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# FROM THE

friend the other day asked his mate why he didn't go to church. The reason he was given was that he felt guilty and therefore didn't like church.

Now there's every reason for the guilty feelings. He spent every available hour in the pub, and when at home abused and bashed his wife. So naturally he didn't want to think about God.

It is perfectly true, that all of us will have to give an account of our lives and behaviour to God. Judgement is inevitable in a well run universe and God is completely holy and righteous. Thus it is understandable why this foul mouthed Australian would feel uncomfortable among God's people at church.

But his reluctance to go to church is in fact unreasonable because he forgot that God is a God of forgiveness, and if we turn back to Him. He will

receive us. He sent His Son into the world for this very purpose. "God so loved the world that He gave His only Son, that whoever believes in Him shall not perish but have eternal life".

Guilty feelings are true. We should not run away from them, but rather have them removed by accepting the complete forgiveness which our Heavenly Father is ready to extend to all, who, like the prodigal son, came back from the far country willing to confess that he had sinned.

God will put away every sin and receive us as sons and daughters. He gives us His own presence, so that we are able to turn away from the old way of sin, and walk in His way with joy.

Guilt is real, but guilt may be forgiven. We are all guilty before God. We come short of His standard. We should not be too proud to admit this. For if we confess our sins, they will be forgiven for Jesus Christ's sake. This is not mere theory, and those who put it to the test find it to be true!

PAUL DEW-NSW/ACT Regional Officer

# **GST** WILL IT OR WON'T IT AFFECT ME?

At a time when people are being cautious of the unknown affects of GST on their own personal lives and income, it is important that the ministry of the gospel through BCA continues! Thus it is better to increase your giving for the work allowing GST to prompt you to the task.

FRONT COVER—Saturn Pit mine, near Mt Magnet. Inset: Allan Bate in full spate—Mt Magnet, Western Australia.

Be assured that your donations are not affected by GST. We will not have to pay GST on them. The whole of your donation will be used for BCA's gospel work. Don't hold back to "wait and see what happens". Be encouraged to prayerfully consider your ongoing donations to the ministry of the Gospel in remote and rural Australia—irrespective of the GST.



# Gospel Focussed Ministry

The North West of Australia is a land of extremes. Today as I stare out from my office I watch a gentle breeze sway the trees nearby. Yet it was only a few weeks ago that Cyclone Steve howled it's way past us bringing a flood to this dry land. There are extremes in people too. I have in my short time here come to know two people quite well as I seek to minister to them. One is a young man who was headed down the path to Mormonism before a cry for help came from his mum. The other is a mother of two young children who is battling cancer.

Stuart was seeking meaning in his life. Some things were troubling him and he thought he had the answers when two Mormons came knocking on his door. Many visits later they talked him into Mormon Baptism. That and the Mormon rules of life were the only ways to become like God they told him. His mum saw his plight and called for help. Stuart and I met-he wanted truth in his life-he wanted to know God. Over the next two weeks I met with him daily and explained the gospel through Christianity Explained The Holy Spirit was at work in his life pushing him on towards our Lord Jesus Christ.

Stuart has given himself to the Lord and attends worship each week. He has even told me that he wishes church was on every day! God has set him on fire. As an infant in the faith I continue to meet with him each week and he has joined one of our home groups for bible study.

Ann is quite different to Stuart. She has

been a Christian for much of her life. She met her husband John in Paraburdoo and was instrumental in him becoming a Christian. They were married by the BCA missioner in Paraburdoo and worshipped there before moving down to Dampier in the last couple of years. Ann and John have two fantastic children. Our first meeting took place within a day or two of our arrival in Dampier. Anne knocked on the door armed with a glorious bunch of flowers she had taken from her garden. Ann has had a brain tumour for many years and has had surgery twice within the last year, as well as other forms of treatment. Kaye and I now visit her in hospital and at her home. She is in a wheel chair as she recovers from her latest surgery. Throughout her illness she has maintained her faith in God, as has her husband John.







Ann and her daughter at church in Karratha.

Ann is a mature Christian. God is "healing" many people through her as she continues to be his faithful witness. We continue to pray for her seeking a miracle from God to restore her to full health. Ann would agree with me that our trust should always be in the Lord. Romans 8:28 'And we know that in all things God works for the good of those who love him, who have been called according to his purpose.' (NIV)

As I reflect on my ministry with these two people they are not all that different. They are both children of God-even though they are at different stages of their walk with Him. They both experience the extremes of life here in this fallen world but have a hope that reaches way beyond it into eternity.

Thank you for your ongoing support of ministry in the Bush. Please pray for Stuart. Ann passed into the presence of her Lord on the 9th April, please pray for her husband John and their two children aged 4 and 6.

**ROB HEALY—**Dampier

# apologies apologies apologies

# From the Admin. Desk to all our valued Supporters

Over the past months it has come to our attention that some of you may have received extra unasked for copies of the Real Australian. Please accept our sincere apologies for what must seem like an administration bungle. We can assure you that this was not the case. The error has been the result of our computer software which we were using for some of our database. This problem has been addressed and our supporters' database is being continually upgraded to ensure that

we run as smoothly and efficiently as possible. We thank you for your continual patience and trust that the problems you saw last mailing will not recur. We ask that you will pray with us as we continue this upgrade and are able to take advantage of new technology for the benefit of the Society.







