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DAY	TIME	FACILITATOR	DESCRIPTION
MONDAY	7.30 pm– 9.00 pm	Marcia Parkes	Meditation/Development
TUESDAY	10.30 am – Noon	Carmel John	Meditation/Healing
	Committee Meeting	**7pm**	10th July
WEDNESDAY	11.00am-2.30pm	Yvonne Warren	Meditation/Development
	7.30pm-9pm	Jo Burgess	Meditation/Development
THURSDAY	8.30am-1pm	Entry second side door	Reading
FRIDAY	7.30 pm - 9.00 pm	Carmel Colquhoun and Toni Sarr	Meditation/Development
SUNDAY	3.00 pm & 7.00 pm	Various	Services All welcome
SATURDAY	21st July	Demonstration with Susanna Steel	Donation \$10 Doors close at 7pm

Our Philosophy is based on Seven Principles



(With liberty of interpretation)

1. *The Fatherhood of God.*
2. *The Brotherhood of Man.*
3. *The immortality of the soul and its personal characteristics*
4. *The proven facts of communication between departed human spirits and mortals*
5. *Personal responsibility.*
6. *Compensation and retribution hereafter for all good and evil deeds done here*
7. *A path of Eternal Progress open to every human soul who wills to tread it by the path of eternal good.*

Dear Friends,

As you would all know by now, President Carmel has been in Mater Hospital for some time, and is now slowly regaining her strength.

Our thoughts and healing prayers go out to Carmel at this time, and we look forward to her return.



While Carmel is ill she has asked Toni Sarr to step in as facilitator for Friday evening Circle, till she returns.

Toni has been assisting Carmel for the past two years, and we are fortunate.. Toni has agreed.

Toni first ventured into Spiritualism in the late 70s at the Cameron Street Church, with the Rev. Trapman, then became a member at Swan Street.

Since that time Toni has pursued a wide range of interest, studying and teaching many modalities, including Tia chi and Chi Kung, meditation, and holds a diploma in Intuitive Feng Shui.

Currently she is studying to be a Spiritualist Teacher.

Thank you Toni for stepping forward in Carmel's absence.

Our AGM will be held 6th October this year.

This is the time to carefully consider those you wish to nominate for Committee positions, approach those you would like to stand, consider it yourself. We need an interested, involved group to ensure we continue as a successful organisation.

I trust Carmel will be back with us next month,

Charles Freeman. (Vice President)

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PROGRAMME FOR JULY 2012

<u>DATE</u>	<u>SPEAKER</u>	<u>CHAIRPERSON</u>
<u>1st July</u>		
3pm	Rev Meg Faber	Arvid
7pm	Rev. Meg Faber	Arvid
<u>8th July</u>		
3pm	Miros	Anona
7pm	Grant Trewhenua	Marcia Parkes
<u>15th July</u>		
3pm	Debbie Benson	Ivo
7pm	Jo Burgess	
<u>21st July</u>	<p>Susanna Steel returns with a further demonstration of "Proof of survival" Doors close at 7pm. If you were unable to attend on her last visit, do come along. It will be a very interesting night with "Spirit." Donation \$10</p> <p><i>Susanna is also a healer working with Reiki and Kahuna healing</i></p>	
<u>22nd July</u>		
3pm	Shirley Darby	Asunta
7pm	Garry Hall	Charles Freeman
<u>29th July</u>		
3pm	Peter Madden	Jenni Havebond
7pm	Karen Burge	Marcia Parkes

Debbie Benson is along for first time telling us of Orthobionomy.

Peter Madden works with St. John of God.

Grant Trewhenua returns

Garry Hall works as Spiritual healer, demonstrating Spiritual awareness

Once again a varied list of speakers, happy to say some well known to us and a number visiting us as speakers for the first time. **Please support them all.** At a recent Service, a visitor made outspoken criticism of a speaker, and her subject, and this should not happen.

When we ask a speaker to come along, we assume they will be given a hearing and courteous treatment. One of the freedoms of our Church is that we are open to varying points of view, and although at times we do not all believe the same as every other member, we are able to present views impartially. Please support our speakers with your attention and should you hold differing views, discuss these later, not around our cuppa.

Contact Robyn if you would like to be a speaker, or if there is a speaker you can recommend. Also remember, if you are available to chair a Service you are most welcome. We have a number of members that regularly do so, but it would be great if more are prepared to step forward. This is your personal invite!! Consider!

If you don't have enough problems in your life
There is a Swiss agency that can help you
Needaproblem.com calls itself the address for
Happy people leading a carefree life. In order that
Life doesn't become too boring and monotone
It provides..... real problems to solve
From Newcastle Morning Herald.

Full house

A game of Bingo could boost your brain
Power. US studies have shown that playing
Bingo with large high-contrast cards had a
positive impact on the brain,, helping with
visual perception for those with, or in the early
stages of Alzheimer's and Parkinson's disease
From Take 5 Magazine. (Must be true)

A Dog's Purpose? (From a 6-year-old).

