



Central Vic Salvos

23rd June 2024

GOD CALLS THE IMPERFECT.

Have you ever considered how many perfect people there are in the world? How about in the bible? It probably seems silly asking these questions, because we all know that no one is perfect. But sometimes I wonder if our 'knowing' has become true understanding? When we consider all the perfect people in the bible, only 1 person comes to mind – Jesus - which leaves us with hundreds, if not thousands, of stories of imperfect people; with many of these imperfect people being used by God for the sake of his mission to bring hope to the world.

I often wonder why Jesus chose the individuals He did, I wonder sometimes why he chose me. But I have come to realise that His reason for choosing people who, like me, are imperfect, to carry out His mission, is to further prove our need for the perfect Saviour. God didn't call the popular, rich or successful to further his ministry, and he still doesn't today. But rather, he calls the poor, the broken and the faithful. I can only imagine how confused the Pharisees and religious leaders must have been when they saw the people Jesus was calling upon to follow Him. They were a team of misfits with nothing to lose, but who had everything to gain in their decision to follow Jesus.

From an outside perspective, it is easy for us to say that it doesn't matter where people are from, what they had done, or who they use to be. But it is different to truly understand the concept and believe it for ourselves, knowing all that we do about us, our failures and short comings; that Jesus can use us for the good of His will. If it is proof we need, we can look to the bible and read the many stories that tell of imperfect people being used by God for His mission. People like Moses with a speech problem, or Rahab the prostitute, Peter who denied Jesus three times, David the murderer, Gideon who was afraid, Jonah who ran away from God, Noah the drunk or even Paul the Pharisee who spend his days persecuting Christians before becoming one himself. That's just to name a few and I'm almost certain that if you were to ask any Christian leader or mentor for a personal example, they would have their own imperfect story to share too.

We all have our imperfections; we have all made mistakes and will probably continue to make more as time goes on. But it's through our imperfections and mistakes that we learn to be better and grow deeper in our relationship with Jesus as we experience God's grace and realise our need for a Saviour. It's with this knowledge that we have the power to live a life that brings purpose and joy, and that will take us places we never imagined reaching.

I pray that you come to truly believe and understand this for yourself today.

Blessings,
Amy Stobie (Captain)



MELBOURNE STAFF SONGSTER VISIT

Last weekend we were privileged to have the Melbourne Staff Songsters visit Bendigo. It was a jammed packed weekend with a concert at the Mall followed by a family fun afternoon and finally the Melbourne Staff Songsters lead Sunday worship.

Bendigo city council have plans in place to revitalise the Mall to see it become more of a community space. You may remember that towards the start of may we had the launch of the Red Shield Appeal in the Mall and last weekend the Melbourne staff songsters were able to provide a free concert for the community. The Mall was with the voices from the songsters.

Following the concert a family funday was held at gravel hill. There was jumping castles, slot cars, crafts, big games, face painting and much much more. The night concluded with the Songsters putting on another community concert. It was amazing to see so many people from the community running around the site having lots of fun.

If the above wasn't enough the Songsters finished there weekend with leading worship on Sunday morning. Joined by people from across Central Vic Salvos it was an amazing God glorifying time of worship and a wonderful time of fellowship over lunch.





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STAFF PROFILE - Beryl - Doorways Team Member - Castlemaine

Favourite travel destination: Queensland or Paris

Best movie: All Mine To Give

Favourite food: Lasagna

What was your first job: House cleaning

If you have a favourite bible verse what is it: Jesus swept- it showed his humanity

Favourite song: He Lives!

What is a weird fact that you know: You can get mulberry stains out of things by using the green berry.

What's your favorite season, and why: Summer- I love swimming and I love being out.

Do you prefer Coke or Pepsi: Neither!!



A YEAR OF
PRAYER

Matthew 10:19-20

At that time you will be given what to say,
for it will not be you speaking, but the Spirit
of your Father speaking through you.