The attractive church in Broome.

hat was the highlight of your trip around Australia?" our friends ask. Jan quickly says "Oh, Tasmania—the lonely and windswept coastline is breath taking." At the same time, Max says "The Kimberley—its rugged grandeur, the mighty Mitchell falls, and its isolation!"

We agree very quickly, though, that the real highlights were our visits to BCA Field Staff, and the small jobs we were able to do for them to help them bring the Gospel to remote and isolated parts of Australia.

When we planned our fourteen month post retirement journey, we were introduced, via BCA's Sydney office, to BCA field staff, and a number of them accepted our offer to spend a few days doing odd jobs. They were scattered over vast distances, giving us the opportunity to travel and camp in some wonderful parts of our land, in between being a "two person working bee".

# **Our Pilgrimage**

As the trip progressed, it became clear to us that we were on a pilgrimage. We

were learning about ourselves, about how we could serve God by ministering to others, and how our retirement time might be shaped. Throughout our journey, we experienced His guiding hand and protection. When one of our family members was seriously ill a long way from us, we felt the power of prayer as people in one church prayed for, and with, us. As the psalmist says:

"The Lord will keep you from all evil He will keep your life. The Lord will keep your going out and your coming in From this time on and forevermore."

We met and worshipped with Christians throughout the country, experienced fellowship at their Bible studies, and saw the difficulties of remote life and ministry.

Max found himself separating "dags" from wool in the shearing shed of a sheep station, and "sorting out" people's computer files. Jan told stories, led activities at Kids' Clubs, and got to know her way around hardware stores as she bought

# **BCA Nomads**

brackets, screws, paint and building supplies. She catalogued library books at the Broken Hill hostel and we both cleaned its many windows, screens and security grilles.

Anglicare Top End asked us to update their asset register, and as a side task, Jan helped out in one of its "Op shops". The toilet ceilings at a Seafarers' Mission were painted, and its front door closers mended. We painted, gardened and cleaned.

With all this, we had time to experience God's wonderful creation. We enjoyed all the pleasures of camping under the stars, walking on long white beaches, visiting rugged gorges, isolated cattle stations and tiny communities, and snorkeling the pristine waters of the Ningaloo Reef.

We wondered whether other people would like to add some ministry experience to their outback travel. Could we help put them in touch with BCA staff? On our return, a meeting with Rev Brian Roberts, National Director of BCA, gave us the green light to try. Guided by Rev Paul Dew, Regional Officer NSW/ACT, and Mrs Robyn Williams, Administration Manager, we have developed a plan. We surveyed BCA's field staff and Regional Officers and with their enthusiastic support we now invite you to join the BCA Nomads.



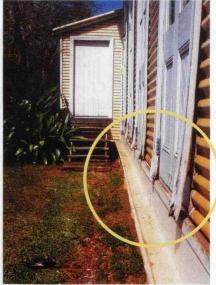
# The 'BCA Nomads' will work very simply

When you plan a trip to the outback, look up the map in the centre of this copy of "The Real Australian".

- Allocate a few days at one or more of the places where BCA people work.
- Then contact your Box Secretary or Regional Representative, asking for a copy of the "BCA Nomads" pamphlet for each person travelling.
- Fill out the application form, showing us what tasks you think you can do (see box on the form) sign it and ask your minister to vouch for you.
- Finally mail it to the address on the pamphlet.

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But closer inspection reveals the needs...



We will phone your minister to discuss your application, then match up your skills with the projects requested by BCA Field Staff. Once all parties have agreed on a visit, you can arrange the details directly with them. You can decide on the tasks to be done, tools and materials if any, and when you will arrive.

# Ministering to BCA staff

- We want to help the people we visit, not make extra work. We will, of course, expect no remuneration. Remote parishes have tight budgets. They may be able to pay for materials needed, but why not ask members of your home church to be part of your trip by contributing to the cost of your work?
- Arrange to stay at a nearby park, camp ground or motel during your stay, and provide your own meals.
   The small congregations in remote areas are busy, and your visit will accomplish tasks that otherwise may never happen.

- But don't ask locals to help you—that may happen, but be prepared to work alone. And of course, finish what you set out to do!
- Our code of Ethics sets out a few ways to make sure that your visit is a pleasure for your party and the people you visit.
- If you are a registered trades person (eg plumber, electrician, builder, welder) your skills are urgently needed in a number of places. However, if you are offering to help in another State please check your licence validation for that State!

We found that a few days of doing jobs were satisfying for us, and useful for the people we visited. It was also great to be able to chat with them about their work, and provide a sympathetic ear as they talked about their work.

Why not give the BCA Nomads a try? Ask your box secretary for details, or contact your regional office listed in the directory on the inside front cover of "The Real Australian".

# Coming Events BCA TOURS FOR 2000

Tour 1—BCA NWA TOUR Departs from Perth on Saturday 26th August—returns by air from Darwin Saturday 16th September.

This tour of North Western Australia travels from Perth northwards through all the wonderful remote ministry spots. Perth and Darwin flight connections will be arranged.

