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Editorial

Tax Reform GST?

We are all aware of the old saying, 'there are two things we can be certain of in this life—death and taxes', and for the person who has not accepted Christ as his Lord and Saviour, these words are painfully true.

Although I know many people who faithfully and honestly pay their taxes, I have never yet met anyone who really enjoyed doing it.

Over time, people become familiar with the taxation system and some of the more cunning and reluctant taxpayers devise methods of getting around it and save themselves considerable amounts of money.

According to our politicians the government is losing so much revenue, that our tax system needs considerable improvement.

This was the main plank in

the recent election—the need for tax reform.

Why do we have to pay taxes? It is to pay for the governing of our country, including the control and regulation of man's sinful behaviour.

As Christians we look beyond this sinful world to our eternal life with Christ himself. Like Abraham, we are waiting for 'the city that has foundations, whose builder and maker is God' Hebrews 11:10.

In Revelation 21, the apostle John tells about conditions in the city: 'God will wipe away every tear from their eyes; there will be no more death, nor sorrow, nor crying, and there shall be no more pain, for the former things have passed away'. Then, 'I am the Alpha and the Omega, the beginning and the end. I will give of the fountain of the water of life freely to him who thirsts. He who overcomes shall inherit all things, and I will be his God and he shall be my son.'

Here is the perfect state of righteousness where God freely gives of his all to us and we respond with our total love to him.

With no more death, there will be no more taxes, as there is no more sin to regulate and control. Taxes will become another of those things that will be remembered no more.

Recently, during the election campaign, a friend said to us she believed in the GST. There was a pause, her eyes twinkled and she said, 'God's Saving Truth'.

'Yes' we said, 'we believe in this GST also.'

This GST will take us to living in the presence of Christ for eternity, where there will be no more taxes.

Now that is what I call real tax reform!
May the Lord haste the day.

Roger Jones

- Editor



Focus on the Gospel

Dear Friend

'... and the people went out to see what had happened. When they came to Jesus, they saw the man who had been possessed by the legion of demons, sitting, dressed, and in his right mind ...'



The New International Version of Scripture, like many others, has made the Christian message accessible to millions of ordinary folk. Yet, there are times when a translation can obscure the sense. The Greek text has no punctuation, the verse quoted above reads, '... and they come to see the thing that happened and they come to see Jesus ...'

Imagine the scene. A herd of pigs had just committed suicide. The Swineherds, breathless and scared, have run into the city with their amazing report. Angered and aghast, the townsfolk come out to see for themselves what has occurred—and they come to Jesus!

The discovery made by the Gadarenes of old has been repeated time without number. How often someone begins a search, only to be surprised when the enquiry leads to Jesus Christ. Think of this blessed land—Australia. We, its people, know some of its imperfections, but think of its privileges! A wide spacious place where every man and woman has a vote. A place where Government and its organs are democratic and the peace is kept under a consensus of the rule of law.

Where did these good things come from? Investigation takes us back to Britain and her parliamentary democracy, nurtured in the Christian tradition. You go to see what has happened—and you come to Christ.

The same may be said of the USA with its love of liberty, its idealism and generosity. Seek the cause, and you soon arrive at the Pilgrim fathers who left the old world for the new, because of their love of Christ.

Examine the arts and the pursuit of beauty. See what has been done by painters, poets, architects and musicians. Are not many of the greatest indebted to the inspirations of Christian faith?

Look at the exploits of science. Scarcely a day passes without we are invited to witness some new miracle or another wonder. How did all these things come about? There are historians who say that science was cradled in a view of the universe, vouchsafed to humanity by the religion of Jesus.

Survey, if you will, the matter of social reforms. What was it that stirred William Wilberforce and propelled him in his long campaign against the slave trade? Whence come the momentum for trade unions, the women's movement, the struggle for redress among indigenous peoples? Some may not enjoy everything done by groups, but I suspect that they are all driven by a view of human beings that was brought to the world by Christ.

The world is a confused spectacle. There is pain, madness and shame, but it is mixed with brotherhood, sacrifice and forgiveness. The human story is replete with all things sore and ugly. Yet, there is beauty, dignity and goodness—where these have had their day, the fingerprint of Jesus is not far to seek.

Whatever your task or pursuit, may it lead you to Him.

Yours in service

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read 'Ron J Allen'.

RON J ALLEN

From The Chairman's Desk



'Therefore as God's chosen people, holy and dearly loved, clothe yourselves with compassion, kindness, humility, gentleness and patience.'

