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**Bible
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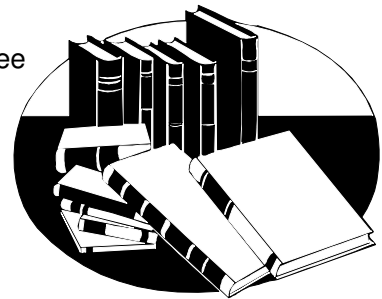
Newsletter July 2005

Did you see us in the paper?

In our last newsletter we mentioned that we had found a Bible in the rare Niuean language for somebody who wanted one. The "*Dandenong Star*" had an article about this event, with a picture of one of our members, Rob Hyndman, presenting this Bible to the lady. If you didn't see the article, you could come and look on the door of our shop. We were pleased with the article and wanted to display it for all to see!

Second-hand Bibles and other books

If you are interested in buying a pre-loved Bible, then come in and see what we are offering. We now have a variety of Bibles at affordable prices. When studying the Bible, it is good to be able to read a passage in more than one translation, to see the slightly different ways the message is expressed. Now you can buy more than one translation at a reasonable price. We also have a very small selection of other second-hand scriptural books.



Term 3 courses starting soon

Our new courses for term 3 will be starting soon, God willing. Some of the courses are ongoing and will continue. You are welcome to join in these courses by enrolling at any time. Those who have missed our "*Bible reading for Beginners*" course in the past will be pleased to know that we are offering this course again. Make sure you have a course information leaflet - enrolling is easy and can be done via phone, email, post or in person at the shop.

Special weekend in July

We are pleased to have a speaker from New Zealand coming to the Dandenong Bible Education Centre on the last weekend in July to speak on "*Learning more from our Lord*". The speaker's name is Neil Todd, and he is a vibrant and interesting speaker, who encourages interaction with the audience. The details of the weekend are as follows:

Friday 29th 7.30 pm – "*Power-filled parables Jesus gives us*", followed by games

Saturday 30th 10.30 am – "*Mordecai – the ultimate man of God*"

12.00 noon – Lunch

1.30 pm – "*Esther – ideals for a faith-filled life*"

Sunday 31st 9.30 am – "*Power-filled miracles Jesus shows us*"

11.30 am – "*The New Life – reading the Bible*"

Did you know?

The first Bible character who is mentioned as living in a tent was a man called Jabal. See Genesis 4:20.

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All our arrangements for the future will take place if the Lord lets them.

New Life Class: 11.30am-12.30pm each Sunday, followed by lunch

We would love to have you come to this class which discusses a variety of topics from the Bible.

The following program is planned for the next 2 months:

July	3	<i>The new life - Why should I be baptised?</i>
	10	<i>The new life - Forgiveness and repentance</i>
	17	<i>The new life - How do I live the new life?</i>
	24	<i>The new life - How should we pray?</i>
	31	<i>The new life - Reading the Bible</i>
August	7	<i>Recent archaeological evidence for the Bible</i>
	14	<i>Fulfilled prophecy - evidence for the Bible</i>
	21	<i>Bible and church - history of the churches</i>
	28	<i>Bible and church - where doctrines came from</i>

Bible Explorers – a great place for Primary School children!

Don't forget that our activities for children of primary school age take place at the same time as the New Life Class. This term the children will have a great time learning about the Bible characters Jacob and Joseph, with the many lessons they can teach us about life today. We sing, read stories, do craft activities and talk about the Bible. Why not bring your children along one Sunday to try it out? The new term starts on July 10th.



Register your interest in new courses!

We are trying to meet the needs of the community around Dandenong with regard to the Bible courses we run. We are therefore seeking expressions of interest in courses that we may run at some stage in the future. While we will try to run the courses you request, we cannot guarantee that we will be able to, as it depends on the numbers of people who are interested. So if you would like to attend a particular course, please write, ring or email us with your suggestion, or come into the shop and talk to our friendly staff. Here are some suggestions to get you started:

- Bible culture and customs.
- Archaeology and the Bible.
- Geography of Bible lands.
- Life as a Christian in an anti-Christian world.



Great Stories of the Bible for Women

Our Ladies' Bible Study Group is planning to start again in term 3 on Thursday 14th July at 11:00am. We would welcome some new members, so come and beat the winter blues with love, laughter and learning!