

“HUME’S HAPPENINGS”

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Greetings brethren ,

Thank you for your support , it is very much appreciated . Following is my report for **May 2018** .

PREACHED AT ULVERSTONE .

This month (May 27th) Jackie and I drove 125 Klms to Ulverstone in North West Tasmania for me to preach for the church there . This church consists of elderly members , who always give us a warm welcome , and are very attentive to my preaching .

They love my bound Lesson Booklets of the sermon that I preached and they always request multiple copies to give to relatives , friends , and contacts .

MATERIAL FOR NEW GUNEAU

The man who does all the preaching for the above Ulverstone congregation has retired as Principal of a Christian School , and now devotes his time to teaching and preaching .

Last month he phoned me with the news that he was embarking on a two week trip to Papua - New Guinea , during which he would be teaching 21 lessons in 14 days !

He specifically asked that I preach for his home congregation last weekend because that would be the weekend he would be away from home .

The main reason for his phone call was to ask me if I would provide him with lessons and material to aid him in his goal of teaching so many lessons in such a short period of time .

Because my library is comprehensively indexed in five 4 - drawer filing cabinets , as is every one of my 750 sermons and 450 Bible Classes , it is very easy to find lessons and material quickly . He was very appreciative of a burden being lifted from his shoulders .

NEW EASTSIDE SIGN

Some time back the Eastside church ceased meeting in the Kindergarten block of the Ravenswood Primary School , and began conducting our Sunday Bible Class , Worship , and Jackie's "Sunday School" in the school's Gymnasium .

This necessitated that we either (1) Dig our very heavy church sign out of the ground and reset it in concrete outside the Gymnasium (which is away from the main road) , or (2) Replace the sign inside the notice - board with a new one that directs people to where the Gymnasium is .

We chose the second , easier option because its location is clearly visible to passing motorists . We also replaced the Perspex from the cover with thickened glass before inserting the new sign .

I have attached a photograph of the new sign for you to view .

GOSPEL MEETING .

As the time draws near for our upcoming Gospel Meeting (July 1 - 8) this week we received permission from the relevant Government Department to place large billboard signs on the sides of the four major roads into / out of our city . I have attached a photograph of this sign for you .

SINGING NIGHT .

This month Viktor finished teaching the book of Ezra in our Tuesday night Bible Class , so before he began teaching Nehemiah we had a hymn singing night .

I give a typed list of all the hymns in our hymn book , "*Hymns for Worship*" (Shepherd - Stevens 1987) that I can lead , and we go around the room in sequence with brethren choosing their favourites .

The Eastside brethren love our singing nights between studying the Old Testament books .

LESSONS TAUGHT BY ME AT EASTSIDE IN MAY .

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 .

- May 6 - *"The cross is central to Christianity"* .
- 13 - *"Who really killed Jesus" ?*
- 20 - *"He could not save Himself"* .
- 27 - I preached at [Ulverstone](#) .

SUNDAY SERMONS .

- May 6 - *"Do not love the world"* .
- 13 - *"The faith of the doubter"* .
- 20 - *"What impresses God"* .
- 27 - I preached at [Ulverstone](#) .

MIDWEEK BIBLE CLASS .

- May 1 - Viktor taught *"Ezra 3 - 4"* .
- 8 - Viktor taught *"Ezra 5 - 6"* .
- 15 - Viktor taught *"Ezra 7 - 8"* .
- 22 - Viktor taught *"Ezra 9 - 10"* .
- 29 - Hymn singing night .

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 .