

The Schrope Family MOSSOONARDES DOWN UNDER

August/September 2021



Youth Conference 2021 Theme



We had 125 at the Youth Conference



Special Music



SKIT "Table For Two"



Baptizing Emma Thomas

Dear Pastor Shorter and New Testament Baptist Church,

The last two months have gone by quickly as we've been busy getting things ready for our Youth Conference. We had it planned and scheduled for last year, but due to the Covid restrictions, we had to cancel and reschedule for September of this year. That said, the Lord worked everything out, and instead of having to look for a venue as we do every year, we were able to host the meeting in the Centennial Hall where our church meets every week for services.

The theme for this year's conference was "Faithful" and we had the privilege of hosting 125 people on the day. Bro. John Carr was our speaker, and preached two great messages, our young people put on a skit about the faithfulness of God, and our folks worked really hard setting up, baking cookies, making homemade donuts, and seeing to it that all the behind-the-scenes stuff got done.

The following Sunday we had 15 visitors in services who stayed over from the Youth Conference. Brother Cathal Fagan (a young man out of Bible Baptist Church in Mt. Helena who is called to preach and starting an inner-city ministry up in Perth) preached our evening service and showed a presentation of the work up there.

The church continues to grow not only spiritually, but also numerically. On Sunday, September 5th, (Father's Day here in Australia) we baptized Emma Thomas into the membership of Berean Baptist Church. Emma is the daughter of Mark and Katrina Thomas who came over from Sherwood Hills Baptist Church back in December of last year. Emma had been saved a couple years ago but had never been obedient to her Heavenly Father in submitting to Scriptural Baptism. What a blessing to see God work in hearts and to watch as His people follow Him on obedience.

We still continue to see visitors from time to time from the community. This past Sunday we had a first-time visitor who was down from North Perth visiting her parents who are unsaved. Please pray that we will have an opportunity to meet them and share the Gospel with them.

I've mentioned Steve and Peg before in my letters. Steve is saved, but peg is not. Peg turned 90 this past week, and the Sunday before came to church for the fourth time in her life. Please pray for Peg's salvation, as she has heard the Gospel very clearly each time she comes, but has not yet followed Christ

The Bible Studies I mentioned in my last prayer letter are still going on, though Paula has missed the last few weeks, because she has been sick. Please pray for her health. The doctors have started her on a new antibiotic, but they're still not sure exactly what's going on. She got up and dressed for church this Sunday, and was ready to walk out the door, but was so sick and weak, she couldn't come.

Thanks for all the Anniversary cards, gifts, love offerings and well wished for Angie and me. This year we celebrated 21 years of marriage. What a blessing it is to have a godly wife who has a heart and desire to share Jesus with others in a foreign land.

As always, we thank God for each of you who faithfully give and pray for our ministry as we share the Gospel with souls in Western Australia.

Your servants in Christ,

Bro. Butch Schope

Thank You, Received: July \$200.00 August \$200.00

Bro. Butch Schrope and Family Missionaries to Australia

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