

*"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."*

*Romans 8:28 (NIV)*

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of People & Culture

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Rev Peter Whitaker

Life Member: Bishop James Grant

## Meetings

Board Meeting - 7th-8th February  
Audit Committee - 26th February

## Give thanks for . . . .

- a new year and the endless possibilities that lie ahead. May we not limit God in what He can do through **ACCESS ministries** in 2014
- the time of refreshment had by all **ACCESS ministries** staff during the Christmas break
- Dr David Price, Chris Sparrow and Rev Keith Kynoch as they retire as Members of the Council and for the difference they have made to this ministry through their faithful commitment
- Annette Blaze, Rev Andrew Delbridge, Rev Linley Liersch, Paul Pallot and Rev Peter Whitaker who are joining as Council Members this year. Give thanks for the gifts and expertise they bring to this role
- each person who is aligned with this ministry - for their passion and call to service in whatever role they have been placed. May God use all their individual giftings to advance His Kingdom and may He use each of them as a witness for Him.

## Pray for . . . .

- the **ACCESS ministries** Board as they meet on the 7th and 8th February to plan and strategise for the year and discern the future direction of the organisation as a whole
- the Executive Team as they meet on the 18th and 19th February to plan how they might be able to put into action the decisions of the Board from their meeting
- Evonne as CEO, for good health, energy and a work/home life balance throughout 2014
- a continued strong sense of unity and connectedness among staff for the year ahead
- the leadership in schools; that Principals and teachers will continue see the value of including Chaplaincy and CRE programs in their schools.

*As we begin the new year, may you take time out to reflect and seek God in how  
He might use you in 2014 to impact the lives of those around you.*

## Week 2

### Give thanks for . . . . .

- a time of refreshment and rejuvenation had by our Chaplains, Student Wellbeing Workers and office staff over the Christmas break
- the positive first year training that took place in January. Pray that Chaplains and Student Wellbeing Workers will be able to apply all that they have learnt as they return to their school communities
- the newly appointed Chaplains and Student Wellbeing Workers who will commence this month. Pray that they will settle in quickly and develop good rapport and positive relationships with the students and school community
- the faithful people across Victoria who recognise the need to support and encourage Chaplains and Student Wellbeing Workers and volunteer their time to do so
- the School Councils and Principals who choose to incorporate an **ACCESS ministries** Chaplaincy or Wellbeing Program into their school community.

### Pray for . . . . .

- a positive start to the school year for all school communities
- those Chaplains and Student Wellbeing Workers who are returning to their school communities for another year. Pray that they would be able to reconnect with students quickly and be able to build on all that they established last year
- those school communities affected by bushfires over the summer period. Pray that our Chaplains and Student Wellbeing Workers will be able to offer practical and emotional support during this time
- Chaplaincy Committees as they plan for the year ahead and look for new ways to support the Chaplaincy Program in their local schools
- God's comfort and peace to be with four of our Chaplains currently undergoing treatment for cancer
- God to raise up applicants for our current Chaplaincy and Wellbeing position vacancies
- the longevity of the Chaplaincy Program
- the fledgling Chaplaincy and Wellbeing Support Groups that have begun in recent years. Pray that more members join and competent leaders are raised up to guide them with wisdom and discernment
- every **ACCESS ministries** Chaplain and Student Wellbeing Worker, that they would be receiving the community support they need to encourage them and sustain their role into the future by the end of 2014.

*"Beware in your prayers, above everything else, of limiting God, not only by unbelief, but by fancying that you know what He can do. Expect unexpected things above all that we ask or think."*

~ Andrew Murray

### Staff:

Karen Holmes - General Manager of Chaplaincy & Wellbeing Services  
Rochelle Chan - Chaplaincy & Wellbeing Services Coordinator  
Chris Helm - Project Manager - Community Support  
Jim Reiher - Regional Support Manager

Garry Tobeck - Regional Support Manager  
Ruth Whitefield - Regional Support Manager  
Adrian Irwin - Regional Support Manager  
Glenn Arnott - Regional Support Manager

# Christian Education

## Week 3

### Give thanks for . . . . .

- Linda White's appointment as General Manager, Christian Education and Training Services and the new team that is being built which will develop and support our Christian Education Program and the **ACCESS ministries** Training Institute
- the appointment of seven Christian Education Regional Leaders for the Grampians, Loddon Mallee, Hume, Gippsland, Inner/West Metro, East Metro and South East Metro regions
- those Area Leaders who retired at the end of last year and for the many years of faithful service. May God guide their steps as they look to the new season ahead
- the enthusiasm of those who are contacting us and registering to be trained for involvement as CRE Volunteers
- the opportunity we have to enrich children's lives through teaching them about the Christian faith and values through CRE
- the thousands of families across Victoria who will again this year give permission for their children to participate in CRE
- the support our local CRE Volunteers receive through the CRE Partners who pray for and encourage them.