**Tour 2—BANJO PATERSON TOUR** Departs from Sydney 2nd July—returns to Sydney 15th July.

A great study tour of the outback and its history with a BCA host. The tour operates via Dubbo to Lightning Ridge, then Charleville, Longreach (2 nights) Winton (2 nights includes Sunday 9th) Emerald, Rockhampton, Fraser Island (2 nights) Brisbane and Port Macquarie. The attractions will include the Stockman's Hall of Fame and the Matilda centre at Winton.

Please contact Rebecca Williamson on (02) 9262 5017

# women's Auxiliaries

he Women's Auxiliaries of the Bush Church Aid Society do a magnificent job every year in raising money for the Society. They have street stalls, fashion parades, annual events with speakers and musical items which attract people from all over the regions.

During the early days of the Society, BCA's founder Mr Kirkby, and the Council, wanted a Women's Auxiliary to be started. It was inaugurated on 25th March 1931. They have gone from strength to strength, but are now looking for new members.

To enquire about the Auxiliary in your area, please contact your regional office. (See the directory inside the front cover of this magazine.)

The NSW Auxiliary meets on the third Wednesday of each month. Enquiries: Beryl McLaughlin (02) 9744 8609, or Pat Williams (02) 9627 2829.



The Women' Auxiliary with Rev John Jones in St Phillip's, York Street, Sydney.

Background: Minutes of the first meeting, 28/4/31.

Below: Beryl McLaughlin and Pat Williams.



# POSITION VACANT

# Is your ministry caring for teenagers?

A vacancy exists for a special couple to be House Parents at BCA House Broken Hill.

**BCA** House Broken Hill provides a safe, secure and friendly "home" away from home for rural children while they complete their education.

Broken Hill is well serviced by road, rail and air to major capital cities, yet "The Silver City" enjoys the openness and sense of freedom of the country.

Having a wide range of services, cultural and sporting activities, living in Broken Hill has most of the attractions of major cities—without the crowd.

For House Parents, BCA House Broken Hill provides recently refurbished, completely self-contained living accommodation, with independent access.

Why not put your "University of Life" qualifications to use?

To apply or for more information please contact BCA, Level 7/37 York Street, Sydney, NSW 2000

Mrs Robyn Williams Phone: (02) 9262 5017 Fax: (02) 9262 5020 Email: robyn @bushchurchaid.com.au

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# Winter Choices IN PREPARATION FOR SPRING

olidays afford the opportunity for reflection and review. Like spring cleaning, unless time is set aside for a stock-take of life, it does not happen and we continue on the same paths and in the same manner. Moving between the two very different worlds of city and suburbia and rural and remote Australia gives me unique opportunities to observe a vast range of differences in geography and the ways people adapt to life, taking into account their situations.

The contrast between the headlong haste and constant clamour of the city,



and the timeless vastness of the outback, reminds me of a small book 'The Tyranny of the Urgent'. The author, Charles Hummel warns that it is possible to spend our lives dealing with the urgent—that which is loud and insistent and clamouring and often superficial, whilst the important—that which is quiet and timeless and undemanding, and includes the careful cultivation of relationship with God and people, and development of

good character and living, are neglected.

Whilst on annual leave my husband and I celebrated our 35th wedding anniversary. I was reminded that 35 years ago in the Manchester departments of any large retail store one chose between white, white and more white sheets! Today the array is dazzling. So many choices, how do we choose? What motivates our choices as we negotiate our way through life and its many complexities?

Before I moved to the outback I often questioned the reality of my Christian life, in the context of practical living. My work, as a transplant coordinator was very confronting as to my readiness to have the breath of life stopped in me, or loved ones. In the secret places of my heart I knew I had been seduced and in some ways tainted by the world, I was weighed down with things, and sometimes caught up by the noise of the city. I hoped by being removed from the more obvious sources of temptation, I could learn a better balance and harmony in my Christian walk.

How do we be in the world but not of it? How do we be authentic in our living the Christian life, to be a person who encourages others to pursue an interest in knowing God by the way we live, as well as by what comes out of our mouth? That is the challenge, no matter where we live or what our circumstances.

Some lessons the outback has taught me have been painful as I've determined

to address living life in a new location, learning from the place and people, where God wants me to be at this point in time. The pruning has been sharp, yet precious and there is rich reward. I love to reflect that Jesus had intense times of activity interspersed with times of aloneness.

I've discovered there is blessing in having fewer outer choices. The focus shifts to inner choices. When there is no choice of which church you attend, which school, which health service, which garage with mechanical services, which supermarket etc, there needs to be careful consideration as to how you organise and conduct yourself, if you want to stay and become part of the community, or have any influence.

With no choice you have to consider the consequences of conversation and action. Building and maintaining working relationships calls for treating all people with genuine dignity and respect. Learning to harness uncomfortable emotion, deliberately taking on the mind of Christ, learning to apologise for poor behaviour are practical helps. Characteristics such as consideration, integrity, patience and charity, need to become part of our character as does speaking the truth in love. There is no sense in hiding things—they will come out sooner or later.

Without the props, distractions and choices offering in the city and suburbs, and with time and space and silence for

Biblical reflection, it is possible to really appreciate what is available, and the people who make up the community. I am learning to live in a more measured way, to have a longer perspective, to be responsive rather than reactive. Material possessions are not so important; it is wonderful when you delay, you discover how many are not necessary!