This text taken from Colossians 3:12, is but a sample of many statements made by Paul. Because of what God has done for us what sort of persons ought we to be? This ethical dynamic has proved to be

one of the greatest motivating forces for millions of believers over thousands of years. The specific application of this dynamic calls us to make fresh applications to our own lives in new circumstances. Again Paul exhorts us in 1 Corinthians 11:28 'A man ought to examine himself ...'

The unreflected life is hardly worth living, and its only virtue is

that at some future time the individual will take time to think . . . 'come to himself'. We too must take time to apply a Christlike life to the current issues—we may come to different conclusions but we must nonetheless address the issues of poverty, land rights, the environment and the rights of children etc. Growth nearly always means some sort of pain, the alternative is frightening.

God give us all strength and courage whatever our circumstances.

Regards

Clem Moss

Profile

William (Bill) Lowe, and Doris Hawkins, met in Cheadle Hulme Cheshire, England, and were married in the Congregational Church of that town in May 1939. In June of the following year, Bill was conscripted.

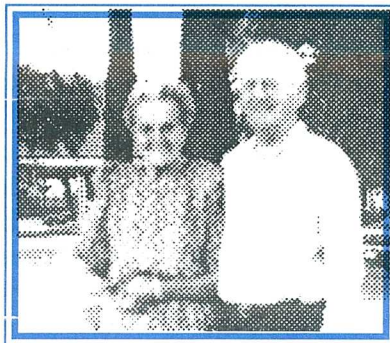
Bill spent five and a half years with the Forces and shortly after his return to civilian life, he and Doris moved to Llandudno, North Wales. In Llandudno, they first became aware of the Seventh Day Adventist Church because of a campaign held in the town by the church.

Because of their daughter Mary's health, (she had Asthma) Bill and Doris decided to emigrate to South Australia in 1967, here they entered into the church life of the Adventists in a very active way.

Mary went on to train as a nurse at the Sydney Adventist Hospital and eventually married a West Australian young man. In time Bill and Doris followed Mary and her husband to Western Australia and settled in Busselton, where they

have lived ever since.

Bill and Doris have two sons and a daughter living, sadly they lost a young boy and girl. Their eldest boy, Eric, is currently Secretary of the British Union Conference of the SDA church. Their other son, Graham, is a horticulturist at St Annes On Sea, Lancashire, and



Mary is working at Mt Carmel College in Western Australia.

Bill and Doris are very proud of their six grandchildren.

Contact with Good News unlimited, began in the early 1980's at the time of Dr Desmond Ford's

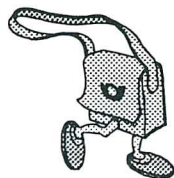
departure from the SDA church. This time of troubled questioning within the Adventist Church, caused Doris and Bill to embark on 'much' reading and studying for themselves.

Attending the early Good News Unlimited meetings in Perth, they spoke to Dr Ford, asking his advice. Dr Ford's advice to them was that they continue to worship in the Busselton Adventist Church and witness of their faith as portrayed in the Bible.

Now, much older, Bill and Doris find it is difficult to get to church in Perth, but continue to support the 'Good News' with contributions and with their prayers, knowing that God's Truth will prevail.

The Lowes have been very faithful contributors to Good News over the years. We have been very blessed to have their friendship.

Letters



Dear Dr Ford and others at GNU

It is not my customary habit to comment on a website, nor address issues that I find on its pages. However, as I read through the articles and issues on this site, I was saddened, and struck by the senseless pain we SDA's often inflict upon each other.

For all those who have suffered such enormous loss because of their association with the SDA denomination and administration, I feel such sorrow and wish I could wipe it away. It is truly as if a member of my own family has been wounded. Perhaps I feel the loss more keenly because I was at Southern, (when it was Missionary College), and had the privilege of taking classes from Dr Gladson and Dr Knittel, both men whom I deeply admire and count among those who taught me to think and to know that God is love and goodness. That such men could be so abused has saddened me. I wonder what God must think of us as he watches this brutality and savage rejection of his anointed. How it must wound him again and again!

In the years since I have been at Southern and Walla Walla Colleges, I have gratefully learned that God is above all the denominational bickering and theological positioning. He is love personified and glorified. His grace heals the horrible hurts inflicted by those who would be in his service. I have since learned that it does not matter so much what name we call our theology, but it most matters that we love and serve God and walk in a day-by-day, moment-by-moment love relationship. For that, I am most thankful.

