



SOUL FOOD

December 2006

...behold there came wise men from the East to Jerusalem, saying "Where is He that is born King of the Jews?" Matt 2:1,2



The Lord came on earth in a time of spiritual darkness. The heavenly light of truth no longer shone in people's minds, and they were lost. People had turned away from Jehovah and His commandments, and so He sent messages foretelling His birth into the world. These prophecies kept hope alive in the dark times and prepared people to receive the Lord when He came.

The messages of the Lord's coming still speak to us today. For we, too, can be in a state of spiritual darkness. And in this darkness, we need the Lord to be born into our hearts. We need to look for Him in the truths of the Word—in the prophecies, in their fulfillment, in the revelation of their internal sense, and in all of the Word—with the desire to use these truths in our daily life.

Then that heavenly light that is the Lord's Divine Truth can shine in our minds and guide our ways, leading us to His eternal happiness and peace.

We hope that these ideas will give you inspiration for ways to see in the light of the Lord this Christmas season.



CHRISTMAS CAROLS

Let's make a community event of the Carol Singing on 10th Dec in Booragoon or at Araluen on the 17th (see calendar)

Annual Church Meeting after Church on Sunday 10th December.
Please be there! TopicsChurch Growth

NEWS

Congratulations to Tony Phan who has been awarded a National Health Medical Research Council Grant of \$554 300 recently appeared in the West Australian and was interviewed on 7.20 am. Well done Tony!

Holidays The Harts will be going South, the Frosts will be going to Tasmania, and the Smuts to South Africa(to be confirmed)

Have a happy and safe holiday everyone!

Doctrinal Classes

Morning Class at Val's

The study of Heaven and Hell continues at Val's home on every second Friday morning, and online in the homes of those who cannot attend at that time. See the calendar for the dates and check with Val.

Doctrinal Studies by Rev_Mike Gladish for the study of Heaven and Hell which is being run by Mike over the internet .

Evening Class..... To be held at Smuts home on Thursday evenings. A new topic chosen by a rostered lay person will be presented each time followed by discussion and tea/coffee OR.....

Sunday Afternoon class..... we meet at the **Book Café** where we can leave pamphlets and advertise meetings as a bookclub. Still to be discussed

Calendar December 2006 /January2007

<i>Date and time</i>	<i>Event</i>	<i>venue</i>
<i>Fri 1st Dec</i>	<i>Class 10.30am</i>	<i>Val's</i>
<i>Sun 3rd Dec 5pm</i>	<i>Carol Service shared meal to follow</i>	<i>10 Broome St</i>
<i>Thursday 7th</i>	<i>Class 7.30pm</i>	<i>Aubin Grove</i>
<i>Sun 10th Dec 10.30am 4.30pm 7pm</i>	<i>Worship Annual Meeting... then Shared meal Carols By Candlelight activities rides and fun, bring a picnic start at 4.30pm carols start at 7pm</i>	<i>10 Broome St Len Shearer Reserve, Marcus Avenue, Booragoon</i>
<i>Fri 15th</i>	<i>Class 10.30am</i>	<i>Val's</i>
<i>Sun 17th Dec Carols commence at 7.00pm.</i>	<i>5pm Special Christmas Worship shared meal Carols by Torchlight Come and join in the spirit of Christmas in the picturesque setting of Araluen Botanic Park Come early and enjoy a picnic tea beforehand!</i>	<i>10 Broome St Araluen 362 Croyden Road Roleystone WA /</i>
<i>Sun 24th</i>	<i>9.00am Worship shared meal</i>	<i>10 Broome St</i>
<i>Sun 31st Dec</i>	<i>Home worship 5pm</i>	<i>TBA</i>
<i>Sun 7th Jan</i>	<i>Home worship 5pm</i>	<i>TBA</i>
<i>Fri 12th Jan</i>	<i>Class 10.30am</i>	<i>Val's</i>
<i>Sun 14th Jan</i>	<i>Home worship 5pm</i>	<i>TBA</i>
<i>Sun 21st Jan</i>	<i>Home worship 5pm</i>	<i>TBA</i>
<i>Fri 26th Jan</i>	<i>Class 10.30am</i>	<i>Val's</i>
<i>Sun 28th Jan</i>	<i>Home worship 5pm</i>	<i>TBA</i>
<i>Sun 4th Feb</i>	<i>Time TBA Worship shared meal</i>	<i>10 Broome St</i>

Sunday School every Sunday during Worship. It is great if you can let Mary know whether to expect you or not for preparation purposes. 0407 448405

Worship Services are held weekly at 10 Broome Street, South Perth (off Douglas Street) at 10.30am except the first Sunday of the month when it is held at 5pm.

You are invited to join in a shared meal afterwards if you wish.

Classes and systematic study

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