

“HUME'S HAPPENINGS”

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Greetings brethren ,

Thank you for your support , it is very much appreciated . Following is my report for **June 2016** . I realise it is a couple of days early , but tomorrow morning I want to "lock myself" into my office and spend the next two weeks concentrating on researching and compiling new lessons for Eastside's Bible Classes and worship services .

KANE'S BUSINESS SUCCESS .

Kane Keleher , the young Eastside member who we are trying to get to Florida College (see final item of this report) has just participated in our annual High School Business Challenge , and his team won the major award , as well as taking out several other awards along the way .

Teams from High Schools all over Tasmania compete to establish the best new "pop up" business , they spend an entire week at our University , each day compiling and presenting business plans , budgets , financial models , and each day giving lectures re how their business would work .

I have attached the newspaper article and photo re Kane and his winning team . Kane is second from the right , giving the victory "thumbs up" .

He is so proud of his team's achievement, and all the Eastside members are excited for him.

NEW MEMBERS AT EASTSIDE .

This month a wonderful married couple from another Launceston congregation (Steve and Becky Shiller) decided to place membership with us at Eastside. They are completely devoted to "*What saith the scriptures*"?, re everything they believe and practice.

What has especially impressed the Eastside members is this couple's Christ-like attitude toward brethren, even those they may disagree with. They will be an asset to our congregation, and we are excited at the prospect of working with them.

They are both competent teachers, and the lady has let it be known that she is willing to teach an Eastside ladies class, and the man has offered to teach for Eastside if required to do so.

OUR FIRST WEB SITE .

In my April report I mentioned that Steve Shiller, from another Launceston church began creating a Web site for the Eastside church. Well, since then he has handed over the project to Kane Keleher (Eastside member) to complete the site, and it is now operating. The address needed to access our site is www.eastsidechurchofchristas.com, though it is still under construction, with many items and logistics still to be added. Let us know if you like it, or if you have suggestions re additions to the site.

NEW REGULAR VISITOR .

Also this month, a man began attending our Sunday meetings regularly, and last week also attended our midweek Bible Class. He has a Jehovah's Witness background, but through his own study of the Bible, has come to believe the JW's are in error re many doctrines.

He gives all indications that he is a genuine truth - seeker , and has informed us that he intends to also regularly attend our midweek class . He has requested that I study with him privately , separate from Eastside's meetings .

BRETHREN VISIT AND WORSHIP .

This month Barrie and Joanne Morgan from the Lindisfarne church in Hobart stayed two nights in our "brethren's apartment" and attended our midweek Bible Class .

Barrie is one of the leading men in that Hobart church while employed by our electricity company . He had to attend an all day seminar in our city , so they both decided to come and take the opportunity to meet and study with the Eastside church .

ANOTHER BUSY MONTH .

As usual , June was very busy for Jackie and I , with our involvement operating the **Canteen** for the Hillwood Football Club every second Saturday , teaching children to **read** every Tuesday , compiling and sending **Lesson Booklets** all over the world on a monthly basis , **letterboxing** leaflets to hundreds of homes in our city , and researching and compiling **Bible Classes** and **sermons** for Eastside (and other Australian churches) .

I am in my office at **5am** seven days a week , and work around fourteen hours each day , loving every minute of it .

My wife Jackie .

Jackie is the most wonderful wife a Christian husband could have , supporting me 110% , and being totally dedicated to serving the Lord in her own way .

Every Tuesday evening she cooks a hot dinner for brethren who wish to eat with us before our Bible Class , every second month she sets

up trestle tables in our lounge room , and prepares a feast for all who attend Eastside's "friend day" services .

She does a wonderful job of preparing and teaching lessons for Eastside's "Sunday School" , and is always ready to walk for hours distributing leaflets to homes , regardless of the weather . Every Friday afternoon she unpacks our "church trailer" and helps me set up the school room for Eastside's Sunday meetings .