Thankyou for the gentle, caring

tone of your website. I am most grateful that God still loves me, even though I am still a Seventh Day Adventist.

May God's mercy and grace be with you always.

Blessings

J G USA.

Dear Dr Ford

I have been doing some research on SDA's and found your webpage.

I have been an SDA since 1972. For the last couple of years I have not attended church. I have been kind of disillusioned, or burnt out. I really want to know the truth about everything. I must admit that I have not been the best student of the Bible. I have wasted so many years that could have been spent studying and learning. I want my relationship with God to be strong and fruitful.

I remember back in the eighties I think it was, when a meeting was held with you regarding the Investigative Judgement . . . I never really knew your position. I am going to be looking at all the information on your webpage. If there is other information that would be helpful, would you please make some suggestions.

Lately I have been investigating a lot of different things about the Adventist denomination. Plagiarism by Ellen White. I heard that manuscripts written by Ellen White in Australia, were changed by Uriah Smith and others before they were published also that there may be a General Conference connection to the Mafia and Rome.

I don't know if you know Tom Van Asperen from Paradise, California, he apparently has some infor-

mation regarding the above mentioned items. (He still believes that the works of Ellen White are reliable and important for us in this day and time). A friend of mine saw his video series on 'Twice Speak' a language of the Bible that Tom discovered. My friend is an elementary school teacher and has the summer off so she called Tom to find out more information on the 'Twice Speak' language . . . Mr Van Asperen invited her to come to California to study etc. My friend went, and Mr Van Asperen showed my friend photo copied documents that he personally copied from a private vault at the Ellen White estate. He got this information when he was a seminary student. He has since left the SDA church. Would you give me your thoughts on the above mentioned items. Thank you for your time and may God bless you.

KB Midland, Texas.

I Like Your Home Pages

I had the privilege of being a member of Dr Ford's Sabbath School class at P.U.C. when I was Director of Community Health Education for St. Helena Hospital and Health Center. I attended the lecture in the P.U.C. auditorium when he gave a survey review of the Investigative Judgement (prior to going to Colorado). Later I journeyed to the gospel conference at Monterey Bay. What a blessing Dr Ford's messages have been to my soul over the years, including the eighties when I was chaplain at Madison Hospital and attended his first conference in Chattanooga. His ministry has always stirred my soul through his taped messages. I've not had the good fortune to be able to listen to his weekly radio talks. Keep preaching the everlasting gospel. God is great and God is good! His mercy and love endures forever.

I find the openness of GNU and

lack of exclusion on the matter of the Sabbath to be a very positive quality in GNU's ministry. I enjoyed your site.

My experience since leaving the Adventist ministry, has been marked with all the typical emotional displacement experienced by other ministers. Since I was chaplain, at the time that I terminated my denominational employment, there never was a question about independent ministry to a congregation. For a time we were Southern Baptists, then Presbyterians and now Methodists. In all our congregational fellowships we have found sincere, devout Christians who love Jesus Christ above all else.

May our God continue to bless your ministry.

R H USA

Dear Editor

We receive your Newsletter regularly and though differ on secondary issues, we thought as regards the Gospel we were in agreement. However, regarding your editorial in September '98 issue entitled 'Currency Crisis', we must disagree.

Is faith the currency of heaven, or grace? We believe the Gospel is about God's Grace and it is found in Jesus Christ and his Righteousness. You quote 1 Cor. 12:9 as reference as to where faith comes from. This faith, and Rom. 12:3 is regarding believers and their gifting. Eph. 2:8-9 also Phil. 1:29 show faith is a gift given to those whom God chooses and is not something we can boast about 'not of works lest anyone should boast'. When we make faith a work we are boasting. Final paragraph: 'The Lord himself has the final say when he looks at the account we have with him, recording our faith, which he pays out in righteousness.' Meriting righteousness! No! No! No! Faith does not bring into existence righteousness. The righteousness necessary to get me into heaven is in the Lord Jesus Christ, his perfect work for me through his blood, shed to blot out my sin, and his perfect life to enable me to be clothed in 'His Righteousness'. My account is credited with the righteousness of Christ— Imputed Righteousness— and that is the

currency of heaven. 'Grace reigns through Righteousness to eternal life.'

