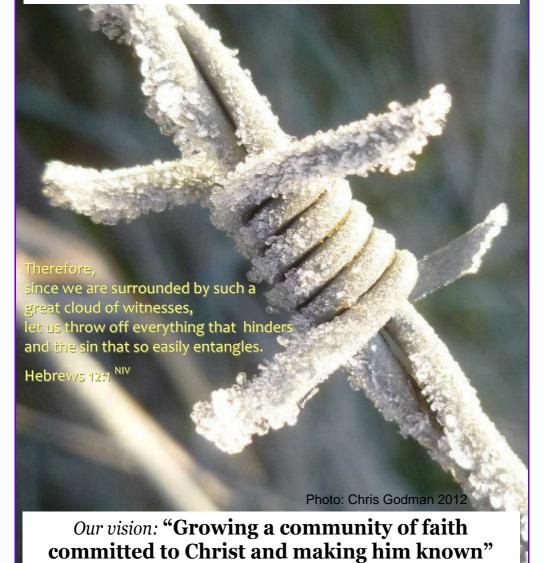


Newsletter August 2012



Linking ministering communities in East Launceston, George Town, Hillwood, Low Head, Pipers River, Riverside & Trevallyn



From the Enabler

Understanding the times we live in

Over the last couple of months James and I have tried to help prepare you to understand and engage with the advancing tide of atheism in the Western world. One of the best ways to forearmed is to forewarned: well as as to understand what's going on so you know how to respond.

Jesus and the New Testament writers forewarn God's people about the deceptive and dangerous times that we can expect to experience, and history helps us to understand those times in real, concrete ways.

Before we consider these things, I need to ask you some confronting questions:

How do you plan to survive the powerful temptations to conform to our culture's God-excluding, self-loving and immoral ways? Do you have a plan? You should.

How do you plan to survive the fierce assault on God and Christianity that is even now being mounted? Do you know? You should.

Think I'm being alarmist? Remember Jesus' parable of the sower in Matthew 13? Jesus says that his gospel is responded to in four different ways. Only one way is

commended: where a person understands the gospel and goes on to live a fruitful Kingdom-shaped life (Mt 13:8, 23). The sobering thing about of the other three responses is that they both receive the gospel and appear to make some progress in the Christian life, but...one has no depth of relationship with God so 'when trouble or persecution comes because of the word, he quickly falls away' (13:21).Hence second set my guestions above. The other of the two proves fruitless (and so without spiritual life) because 'the worries of this life and the deceitfulness of wealth choke it' (13:22). Hence my first set of questions above.

I don't have the space here to say all that I want to say on this. For now I will limit myself to trying to help you understand the times we are in. I will do this with reference to the New Testament's warnings history's lessons; as you'll see, lessons that repeating are themselves astonishing with accuracy.

One of the most important biblical worldview truths that you need to be convinced of is that this world is not a playground but a battleground. There is a brutal war raging. It's not on the UN's agenda but it must be on our church's. It's a

Every morning has a new beginning, a new

blessing,

a new

hope.

It's a
perfect day
because
it's God's
new gift

to us.

spiritual battle waged against God by the 'ruler of the kingdom of the air' – Satan (Eph 2:2). His aim is to deceive the world (1 John 4:1-3; 5:19; Rev 12:7-9; 13:1-18), destroy God's church (1 Pet 5:8-9; Rev 12:13-17), and discredit and de-throne God (Rev 19:11-19; 18:1-7; cf. Isa 47:1-10). It's a futile war. Satan and his allies know it, but then evil is not rational.

Christians, churches and their leaders are on the front lines where the fighting is fiercest and where there are plenty of casualties. So we must hear and heed the Bible's warnings. including the one in the apostle Paul's last letter - 2 Timothy. Paul urges us to know the times we are living in, and it is remarkable how accurately he is describing our own times. Please, get your Bible and read 2 Timothy 3:1-4:8 for context. re-read the specific then warning in 3:1-5.

