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# ANNOUNCEMENT BULLETIN

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## MR. GARNER TED ARMSTRONG TO VISIT SYDNEY:

There will be a combined service on the 26 November 1977 at the Hordern Pavillion, Driver Avenue, Sydney Showgrounds.

As Mr. Armstrong mentions in the latest Worldwide News, he plans to be away from America for about three weeks, and we are able to confirm now that he will be in Sydney on the last Sabbath of November. 26-

He will be flying from Brisbane after conducting a morning service there, so we plan on starting the service in Sydney at 2:30 p.m.

The Sydney airport is relatively close to the Showgrounds, so we expect that the service will start well on time.

Mr. Armstrong's visit will be quite a capstone on the year as far as the Australian work is concerned. Baptisms for this year will be about twice that of last year, and the vast media exposure we now have should ensure that the sustained growth continues.

For those who think we may be "lost" in the vastness of the Hordern Pavillion, we are going to invite co-workers and donors to the meeting, and with the curtains drawn there is seating for about 2,500 people.

Please pray that nothing will happen to obstruct Mr. Armstrong's plans, and that all will run smoothly. It should be a very inspiring time for all of us in Australia.

### VENUE CHANGE FOR JUNIOR SUMMER CAMP:

Due to the poor response we have received to the junior summer camp, we plan to change the venue to Blackheath.

Many have expressed concern at the cost of the camp at Stanwell Tops, but these costs can be cut in half by having the camp at Blackheath.

The forms that have been handed out can still be used - please just cross out the relevant words and insert "Blackheath".

We would like to know as soon as possible the numbers that will be going to the camp and I would ask that you please advise one of the following people whether your children will be going to the camp: Jim Thomas or Jim Mottee (South)

Richard Piermont (North)

Tom Middlemiss (West)

Merv Bell (Newcastle)

Ron Fraser (Canberra)

Clive Leske (Wollongong)

Phil Plows (Blackheath)

John McLean (Bathurst)

The cost for the camp will now be \$15 per head. Mr. & Mrs. John Pemberton and my wife and I will be at the camp (as well as other adults).

We would like to know who is attending as soon as possible - please phone one of the above mentioned persons if you don't see them on the Sabbath.

The completed forms must be handed in by 14 November. This will then give us a month to make the necessary preparations.

## COMINOS LEAVING FOR QUEENSLAND:

Mr. & Mrs. John Comino are leaving Sydney for their new assignment in northern Queensland on Sunday 30 October.

I would like to take this opportunity to convey our best wishes to them, and thank them for their very significant efforts and accomplishments during their stay in Sydney.

Mr. & Mrs. Gavin Cullen will be arriving in Sydney about 22 November and Gavin will be giving his first sermon in the South Church on December 3. (Mr. G.T.A. combined service on 26 Nov. of course).

## FEAST DAYS 1978:

The dates for next years convocations are as follows:

Passover -	Thursday evening	20 April
1st Day of Unl. Bread -	Sabbath	22 April
Last " " " " -	Friday	28 April

X Pentecost -	Sunday	11 June.
X Trumpets -	Monday	2 October.
X Atonement -	Wednesday	11 October.
X 1st Day of Tabs. -	Monday	16 October.
X Last Great Day -	Monday	23 October.

We should be preparing for these feasts now by saving our festival tithe, to ensure we have the means to attend these festivals (particularly the Feast of Tabernacles).

Those few who chose to or were unable to attend this most recent feast missed out on a wonderful opportunity to be both spiritually and physically rejuvenated.

According to my diary, 2 October is Eight Hour Day in N.S.W., so apart from Tabernacles, the last day of Unleavened Bread and the Day of Atonement will be the only days needed to be taken off from work, in order to keep the holydays.

## CAMPAIGNS & BIBLE STUDIES:

Plans are under way for more campaigns and studies at the end of this year and into the first part of next year.

There will be a four week series in Campbelltown on 30 Nov., 7, 14, & 20 of Dec.

In February and March campaigns are to be held in Newport and Ermington.

We already have a monthly study in Granville and this will be augmented by a monthly study in Liverpool. Also planned are monthly studies in Hornsby & Dee Why. With the Hurstville and Central Sydney this will give us two regular studies in each of the three church areas, and in time, with growth, these six centres would or could be the locations of Sydney's churches in the future. The matter of having several churches in Sydney is just an idea at the moment but this very easily could develop, and in the not too distant future, as long as the churches continue at the present rate of growth.

Such a configuration would make it easier and less costly for every one attending church and would give more opportunities for people to serve as deacons, song leaders, sermonette men etc.

### IN CLOSING;

I have a little extra space to fill and I asked the pastor of the North church whether had anything to add, and he only wished to express his greetings to "churches far and wide" from the North Church congregation.

That's all for now.

*A. Mitchell*