Faith is not a builder, but a beholder. It is fatal to regard faith as a prerequisite, which a sinner can fulfill by an act of his own will in order to be saved.

Faith is not the cause of our salvation, but the instrument God uses to bring his Grace in salvation to us. This is the teaching of the Reformation against the false gospel of Catholicism, which brings in 'merits'.

Yours in Christ

B & T S Brunswick Heads NSW

Dear B & T

The article was not intended as a detailed theological study of what the Gospel is, but rather, in the light of the Asian currency crisis, it was to be used as an illustration showing how our dealings with God (which are by faith) will lead to a totally secure future while dealing in this world's investments. Using earthly currencies does not provide a secure future at all! Christ's Imputed Righteousness is our eternal security.

—Ed.

Why Did God Kill Children?

To the Editor

To all those people who believe in the Bible, in their God's love and compassion for 'his children'. . . let me ask a few questions.

Having such love for 'his progeny' why did he turn a woman into salt (bitter that one) and why open the sea to let his favourites through and then drown the chasers—also his children? (Shocking) and worst of all wiping out the population by water, 'his children' again, except for a few in a boat?

Why aren't we all descendants of their appearance instead of the many varieties world-wide today?

Apart from the ongoing murderous

intent of this compassionate God, there are many other feats of his 'power'. Through this Man has contrived to instill a fear beyond common sense and intelligent reasoning of this so called super-natural power—largely to suit their own ends.

I would ask, how many millions now live off religion? Probably the greatest scam ever invented!

The world has been here for millions of years and yet religion would have us believe the world has existed and made by this God for only a few thousand years—only an eye blink in time.

And that Ark story, only 150 feet

by 50 feet, carrying all those massive animals as well as all the others—more fiction—if a couple of the big ones moved to one side the boat would capsize.

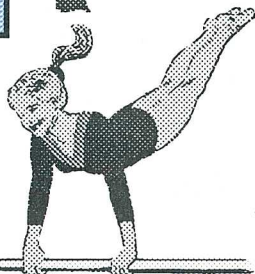
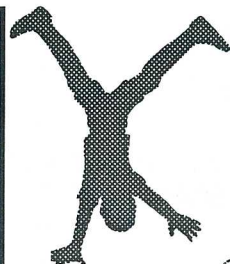
All of this nonsense was invented by superstitious people who did not understand conditions prevailing then, as the present day, average thinker does.

There are so many religions all claiming to be the true one, but all exist on a belief, not fact.

Fred Mount Terranora NSW

With kind permission of Mr F Mount.

We invite reader's replies to the above



The Bluebird

One of the first birds to come north in the spring is the Bluebird (USA). The naturalists tell us we can never be sure spring days have come for certain, until we have seen a bluebird. He is called the Bird of Happiness. A swift flash of his bright blue coat always makes us glad. How we love to hear his sweet, warbling song! Have you ever wondered what he is singing? Here is a poet who thinks she understands the Bluebird's song.

'I know the song that the Bluebird is singing,
Out in the apple tree where he is swinging;
Brave little fellow, the skies may be dreary,
Nothing cares he, while his heart is so cheery.

Listen, how the music leaps out from his throat,
Listen, was there ever so merry a note?
Listen awhile, and you'll hear what he's saying,
Up in the apple tree, swinging and swaying.
"Dear little blossoms, down under the snow,
You must be weary of winter, I know,
Listen while I sing you a message of cheer,
Summer is coming, and springtime is here!"

Little white snowdrop, I pray you arise,
Bright yellow crocus, come, open your eyes,
Sweet little violets, hid from the cold,
Put on your mantles of purple and gold,
Daffodils, daffodils, say, do you hear?
Summer is coming, and springtime is here!"

— Emily Huntington Miller.

What was the Bluebird's 'message of Cheer'? Name as many flowers as you can to which the Bluebird sang. What are 'dreary' skies? What does it mean to be 'weary of winter'? How could the violets put on mantles of purple and gold?

1. Play a recording of a Bluebird's song.
2. Study a picture of a Bluebird (encyclopedia)
3. Draw a Bluebird.

Emily Huntington Miller, was born in Brooklyn, Connecticut on October 22 1833. She died at St Paul, Minnesota, November 2 1913.

