

A HOUSE OF PRAYER & INTERCESSION [HOPI]

ILLAWARRA & SHOALHAVEN

1. *JOURNEY TO NOW*

His [Jesus's] House Of Prayer and Intercession [HOPI] exists today in our region. HOPI exists wherever praying people gather to meet their Lord and Saviour in conversation.

At any one time across the Illawarra and Shoalhaven there are numerous people or groups actively taking something to, or receiving from, the Lord Jesus in Prayer and Intercession.

Such encounters between Jesus and His people may occur in prayer closets, lounge rooms, churches, offices, workshops or on mountaintops.

Many of us are aware that there are Global or International Houses of Prayer where people meet to worship, praise, pray and interceded around the clock [24 / 7].

Submitted for your prayerful consideration is that for the Illawarra and the Shoalhaven, HOPI is existing in the reality that we are spiritually linked as we come before Our Father in Heaven, Yahweh, through Jesus the Son, our Lord and Saviour.

That is, HOPI is considerably more than a place of bricks and mortar as it exists in HIS realm of the spiritual. Father Yahweh, Lord Jesus, Holy Spirit and the Angels are all spiritual. Jesus is no longer in the crib or on the cross as He is now Interceding at the right hand of Father God Yahweh.

That is, our Lord Jesus acknowledges the role of the individual or group intercessor as a vital part of His House of Prayer and Intercession even in the disparity of theology, distance, time and place. We are each one spiritually linked.

2. *VISION*

To participate with the Holy Spirit and Christ Jesus in prayer and intercession.

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To link and communicate interactively the results of prayer and intercession among existing, prayer and intercessory people and groups.

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To encourage people in the dimension of interactive prayer and intercession;

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To share with each other the beautiful facets of Jesus that we see;

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To share with each other the strength that we are an integral and valid part of the Body of Christ;

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To acknowledge that as a praying or intercessory person we will have different perspectives, understandings and expressions that reflect the expansive nature and creative character of our Jesus;

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Given 2.5, we will continue to Love, accept and respect each other even though our theology may differ;

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To gather together in thanksgiving, praise, worship and teaching;

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To share, where appropriate, with our Pastors and others.

3. ***THE MODEL***

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a) *A spreadsheet has been created for the registration and scheduling of the prayer times and locations for each group:*

b) *A database has been created to record:*

- i) Individual or group name
- ii) Meeting time and date
- iii) Location
- iv) Purpose of prayer. [church; healing; leaders; relational; petitioning; other]
- v) Feedback or leadings from the Holy Spirit l.
- vi) Comments
- vii) Reporting on all the above

3.2 ***Now:***

- i) Accept and record all interested persons or groups in their current activity.
- ii) Report back to people and groups on unifying themes and guidance.

3.3 ***Future:***

- i) Invite new or existing people or groups to LINK and fill in the “empty” time of day / week boxes in order to eventually cover the 24 / 7 spread of prayer and intercession.
- ii) Report back to people and groups on unifying themes and guidance.

3.4 *A Gathering Place*

- i) The Coniston United Church [CUC] has offered its location at 39 Bridge Street Coniston for a central place to pray if people or groups so desire.
- ii) CUC is an ideal place for the HOPI. CUC was established by a number of local denominations. It has never had its own Pastor and relies on visiting preachers. This has made CUC very open to other churches and is supportive of church unity as well as Christian radio 941 fm.
- iii) A book will be at CUC for people or groups to record what transpired.
- vi) A place to gather when we come together for sharing thanksgiving, praise, worship, corporate prayer and Intercession.

4. *INVITATION*

We see this HOPI concept as the Lord Jesus honouring you His pray'er / intercessor where you are currently focussed and located.

Conceptually and in reality you are free to be involved to whatever degree you so desire. As a minimum, you are invited to LINK with a name, time and location e.g Suburb / church / house / office / workshop / mountaintop.

When the time is considered right we will hold an inaugural gathering to share interactively to encourage and strengthen each other in the bond of fellowship.

Understandably, you may want to talk to your Pastor / Minister / Priest about this opportunity. We are more than willing to share further with whomsoever if required.

You are invited to link, enquire and or register by email with Michael on:

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