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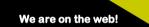
Morialta will use the 2009 Easter postcard to invite members of the local community



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Friday 6 March 10.00am Vorld Day of Prayer Service at Morialta

Friday & Saturday 27 & 28 March resbytery & Synod Meeting Adelaide West UC

Sunday 29 March, 9.30am Combined Service & Annual General Meeting of the Congregation

> Thursday 9 April 7.30 pm Tenebrae Service

Friday 10 April 9.30am Good Friday Worship

Sunday 12 April 9.30am Easter Day Worship



TODAY!!! Sunday 22 February at Morialta

UnitingCare SA Pancake Day 2009 Tuesday 24th February 10.00 am to 2.00pm Norwood Mall.

UnitingCare Pancake Day is UnitingCare's only national fundraiser. It is a fun event held each year on Shrove Tuesday, to raise much needed funds for UnitingCare's work with some of the most vulnerable and disadvantaged members of our community.

Information can be downloaded from the website to make your Pancake Day a success, including a range of helpful resources.

Get involved and support your local community!

#### Meditation and Prayer

God, make each moment of our lives a miracle. God, make us laugh at the impossible. God , give us hope when all seems hopeless, peace where no peace could be, love for the unlovable. Make us gamble on all your almightiness and dare everything in your great service. Amen

M E Proctor

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#### **Deadline for April Edition** Wednesday 1st April 2009

If you would like to contribute an item,

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Please do not attempt to format or use other software

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In hard copy via the Vision pigeon-hole - please allow more lead time for word processing.

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## Morialta Vision

### Volume 2 Issue# I From Our Ministers



As I walked Pepsi early one morning, trying to beat the heat of the day, found myself singing "Just direct your feet, to the sunny side of the street. I used to walk in the shade ...".

The funny thing was, I was doing just the opposite: trying to avoid the sunny side and find as much shade as I could to walk in. In the intense heat of our summers we are aware of the dangers of too much sun, and the vital importance of seeking shade, yet there is in much of our language and imagery that equates light in all its forms with good and darkness with ovil

Sadly, this has even has an effect on <u>now people who are darker-skinned</u>

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It came to us through cyberspace. Yes, through the wonders of email it came hurling to us from England, and to be more precise; from Buckinghamshire, and even more accurately from Fairmile in Aylesbury.

It is, of course, a picture of snow, taken by friends who live right there, and it was taken on 7th January 2009, at 12.14 p.m.

A half a world away we are experiencing drought conditions, and the necessary water restrictions. Our emails from our friends there, and vice versa, do seem always to include the topic of the weather. Whilst we are looking for rain, they have too much. While we are complaining about the heat, they tell us of  $-2^{\circ}$ .

I include here two stories which Anthony de Mello, S.J. tells in his book "The Prayer of the Frog".

"An elderly woman who was an enthusiastic gardener dedared (De Mello adds) Happiness and unhappiness are in the way we meet events, not in the nature of those events themselves." that she had no faith whatsoever in predictions that some day scientists would learn to control the weather. According to her What do you think? all that was needed to control the weather was prayer



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rituals of lighting candles and waiting sometime devastating and deadly. for the coming of the Light of the World, so much more powerful and Our Christian tradition brings us meaningful.

dangers and blessings?

After the unrelenting heat of a summer's day "the dark sacred night" Diane. can be a blessing, a comfort and something that can speak profoundly

are viewed both consciously and of the mysterious, all-encompassing presence of God.

Just before Christmas I had had a The bushfires that have destroyed so conversation with David in which he much in Victoria this summer, and spoke of his experience of celebrating those we have experienced in the Christmas in England, where the past, are reminders that heat and light dwindling hours of daylight made the are not always life-giving, but

much of value in exploring and articulating the wonder and mystery The ritual is so much a part of our of God but it should never confine or Christmas celebration that I wouldn't define the Holy for us. In our want to lose it. But how do we context, in our day, let us continue to worship authentically in the name and worship the God that we Australian summer with the sun have seen revealed in Jesus, who whose heat and light brings both walks with us in darkness and in light.

Grace and peace



Then one summer, while she was away on a foreign trip, a drought hit the land and wiped out her entire garden. She was so upset when she got back that she changed her religion.

(De Mello adds) She should have changed her silly beliefs"

This picture was taken in Wendover Woods, and is of members of the Methodist Church who 'rug up' for their New years Day ramble. (The Chilterns, Buckinghamshire at noon on lanuary



"Traveller: "What kind of weather are we going to have today?"