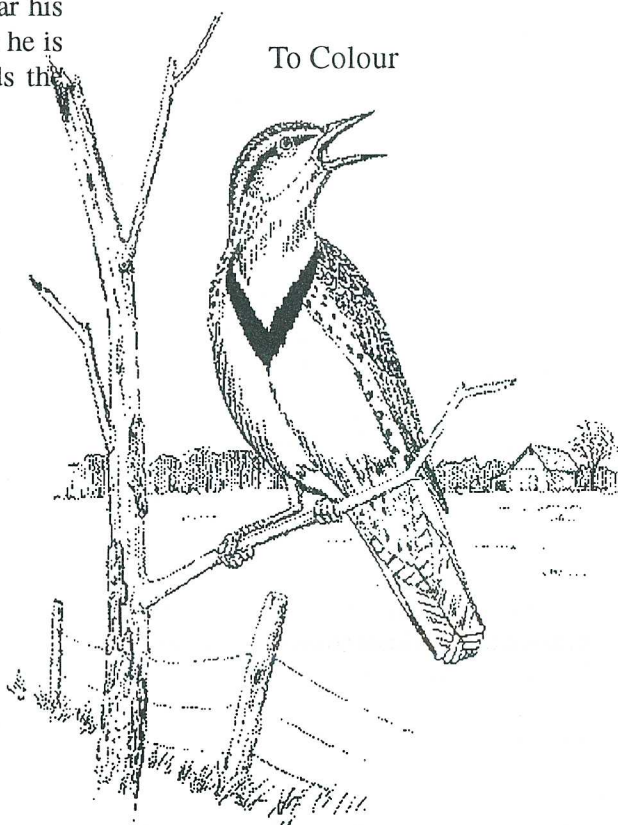
Hi

We are very happy to have some drawings and thoughts about who God is, or what he might look like (page 8). These drawings and thoughts have been done by students from the Murwillumbah Christian Community School. The drawings are all so good that it is hard to pick just a few for the Newsletter, so in the next few Newsletters we will feature some more. We would love to hear from you. How about a poem, a short story or just tell us about yourself — the things you like to do, your family and life? A picture of you, your family and pets would be great.

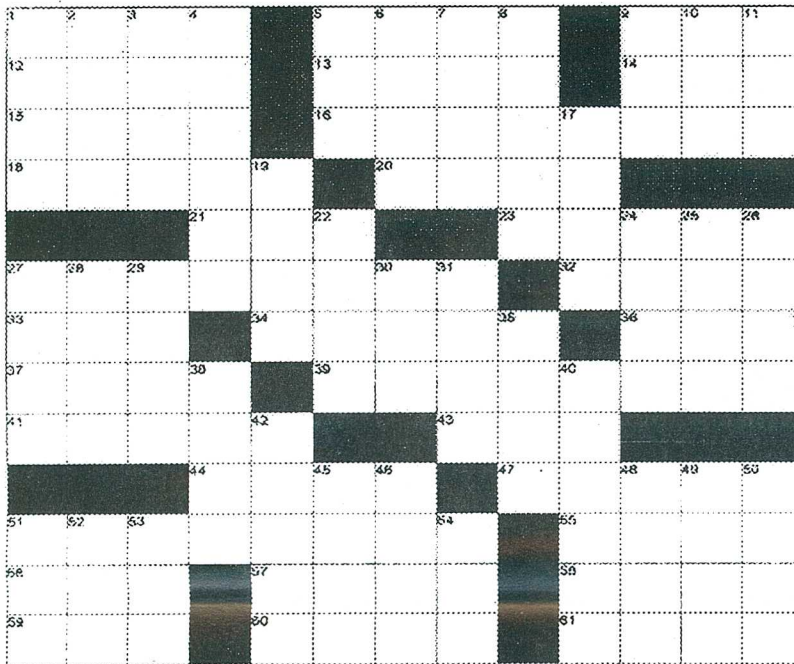
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To Colour



Bluebird



A TRUE STORY

Two weeks before Christmas a nine year old girl was walking with her friend down the street, sliding on the ice. The two of them were talking about what they hoped to get for Christmas. They stopped to talk to an old man named Harry who was on his knees pulling weeds from around a large oak tree. He wore a frayed, woolen jacket and a pair of worn garden gloves. His fingers were sticking out the ends, blue from the cold.

As Harry responded to the girls, he told them he was getting the yard in shape as a Christmas present to his mother, who had passed away several years before. His eyes brimmed with tears as he patted the old Oak. 'My mother was all I had, she loved her garden and her trees so I do this for her at Christmas.' His words touched the girl's and soon they

down on their knees helping him to weed around the trees. It took the three of them the rest of the day to complete the task.