Praise God for:

- New faces joining our various CVS programs & services
- People making decisions to follow Jesus! (15)
- Answers to prayer
- A fresh start. Every day is a new day
- His love, His Sovereignty and His promise to be near us when we call



Please pray for:

- For people to start following Jesus as their Lord and Saviour
- Those who are unwell - physically, emotionally, spiritually, mentally
- This week we are praying for North West Victoria. This area includes the major population centre of Bendigo (100,000 people) and surrounding towns. It stretches north to Swan Hill and Mildura. The Area Officers responsible for leading mission in this area are Majors Andrew and Kelly Walker.
- For all the Corps, programs & services in Central Vic Salvos - Bendigo, Castlemaine, Eaglehawk, Maryborough, Avoca and St. Arnaud.
- Our leaders - National, State, Local (Government, Community & Salvo)
- CVS programs & services
- for our local communities

"It is written," he said to them "My house will be called a house of prayer" Matt 21:13

"Is anyone among you in trouble? Let them pray. Is anyone happy? Let them sing songs of praise" James 5:13

Bendigo | Castlemaine | Eaglehawk | Maryborough



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CENTRAL VIC SALVOS MONTHLY

Prayer & Worship Night

5-6pm
Sunday 30th June 2024
Maryborough Corps
27 Wills St, Maryborough

Please bring a plate of food to share following the meeting



Save The Date Visiting Australia

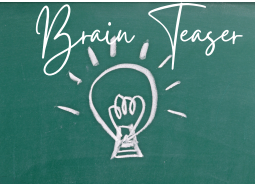
General Lyndon Buckingham and
Commissioner Bronwyn Buckingham

VIC Division Rally
Sunday 1 September | 4.00pm-6.00pm

Goldfields Theatre
Melbourne Convention Centre
1 Convention Centre Place
South Wharf VIC 3006

This visit will present remarkable opportunities for you to hear from them about how God works across the movement globally, and be inspired.

Jesus-centred
Spirit-led
hope revealed



What do an island and the letter "t" have in common?

There are 1 million Camels that roam wild Australia's Deserts - the largest number of purebred camels in the world.



RANDOM FACT



Ringwood Citadel Band presents their annual CONCERT for CANCER

featuring Trombone Soloist
Dr Brett Baker

and
Oxley Christian College Senior Vocal Ensemble
Musical Director Jeffrey Clarke

Saturday July 20 7.30 pm

RINGWOOD SALVATION ARMY 51-53 WANTIRNA ROAD, RINGWOOD
Adults \$20 Concession \$15 Under 16 Free <https://www.trybooking.com/CQVBS>
All funds raised go to the Cancer Council, Victoria

Brett is a Rath Brass Instrument Artist



CVS CLOTHING

- Hoodies: \$40
- T-shirts: \$20
- Polo Shirts: \$35





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Bendigo



Photos from the family fun day and church service with the Melbourne Staff Songsters

Eaglehawk

Greater Bendigo Red Shield



Red Shield Fundraiser

Escape to the Chateau
Wednesday 26th June - 6.30pm
\$20 entry
Venue - 55 Evergreen Blvd, Jackass Flat
All money raised is going to Red Shield



MOVIE: Pilgrims Progress

Sunday 23 June.

Soup and roll for lunch and the movie. A great opportunity for fellowship and to explore our faith / spiritual journey together.



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Castlemaine

CELEBRATION CHURCH

SUNDAY APRIL 30 AT 10:30

JOIN US AS WE CELEBRATE OUR FAITH AND HAVE FUN TOGETHER! BRING THE FAMILY!



I AM AN *imperfect* PERSON
LOVED DEEPLY BY A
perfect
GOD



Castlemaine Red Shield



Maryborough

NEW BIBLE STUDY BEGINNING WEDNESDAY 17th JULY @ 10am

Back To The Gospel

Everyone welcome – Please join us as we take ‘A fresh examination of the wonder of the Gospel, where the heart of God and the believer meet.’

To register your interest or for more information
Please contact Liz Conway – 0487 921 857

KEEP THE FIRE BURNING!

BLAK, LOUD AND PROUD

NAIDOC CELEBRATIONS 2024

DATE: 27th JUNE 2024 TIME: 10:00AM - 2PM

Activities will include:
10am Cleansing, Welcome and Smoking Ceremony

Clinics will be run by:
Netball Victoria, AFL Victoria.

Free activities, crafts, painting, BBQ, stalls, displays and lots of giveaways.

Place: Maryborough Pony Club, 15 Johnson St, Maryborough Vic 3465

BAARLINJAN Dance Group will perform on the day

Maryborough Red Shield



BRAIN TEASER ANSWER
They are both in the middle of water.



We acknowledge the Dja Dja Wurrung people as the traditional custodians of the lands we gather on today. We pay our respects to all elders past, present & future.