Couldn't Paul be describing the 21st century Western world? The truth is, we are in 'the last days' (3:1) and have been in them since Jesus brought the Kingdom of God and the age of the Spirit through is life, death, resurrection and ascension (see 1 Jn 2:18; Heb 1:1-2). This passage might sound eerily like our own times, but as we'll see, we don't have a monopoly on extreme godlessness.

In 3:1 Paul's words and grammar yield the meaning, 'Know this and don't forget it!'

Let me make some brief observations. Notice the three illicit loves. People in our times will be 'lovers of self' (3:2), 'lovers of money' (3:2) and 'lovers of pleasure' (3:4); and notice what they don't love but should love: others ('without love'; 3:3), 'the good' (3:3), and 'God' (3:4). In other words, our age will be characterised by selfish, greedy pleasure-seekers who are socially destructive, idolaters. Selfloveless centredness rather than Godcentredness accounts for the harmful, destructive speech and behaviour (3:2-4) all around us.

A big challenge to us believers is to be resisting these things in our own lives. Tragically and appallingly, just such people are to be found in many churches look again at 3:5. That is the sharp end of the warning here. Don't be found to be of this age and watch out for people in our churches who are! Counterfeit Christians. They have outward show of religion but deny its power; that is, there is inward reality the nο transformed life of the regenerate heart and renewed mind. These people can also have a counterfeit mission and message (3:6, 8), deceiving and exploiting vulnerable people for personal power and pleasure (3:6-7). The application of the warning here is: 'Have nothing to do with them' (3:5b): that is. do not treat them as believers thereby give them and

But mark this: There will be terrible times in the last days.

People will be lovers of themselves. lovers of money, boastful. proud, abusive, disobedient to their parents, ungrateful, unholv. without love. unforgiving, slanderous. without self-control. brutal. not lovers of the good, treacherous. rash. conceited. lovers of pleasure rather than lovers of God having a form of godliness but denying its power. Have nothing to do with such people.

> 2 Timothy 3: 1 - 5 NIV

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and dishonour God (cf. Titus 3:9 -11; 1 Cor 5:1-2, 5, 11-12).

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Summing up: Be agreeable, be sympathetic, be loving, be

compassionate, be humble. That goes for all

of you, no exceptions.

No retaliation.

No sharptongued sarcasm. Instead, bless—

that's your job, to bless. You'll be a blessing and also get a

> 1 Peter 3:8,9 MSG

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Scripture to be alert to what's both inside going on outside the church; and we history's have concrete testimony to the truth Scripture's description of the times we are in. I'm reading an excellent book called Christianity Changed the Word', by Alvin Schmidt (Zondervan, 2004), a retired professor of Illinois. sociology in It astonishing how morally bankrupt the Greco-Roman world of the early church was. Marriage had deteriorated to being merely a loose compact where religious and even civil rites were no longer essential. Marriages were very short lived because of the amount of infidelity. Sexual promiscuity was rampant, as was as all sorts of obscene sexual acts: Group sex, public sex. homosexual sex. including sex between an adult man and a boy and between a woman and a boy (commonly between 12 and 16 years old), prostitution. and sex animals. Is it reasonable to

reversing back to this state of affairs? I think so.

Equally alarming is how cheap and expendable human life was the Greco-Roman world. newborns Killing was widespread practice, usually after birth, soon as was abortion and suicide! Mindful of the present euthanasia debate in the Western world. it's significant that the Romans regarded the of power self-destruction as an inestimable privilege! All of these practices without exception were considered by the population to be perfectly

the population to be perfectly acceptable. Nothing was off limits or thought wrong! One of my real concerns is that the gradual erosion of morality and the dignity of human life will lead us to the very same place our Western civilisation started; in other words, we'll have come full circle. Makes you think.

You also need to know that Rome's leaders, including the emperors, led the way with all these practices and more. So much so that there was a Roman saying, Qualis rex, talis grex, 'Like king, like people'. So much for the modern argument that what a political leader does in their private life does not matter because vou should their separate private public life; as if!; and as if they are not in a position of leading and the nation SO setting examples and helping set the nation's moral tone. Makes you think.