Shepherd: "The kind of weather I like."

"How do you know it will be the kind of weather you like?"

"Having found out, sir, that I cannot always get what I like, I have learnt always to like what I get. So I am quite sure we will have the kind of weather I like."

### The Bubbles are going on an Excursion

We sat together in the hall at bubbles are going on an excurtables for this service - it was sion". like going on a picnic.

They are indeed, for those bub-There was a bottle of bubble bles were to surround us, settle mixture and a bowl of fruit and on us, delight us, travel through a sheet of paper with boxes on the air .....drift. each table. It was holiday time,

and we all felt rather relaxed. To me, there was something There was a feeling of magical special going on in the midst of this service

The children were asked to The ingredients were all there... words "The bubbles are going come forward and Diane read a the table set, the scene set. story...

that we got to use the bottle of shared communion. bubble mixture. We blew bubbles. It was then that a little All very worthwhile, YET, I still voice was heard to say "The see the bubbles... and hear the Lorraine Powers

togetherness.

#### Arthur Tideman writes ... "Doubts"

cud has no doubts

But we all know too well that we have our doubts when we, "Discern discrepancies between our faith and our belief." Says Val Webb in her latest book, In Defense of Doubt.

The easy answer to doubt is to Ambiguity is much more white with predictable patterns of Job living in his less complicated Doctors face ambiguity on a daily negativity.

"If you have doubts you are in good company," adds Val Webb.

The classical doubter was Job. That wonderful story tells us much about dealing with doubt. Job cried out to God accusing Him of reducing his life to "dust and ashes". "God had cast him into the mire".

His friends had a sure-fire answer, "Confess your sins".

Job rejected that simple advice and despite the awful tension between his faith and God he held on and dealt with his doubts positively and creatively.

The old jersey cow standing in a That attitude led to a richer deep green pasture chewing her experience after finding he had uttered things he did not understand.

> Thinking about doubt leads me to the ambiguity we need to face when we find ourselves open to more than one action or belief.

believe life issues are black or troublesome to us than it was to

speak the language very well, prices harm the environment. don't like their mother and would be materially less well off.

If the judge does not send them scholarship, discussion and careful back an international treaty thinking. between Australia and Bulgaria would be broken which could As Val Webb says, "That means

well result in Australians in the that you and God can't leave one future being unable to retrieve another alone" and I believe that children abducted to Bulgaria.

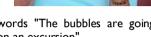
tribal world. Take as an example basis and so do politicians, a fact a recent legal case. A judge had often overlooked by the media to decide whether to send three and those taking an ethical stand. children back to their mother in For example, does a politician Bulgaria after having been vote in the parliament to reduce abducted by their Australian taxes on petrol and thereby help father. The children cannot the poor? But lower petrol

> Facing ambiguities and your doubts requires a positive, creative attitude backed by

leads the human spirit to its full potential.

Gateways invites you to a discussion of Val Webb's book 'Like Catching Water in a Net'

#### **Morialta Vision**



We listened, we laughed, we What was the message of the

We said a responsive prayer sang. We received the message bubbles? Did you feel it? Did and it was during this prayer from the bible readings, and we you sense it? Where have the bubbles gone? Did they settle on you?

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#### From the Library ...

**EPIPHANY** LENT EASTER

Come and participate during the coming liturgical seasons and

#### Look! Listen! And Explore



- Look at the Lenten display

spiritual Lenten reading

- Explore your library for special

- Listen to Easter Music

in the foyer

LENT AND EASTER **READINGS FROM IONA** This book of readings aims to help us reappraise our lives during the period leading up to Easter. It offers an opportunity to see the world afresh, with a new sense of wonder.

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Reading

It encourages us not only to accept responsibility for our shortcomings but also to look at the many signs of renewal and hope, both within us and all around us in our world.



#### BEAUTIFUL HANDCRAFTED CARDS NOW ON SALE AT REDUCED PRICE \$2.00 A CARD

#### Do you have something for me?

rom the publication "faith family", Issue 15, produced by the partners of Australian Child in our Hands. Reprinted with permission. This paper is one of those available to our Playgroup participants.

acts of service, time, touch & gifts.

something for me, Nanna?'

'Do you have something for me?' he is really latest gift from Micah. asking, 'Do you love me?'

special and loved.