The wonderful choice of no choices is the opportunity to work with what is available, to be part of making the rough places smooth rather than throwing it away and moving onto something new, or different. It is humbling to see God bringing to birth the previously unknown and unseen from what was already there. Priceless beyond measure is the opportunity to die to self and one's clamouring ego, and allow God to have His way, because there is no other way available than of relinquishment to Him.

MORWEN WATKINS—Leigh Creek



# Menindee AND THE BELLS

he rain came down and the floods came up and the house on the station was wet! So wet! More rain than anyone had seen for years. Everything ruined—family treasures, floor coverings, appliances, everything! Station owners were hurting. Homesteads, machinery, sheep and cattle lost or damaged. And all this in our Parish. What could we do to help 200 kilometres away in Menindee? We prayed!

Brian then began ringing stations. He located five stations that were most affected. Brian contacted Bishop Bruce Clarke, who made available relief cheques through Anglicare. Brian hopes for another to follow in the near future as tokens of God's care for them. The Menindee Parish contributed by sending boxes of new useful household supplies, some goodies and a copy of Kerry Medway's; 'Bush Preacher Bites the Dust'. Although there is not much dust here at present!

Stephens Creek at Quondong —Broken Hill—Menindee raad.



And so our ministry continues, and will continue. Through some amazing circumstances, which could be only God organised, Brian Roberts and Murray Lamont arrived on our doorstep. It was 44 degrees C in the shade and they were hot, harassed and hungry! Their car air conditioner had broken down 200 kilometres away at Ivanhoe. Local advice was to 'buy a slab of beer and wind down the windows!'—they wound down the windows and bought orange juice.

When they arrived we were having dinner with 20 locals (that's a lot for Menindee) who had organised a 'Welcome Home' dinner and get-together for us. We had just returned from Sydney after 10 weeks away. Brian had left Menindee suddenly in November. He was diagnosed with colon cancer. One doctor gave him little hope. Family and friends began to pray, here, there (our home churches at Arcadia and Dural) and every where (our BCA family). The day of the operation was 24th—'our' day in the Prayer Notes. How wonderfully God

(Will you please 'Praise God'

Stephens Creek two weeks later!





answered all those prayers! At 12.15 am. the surgeon rang to tell Beverley that the cancer had been contained, it had not spread, and there would be no further treatment needed! Brian could not tell people quickly enough how their prayers had been answered. Five times by different means and different people and different places, God gave Beverley Psalm 91. How true and comforting those promises are!

Brian is now well. It is great to be back. After the dinner, with Brian and Murray refreshed and recovered, we talked till late. No! We will not be leaving at the end of June as the last issued prayer notes suggested! How could we? This is where we belong! Until at least June 2001 at any rate!

## **BRIAN AND BEVERLEY BELL**

-Menindee

along with Brian & Beverley!—Editor)

Dust storm over Broken Hill in February, 2000.



# **Ordinations**



Raymond Molyneux and Rob on the day of his Ordination.

he Rev Rob Healy was ordained deacon at Geraldton on the 8th January 2000, and has taken up residence at Dampier. We apologise for the incorrect information in the previous Prayer Notes.



Rev Dianne Langham with Bishop Arthur Malcolm and the boys from Mt Penang Juvenile Justice Centre.

he Rev Dianne Langham was ordained deacon in an historic occasion on the 2nd February in Christ Church Cathedral Newcastle. Di has been a part-time Juvenile Justice Chaplain at Mt Penang (Central Coast) and Worimi (Newcastle) since Nov 1998 with particular responsibility for Aboriginal youth. Di is supported by BCA for this ministry. Bishop Herft said "I am fully supportive of Di's ordination and believe it will benefit the Gospel work amongst Koori people in particular and hopefully will have blessings for us all".

# Jonah Goes to Sea

A great week of fellowship and learning took place at the BCA Bible Camp at Woolgoolga. A whale of a time was had by the morning studies being submerged in Jonah.

Campers enjoyed great weather, fellowship and meals together with the cabana atmosphere and the hot spa and swimming pool.

The Queensland Regional Committee also met with Richard and Danielle Maude and approved their appointment to Lightning Ridge.

Don't miss the next BCA Bible Camp at Bribie Island from Saturday 19th to 26th August, 2000.

Bruce Worthington and Jim and Lala Leftwich will be there!

Bookings: BCA Brisbane (07) 3349 9081





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# Opportunities IN MINISTRY

The Gaultons held a bookstall at the Leinster Community Fair in March. It was a great opportunity to introduce the locals to the Leinster Christian church. They were the only stand giving away things for nothing, including free funny face biscuits made by Jenny for the children and 100 copies of John Blanchard's book "Ultimate Ouestions".

# About Support



o I have to donate \$80 per year to become a BCA Supporter?

This is a question we have been asked recently and the answer is an **emphatic NO!** 

BCA are grateful for any donation, irrespective of size. Indeed it is the small donations given consistently that enable the Society to plan for future ministry and enables our efficient operation.

**BUSH AUSTRALIA** is a particular program that was launched just one year ago with the following features:

 Regular giving—if every family who receives the Real Australian donated just \$1.55 per week then 50 BCA staff would be supported!