I say to the people who decry Christians having a public voice moral issues (including people at our own Synod), this: abhorrent The de-humanising practices and attitudes that you and thank majority of the God the population still revile, such as infanticide, bestiality and paedophilia, would almost certainly be widespread and acceptable in the West today, if not for the early Christians' public opposition to them and personal rejection of them. Over time, as Christianity grew influence, SO hib its accompanying morality and ethical framework. Interestingly, as Christianity's influence wanes in the West, so does the culture's morality. Makes you think.

It's also important to know that before Christian morality and the Biblical ethical framework were widely embraced by the West, Christians were despised by their peers because they unrestrained opposed their sexual lifestyles. It seems, then, that there's some symmetry to our culture's great reversal: from intense hatred towards gradual Christians to acceptance of them to a gradual distancing from them that is randomly erupting hatred towards them. Makes vou think.

So back to my other earlier confronting question that I hope now seems much more relevant: How do you plan to

survive the fierce assault on God and Christianity that is even now being mounted?

I've already told the LMST that we leaders will need to be prepared for and be preparing God's people for a growing hatred of Christians and forms οf persecution seldom experienced by Christians in the West since the days of the Roman Empire. I hope I am wrong. At the same time, as back then, could this be used by God to bring deep repentance and renewal to his church? It certainly needs it and God's done it before! Just think of the Babylonian Exile and the first three hundred years of church history.

So what do we do? A few things come to mind. We prav earnestly for God to arrest the spiritual and moral decay in the West and in the churches. Will you do that personally, at church, in your home group? We continue to hold out the gospel of Christ, which saves people not only from sin's penalty but also from its power and Satan's hold. That's why Paul goes on to commend to Timothy the Scriptures that 'are able to make you wise for salvation through faith in Christ Jesus' and that are 'useful for teaching, rebuking, correcting and training in righteousness, so that the man and woman of God may be thoroughly equipped for every work' (2 Tim 3:15-17).

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Learn to
listen like a
teddy bear
with eyes open
and mouth
closed tight

Learn to forgive like a teddy bear with heart open, not caring who is right

Learn to love like a teddy bear with arms open and imperfect eyesight

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All of this is a gift from God, who brought us back to himself through Christ.

And God has given us this task of reconciling people to him.

For God was in Christ, reconciling the world to himself, no longer counting people's sins against them. And he gave us this wonderful message of reconciliation.

2 Corinthians 5: 18,19 NIV In all our church's mission and ministry the word of God must be central, for it is through the Spirit of God that the word of God saves and grows and equips God's people. They are rescued from Satan's domain (remember 2 Tim 3:1-5!) to live a life of love for God and neighbour; and of course, that word must be central and ever-present in your life, for the same reasons. Please note this: your best defence against and preparation for, the assaults of world devil the and temptations and persecutions), is the word of God that fosters true knowledge of God and love for God.

We also publicly argue for the beauty. wisdom and good purpose of God's design for human relationships and human life, lobbying governments, having a voice in the media, writing to and visiting members of parliament. And we must legitimate and commend our arguments and message with (personal and corporate) lives to match. We'll treasure our own marriages, children, and elderly parents. We'll do good to our neighbours and enemies. We'll be honest, hard-working employees, iust employers, good stewards of the environment. defenders of justice, and of the weak and powerless.

All the while, we keep 'speaking truth in love' to one another, so that we will 'no longer be infants, tossed back and forth by the waves, and blown here and there by every wind of teaching and by the cunning and craftiness of men in their deceitful scheming' (Eph 4:14-15; cf. 2 Tim 3:5-4:5). We'll be preparing one another, yes, for persecution, but ultimately for Jesus' awesome Return. when whatever is hidden will be disclosed, whatever concealed will be brought out into the open (Mk 4:22), when 'God will give to each person according to what he has done' (Rom 2:6).