Being a veterinarian, I had been called to examine a ten-year-old Irish Wolfhound named Belker. The dog's owners, Ron , his wife Lisa , and their little boy Shane , were all very attached to Belker, and they were hoping for a miracle. I examined Belker and found he was dying of cancer. I told the family we couldn't do anything for Belker, and offered to perform the euthanasia procedure for the old dog in their home.

As we made arrangements, Ron and Lisa told me they thought it would be good for six-year-old Shane to observe the procedure. They felt as though Shane might learn something from the experience.

The next day, I felt the familiar catch in my throat as Belker's family surrounded him. Shane seemed so calm, petting the old dog for the last time, that I wondered if he understood what was going on.

Within a few minutes, Belker slipped peacefully away.

The little boy seemed to accept Belker's transition without any difficulty or confusion. We sat together for a while after Belker's Death, wondering aloud about the sad fact that animal lives are shorter than human lives.

Shane , who had been listening quietly, piped up, "I know why."

Startled, we all turned to him. What came out of his mouth next stunned me.

I'd never heard a more comforting explanation. It has changed the way I try to live.

He said, ' People are born so that they can learn how to live a good life -- like loving everybody all the time and being nice, right?'

The Six-year-old continued, ' Well, dogs already know how to do that, so they don't have to stay as long.'

Live simply.

Love generously.

Care deeply.

Speak kindly.

Remember, if a dog was the teacher you would learn things like:

When loved ones come home, always run to greet them.

Never pass up the opportunity to go for a joyride.

Allow the experience of fresh air and the wind in your face to be pure Ecstasy.

Take naps.

Stretch before rising.

Run, romp, and play daily.

Thrive on attention and let people touch you.

Avoid biting when a simple growl will do.

On warm days, stop to lie on your back on the grass.

On hot days, drink lots of water and lie under a shady tree.

Be loyal.

Never pretend to be something you're not.

If what you want lies buried, dig until you find it.

When someone is having a bad day, be silent, sit close by, and nuzzle them gently.

ENJOY EVERY MOMENT OF EVERY DAY!

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Should you wish to hold a workshop or function in our Church, as always, full details are to be submitted to committee which meets the second Tuesday of each month, when it will be discussed and considered.

Only then can the function go ahead. Church cannot be "hired or rented out" to other groups, for a number of reasons, including our insurance

Last month, notice for an Evening Concert was placed on our noticeboard, before being submitted to meeting, and as permission could not be given, it caused disappointment to those involved. They apparently assumed it would be OK
This is not a new system, as members would be aware.

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We have new advertisers this month, please check them out and support them as they are supporting this newsletter.

THE ETHERIC BODY



The Etheric Body is wrapped around us and is often seen as a white glow.

It's job is to hold us together and connect us to our physical body.

It is also connected to our Spirit or Soul.

When the Etheric Body is forced away from us when we are under aesthetic we cannot feel pain. We can only feel pain when it is wrapped around us.

Many people report that after an accident they have walked on broken legs and not felt any pain until later in the day.

This is because of the wonderful skill the Etheric Body has of being able to 'move out' when the Spirit knows that the body is in great danger or might be killed.

I was reminded of this skill when I was talking to a group of friends who had gathered together to watch a DVD on the year 2012 and of the many disasters leading up to it.

One of my friends whilst watching a Tsunami rushing into the land and over people remarked "well they were probably all out of their bodies when the wave hit"!!

WOW!! I knew about this ability that the body had but had forgotten.

This was a wonderful thing to realise that God had given us this ability to separate from our physical self if we KNEW we were in danger of our lives.

This means that in many of the terrible disasters we have been witnessing the people involved probably did not feel any pain.

The same thing happens in a fire. When the smoke tells the body of danger the Etheric Body can leave so that the person does not feel pain.

When young people think it is great to get 'falling down drunk' they do not realise that to do this their Etheric Body, which usually protects them leaves them in a position that attracts alcoholics on the lower level of the Astral. These souls who have died from their obsession with alcohol and who still crave it can 'latch on' to an unprotected body and encourage it to drink even more.

When you see an alcoholic walking down the road talking to himself. He is talking to these entities that have attached themselves to him.

Usually the Etheric Body dissolves in three days after death. This is why in some cultures the body is not buried for at least three days and also in other cultures the body is not even touched for three days.

If the soul has some urgent desire to stay here, as in people who have been murdered or people who do not want to leave their possessions the Etheric Body, which is exactly the same shape as the physical body was will stay here and this is what is seen as a ghost.

Because the Etheric Body is the outline of the physical body, if we have a limb cut off we can feel that it is still there as it takes a long while for the shape of the limb to disintegrate.

At this time when we are witnessing disasters all over the world it can be a comfort to know that when God needs to take large groups of people he has provided us with an ability to be taken to the other side without pain.