### Pray for . . . . .

- Linda White as she leads the restructure of the Christian Education and Training Services Team, formalising roles, recruits to fill vacant positions and works with the team to identify goals and priorities for the year ahead
- Andrea Tudball, Danielle Bealo, Helen Scrutton, Kate Ellis, Kerry Parry, Michelle Fenwick and Sulari Nielsen as they commence their Regional Leader role, pray for them as they develop a solid understanding of CRE and build relationships with the Team Leaders in their region
- the Professional Development sessions that will be held in each region of Victoria in February. Pray that these will be inspiring experiences of meeting with other CRE Volunteers and a valuable time of equipping and preparation for the year ahead. Pray also for safety in travel for our trainers
- those who are participating in new CRE Volunteer Training Sessions in Melbourne, Ballarat, Geelong and Wangaratta. Pray that God will confirm their sense of calling and prepare and equip them for their involvement
- CRE Team Leaders as they finalise their CRE Teams for 2014 and work with their schools to finalise participation numbers and timetables. Pray particularly for those who are new CRE Team Leaders
- families across Victoria who are making the choice about their child's involvement in Christian Education in 2014; pray particularly for families of children commencing Prep who are making this choice for the very first time.

*"For I know the plans I have for you," declares the Lord, "plans to prosper you and not to harm you, plans to give you hope and a future"*

*~ Jeremiah 29:11(NIV)*

### Staff:

Linda White - GM of Christian Education & Training Services    Leanne Palmer - Christian Education Services Manager  
Kate Ellis - Community Engagement Manager Christian Education & Training Services; Regional Leader (East Metro)  
Michelle Fenwick - Christian Education Administrator; Regional Leader (South East Metro)  
Andrea Tudball - Regional Leader (Grampians)    Danielle Bealo - Regional Leader (Gippsland)  
Helen Scrutton - Regional Leader (Loddon Mallee)    Kerry Parry - Regional Leader (Hume)  
Sulari Nielsen - Regional Leader (Inner/Western Metro)

# Administrative Services

## Week 4

### Give thanks for . . . . .

- the opportunity to enhance the personal, mental, social and spiritual health and development of Australian students through the provision of Christian religious education materials
- the development of new epiQ resources for students in Years 5 and 6
- the ongoing opportunity to impact the lives of students through their learning about and exploring the Christian faith and its values and beliefs
- Educational staff, parents and others who recognise the value of students learning about the Christian faith in a regular and ongoing way.

### Pray for . . . . .

- the finance team as they prepare for the end of the financial year audit, for the ability to focus and complete all the work required within the timeframes given and to still have the capacity to do the day-to-day work
- our first appeal letter for 2014 as it is sent in February; that it will be well received by supporters
- positive media coverage of the work of **ACCESS ministries**
- student enrolments for 2014 and that past students would positively spread the word about AmTI
- the development of a Chaplaincy Training Consortium and the partnership that is being built between Chaplaincy Service Providers and Theological Institutions to provide high quality and effective training in the area of Chaplaincy
- the official launch of the **ACCESS ministries** Training Institute (AmTI) on February 24th. Invitations have been sent out including to those we work with closely in government and theological education. Pray for this opportunity to share with those we work with and those who support us, about the opportunities we offer for ongoing theological and ministry education
- inspired ideas and good time management for Tim as he designs the new website
- timely payment of any outstanding 2013 debts from CRE orders
- strong sales of Part 1 materials for student and Volunteer use
- Professional Development sessions being developed during February and March for users of the epiQ material
- Volunteers as they use the new epiQ material for the first time with their Year 5/6 classes
- Janelle as she processes orders and communicates with customers and potential customers
- good communication with all relevant stakeholders around publishing and the provision of resources for CRE Volunteers.

*"We have to pray with our eyes on God, not on the difficulties." ~ Oswald Chambers*

### Staff:

Paul de Mare - CFO

Rob Ward - GM Development & Communications

Leanne Li - Community Relationships Manager

Elaine Letch - Payroll Accountant

Christopher Platford - Senior Accountant

Tim Robinson - Analyst / Programmer

Jay Varcoe - AmTI Training Assistant

Shirley Culhane - GM Publishing & Research

Connie Demetriou - HR & Risk Manager

Linda Cameron - Fundraising Officer

Maria Mascitti - Management Accountant

Janelle Wade - Customer Service and Sales Administrator

Miriam Forte - AmTI Registrar