God urges you and me to understand the times we are in. They bring great danger to God's church from outside - in the unrelenting pressure to conform and persecution when we don't - and from within - in counterfeit deceptive Christians. Much is at stake: our nation and world, our children's nation and world, our present and future, our church and our eternity, and the glory of our Majestic God and his glorious King.

Be warned. Be prepared.

Warmly,



Visit of Carl & Lisa Rolfe

Carl & Lisa Rolfe and their two daughters Katelyn & Sophie recently shared their story at the St Oswald's healing service.

Carl & Lisa are now based permanently in Kangaroo Ground which benefits their children's schooling. Lisa was a Tasmanian local and a former student of Riverside High. She still has family in the Tamar Valley. They are giving their lives to translating the Bible into languages which do not yet have their own Bibles. There are over 2,000 of these.

It was interesting to see what happened when people could see the Bible teaching for themselves and could check that what they were being taught was true, for instance the genealogy of Jesus has made it more real to many people who had previously thought the Bible was just stories.

The Wycliffe training centre in Kangaroo Ground near Melbourne requires people of many different talents - a business manager & librarian are desperately needed. There is ongoing need for language personnel to work in linguistics and translation. They also need literacy specialists. survev determine specialists to translation need, and a whole range of support personnel.

None of these positions are paid, they rely on donations from people, churches and organisations who will help.

Wycliffe is a movement that believes in doing whatever it takes to see God's Word in every language group: praying, financing and going. Their vision and mission is to seek to satisfy a global hunger for God's Word.

Please pray for Wycliffe and their staff especially for Carl & Lisa and their family.

If you would like to contribute financially to the work that Karl & Lisa are doing, or if you are interested to help in one of the contact Wycliffe at:

70 Graham Road, Kangaroo Ground VIC 3097, ph. 9712 2777 or visit the website www.wycliffe.org.au



Home Remedy for Colds & 'Flu

- 1/2 a large garlic clove, crushed
- several slices of peeled ginger root
 - 1 Tb lemon juice
- 1 tsp honey
- boiling water

Place all ingredients into a cup; fill with boiling water and let steep for 5 minutes.

Sip three times a day while symptoms are at their worst; once daily before bedtime when symptoms begin to subside.

Don't forget to rest, God bless you and I hope you get to feeling better soon!

Riverlinks

August 2012				
1 st Wed	(each Wednesday) Healing Service – 10:00am at St Oswald's Home & Study Groups – 7:30pm at Stott's home – 7:30pm St Oswald's			
2 nd Thur	(each Thursday) mainly music – 10:00am at St Aidan's			
3 rd Fri	(each Friday) KYB Study Group – 10:00am at Baptist Church George Town SUPA Club – 3:15pm at Flinders Hall, Port Dalrymple School George Town			
4 th Sat	Women's Breakfast – 8:00am at St John's Launceston Choir of High Hopes concert – 2:00pm at St Aidan's for BTSF Malawi			
5 th Sun	Messy Church – 4:30pm at St Aidan's			
6 th Mon	MST Meeting – 6:45pm at the Parish office			
7 th Tue	(each Tuesday) Pat's Prayer Group – 2:00pm (6324 5111) Prayer Group – 1:00pm at St MM G/Town Home & Study Groups – 1:45pm at Igglesden's home – 7:30pm at Gross' home – 7:30pm at Booth's home – 7:30pm at Pedley's home – 7:30pm Stanford's group at St Aidan's			
8 th Wed				

August 2012				
9 th Thur	Crafty Circle – 10:00am at St David's Parish Council meeting – 7:30pm			
10 th Fri				
11 th Sat				
12 th Sun				
13 th Mon	Cadorna – 2:00pm			
14 th Tue				
15 th Wed	St Oswald's Fellowship Group – 2:00pm Ainslie Service – 2:15pm			
16 th Thur	Prescare Legana – 10:45am			
17 th Fri				
18 th Sat				
19 th Sun	Preaching Workshop – 2:00pm to 4:00pm in the Parish office			
20 th Mon				