Helen 'surprises' him with a little wrapped his love. box of home-made choc-chip biscuits.

In their book The Five Languages of He takes time to fully enjoy the gift, examining Gary Chapman and Ross Campbell in their book The Five Languages of Children offer Children, Gary Chapman and Ross the wrapping and uttering 'ooo' and 'wow' Campbell suggest that people - children when he opens it. He always says 'thank you' these tips for a heartfelt gift: and adults - express their love and and gives Helen a huge hug. He takes home Exercise care. Don't be tempted to receive expressions of love from others each gift that he can't eat and finds a special shower your child with gifts as substitutes in five distinctive ways: through words, place for it in his room. When friends come for love. over he always shows them the latest gift from Nanna.

As little Micah bursts through Helen's back Micah often surprises Helen with his own door, she hears him calling, 'Do you have gifts, too. Usually it 's something he has made himself. Sometimes it's a flower, suspiciously just like the ones in her front garden. These Helen knows that Micah's most important gifts are Micah's way of showing Helen that he language is receiving gifts. This is how he loves her. Just like Micah, Helen displays his recognises her love for him. When he calls gifts, and delights in showing her friends the

Gifts are not that important for Micah's mum Most people(of all ages) like gifts, but for She tends to think that gifts are frivolous, those whose primary love language is gifts, it embarrassing and definitively not necessary. is a big deal. Receiving gifts make them feel But she has come to recognize how much gifts mean to Micah: that giving and receiving gifts are the best way of filling up his love tank. Micah jumps up and down with excitement as So she encourages this way of communicating

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Oh, God, you are always with me.

I am never alone.

And you know me, and you love me

here and there.

always and everywhere. Oh, God, you know what I am doing.

You know what I am thinking - even

before I say it

And you know me, and you love me

here and there,

always and everywhere.

Oh, God, you were with me when

was a baby.

You made me so wonderfully you knew what I looked like before

was born.

And you know me, and you love me,

here and there,

always and everywhere.

You are great, God, so great and kind

and caring.

You have given me the gift of family

and friends

And you know me, and you love me

here and there,

always and everywhere

Oh, God, your love is big!

Wherever I go, your love is there.

(our love surrounds me like a blanket

And you know me, and you love me

here and there,

always and everywhere.

**Prayer of Confession** 

Before anything was,

God dreamed of me.

Before I was born.

God knew me.

Before I was named.

God called me.

We break our word

God knows;

we hurt another

God knows;

we ignore the people we need to help

God knows:

Even the things we try to hide from

ourselves

God knows

And yet even when we don't get it

right

God forgives us;

Even before we are sorry

God is ready to forgive.

Before anything was,

God dreamed of me

Before I was born,

God knew me.

Before I was named.

God called me. Amen.

on an excursion".

NEW BOOKS AND DVD'S FOR PLAYGROUP



n 2008 Morialta's Community Programs offered Parenting Programs funded by a grant from the Premier's Community , Initiative Fund. Due, in part, to the generosity of Tim Dansie who presented the programs, there was a surplus of \$289. The grant authority has allowed us to use these funds to purchase parenting books and DVDs for Playgroup members and others.

An excellent outcome! .

- Use a combination of love languages.
- Be selective when choosing a gift.
- It's not necessary to buy gifts from a store.
- Choose gifts with your child
- Take time to wrap the gift and then present it in a special way.

#### Appreciating gifts in your family

Ask each member of your family to look back on their life and think about the many gifts they have received and how they felt receiving them. Talk about the gifts that God gives you and how those gifts can help you recognise God's love for you..

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## Morialta Magnie





60th Anniversary Margaret and Fred Martin

red and Margaret's 60th Wedding Anniversary was actually on January 8 but celebrated in the Morialta hall on anuary 11th.

About 60 folk attended including several from the church. A video of about 70 photos was played simultaneously on two screens. They showed many of Fred and Margaret's early activities, including Fred's time in the Army and as a Mason and, of course, their wedding day.

After the customary speeches Fred and Margaret cut a magnificent cake commemorating the occasion.



And did you see them starring on Seven's Today Tonight?

#### **Congratulations!**

Katrina Mackenzie is one of seven chosen from the "Performing Choir" section of the Australian Girls Choir to be in the twentyseven voice specialist section, "Bel Canto".

Selection is based on voice, loyalty and behaviour and participation in the performing section for at least one year.

Katrina is now in her second year ir Performing but has been in the Australian Girls Choir since 1999 when she was five.