The work she does for the Hillwood Football Club and various organisations around Launceston is amazing . She is loved by all , and I am not exaggerating when I say that if you went to our city Mall and asked passers - by , "*Do you know Jackie Hume*" , at least every sixth person would say , "*We sure do*" . And that is in a city of 130 ,000 people !

Literally every day Jackie and I thank the Lord for blessing us with the opportunity to serve Him as we do .

REPEAT ITEM .

The next item is a repeat from last month's report , but because we are so excited about this matter , I am bringing it to your attention again .

KANE TO FLORIDA COLLEGE ?

(Can you please help ?)

Last month I reported on the initial steps to get our exciting young member , Kane Keleher , to Florida College , with his starting time being August 2017 . I have repeated the initial U . S . contacts below , for you to be able to find out more about how you may be able to assist .

INITIAL CONTACTS .

I contacted **Robert Harkrider** and **Colly Caldwell** in Florida about Kane , Robert connected me to **Colleen Engel** , who is the international

admissions counselor for Florida College , and she has been incredibly helpful with back and forth emails outlining what is required for Kane to attend Florida College .

I also contacted **Kelly Johnson** from Texas , who worked with me here at Eastside for three months , about two years ago , thus Kelly knows Kane personally , and can attest to Kane's academic , spiritual , and intellectual capacity to succeed at Florida College .

The four above mentioned people have agreed to seek U.S. sponsors for Kane , and if you think you can assist in either seeking sponsors or contributing financially , they would appreciate you contacting them .

Their contact details are :

Colleen Engel

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Florida College | 119 North Glen Arven Avenue | Temple Terrace, Florida 33617
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rharkrider@earthlink.net (Robert Harkrider)

kdj2000@att.net (Kelly Johnson)

caldwelc@floridacollege.edu (Colly Caldwell)

LESSONS TAUGHT BY ME AT EASTSIDE IN JUNE .

Most of my Bible class and sermon subjects take several weeks to cover due to the nature of the Eastside members who need constant repetition , detailed explanations , and mutual discussions among brethren re personal applications of Biblical principles in their lives .

Also , I encourage members to ask questions re anything they do not

understand or even something that is a side issue to what we are actually studying at the time. Thus it is very rare for me to ever complete a lesson in one Bible class.

SUNDAY BIBLE CLASS .

- June 5 - *"Period between the Testaments"* .
- 12 - *"Period between the Testaments"*
- 19 - *"Sects and developments among the Jews"* .
- 26 - *"Sects and developments among the Jews"* .

SUNDAY SERMONS .

- June 5 - *"Dealing with second choices"* .
- 12 - *"Secret of the easy yoke"* .
- 19 - Steve Shiller preached on *"Pentecost"* .
- 26 - *"Authority in religion"* .

MIDWEEK BIBLE CLASS .

- June 7 - Viktor taught *"Numbers 13 - 14 - 15"* .
- 14 - Viktor taught *"Numbers 16 - 17 - 18"* .
- 21 - Viktor taught *"Numbers 19 - 20 - 21"* .
- 28 - Viktor taught *"Numbers 22 - 23 - 24"* .

Following is a repeat of the items that form the basis of my activities each month .

REGULAR MONTHLY ACTIVITIES .

Set up school on Friday afternoons at 4pm for Eastside's Sunday meetings .
(it takes Jackie and I about one hour to clear out the classroom and set up our "church auditorium").

"Friend day" lunch at our house for brethren and visitors after Sunday worship on the second or third Sunday in the month .

Midweek Bible Class : Continues to be at my house .

Study periods : Preparing sermons and Bible classes for Eastside's meetings .

Lesson booklets : Ongoing typing , photocopying , stapling , and binding of new and replacement booklets for requests , and for display at our church meetings .

Study packs : Ongoing photocopying , stapling , and packaging of these as time permits .

Letterboxing : Jackie and I make every effort to continue this project on a weekly basis , but often a lack of time does not allow this to happen .

Thank you once again for your wonderful support, please visit us if you ever get the opportunity to do so,

Yours in Christ,

Barry Hume .