The **deadline** for the July Newsletter edition is **24**th **August**

Calendar

August 2012		
21 st Tue		
22 nd Wed		
23 rd Thur	Crafty Circle – 10:00am at St David's Soup & Savouries Lunch – 12 noon at St Mary Magdalene's, George Town	
24 th Fri		
25 th Sat		
26 th Sun	Riverlinks Together – 10:00am at St Aidan's & followed by the Parish Annual Meeting	
27 th Mon		
28 th Tue		
29 th Wed		
30 th Thur	Tamar Park – 1:45pm	
31 st Fri	Youth Group – 7:30pm at St Aidan's	
1 st Sept Sat	Women's Breakfast – 8:00am at St Johns	

September and other dates 2012				
29th September	TBF at Battery Point			
30th September	Riverlinks Together Combined Service at St MM's George Town			
23 rd October	"Communicating Joshua" SMBC Preaching Conference at St Aidan's			
31st October - 2nd November	Clergy Conference			

Service Times For Worship Centres

East L	East Launceston				
5 th	10:00 am 4:30 pm	Communion Messy Church			
12 th	10:00 am	Morning Prayer			
19 th	10:00 am	Communion			
26 th	10:00 am	Riverlinks Together Combined Service - Morning Prayer			
Georg	George Town				
5 th	9:00 am 9:00 am 10:30 am	Hillwood Communion Pipers River Morning Prayer George Town Communion			
12 th	9:00 am 10:30 am	Low Head Baptism George Town Together @ 10.30			
19 th	9:00 am 10:30 am	Pipers River Communion George Town Communion			
26 th	-	No services			
Rivers	Riverside & Trevallyn				
5 th	10:00 am	Riverside Communion			
12 th	10:00 am 4:00 pm	Riverside Praise & worship Trevallyn Communion			
19 th	10:00 am	Riverside Communion			
26 th	- 4:00 pm	Riverside No service Trevallyn Evening Prayer			
Each Wed	10:00am	Trevallyn Healing Service			
Peace	Peace Haven				
12 th	10:30 am	Morning Prayer			
19 th	10:30 am	Holy Communion			
26 th	10:30 am	Holy Communion			

Youth Group

7:30 - 9:30pm

Friday 31st August

(last Friday of each month)

at St Aidan's East Launceston

Suitable for tired and worn out students from grade 6 through to grade 10.

Hang out, bring your friends, play games, listen to music, jam with your instrument and recover from a hard week @ school

call James on 0407325275

Women's Breakfast @ St Johns

Prue Boyd, wife of David Boyd the current CMS Tasmania director, will be speaking about her life and their experience of being in the middle of the refugee exodus during the Rwandan war and genocide.

Date: Saturday 1 September

Time: 8am

Place: Parish Centre, St Johns 157 St John St. Launceston

Cost: faith donation

RSVP by 30 August to St Johns office Ph 6331 4896; email office@stjohns.net.au or Stephanie Renshaw mob 0416 289 275

You are encouraged to bring a friend, and if you are new to this it might help them to know that there's safety in numbers!

Riverlinks Together Sunday 26th August, 10am at St Aidan's East Launceston

The service will be followed by a shared lunch & the

Parish Annual Meeting

please plan to be there & bring a plate of finger food to share



1HEART CONFERENCE 2012



It's not where you go or what you do; it's whom you help along your way



Back to School Foundation
Malawi Winter fundraiser concert

Choir of High Hopes

Tenor Chris Bryg

Singcognito a cappella choir Saturday, August 4th at 2pm

followed by afternoon tea

St Aidan's Church, Arthur St. East Launceston Admission: \$10.00 per adult, \$15 per family, children free

Car Boot Sale
is planned for
September to raise
funds for BTSF.
If you are interested
in being involved
please contact
Kaye Gregory
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SMBC's School of Preaching presents:

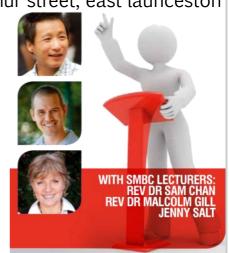
Communicating Joshua

Tuesday 23 October 2012

Venue st aidan's church arthur street, east launceston

Cost early bird \$50.00 (payable 23 sept) regular \$60.00 (after 23 sept & by 19 oct)

Register by contacting the Parish office office@riverlinks.net.au or 6327 4742



Seafarer's Mission Service

Don't Give Up

When things go wrong as they sometimes will, When the road you're trudging seems all uphill, When funds are low and debts are high, And you want to smile but you have to sigh, When care is pressing down a bit, Rest if you must, but don't you guit.

