

Clearing the Way for Jesus

The newsletter of the Illawarra Prayer Network links Christians and churches from Helensburgh to Gerroa, promotes prayer and facilitates church unity. A printer-friendly 2 x A4 PDF file of this newsletter is available at www.5icm.org.au/index_files/ipn.html. Please send prayer requests and feedback to prayer@5icm.org.au.
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Prayer

- 1. Ps Mike McCaughey of Albion Park Baptist Church** is retiring and the church is closing. Pray for the resettling of its members in other churches.
2. Pray for the organisation of **Christmas Carol Services**. C3 Church Thirroul's [Carols by the Beach](#) has been cancelled this year because of the lead time to get DA approval. The Kiama combined churches organising *Kiama's Carols in the Park* is trying to raise \$3,000 to make up for reduced sponsorship from businesses. Dapto combined churches Community Carols will be replaced by a Dapto Anglican Church [Christmas Festival](#) this year.

Pray without ceasing

The first six week's exercises are now on the [IPN webpage](#) for those who did not start with Newsletter No. 297.

Week 5

- 1.** Study the following Scriptures on Communion with God: John 14:16-23; Psalm 16; 1 John 1:3; Rev 3:20; Phil 2:1-5.
- 2.** Download and listen to Mark Virkler's teaching on *4 Keys to Hearing God's Voice* from [this webpage](#).
- 3.** Use a prayer journal in your main prayer time. Write down your prayer and the Holy Spirit's answers. Check the answers against Scripture.

Week 6

- 1.** Meditate on the following Scriptures on the character of Christ: 1 Peter 2:21-24; 2 Cor 8:9; Hebrews 12:2-4; Col 3:13; 1 John 3:3 & 7; Mk 10:45; Mt 9:36.
- 2.** Download and use Julie True's [A Stroll Along the Sea of Galilee](#) music video to set the atmosphere for your prayer journaling.
- 3.** Continue to use your prayer journal and have regular prayer times. Talk to God at other times about anything and everything.

News and Feedback

- 1.** The **Five Islands Christian Ministries AGM** was an encouraging meeting. Illawarra Christians Connect has had a difficult year but will continue next year. Revival Ministries is launching into multi-media ministry. Wollongong Gospel Choir continues to sing the gospel. The Illawarra Prayer Network is encouraging Christians to pray ahead of a prayer focus on revival next year.
- 2.** **Shellharbour City Baptist Church** will celebrate the opening of its new building in Warilla on Saturday 25th November. See [Facebook event](#) for details.

3. Please email me the details of your combined churches Christmas events for inclusion in the Sicm Events list.

God bless,
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Ecumenical Activities in the Illawarra

Wollongong Gospel Choir Rehearsal – Tuesdays during school terms – all welcome.

7:00 pm – 8:30 pm at Wollongong Senior Citizens Centre, 192 Gipps Road, Gwynneville

Contact: [John Sandercock](mailto:John.Sandercock@5icm.org.au) 0499 444 151

Global Leadership Summit - Friday 10th to Saturday 11th November

International speakers at Willow Creek broadcast via videocast for church leadership teams.

Details: 6-9pm Friday and 9am-4:30pm Saturday, Figtree Anglican Church, 4-10 Gibson Rd.

Cost: \$139, Students (<30 yrs, enrolled in accredited course) \$79. Optional lunch: \$12.

Contact: [Karen Dixon](mailto:Karen.Dixon@5icm.org.au), FAC 4272 1322. [On line Registration](#)

27th Annual Floral Splendour - Saturday 11th and Sunday 12th November

Details: 10a.m.-4p.m. Sat, 12noon-4pm Sun Albion Park Uniting Church, cnr Terry & Russell St

Cost: \$8 (includes refreshments). [Download flyer.](#) *Contact:* Lexie 4256 2112.

Dapto Uniting Church Music Fest - Sunday 19th November

Wollongong Gospel Choir will be performing. Afternoon tea to follow.

Details: 2:00-4:00 p.m. Dapto Uniting Church, 122 Princes Hwy, Dapto.

Sons of Korah Concert - Thursday 23rd November

Details: 7:30 p.m. Dapto Anglican Church, Moombara St, Dapto

Cost: \$25, concession: \$20, family: \$80. Tickets available online & at door.

Taizé Prayer Advent Gathering - Friday 24th November

Ecumenical worship and prayer in the Taizé style.

Details: 7:00 p.m. St Patrick's Catholic Church, Berry

[Download flyer.](#)

Hymnsing at Kiama - Sunday 26th November

All welcome for Hymn and chorus singing.

Details: 2:00 p.m. Kiama Uniting Church Fellowship Centre, 19 Bong Bong Rd, cnr Manning St. Kiama. [Further details.](#)

Contact for requesting favourites: Gail 4232 1630 or Reuben 4233 2490

Mission to Seafarers Annual Dinner - Sunday 26th November

Details: arrive 5:00 p.m. for 6:00 p.m. at Mission to Seafarers, Lot 2 Darcy Rd, Port Kembla

RSVP: by 10th November 2017, 4257 6498, tthemisspk@gmail.com [Download flyer.](#)

Dapto Anglican Church Christmas Festival - Saturday 2nd December

Market stalls, Carols, carnival food, family activities, fireworks.

Details: 5:00 pm to 8:30pm Dapto Anglican Church, Moombara St.

Carols by Candlelight - Friday 8th December

Kids concert 5:30-6:15pm, carols 6:30-8:30pm, fireworks 8:30p.m.

Details: 5:50-8:30p.m. Reddall Reserve, Lake Illawarra.

Handel's Messiah - Saturday 9th December

Choir conducted by Meryl Jackson-Kew.

Details: 2:00 p.m. Wollongong Town Hall

Cost: \$30, Children under 16: \$10, Students: \$25, Con. Pen. Sen.: \$25.

See the [Sicm Events page](#) for more events and regular events list.