

# **“HUME’S HAPPENINGS”**

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Greetings brethren ,

Thank you for your support , it is very much appreciated . Following is my report for **January 2019** .

## **BEACH HOUSE .**

For the first three weeks of January Jackie and I spent living in a house at a beach just one hour from our home ( we drive back and forth to Eastside's meetings ) .

Every year one of Jackie's former hairdressing clients lets us use their beach house for three weeks , and we take the advantage of providing accommodation and a "meeting place" for brethren from all over Australia .

## **BEACH "OFFICE" .**

Please be assured that I do not spend these three weeks "laying on the beach" , but instead I transport and set up my "office" in part of the beach house and every morning at 5am I begin working on researching , typing , and printing Bible classes

and sermons , as well as compiling new lesson booklets ( typing , photocopying , stapling , and binding ) .

My laptop with it's large external monitor , my printer , photocopier , and scanner all come to the beach with me , and I work from **4am** until **12 noon** , then spend the rest of the day with brethren and family . Often I will "sneak" another hour or so on the computer in the evenings .

## **WORK COMPLETED .**

This year at the beach house I researched , typed and printed **four ( 4 ) Bible classes** for my Sunday morning "*Christ Series*" at Eastside :

*"The challenge of Christ" .*

*"What does it take to serve Jesus" ?*

*"Jesus saw their faith .*

*"Soldiers of Christ" .*

I was also able to research , type and compile sermons in response to a request from a friend to preach some lessons about Satan , and he said that he would attend Eastside's worship to hear them .

## **VISITORS THIS YEAR .**

As usual , we had an assortment of brethren and non - Christians stay at the beach house with us .

## **GOSPEL MEETING .**

I am in the process of organising a Gospel Meeting for the first half of the year. I am compiling a short list of preachers who would be able to present the lessons .

## **ULVERSTONE REQUEST .**

I am "rostered" to preach at Ulverstone in North West Tasmania on the 3rd February and the brethren contacted me and requested I preach on "*Lessons from Jesus the carpenter*". I have been working on that lesson over the past two weeks .

## **SHORT REPORT .**

This report is shorter than usual due to our being at the beach for three weeks of January where my time was devoted to preparing new Bible Classes and Sermons .

Hopefully I will have more news to report next month .

## **LESSONS TAUGHT BY ME AT EASTSIDE IN JANUARY .**

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 .

- January 6 - *"Ready or not, here He comes"* .  
13 - *"Ready or not, here He comes"*  
20 - *"Ready or not, here He comes"*  
27 - *"The challenge of Christ"* .

## SUNDAY SERMONS .

- January 6 - *"Our attitude toward the word of God"* .  
13 - *"The five states of man"* .  
20 - *"A tale of two kings"* .  
27 - *"Lessons from small creatures"* .

## MIDWEEK BIBLE CLASS .

- January 1 - Hymn singing night .  
8 - Viktor taught **Isaiah 46 - 47** .  
15 - Viktor taught **Isaiah 48 - 49** .  
22 - Viktor taught **Isaiah 50 - 51** .  
29 - Viktor taught **Isaiah 52 - 53** .

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 ,

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