Life is queer with its twists and turns,
As every one of us sometimes learns,
And many a fellow turns about
When he might have won had he stuck it out.

A service celebrating the work of the Bell Bay Seafarer's When things go wrong as they sometimes will. A service celebrating the work of the Bell Bay Seafarer's Mission was held at the Bass & Flinders Bowls Club on Sunday afternoon, 1st July.

When the road you're trudging zanchetta welcomed everyone, seems all uphill, and the Salvation Army Band When funds are led some very rousing hymns.

low and debts are high,
And you want to smile but you have to sigh,
When care is pressing down

The rank Madill gave a brief history of the mission at Bell Bay, with special mention of Fr Robert Archer, who unfortunately was not able to attend, was the driving force behind getting the mission up and running in 1989.

Coordinator Garry Jones, with the held of Dylan Zanchetta, got the children (and adults) involved in thinking about how important shipping is to our lives, especially living on an island.

The Salvation Army Band performed a bracket of songs, to the delight of all, including some interesting variations of old favourites, and the service closed by singing, "Eternal Father, strong to save" (of course!).

A generous and varied afternoon tea concluded the celebrations.

Some ways you can help seafarers & the mission at Bell Bay:

- ⊕ Prayers
- ⊕ Volunteer staff
- ⊕ Bus drivers
- ⊕ Knitted beanies
- ⊕ Windcheaters & jumpers

Contact Garry 0427 622 391 to lend your support





Facing our greatest threat

I'm preaching through Isaiah at the moment and have been struck afresh by the failure of God's people to trust him. Instead, as passages like Isaiah 2:6-22 show, they seek to make themselves great without God. They bring in superstitions from the east, and pagan divination like the Philistines. They boast in their treasuries and chariots and go the way of idolatry.

It may seem strange that God's people, who had experienced so many blessings from him in the past, and who are promised so much for the future, could look elsewhere to find security. Yet this is what they do. They ignore God's calls for justice and make alliances with the nations around. The prophet rebukes them with a reminder of their mortality: "Stop trusting in man, who has but a breath in his nostrils, Of what account is he?" (Isaiah 2:22).

Before we are too quick to condemn God's people of old, it is worth meditating on how often we make precisely the same moves. There is a terrible temptation for churches to find their confidence and strength in things which the world around also values and find appealing. So we'll boast in our

architecture, our strategic plans, and our technology. Or we'll find confidence in positive press, or the numbers who come along, or an impressive leader.

Yet the greatest threat we face is a false confidence in of our own strength and influence. In Isaiah God's plans to comes through exile and suffering and him bringing comfort to his afflicted people. It wasn't in alliances with the great ones or working from wealth and riches. Instead he would humble any that exalt themselves so that he alone will he exalted.

We need to pray that God would save us from being great and mighty and humble us as people who depend on him for every breath.

Michael Kellahan

This article first appeared at www.sydneyanglicans.net



Don't give up though the pace seems slow -You may succeed with another blow.

Success is failure turned inside out -The silver tint in the clouds of doubt. And you never can tell how close you are, It might be near when it seems afar: So stick to the fight when vou're hardest hit -

It's when things seem worst that you must not quit.

A secretary was leaving the office one Friday evening when she encountered Mr Jones, the Human Resources manager, standing in front of a shredder with a piece of paper in his hand. "Listen," said Mr Jones, "this is important, and my secretary has already left. Can you make this thing work?"

"Certainly," said the secretary. She turned the machine on, inserted the paper, and pressed the start button.

"Excellent, excellent!" said Mr Jones as his paper disappeared inside the machine. "I just need one copy."