Best Wishes to our students commencing tertiary courses and the next level of schooling.



to celebrate with each other and support one another, but sometimes we are able to congratulate our members for magnificent milestones.

Three couples have recently celebrated "Diamond Days'. Margaret and Fred Martin, and Dorothy and Ron Mills, who have been married for 60 years (married on 8 January 1949) and Adam and Trish Ind. who took their first steps in



#### Rachelle writes about NCYC

The National Christian Youth Convention, was held this year at Methodist Ladies College in Melbourne from the 3rd to the 9th of January. Three from the Morialta congregation went; Matthew Barker, Katrina Clarke and Rachelle Clarke. NCYC's main focus was on the book of Mark and to raise up young Christian within to church to be passionate 🗾 for God and this world. Some of the speakers at NCYC included Robyn Whitaker, Amie Dural from the Philippines, and the much loved Shane Claiborne rom New York. They spoke on various passages



from Mark, social justice issues and challenged us to engage in our world. There were three levels of Bible study to choose from as well as electives on certain days and a Submersion day. We chose a certain area that we would like to be involved in and were placed in various groups doing things such as nuclear protests, flash mobbing to raise awareness on people trafficking and children dying from malnutrition, reaching out to homeless children by playing cricket with them, helping out a local community organisations and visiting retirement homes and the mentally handicapped. NCYC held a night rally in Federation Square at the end of the Submersion day which ended a great day and made it the highlight of many people's experiences. Night life consisted of many different bands and single artists such as the jazz band Scat, Jess and TED (The Easily Distracted...), Simeon, Adam Cousins and many others. Mock and Mingle was a favoured hang out as well as just chilling out on the front lawns and chatting. The week after NCYC we, along with the group that went from Athelstone and a few from other churches, toured the Great Ocean Road, staying in Uniting Church halls on the way nome. It was a great experience and wonderful to share with such a fantastic group of people.

Relationships take time and effort. They don't happen by accident and those couples fortunate enough to have shared sixty years of marriage can only be an example to those of us with some way to

Let us hope that the words of Gene

#### Our wedding was many years ago. The celebration continues to this day.

will ring true for Adam and Trish. Indeed, all of us who are fortunate to have a life partner still with us might do well to reflect on things we value in our relationship.

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#### From the Chairperson

I was looking at some family as our Elders. photographs that had been taken some time ago and was There is information about the reminded of how quickly time role of Church Council in the passes for us all.

a copy in order to help you tomorrow it will be Easter, well that's what it feels like sometimes

in life is change and there Election of Elders. certainly seems to be a bit of that around Morialta. We are now worshipping in two Worship Communities and we will build new traditions to express our love of the Divine

next few months.

Members who you think have the gifts and grace to be invited They say that the only constant to nominate for our annual

consider those Confirmed

Regulation.

- visionary overview and

direction in the mission of

- overall management of the

- responding to stakeholders

- management of risk.

Church Council is responsible as we share in this way in the for

the church

mission

While nobody denies the important place of the national and state based bodies that participate in the governance of the Uniting Church, it is the Congregation that is the basic unit and it is the Church Council

discernment.

For that reason it is important Ministry Teams in developing for us to consider carefully who holistic understanding and

that provides leadership and Church Council relies heavily on the Congregation. the membership of Mission Ministry and Operational

#### Why not join the Paper Team?

Every Monday morning right are loaded into a taxi truck to In 1992, 11.62 tonnes were through the year there is a be transported to Fibrecycle at collected and we were paid stirring under the peppercorn Lonsdale. \$40 a tonne. In 2008, 37.14 tonnes were tree. From 8.00 am onwards. paper is transferred from the More than twenty men and collected and the payment pack bin to the work shed. At women from the church are was at the rate of \$110 a the same time teams are involved in aspects of this work, tonne. collecting newspaper from several retirement complexes.

home

Back in 1992 there were twelve Last year the paper team team members. They were contributed more than Work goes on until the paper is Clem Adams, Fred Martin, Ron \$6000 to church projects. put into bundles and then it is Grant, Syd Walton, Bob Lloyd, The Monday morning time for morning tea, and then Ralph Holmes, Kingsley gatherings are a rich source Stephens, Rob Webbe, Kevin of fellowship. New Nash, Brian Hogben, Rob Cheel members and visitors are always welcome.