- Prayer—receiving the personal prayer points from each Ministry team 4 times per year
- Connecting—receiving the Real Australian magazine which will give you an insight into BCA ministry in the bush and associated activities
- Serving—joining outreach teams, or work parties, perhaps through BCA Nomads.

If you are a Bush Australia supporter it's time for your renewal payment.

We would be grateful for your ongoing support.

# FROM CEDUNA

Our family would like to thank the BCA staff Sydney for their support and assistance over the years that we have been in Ceduna, South Australia.

Living in a remote area (not so remote as some) has its advantages and disadvantages. The staff have been very helpful and the personal support especially has been enormous.



The cards for ourselves and the children have always been warmly appreciated. The BCA supporters and their letters have been enjoyed whenever we received them.

The ministry of BCA still seems to be so young even though it has a great history. Young in the sense that so many haven't heard about it and need to find out more. But families are being met spiritually by the BCA team.

As we now move on to Perth, we certainly will not forget you all, each of you who have prayed for and supported us. May the Lord continue to bless you all in your work.

MICHELLE BEEVER



MICHELLE BEEVER

# The Flying Padre

BCA has received a large painted portrait of The Rev Len Daniels who was our missioner—and Flying Padre—at Wilcannia from 1928 to 1931. He was the first Flying Padre in Australia.

The artist, Jocelyn Maughan, has given the portrait on a permanent loan. We appreciate her kind gesture and this remembrance of a great man in BCA's early history.

This gift raises thoughts of Len Daniels and his innovative ministry of so long ago. Many of our readers will not know of his work.

Len, a young Englishman, new to Australia, was sent to Wilcannia in western New South Wales. After five years endeavouring to cover his parish, which stretched from Wilcannia to Tibooburra and to Menindee by car over atrocious tracks, Len was given approval from BCA to seek funds in the UK and to purchase a small aeroplane for use in his widespread Parish. A venture in faith by BCA and by Len in those early days of fabric, wood and wire aeroplanes.

The result was a small Moth plane weighing 400 kg and flying at 130 kph, "the only plane in Australia devoted exclusively for the Ministry of the Word and Sacraments". It served not only the towns in the West but also provided for "house to house visitation" in this flat and rather featureless country, for it was not too hard to find reasonable landing places at most properties.

The plane did not mean that he had a "soft" job now, but that he was able to do more with greater frequency of Services.



In practical terms, this new ministry was not without its difficulties—dust storms, etc., particularly as navigation was mostly by sighting and following rivers, creeks or tracks—with no flying instruments other than a compass.

In his book "Far West", among many tales of blessing and troubles, Len told the tale of returning from Tibooburra, when he noticed curious funnel-like columns of red dust closing ahead of him. A violent wind tossed the plane about. He decided to return to Tibooburra and not a moment too soon. He quickly lost visibility but managed to locate the landing place and got down without damage in the swirling dust storm, which continued all that day.

Len was on his own in that place, or was he? Was he taking 'risks' or acting in faith in God? Are we today also prepared to take 'risks' to the limit, act in faith with our prayers, services or gifts for the spread of the Gospel?

CLEM KIRKBY—Archivist

# Vale THE REV GEORGE FUHRMEISTER

(Information gleaned from "New Life")

George Fuhrmeister was a man who loved children and was gifted in children's evangelism. Following his ordination and curacy, the Bush Church Aid Society appointed George to Minnipa, South Australia from 1950 to 1956. George and his wife Hazel travelled over an area of 40,000 square miles to many isolated areas, reaching lonely people for Christ when the roads were dirt potholes. Their next appointment was to Quorn, North East of Port Augusta in South Australia. The work was spread across a large area, beyond Hawker, Leigh Creek, and Marree to the Northern Territory border. During this time, George endured hardships with courage and persistance, visiting many station homesteads and people with practical and spiritual needs. After Gippsland in Victoria, the call to the outback was still strong, and George and Hazel took on the remote BCA ministry at Wilcannia, New South Wales. George passed into the presence of his Lord on 2nd February aged 82.

# Wilcannia, New South Wales. George passed into the presence of his Lord on 2nd February aged 82. Ce to the Lord Tree got bogged middle of the long to have the support of the long that long t

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Mail Bag Sunday
School Children.

**BCA** operated a Mail Bag Sunday School for Outback

children from 1922 until 1972, when the Diocesan Board of Education took it over.

The Real Australian of July 1945 tells a story of the MBSS. Within the Sunday School, a Missionary Band was formed to give the children their opportunity to share in mission work.

"The children pay one penny (one cent) per month subscription and this is devoted to helping our mission work among Aborigines. In the last five years the Missionary Band has supported BCA work at the Aboriginal Hospital at Koonibba purchasing a Resuscitator, renovating the kitchen, purchasing two Tilley Lamps and a Medicine Cabinet. Parcels have also been sent to Katoomba, Ooldea and Mulgoa."

Will more children, Youth Groups and parents in our present days continue the support of BCA's ministry to Aboriginal Churches at Cairns and Dubbo and through Nungalinya College in Darwin?