Gideons go electronic?

When the Beatles released "Rocky Raccoon" in 1968, they sang that Rocky Raccoon "checked into his room / only to find Gideon's Bible." If that same lyrical character were checking into his hotel today, instead of the Bible, he might find an Amazon Kindle.

The Hotel Indigo in Newcastle, England, is replacing the once-ubiquitious Gideon's Bible with Kindles -- in every one of its 148 rooms from July this year.

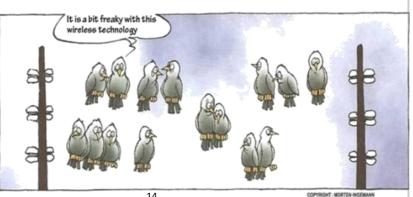
Travelers looking forward to finding the Bible in the hotel's dresser drawer need not worry, however: The Bible is pre-loaded onto the e-readers.

Hotel general manager Adam Munday told Britain's 'Daily Telegraph': "In the 18th Century, Newcastle was one of the largest print centres in Britain and we're in Grainger Town, close to the Literary and Philosophical Society," he said. "We wanted to reflect this literary history in verv contemporary way, SO are offering guests the use of cutting-edge Kindles pre-loaded with The Bible, instead of the more traditional hardcopy Gideon's Bible that they would expect to find in a hotel."

CNN, reporting on this later, made it clear that it wasn't the Gideons but the hotel which was responsible for this.

The Gideons told CNN ""Anything to put the Bible in people's hands is a good thing. It is a fascinating idea, and I'm sure somehow, some way, its time will come for us. But right now just the paper version is the best for what we do."

Support the Gideons: www.gideons.org



Biblical, theological & ministry studies in the parish

If you've already read my article in this newsletter, you'll appreciate the importance of church leaders having a capable grasp of the Bible and its theology. I thought it was timely to update you on the progress of the study that has been done by some of the LMST and James:

Moore Theological College Preliminary Theological Certificate awarded to:

Alister Stott, Jo Tevelein, Trish Anderson and Kaye Gregory.

This means they have studied and successfully sat exams for the following units: Introduction to the Bible, NT1, OT1, Doctrine 1, Ephesians and Promise to Fulfilment or Prayer Book.

Alister has gone on to study a unit in Early Church History and plans to keep going (NT2 [Romans] is next). Trish and Kaye are continuing on with the additional two Diocesan Certificate in Theology Ministry units and are currently doing the units Introduction to **Pastoral Biblical** Care and Preaching respectively.

Peter Cox has studied the first five *PTC* units (ITB, NT1, OT1, D 1, Ephesians).

Anne Morley has successfully completed (including exams) the first three *PTC* units (ITB, NT1, OT1).

James Oakley has successfully completed (including exams) the first five *PTC* units (ITB, NT1, OT1, D1, Ephesians) and is

currently studying the unit, Promise to Fulfilment.

Norman Lawrence completed a Graduate Diploma in Ministry through Tabor College.

lan Wheeler completed an Assoc in Theology (Aust College of Th), Certificate in Evangelism (Church Army) and Diploma of Ministry (School of Christian Studies)

I know that this study has brought all of them significant blessing to their lives and ministries and to you. Please thank them for their willingness to do this and congratulate their achievements.

Why don't you consider having a go at the Certificate in Theology & Ministry? The first unit. 'Introduction to the Bible'. will give you an incredibly helpful overview of the whole Bible and skill and confidence in reading it well; that can only be good for you and for us! The first unit is more than half price at just \$40 and the exam is entirely optional. You could do alternative the assessment provided or no assessment at all. The main thing is the learning. Interested? Ask one of your leaders who've done that unit how they found it. Ask me or Anne Godman for more details or take a look on the Riverlinks website: www.riverlinks.net.au

David Rogers-Smith

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1 Timothy

3: 16,17 NLT

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Above: St Aidan's completed paving works



Above & right: St Oswald's redevelopment in progress



Below & left: Diocesan Ministry Conference



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