When they were finished, Harry pressed a quarter into each of their hands. 'I wish I could pay you more, but it's all I have right now,' he said. The girls had often passed that way before and as they walked on they remembered that the old house was shabby, with no Christmas decorations, just the lonely figure of Harry sitting at his curtainless window. The quarter seemed to burn a hole of guilt in the mind of one of the girls.

The next day she called her friend and they agreed to put their quarters in a jar marked 'Harry's Christmas present', then they began to seek out small jobs to earn more, to put into the jar. Two days before Christmas they had enough to buy new gloves and a card. Christmas eve found them on

Harry's doorstep singing carols.

When he opened the door, they gave him the present and a pumpkin pie. With trembling hands, he tore the paper from the gloves and card, then held them to his face and wept, he was so happy that someone had remembered him.

ACROSS

1. Passover meat (Ex. 12:21)
5. Child of Ruth and Boaz (Ruth 4:18)
9. Trap of connected concentric circles (Job 27: 18)
12. — and the night visitors 13. Beloved
14. Wonder 15. Smallest Greek letter (John 8:44)
16. Straight line on heart monitor
18. Gown 20. Pretense
21. Rained on Gomorrah (Gen. 19:24)
23. O.T. minor prophet book 27. New moon shape
33. Chest protector 34. Posture to pray
36. Appendix-shaped state:abbr.
37. Name means 'red' (O.T. character)
39. Terrible (Eze. 26:21)
41. Straight lines to the water 43. Game cube
44. O.T. prophet with herds of 1 across.

DOWN

1. Placed as a wreath 2. Latin love affair
3. Counterpart (Ex. 36:11)
4. Loud trumpet calls (Rev. 8:6) 5. Uneven
6. Yellow jackets - eg.
7. One 8. Night vision 9. Past presence
10. Mama sheep 11. Resting place 17. In the center
19. Overcome and pillage (Jer. 5:17)
22. Forcibly separate
24. Sleeve encircling wrist 25. Atheistic lobby



Seven Days without God Makes One Weak

— — — day First day of the week

— — — — days Christmas and Easter

— — — day Noon

— — — day Best day of the working week

Day — — — — A reverie

— — day tomorrows yesterday.

— — — — — day Anniversary of life.

— — — — — day The day Past.

Day — — — — — Dawn.

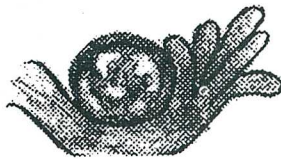
Day — — — — — The star that ushers in the day.

Answers: 1. Sunday 2. Today 3. Holidays 4. Birthday
5. Midday 6. Yesterday 7. Payday 8. Daybreak 9. Daydream 10. Daystar

Murwillumbah Christian Community School

Name Aiden Age 11 School M.C.C.S.

I think God is a man with lots of glory and can easily show mercy and forgiveness. He is always looking out to help us. Our God is an awesome and wonderful God.



Name Ana Age 11 School M.C.C.S.

I think God is a man of great power. He is kind, merciful and forgiving. God is three people: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit. He is a wonderful God. God is the man who created the universe. He helps us when we need him. He listens to men. God loves everybody. I think he is amazing the way he knows everything he knows everybody and keeps everything under control.



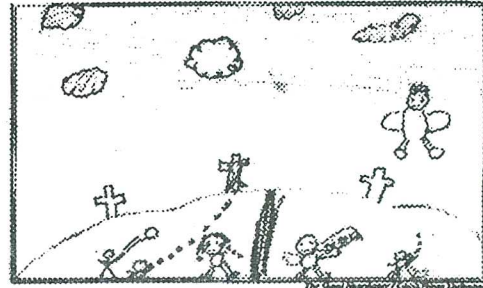
Name Dylan Age 10 School M.C.C.S.

God is the best God - a God who is loving. He is a peace maker not a devil but an angel.



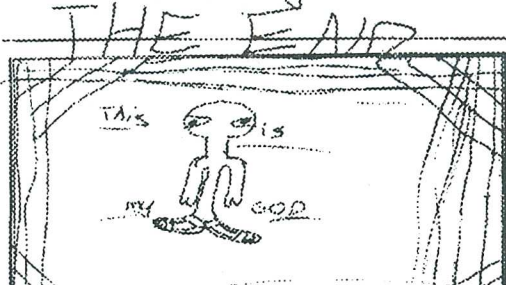
Name Jesse Age 7 School M.C.C.S.

