CHILDREN NEWS:

### ***Day Camp Reunion Services 2017***

Go along to your reunion service to relive the fun and share the good times of Day Camp 2017!

Click [here](#) for the information flyer.



### ***Grow Your Ministry (GYM) Training Day – Date Claimer Thursday 31<sup>st</sup> August 2017, Venue and Theme TBA***

GYM training days are to assist in growing 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.

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

---

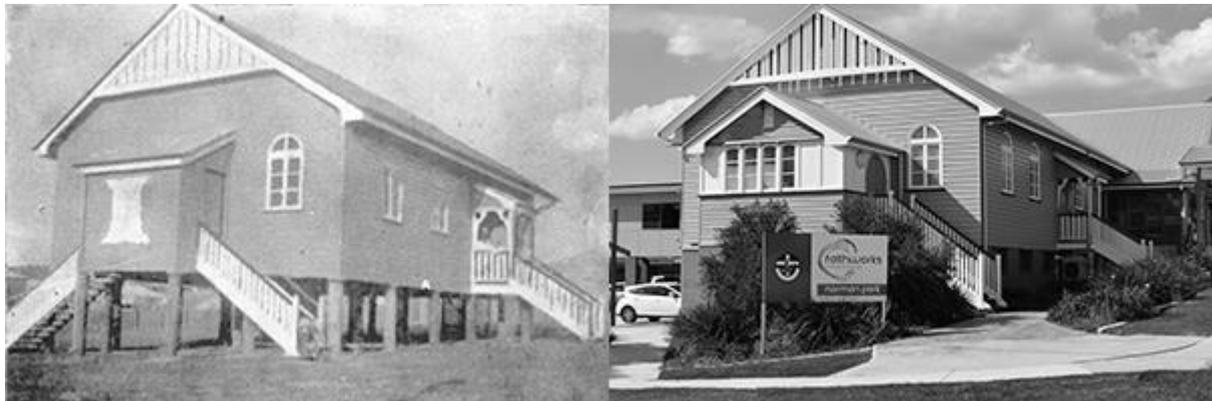
***Scroll down to the next section: [Community Notices](#)***

## COMMUNITY NOTICES:

### *Norman Park Uniting Church – Celebrating 100 years*

Last month we celebrated 40 years of Uniting Church in Australia. This month we celebrate 100 years of church in Norman Park. So, if we are having a birthday it is only fitting we have a party.

Thus, we are holding a High Tea Centennial Celebration and Special service to honour the founding of the Norman Park Uniting Church in 1917.



#### *High Tea*

**Date:** Saturday 29th July 2017

**Time:** 3 pm – 5 pm

**Address:**

Faith Works Norman Park Uniting Church  
177 Bennetts Road, Norman Park 4170

**Book:**

Tickets can be purchased for \$20 from  
[trybooking.com](http://trybooking.com)

#### *Centennial Service - all welcome*

**Date:** Sunday 30th July 2017

**Time:** 10:30am

**Address:**

Faith Works Norman Park Uniting Church  
177 Bennetts Road, Norman Park 4170

**Book:**

Free and no booking required

So, come join us as we worship God together and give thanks for his generosity and love.

## COMMUNITY NOTICES: *Continued*

### ***North Brisbane Interfaith Group Competition***

***Sunday 23<sup>rd</sup> July, 6.30pm-9pm, Aspley Uniting Church, 748 Robinson Rd, Aspley***

North Brisbane Interfaith Group are hosting an awards night for their Interfaith competition with \$4000 in prizes. For flyer: [click here](#) For more information: [www.interfaithinaction.org.au](http://www.interfaithinaction.org.au) Or contact Rev Garth Read: [garthread@ecn.net.au](mailto:garthread@ecn.net.au)

### ***Mental Health Pastoral Care Orientation Day***

***Wednesday 26<sup>th</sup> July, Chermside Kedron Uniting Church***

Have you ever wondered what you could do to help support a friend or family member who is struggling with a mental illness? Or wondered what you could do to support their carer? If so, the Mental Health Pastoral Care Orientation Day is probably for you.

The date for this year's event is **Wednesday 26<sup>th</sup> July at Chermside Kedron Uniting Church**, where you will be able to hear keynote speaker Peter Janetski, and participate in a workshop of your choice. This year the workshops are "Are

addictions a substitute for love – Mental health for optimal health from a relational and holistic framework," "Luke 14 – training churches to be inclusive," "Responding to people who are suicidal in our communities," "Supporting children of parents with mental illness," and "Some practice principles for pastoral care in mental health."