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**Shirley Darby**

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*Ehhmmm, I don't like to gossip, but I heard the Father telling the Son to tell the Holy Spirit to tell the Angels to protect you today, tonight and always!*

*It's in the Word.*

*Ssshhh....Just say AMEN and pass it on!*

**GOOD GOSSIP FROM ABOVE IS THE GREATEST WORD OF ALL.**

*Look back and thank God.*

*Look forward and trust God.*

*Look around and serve God.*

*Look within and find God!"*

*Who wouldn't celebrate it!!!*

*God closes doors no man can open and*

*God opens doors no man can close.*

*Without God our week would be:*

*Sinday, Mournday, Tearsday, Wasteday, Thirstday, Fightday & Shatterday.*

### Bits and Pieces

*Sorry the newsletter is a little late this month, won't burden you with the problems I've had, just glad to be able to put the finishing touches to it.*

*As always, lots happening, have tried to include it all, but forgive me if I have missed something.! Thanks due as always, to those who have contributed news, emails or jokes, and happy to say Shirley remains with us with her thought provoking blog. As I type this Carmel is still in the Mater following major surgery, on the mend, but still a way to go. Marcia visited her this week with the cards you all have signed, and tells me that once the wound has healed, she will no doubt leave hospital.*

*24th June Marcia held a naming ceremony Carmel had arranged for the Fourie family The baby was Kiara Rea and her brother, Kayden assisted. Family were very happy with Service.*

*Beryl Dollamore is at present in Shortland Hospital for rehab after a knee replacement, get well soon Beryl, you are missed.! To all those not well, our good wishes, look after yourselves and hurry back to Church.*

*Jo, Krys and Marcia have carried out an audit on the library, and have taken out a number of books, no longer being borrowed. These books are in the single unit to the left of the platform as you face it, and are available for the taking by members, for a donation. Check them out, they are all good books, just not been in use for some time. The library is closed at present to enable catalogue to be brought up to date.*

*Our AGM is on 6th October, and you will shortly be receiving details by post. Please give thought to nominating for office, or for nominating someone you would like on Committee. More committee members are needed, numbers are down on previous years, so do give it some thought. We all have a copy of the constitution, and there are copies available if you can't find yours. Full membership is required, that is over 12months as a associate member This is the time to work out any motions regarding change, so they can be submitted in time.*

*Remember Susanna Steel's evening, the previous one was great success with proof for a number of those present, of the survival of their loved ones. Not only that, but Susanna provided a delicious supper.!*

*I can't remember what else I have to include, hopeful there is nothing. As I am just about out of room, thanks to those who contribute regularly, remember any and all mistakes in this labour of love are mine, see you next month Alva*

Take 60 seconds to read this story. It will give you time to settle your brain, gather your thoughts, calm down and start your week off on a positive note.

### Potato Chips

A little boy wanted to meet God. He knew it was a long trip to where God lived, so he packed his suitcase with a bag of potato chips and a six-pack of root beer and started his journey. When he had gone about three blocks, he met an old man. He was sitting in the park, just staring at some pigeons. The boy sat down next to him and opened his suitcase. He was about to take a drink from his root beer when he noticed that the old man looked hungry, so he offered him some chips. He gratefully accepted it and smiled at him.

His smile was so pretty that the boy wanted to see it again, so he offered him a root beer. Again, he smiled at him. The boy was delighted!

They sat there all afternoon eating and smiling, but they never said a word..

As twilight approached, the boy realized how tired he was and he got up to leave; but before he had gone more than a few steps, he turned around, ran back to the old man, and gave him a hug. He gave him his biggest smile ever..

When the boy opened the door to his own house a short time later, his mother was surprised by the look of joy on his face. She asked him, "What did you do today that made you so happy?"

He replied, "I had lunch with God." But before his mother could respond, he added, "You know what? He's got the most beautiful smile I've ever seen!"

Meanwhile, the old man, also radiant with joy, returned to his home. His son was stunned by the look of peace on his face and he asked, "dad, what did you do today that made you so happy?"

He replied "I ate potato chips in the park with God." However, before his son responded, he added, "You know, he's much younger than I expected."

Too often we underestimate the power of a touch, a smile, a kind word, a listening ear, an honest compliment, or the smallest act of caring, all of which have the potential to turn a life around. People come into our lives for a reason, a season, or a lifetime! Embrace all equally! Have lunch with God.....bring chips.

God still sits on the throne. You may be going through a tough time right now but God is getting ready to bless you in a way that only He can.

Keep the faith!

An old nun who was living in a convent next to a construction site noticed the coarse language of the workers and decided to spend some time with them to correct their ways.

She decided she would take her lunch; sit with the workers; and talk with them.

She put her sandwich in a brown bag and walked over to the spot where the men were eating.

Sporting a big smile, she walked up to the group and asked:

"And do you men know Jesus Christ?"

They shook their heads and looked at each other.. very confused.

One of the workers looked up into the steelworks and yelled out,

"Anybody up there know Jesus Christ?"

One of the steelworkers yelled down, "Why?"

The worker yelled back, "'Cause his wife's here with his lunch.."

*Those who bring sunshine to the lives of others*

Cannot keep it from themselves

**James Barrie**



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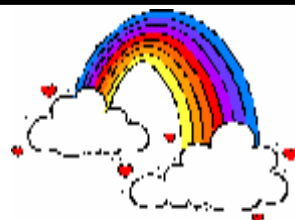
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