God is special because he made me.



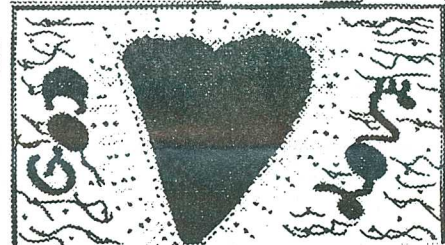
Name Shane Age 11 School M.C.C.S.

I love our Lord. He always comes first in my life. Our Lord created the whole universe. He created the birds, the fish, and all reptiles. Just he created our world and he died for us on the cross. So I love him very much.



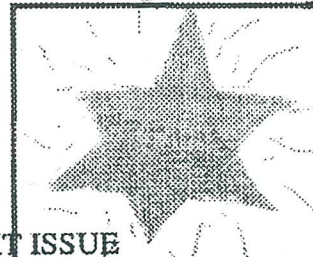
Name Nomi Age 9 School M.C.C.S.

A God who loves us and cares about us. A God who is generous, kind, would die for us if he needed to, and He did.



Name Michelle Age 10 School M.C.C.S.

I think God is the creator of the whole universe. He knows how many specks of dust there are on Earth and how many hairs there are on your head.



Name Aaron Age 11 School M.C.C.S.

I think God is a loving, caring, forgiving God. He is kind and a good God.



MORE IN THE NEXT ISSUE

GNU OUTBACK MINISTRY

Hi Everyone

Well our GNU Outback Ministry has taken us on an amazing journey with God, during the last couple of months. We have just started work in the Mount Morgan, Rockhampton Region. At the same time we have been doing follow-up work in Bundaberg, Gin Gin, Hervey Bay areas, and conducting youth camps at Evans Head in NSW.

It was quite a shock to realise that we are averaging about 10,000 KM every six to eight weeks. We have so many stories to share, but first we will tell you about us and how we spend our *spare* time.

We have been given a house to use near Bundaberg when we are not on the road. This has needed quite a bit of work, so Brett has been really busy renovating. It is starting to look like home.

Brett's Mum and Dad came and spent a week with us. This was such a blessing and a very special week to all of us.

I had an answer to prayer. I really needed to express myself through my artwork. A subscriber to GNU in Bundaberg has a beautiful silk art business. With a large backlog of orders for Christmas, they had been looking for an artist to train in their field of work. I support them when I can, and from this contact a weekly women's prayer group has begun every Wednesday evening. Isn't God Good!

Topaz now has so many friends in the neighbourhood, that the yard can often be mistaken for a bike shop. She is becoming such a little missionary, showing Jesus to her playmates.

We fill up the car every Thursday night with children to attend Kids Club at the local Baptist Church. Our car is not quite big enough to carry them all—please join with us in praying for a larger four wheel drive, not only for this reason, but for all areas of our ministry.

I would like to share with you about a family we have been supporting in an isolated country area and

how God has blessed them.

They have a large property and grow all their own produce. All crops are dedicated to God, and are thriving. They share this produce with the community around them. They had a need for a rotary hoe and so began to look for one

They found one which was out of their price range. Later that month they were sharing Jesus, crops and home cooking, with an elderly man nearby. As they were leaving, the man pointed to a rotary hoe that he had in his shed and told them to take it for nothing. What a gift from God!

While trying to locate another subscriber to GNU in Rockhampton who had moved, we found her non-Christian parents. They invited us in and were very uncomfortable with us at first, but we were able to share Christ with them. As we were leaving, they asked us to call again, showing interest in the Good News Australia magazines we left with them.

Please lift them up in prayer with us at this important time.

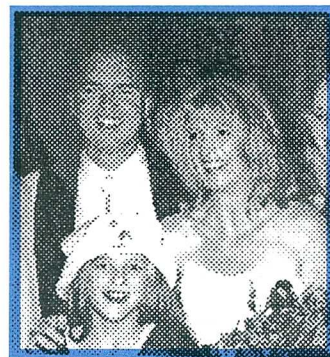
The second Christian Fellowship meeting at Hervey Bay was a great success with twenty people attending, and more who would have liked to attend but were unable to.

This casual and friendly meeting provided opportunities for praise, prayer and nurture. The dates for the next two meetings are November 21st and December 12th '98. Please contact Evelyn O'Grady on 07 41281261 for more details.