**CLEM KIRKBY**—Archivist

# PRAY FOR OUR STAFF

# OUR MISSION FIELD

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- 3 Newman—Rev Malcolm & Mrs Leanne Reid
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- 5 Karratha/Dampier—Rev Philip & Mrs Kathy Knife Rev Robert & Mrs Kaye Healy (Ministry Training Arrangement)
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# THE BCA PRAYER

Lord our God, help us to remember those who live in isolated and remote parts of our land. We ask you to strengthen and encourage all whose ministries are supported by The Bush Church Aid Society.

Refresh them in times of discouragement and loneliness and call others to stand with them in the task of making Christ known.

Grant that, through the ministry of Word and Sacraments, through caring service and by support for young people, the message of your redeeming love may be proclaimed and accepted by the people of our land.

We ask these things through
Jesus Christ our Lord.
Amen.

If you'd like more details for prayer, send for our free quarterly prayer notes.

- 10 Coober Pedy—Rev Ian & Mrs Ann Bednall
- 11 **Roxby Downs** and Mid-West Mission— Rev Ian & Mrs Glenda McGrath
- 12 Leigh Creek—Rev Ted & Mrs Morwen Watkin

# DIOCESE OF RIVERINA

#### BISHOP BRUCE CLARK

- 14 **Broken Hill** BCA House—*Locum* Mr Peter & Mrs Jenny Wilken
- 15 **Wilcannia/ Menindee**—Mr Brian & Mrs Beverley Bell

# DIOCESE OF ARMIDALE

## BISHOP PETER BRAIN

16 Lightning Ridge—Rev Rick& Mrs Danielle Maude

## DIOCESE OF TASMANIA

## BISHOP JOHN HARROWER

- 17 **King Island**—Rev Richard & Mrs Jennifer Minol
- 18 **Furneaux Islands**—Rev Bob & Mrs Sue Witten

# DIOCESE OF ROCKHAMPTON

#### **BISHOP RON STONE**

19 Winton—Locum—Rev Earl Hughes

## DIOCESE OF BATHURST

#### BISHOP-Vacant

- 20 Forbes BCA House—Mr Kelvin & Mrs Annette Hill
- 21 **Dubbo**—Koori ministry—Rev Gloria
- & Mr Eddie Shipp

# DIOCESE OF NORTH QUEENSLAND BISHOP CLYDE WOOD

- 22 Cairns—St Luke's—Rev Jim & Mrs Lala Leftwich
- 23 Normanton—Rev Vic
  - & Mrs Doreen McNamara

## DIOCESE OF NORTHERN TERRITORY

#### BISHOP PHILIP FREIER

# **ABORIGINAL & TORRES STRAIT ISLANDER MINISTRY**

- 24 **Darwin**—Nungalinya College
  —Ms Elizabeth Caldwell
  - Darwin—Anglicare—Mr Peter & Mrs Lynne Fisher

# REGIONAL OFFICES

- 25 **WA Part-time Officer**—Rev Raymond & Mrs Betty Lou Molyneux
- 26 **SA Officer**—Rev David Hand Mrs Helen Gitsham
- 27 **Vic. & Tas. Officer**—Rev Murray Lamont, Miss Sueanne Maw
- 28 NSW & ACT Officer—

  Rev Paul Dew, Ms Anabel Walters,

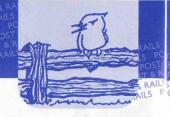
  Mrs Michele Peacock
- 29 Qld. & Northern NSW Officer— Rev Les Monaghan, Mrs Dianne Harris, Mrs Ruth Blackburn

# BCA NATIONAL OFFICE

- 30 Rev Brian Roberts, Mrs Robyn Williams, Mrs Amutha Gibson, Mrs Kris MacKenzie, Miss Rebecca Williamson, Mrs Rinda Scott
- 31 Associate Prayer Partners

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# **FAREWELL**



• Geoffrey and
Catherine Hearne
are leaving Lightning
Ridge in May to take
up the Parish of
Quirindi in the

Diocese of Armidale. They leave behind a solid foundation growing in numbers and maturity within the new church building that is already stretching to meet the current needs. May the Lord continue to keep them focussed on the gospel.



• Tom and Michelle Beever resigned from Ceduna parish and have been appointed to Kingsley/North

Woodvale in the Perth Diocese. During their ministry a vibrant music team has been established along with some new and exciting youth programs, and the Parish more capable of meeting their financial commitment. May God bless their ministry in their future parish.



 We regret that things haven't worked out as planned for Ken & Nola Collins at Broken Hill.
 We sadly bade them

farewell and are currently advertising for new house parents.

# WELCOME



In the meantime
 we are grateful to
 Peter & Jenny
 Wilken from
 Brisbane— not new
 to BCA having spent

many years at the Forbes Hostel—who will provide a locum support for the position at Broken Hill.

• Welcome to The Rev **Earl Hughes** who is helping us and the Diocese with providing a short-term locum tenens at Winton. Earl is no stranger to BCA having helped with a locum support at Blackwater.



• Raymond
Molyneux will be
taking on the job
of Western Australia
Regional Officer in
July. He and his wife

Betty Lou served with BCA as field staff and come to us this time after being in ministry in Broome. We look forward to having them on board.

Raymond's commissioning service will take place on Wednesday 5th July at 7.30pm. It will be held at St Philip's Anglican Church, 240 Marmion Street, Cottesloe.