Weekly Programs/Thrift Shops

BENDIGO THRIFT SHOP

2B Thistle Street, Golden Square
Ph: 03 5441 7608

Open Hours:

9am-4:30pm Monday to Friday
9am-2pm Saturday

BENDIGO CBD THRIFT SHOP

18 Pall Mall, Bendigo
Ph: 03 5459 0509

Open Hours:

9:30am-4:00pm
Monday to Saturday

EAGLEHAWK THRIFT SHOP

4 Marong Rd, Ironbark
Ph: 03 5446 7928

Open Hours:

9:30am-5pm Monday to Friday
9:30am-4pm Saturday

CASTLEMAINE THRIFT SHOP

46 Forest Street, Castlemaine
Ph: 03 5470 5636

Open Hours:

10am-4pm Monday to Friday
10am-3pm Saturday

ST ARNAUD THRIFT SHOP

70-72 Napier Street, St Arnaud
Ph: 03 5459 0503

Open Hours:

9:30am - 3:30pm Monday to Friday
10am-2pm Saturday

AVOCA THRIFT SHOP

114 High Street, Avoca
Ph: 03 5459 0502

Open Hours:

10:00am - 3:30pm Mon, Wed, Fri

EAGLEHAWK

WEEKLY PROGRAMS & SERVICES

SUNDAY

9:40am - prays
10.00am - Celebration Service

THURSDAY

1.30pm - Crafty Skills Community
4:30 pm - Prayer meeting
Contact Pauline and Eddie Anderson
0427 812 866

FRIDAY

1.30pm - Bible Study (fortnightly)
51 Church St, Eaglehawk

CASTLEMAINE

WEEKLY PROGRAMS & SERVICES

Monday

9.30am - 11.00am Maine Minis*

Wednesday

9.30am - 12.30pm Doorways
3.45pm - 5.00pm Junior Soldiers*

Friday

9.30am - 12.30pm Doorways

Sunday

10.30am - Worship Service
47 Kennedy St, Castlemaine

BENDIGO

WEEKLY PROGRAMS & SERVICES THURSDAY

11.15am - Chapel
12.00pm - Community Meal
1.00pm - Art Space

SUNDAY

10.00am - Celebration Service
4.00pm - Bible Study

65-71 Mundy St, Bendigo

MARYBOROUGH

WEEKLY PROGRAMS & SERVICES

MONDAY

9:30am to 1.30pm - Doorways
10:30am - Women's Bible Study*

WEDNESDAY

9:30am to 1.30pm - Doorways

THURSDAY

10:30am - Mainly Music (0-5years)*
2.00pm - Indoor Bowls
4.00pm - Kids Club (Primary school)*
5:15pm - Junior Soldiers*

FRIDAY

9:30am to 1.30pm - Doorways
5.00pm - Youth Life Group (High school)*
6.00pm - Youth (High school)*

SUNDAY

9:15am - Prayer Meeting
10.00am - Celebration Service
(Pancake church 1st sunday, Bible Discussion
and corps lunch 3rd Sunday)
27 Wills St, Maryborough

*School terms only



Contact Us

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EAGLEHAWK

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MARYBOROUGH

Corps Officers: Capt. Amy & Ronald Stobie
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2 WAYS TO GIVE
Maryborough

IN PERSON
TITHING ENVELOPES
CASH OR CHEQUE

ONLINE
BSB: 033-241
ACCOUNT: 00-0010

Bendigo Banking Details
Account Name: The Salvation Army
BSB: 033-688 Acc No: 811 119

Eaglehawk Banking Details
Account Name: The Salvation Army
BSB: 033-688 Number: 803 234



doorways

Doorways is our Community Support program. It is the entryway through which those experiencing hardship and/or disadvantage can take proactive steps to find the support they need to overcome life's challenges and find long-term solutions. We offer a range of services from emergency relief to case management and more.

If you are experiencing hardship or financial difficulties, please call the Salvos Phone Assistance Line (PAL) on 03 8873 5288.
This service operates Monday to Friday between 9am and 4pm.

Please be aware no assistance interviews will be conducted from our local sites. Community members presenting to any of our Central Vic Salvos sites will be invited to contact Salvos PAL.



The Salvation Army Central Victoria acknowledges the Dja Dja Wurrung and Taungurung Peoples of the Kulin Nation, the Traditional owners of the land on which we meet and work and pay our respect to Elders past, present and future. We value and include people of all cultures, languages, abilities, sexual orientations, gender identities, gender expressions and intersex status. We are committed to providing programs that are fully inclusive. We are committed to the safety and wellbeing of people of all ages, particularly children.