The cost for this day are very minimal: \$50 standard fee; \$40 concession. More information and a registration form can be found at [www.aplacetobelong.org.au](http://www.aplacetobelong.org.au) Hurry, because numbers are limited

[Link to Flyer](#)

### ***Position Vacant – Youth Ministry Worker, Sandgate Uniting Church***

Sandgate Uniting Church is seeking a person passionate about helping youth and young adults grow in their Christian faith. This position will initially be on a casual basis for four hours per week, mostly on weekends.

**To obtain a copy of the position description or to enquire further, please contact Reverend Anne Hulbert on 0407 584 208, or the Sandgate Church Office via email, [office@sandgateuc.org.au](mailto:office@sandgateuc.org.au)**

**Applications close 31 August 2017.**

## COMMUNITY NOTICES: *Continued*

### ***Position Vacant – Church and Community Development Entrepreneur***

If you have a heart for finding a place for the church in a huge new residential development on the outskirts of Brisbane, the South Moreton Presbytery of the Uniting Church in Australia would love to hear from you. We are seeking a suitably experienced and qualified Social Planning /Community Development Facilitator for the Yarrabilba residential development 20km south of Logan Central. This development will eventually provide approximately 20,000 dwellings to house a population of up to 50,000 people.

The successful applicant will be tasked with positioning the Uniting Church for effective missional engagement with the Yarrabilba community through the provision of educational facilities, community service and congregational life.

Contact Michele Cochrane [smpres@gmail.com](mailto:smpres@gmail.com) or call 07 3807 7421 for a copy of the Position Description and further information.

### ***St Andrew's Uniting Church – Conspirito Free Concert***

***Friday 28<sup>th</sup> July 12:30pm***

Conspirito Concerts run on the 4<sup>th</sup> Friday of every month between March and October 2017  
299 Ann Street, City (corner of Creek and Ann Sts)  
No RSVPs required.

### ***Renovators Dinner***

***Saturday 29<sup>th</sup> July 6pm – 9pm, Toowong Uniting Church (82 Sherwood Rd, Toowong)***

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

### ***4<sup>th</sup> Next Generation Arise Worship Gathering***

***Sunday 30<sup>th</sup> July, 6pm, Taiwanese Uniting Church (1 Wineglass Dr, Hillcrest)***

We'd like to invite you all to our 4<sup>th</sup> Next Gen Arise Worship Gathering. It will be a great opportunity to connect with Jesus and others from different Uniting Churches and all cultural backgrounds. Don't miss out on this beautiful experience of coming together and celebrating and praising the name of Jesus! . Guest Speaker: Dr. Leigh Trevaskis (Trinity College). The refreshments and snacks will be provided after the event.

\*Next Gen Arise is Queensland Synod's initiative to support young people from all cultures to develop their leadership, connect with each other and corporately worship Jesus. Our mission is to develop leaders who can inspire a movement of cross cultural young people to passionately follow Jesus, selflessly build each other up, faithfully take places of leadership in the church and beyond, and fearlessly change the world. All young leaders and emerging leaders of the Uniting Church and other denominations are welcome to this event.

For more information: <https://www.facebook.com/nextgenarise>  
Or contact Noah Kim: [noah.kim@ucaqld.com.au](mailto:noah.kim@ucaqld.com.au)

## COMMUNITY NOTICES: *Continued*

***Kingdom Here – Kingdom Now Conference***  
***Friday 25<sup>th</sup> August , 7pm – 9pm & Saturday 26<sup>th</sup> August, (9am – 5pm)***  
***Logan Uniting Church, 129 Dennis Rd, Springwood***

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

***Emu Music one day Music Ministry Conference: Word in Song***  
***9<sup>th</sup> September 2017 Gold Coast*** (venue yet to be announced)

Do you hunger for gatherings that express the truths of the Word of God with passion, excellence and integrity? Do you long for the music in your church to live up to its promise of uniting the congregation, as one voice, in declaring the praises of God? Do you want to learn practical skills in music and song leading so that you can serve your local church effectively? What does the bible tell us about our worship and singing? And how do we best lead our churches in singing praise of Jesus? Join us for this great one day music ministry conference – a change to grow in your understanding and the practical skills for a Biblical music ministry in your church? ***Registrations open late June.***

Emu Word in Song Conferences (formerly TWIST), have been delivering training and encouragement in music ministry for churches throughout Australia, Africa, Asia and the UK since 2003.

Speakers have included Vaughan Roberts, Stuart Townend, Bob Kauflin, Mike Raiter, Michael Jensen, John Dickson, Bryson Smith and Ray Galea.

For more information visit the [Emu Music website](#)

***If you wish to submit an entry to the newsletter please scroll back to the top page and click on the 'submit an entry to the Newsletter' link. Final submission dates are always 2 days before the next newsletter.***