# SOCIETY FAREWELLS Bishop Buckland

Bishop Bernard Buckland, Regional Officer WA retired on 30th April but we know he will continue to support our Society wherever he may be. It was on 26th March 1958 that he was inducted as Mission Chaplain at Cleve in the Franklin Harbour Mission.

Bishop Bernard's ministry has certainly borne fruit. In the years between 1958 and 1962 when he was at Cleve, SA, the Sunday School there was attended by Elizabeth Caldwell (now Nungalinya College for BCA), three children who became missionaries with CMS and Ted Horne (then an 18 year old) who became Rector of Streaky Bay. Bishop Buckland writes:

"Thank you for BCA's provision over these years which has allowed me to fulfill God's call to minister in the bush. We have never been unhappy in any place to which we



were called and we thank God and you for what BCA has meant to us not just as an organisation but as family. Thanks, Bernard & Coralie"

The Executive of the Society made a presentation to the Bishop and his wife, Coralie. BCA has been blessed by the dedication and commitment of Bishop Bernard and Coralie over many years of service. Thank you both. Our prayers that God may richly bless your retirement go with you.



• Rick and Danielle Maude from Tambar Springs will begin with BCA in the Parish of Lightning Ridge in

June. They have four children—Rohen  $7\frac{1}{2}$ , Dylan 6, Jaryd  $2\frac{1}{2}$ , Raewyn $\frac{1}{2}$ . Rick has a heart for rural ministry even though he comes to us from the parish of St Paul's, Castle Hill, in Sydney.

# **NEW ADDRESSES**

Allan & Mellita Bate (Mt Magnet):
Email: <mellita@benet.net.au>

Bob & Sue Witten (Furneaux Islands): Email: rswitten@trump.net.au Fax: (03) 6359 2109

BCA THE REAL

# A HOSTEL'S Half Century



First page of the Hostel Visitors Book-1950.

BCA House, Broken Hill opened in January 1950. It replaced the Wilcannia Hostel, which since 1919 had provided accommodation during term time for outback boys, enabling them to attend school.

One reason for the change was to include children attending high school—not available in Wilcannia. The move to Broken Hill also marked a change of policy with the Society's decision to seek a married couple to be in charge, instead of the matron and assistant matron who previously supervised the boys. This radical decision was taken to provide a "family" atmosphere and a Christian "home away from home" for boys from 7 to 17 years of age.

My husband, Arthur and I, having completed a short term of service with CMS at Roper River and Groote Eylandt in northern Australia, offered for this new work. Together with our children (Arthur 6½, Stella 3½ and Colin 4 months) we arrived in Broken Hill on the Silver City Comet a few days before the first term of

1950. We were just ahead of the boys, some had been at Wilcannia—others coming for the first time. A gentle Christian lady, Miss Marjorie Farr, previously the assistant matron at Wilcannia, stayed with us for a few weeks to break us in. She then moved on to her new appointment at BCA Girls' Hostel at Port Lincoln, South Australia.

The number of boys soon grew to 30 and in those less affluent times, we had none of the assistant staff, or labour saving equipment that is taken for granted today.

Our equipment was an Aga slow combustion stove and an old Simpson washing machine with wringer on top. At



Boys outside the Hostel gate, 1994.

least that was electric and we didn't have to turn a handle to wring the washing—40 or so sheets, pillowcases and towels,—and that was on Monday! Thursday saw the laundering of some 120 shirts, 20 or so each of school pants, shorts, pyjamas, singlets, undies and countless socks. The shirts and pants had to be "damped down" and ironed—before the days of drip dry fabrics.

Arthur, on hands and knees, used to polish the seemingly acres of lino that covered the floors of this very large house and thought all his birthdays had come at once when we were finally able to acquire an electric polisher. Other jobs included cutting 30 plus lunches, shopping, preparing and cooking meals and looking after the quite extensive grounds. These were "regular" tasks, undertaken whilst the boys were at school. When they arrived home, there was homework, and the other "mum and dad" things that parents do. The day usually ended with the reading of stories, including Bible stories, which were quite new to some of the boys. After "lights out", there was always darning to be done—those socks always came through the wash with great holes in the heels and toes. Alas, no long wearing nylon in those days!

A common recurrence was bouts of measles, mumps and chicken pox. The boys coming in from isolated stations had never been exposed to these usual childhood infections, and very soon caught them once they attended school. Apart from marbles, cricket and football, the boys' main recreation was working on their properties. They each had an area laid out along the side fences where they built yards, a homestead, sheds,

Music practice for the girls in 1989.





The back of BCA House as it was in 1984.

dams and other features in miniature, familiar to them at home. On Sundays, dressed in suits, white shirts and ties they all attended Sunday School down the hill at St. Peter's parish church.

This was our family life for six years until in 1956 we transferred to the BCA Hostel for high school girls at Bowral. This was offered to us as an easier job. The girls did their own personal washing and ironing and the linen was sent out to a laundry. Our family had grown, having adopted a baby girl in the last months at Broken Hill and giving birth to our third son, Ian, during the first year at Bowral. We remained there for five years after which Arthur entered Moore College.