About every four months there and Ralph Carter. is an extra morning when twelve or more tonnes of paper

#### **SKIVVIES WANTED!!**

In any busy place like Morialta there are always jobs that need doing. At the present time we are particularly looking for assistance with a number of rosters. If you can help with the Transport or Cleaning Roster, please let the office know.

As well as the regular jobs there are always other things that need doing. If you have a half hour that you would be prepared to spend doing something around the church Rob Webbe would be very pleased to hear from you.

At the present time we need help with Gardening, Window Cleaning and the Paper Team.

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#### The words of the song go something like 'Some days are diamonds'.

matrimony Sunday 25 January 2009.

Perrett:

might be set aside to participate actioning the mission we are called to undertake.

Please consider prayerfully this Constitution and Regulations matter of election and speak to Yesterday it was Christmas and and you are welcome to request any of the present members of Church Council if you would like more information.

> Elders on Council are Rhonda Amber, Chris Ayles, Sarah Heatley, Bruce Ind, Carole Here at Morialta Church Lyons, Pauline Norman, Bob Council seeks to fulfil the Penhall, Neville Pope, John responsibilities set down in the Powers, Christine Secombe, Mary Thornley, and Bev Tredrea.

> > Chris Ayles and Pauline Norman are concluding their current terms and are eligible for reelection.

> > In these elections members of the congregation also have the opportunity to nominate and elect the other office bearers. Chairperson and Secretary of

'...it is the Congregation that is the basic unit and it is the **Church Council** that provides leadership and discernment...

Please consider prayerfully this matter of election ....'

Bruce.

Rob Webbe





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**Morialta Vision** 



While on Kyle's knee I had heard singing from the radio in Resthaven, but nothing like this as his life was celebrated.

Nine hundred or more voices lustily sang the Methodist hymns of old, just as the Reverend Kyle Waters did during his ministry. From my displayed position at the front of the Kent Town Uniting Church on 23rd January I could sense

the devotion and knew I was unique and special in the Army. The Lodge was a foundation for because I carried the names of the family of his

Morialta Church where he had worshipped for 56 years. He had accepted me as a gift when he was farewelled at a congregational luncheon only nine months ago.

The Ouilt

A Tribute to the Life of the Reverend Kyle Waters

In the quietness of his room I was moved to hear that great man, who had done so much for so many, find such quiet satisfaction as he read to himself the names of the young and old written across my squares. They must have And then he maintained a critical role as loved him. They must have thought him to be a Secretary to Synod. special person.

I was amazed when I heard from the Reverend Don Catford who led the worship, and from his sons, Jack and Mark, what a wonderful life Kyle had led and that I should be mentioned as a Christian love and fellowship. witness to that

As chaplain he changed the lives of so many young people at Prince Alfred College and men

his spiritual strength which he expressed with enthusiasm, fun and eloquent preaching.

During his ministry Kyle served on the Councils of Lincoln and Westminster Colleges, and the YMCA. He was President of the Methodist Conference before he took his place, during the 1970s, as a great statesman of the church, guiding the congregations into union with the birth of the Uniting Church as we know it today.

With his sons, Melville at the huge organ, and Peter the international solo pianist, playing at the close of the service of celebration, I was wrapped away, proud to have been a symbol of

Arthur Tideman

#### Victorian Bushfires

Graham Humphis, CEO/General Secretary, Presbytery and Synod of SA writes in UC Information:

The magnitude of this tragedy grows hourly and by the time you read these words further details of the horrendous loss of life, homes and stock, as well as injuries and heartbreaking stories will have come to light.

#### What can we do to help?

#### We can pray for

- People who are grieving the loss of loved ones, livestock and property
- People who are recovering from horrific burns and other injuries
- Emergency personnel who are still fighting fires
- Medical personnel caring for those injured
- Government workers and insurance companies seeking to help and assess losses
- Churches and chaplains offering comfort and support at this time
- People seeking to start afresh
- People living with shocking memories from what they have seen
- Wisdom for those working in providing short term and long term help and support

We can give

Donations can be made online or through the bushfire Appeal Phone Line, freecall 1800 668 426

We can donate through our **Retiring Offering at Morialta**  May the feet of God walk with you, and His hand hold you tight. May the eye of God rest on you. and His ear hear your cry. May the smile of God be for you, and His breath give you life. May the Child of God grow in you, And His love bring you home.

#### Kool Koala

As we have all been suffering in the heat lately, I thought you may be interested to see how the caring staff of the Independent Living Centre at Gilles Plains went out of their way to help this heat affected koala.