Recently, we travelled to Evans Head for a Youth Camp (Chrysalis). This was a wonderful weekend with God. Brett and I were asked to speak to a number of youth telling them of our Outback Ministry and the need for reliance on God in every way.

Later, it was exciting to hear from two young people, that God had used our testimony to help in their walk with Him—one has since gone to Bible College.

At this camp we also ran a GNU bookshop which was very successful.



On the last night a women enquired about the Ministry and also about being led by the Holy Spirit. She left, only to return later with a \$20 donation for 'one of the kids that can't afford to buy whatever they want'.

Out of six or seven young people at the book table, God led me to a young girl. When asked what she would like she replied, 'I have really loved and wanted the Message Bible for about a year, but I can't afford it.' We gave it to her and told her it was a gift from God, her face lit up and her gratitude and happiness was obvious.

What a great God we have! The cost of the Bible was \$19.95 (No coincidence!) Praise God.

Finally. Last June we took classes on relationships, at a Youth Camp at Alstonville, and three weeks ago a twenty year old young women said, 'Thank you so much for your talks that weekend'. God had used them to help her sort out and work through some problems she was having in a relationship. 'God has made such a difference in my life', she said.

It is the sharing of God's love that continues to motivate us in this ministry. We praise God for the many wonderful things he is doing and will do.

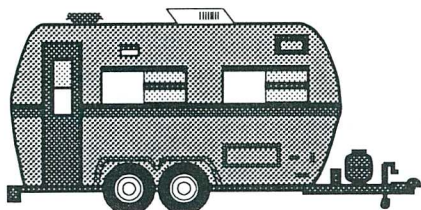
All our love in Jesus

Wendy Brett and Topaz.

PS. Remember, if you need us to drop in, nowhere is too far. Phone us on 041966570 or write to the GNU office.

Please join us in prayer for: 1. For our continual, growing walk with God and the opportunities to share his light and love. 2. For a wider Christian family as we travel (it can get a bit lonely sometimes) 3. A caravan to allow us to travel freely and assistance with costs for travel. * * *

Urgently Needed a Caravan or mobile home



Wendy and Brett Hanna are needing a home away from home as they engage in outreach work for GNU. If you are able to help with a loan or one that is not too expensive but in good condition we would love to hear from you. Anywhere in Australia would be fine, as they can come to you.

For those living in the Tamworth area, tune into Radio Rhema 89.7 FM on Sunday mornings at 10.30am, for a 15 minute Good News Unlimited broadcast.



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It is the wounded oyster that mends its shell with pearl.

— Ralph Waldo Emerson



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SPECIAL PROJECTS '98

1. Evangelistic Outreach

Up until now GNU's contact with its supporters has, at best, been a once a year get-together at Seminar time and our magazine/Newsletter received through the mail. This year the Board has decided to trial a pilot scheme of personal visitation. Already a young couple have been chosen for this work which is to start early in the new year.

2. Radio Outreach

The relaxation of licensing laws for radio stations in Australia has opened up opportunities for us to reach more people through this media. We would like to continue sending free radio sample packs to all new stations that we become aware of. We would also like to buy radio time on a major Christian radio station operating in the South Pacific region to greatly extend our outreach.

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We have already set up a simple internet website. Over 1500 people have accessed our pages to read who we are and find out what we are about. Visitors to the site have been mainly from USA & Australia, but also from such diverse places as Peru & Norway. We have been encouraged by the inquiries plus book & tape orders that have resulted. It is our desire to upgrade our present website and promote it extensively.

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Hervey Bay:

Meets Once a month at Bridge Club Hall, Cypress Street Hervey Bay. Next meetings Nov. 21 and Dec. 12 '98. For further information contact Evelyn O'Grady Phone 07 41281261

Any others meeting regularly? We would love to hear from you.

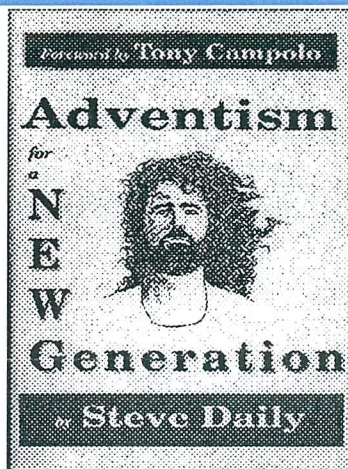
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