Following his ordination we spent the next 20 years in inner Sydney city parishes—quite a contrast to our country life with CMS and BCA. Retirement came in 1984, with Arthur called home to the Lord's presence very shortly after.

The decision to have married couples in the Hostel at Broken Hill has continued and the ministry has been extended so that girls also can take advantage of the accommodation and care in order to receive their education.

Not long ago I heard from a father who had been one of our little 7 year olds—now happy to have his own children at BCA House.

## **BERYL MCLAUGHLIN**

# Translation Work Continues

" s this the right paperbark?" That seemed to be my constant question. "No" seemed to always be the answer. I was a bit confused about which of the many species of paper bark trees was the RIGHT one to collect leaves to make into a tea, for the treatment of coughs and colds. So many people came to Nungalinya for

Ginyibuwa Murrungun translator at Nungalinya.



short courses with the 'flu, that I thought I should take Ginyibuwa and collect her favourite bush medicine cure for a cold.

After a bit of practice I began to recognise the "right" paperbark tree, and I was able to supply some leaves to ailing students. Had I used this medicine myself? Well, no, not until I had a slight hint of a sore throat. It had a sort of fragrant eucalyptus kind of taste.

Ginyibuwa and I have developed an easy sort of relationship as we share the process of checking the Gospel of John translated into her language, Wubuy, or Nunggubuyu. Last week we sent chapters 18, 19 and 20 back to Numbulwar for further checking, and this week we sent off chapter 21, the final chapter! We were both thankful and mindful that in God's timing the chapters dealing with the Easter story have arrived at Numbulwar in time for Easter. No doubt the church leaders will take the opportunity to use the translation in church services and fel-



Graduate student Margaret Luta with Elizabeth Caldwell, Lillian Smith and Hermy Munnich— School of Textile Art Nungalinya College.

lowship times. Please pray with us that this material will be a real blessing to the community.

Elizabeth Caldwell is Literacy Coordinator at Nungalinya College, which means she supports student literacy in any of the courses taught at the College. She is interested in supporting literacy in the students' own languages as well as English, and works with people from other agencies (like Summer Institute of Linguistics) to promote vernacular literacy. One very special part of her work is to support the ongoing translation of the Bible into Nunggubuyu, the language spoken by people at Numbulwar. A team of people who have Nunggubuyu (or Wubuy) as their first language does the translation. Ginvibuwa (a member of the team) now lives in Darwin full time because she is a dialysis patient.

# **ELIZABETH CALDWELL**

-Nungalinya College, Darwin

# Regional Officer...



This photograph of the five BCA Regional Officers was taken at the 16th March meeting of the Executive.

They are *(from left)*: Bernard Buckland from WA, Les Monaghan from Qld,
David Hand from SA, Murray Lamont from Vic and Paul Dew from NSW/ACT.



The life of the Regional Officer covers a wide variety of activities including an increasing number of school connections. Here you see Paul with the Crusaders group in the junior school of Abbotsleigh Girls' at Wahroonga. *Their desire is to* 

support the work of remote ministry. Bush Church Aid are appreciative and encouraged by the directions of the schools for imparting the vision for the youth to embrace a concern for our remote brothers and sisters who have greater needs.

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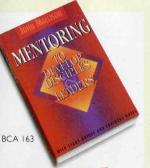


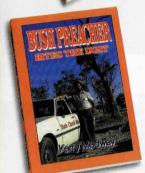
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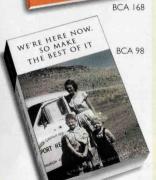
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-an old BCA favourite by author Kerry Medway, who served with BCA in Coober Pedy.

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# "WE'RE HERE NOW, SO MAKE THE BEST OF IT" by Margaret Douglass

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#### "HOPE ON THE HORIZON"

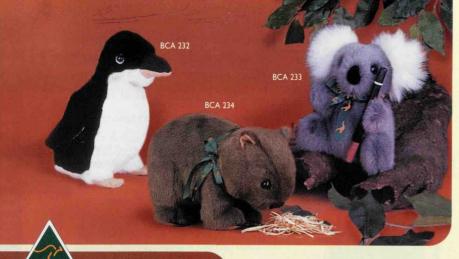
# A collection of works by Jocelyn Harvey.

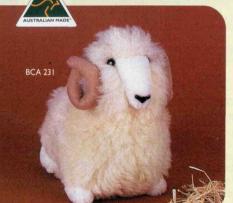
Jocelyn Harvey communicates the significance of joy and security in Jesus through her writing. This collection of poems and prose has been dedicated to the work and workers of the Bush Church Aid Society.

BCA 163	"Mentoring"	\$21.00*
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BCA 07	250ml Body Lotion	\$8.00
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BCA 09	250ml Hair Conditioner	\$8.00
BCA 31	250ml Body Wash	\$8.00
BCA 32	250ml Shampoo (not in photograph)	\$7.50
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BCA 34	125g Soap	\$2.50

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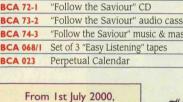
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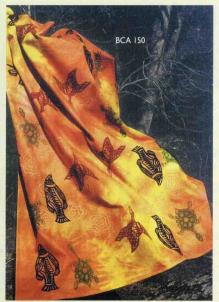
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