On Friday afternoon 30 January as the temperatures soared yet again into the mid 40's, a staff member noticed this koala in a tree by the car park.

At first they got some water and dribbled it down the trunk of the tree and when the dehvdrated animal thirstily licked at the inviting trickle, they decided to offer it water directly from the bottle. Its little tongue was working overtime and the koala even took the water bottle in its' paws.

Finally the staff got a watering can and dribbled the overheated animal with the cooling water. As you can see the koala loved it and dare we say, this act of kindness allowed this animal to live another koala day.

Take a moment to rest and refresh in the cooling waters of God's love and then pass it onto others for them to be refreshed also.

Dawn Colegrove.

Photos supplied by Andrea Parker, daughter of Daw and Sam and staff member at ILC



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#### World Dav of Praver

## Service at Morialta

Friday 6 March 10.00 am

Worship has been prepared by the women of Papua New Guinea. Our speaker will be Rev Doug Hosking.

If you have artefacts from PNG ch could be displayed in the church these would be appreciated. Please contact Helen Stephens or Ruth Pitt.

Everyone is welcome to share in this service.



#### Informed Prayer and Prayerful Action

The World Day of Prayer is a globa ecumenical movement which brings Christian of many traditions together to observe common day of prayer each year. Throug preparation and participation in the worshi ervice, we can come to know how ou sisters of other countries, languages an cultures understand the Biblical passages i their context. We can hear their concern and needs and can feel ourselves in solidarit with them as we pray with and for them. I this way, it is possible to enrich our Christia faith as it grows deeper and broader in a international, ecumenical expression.

## hace And and a start and a server

What is Social Links?



at Morialta Uniting Church.

Transport can be arranged to all group activities.

#### Who can participate?

How much will it cost?

URBAN MISSION NETWORK allow and Halling and a strength

#### Message for today 22 February!!!

If you would like to join the Morialta group travelling to Yilki, Encounter Bay, next Thursday 26 February for the 6.00 p.m. Gathering of the Urban Mission Network, please tell Mary or Christine today.

It will give opportunity to share with folk from other member congregations and the main presentation for the evening promises to be of interest: Rev Rob Stoner, Mission Resourcing Agent of the Presbytery & Synod of SA, will address the topic 'What does it mean to minister to our neighbourhood'.

We've been asked to take with us Morialta's NCLS Community Social Profile and/or demographic data of our neighbourhood. We'll endeavour to assist those going with this material.

Mary.



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ACHGroup

## **ACH Group—Social Links**

Morialta is set to become a meeting place for the Social Links program

Social Links is a unique program focused on supporting older people, who experience memory loss, to econnect with their interests and passions and maintain links with their local community.



#### How does it work?

ocial Links brings together groups of 6-8 people to participate in ndividual and group activities depending on their interests.

Dur coordinator meets with the group to see how to best organise a program which relates to the interests of group mbers

Currently groups are held at Tusmore, Rostrevor Athelstone, and now there is an opportunity to arrange a group



People who live in the Campbelltown, Adelaide, Burnside, Norwood, Payneham, St Peters, Prospect or Walkerville council areas and are experiencing memory loss.

ACH Group is committed to providing quality services regardless of your ability to contribute to cost. Service fees and policies on fee capping and waiving can be discussed with your coordinator.

If you are interested, or you believe a family member or a friend would benefit, please ask for further information by calling the coordinator. Robert, on 8132 8710 or email rcooper@ach.org.au

You can also visit the website at www.ach.org.au ed by the ACH Group.

Come to me all you that are weary and carrying heavy burdens, and I will give you rest.

Matthew 11.28

#### SA Lenten Appeal 2009 'People in Partnership'

#### Lenten Appeal Envelopes

The Lenten Season of 2009 will focus on communities in Papua New Guinea, North Luzon in the Philippines and the youth and children of the UAICC community in Oodnadatta in SA's far north.

n PNG, the Lenten Appeal aims to supplement the work initiated by Ruth Sellick of Western Link UC in microfinance programmes already empowering Papua New Guinean women in small scale income generation projects including sewing and raising chickens.

n the Philippines, the Lenten Appeal project will develop the ministry capacity of church workers and ministers in the Phillipines and comes at the request of our partner church, the United Church of Christ in North Luzon

This year's UAICC project supports youth ministry needs in Oodnadatta.