

# **“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 2021** .

## **LUKE MARSHALL PREACHES .**

This month Luke Marshal , his wife Rosie , and their three children visited and worshipped at Eastside , and Luke preached the sermon .

Luke and Rosie are members of the Lindisfarne congregation ( two hours plus from my home ) where in past years I drove every Tuesday night and home again for eight years to teach their Bible Class .

Jackie and I would leave our home around **4 . 45 pm** and arrive in Hobart around **7 pm** , where we would have a quick snack .

I taught the class from **7 . 30 pm** until **8 . 30 pm** , then we chatted with the brethren for an hour . We would leave Hobart about **9 . 30 pm** and arrive at our home around **midnight** .

After doing this every week for eight years , we can picture every bend in the 200 plus kilometre road in our mind .

Jackie and I also used to conduct an annual Lectureship Camp each year and I can remember Luke attending his first "*Camp Barnabas*", which led to his conversion .

I also performed Luke and Rosie's wedding ceremony .

### **MASS OVERSEAS MAILINGS .**

Every month I post my lessons booklets to Kenya , Sri Lanka , India , New Zealand , and every state in Australia .

I reported to you last month that when the Corona Virus surfaced ( one year ago ) the Post Office informed me that mail services to **Kenya** , **India** , and **Sri Lanka** , were suspended until further notice .

I continued to package and address all of my mailing list each month ready to post but would put into storage the booklets for the three countries above .

Now that Postal Services have resumed , I have twelve bundles of monthly booklets for these countries ready to take to the Post Office . I have decided to send them booklets each fortnight until the backlog has been cleared .

Since I began compiling these bound booklets many years ago , they have been in such demand that "my" Eastside church informed me about five years ago that they wished to

increase the limited support they are able to give me , by paying all postage costs for these booklets .

## **NEW ZEALAND QUESTIONS .**

Several years ago , Jackie and I travelled to Wellington in New Zealand , where I preached for a congregation and did not know even one member .

After I preached , I handed out a number of my Bound Lesson booklets re the sermon . We met a young married lady who asked me if she could obtain more of my booklets , so I placed her on my free mailing list . She has been receiving them every month since that day .

This month she emailed me with two questions , about which I have never compiled a lesson , so my project for the next few weeks ( when I find time amongst my "normal" daily duties at Eastside ) is to create two sermons with a booklet for each and send them to her .

I have booklets compiled for about 300 subjects , but brethren from all over the world continue to ask for booklets on subjects I have not dealt with . I have a list of about forty ( 40 ) "new" subjects that are required , so I need to live to about 115 years of age in order to accommodate these requests ( Ha ) .

## **HIP SURGEON .**

This month I saw a Specialist hip surgeon and after putting me through certain physical tests , he has ordered a CT Scan of my right hip .

Though I am displaying all the symptoms of needing a hip replacement , he is not certain at this stage that an operation would eliminate all my pain . Like several specialists before him , he believes a degenerate hip is just one of several issues that is giving me 24 hour chronic pain .

The problem now is that I cannot get another appointment with him for another six weeks to get his opinion of the CT Scan .

### **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 2 - *"The doctrine of Propitiation"* .

9 - *"The doctrine of Propitiation"* .

16 - *"Resurrection of Christ ( the empty tomb )"* .

23 - *"Resurrection of Christ ( the empty tomb )"* .

30 - *"Resurrection of Christ ( the empty tomb )"* .

## **SUNDAY SERMONS .**

May 2 - *"The source of self - confidence" .*

9 - **Luke Marshall** preached .

16 - *"God's book of life" .*

23 - *"Our individual Christian responsibilities" .*

30 - *"Our individual Christian responsibilities" .*

## **MIDWEEK BIBLE CLASS .**

May 4 - Viktor taught Mark chapter 1 - 2 .

11 - Viktor taught Mark chapter 3 - 4 .

18 - Viktor taught Mark chapter 5 - 6 .

25 - Viktor taught Mark chapter 7 - 8 .

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 .

**P . S .      "WAS THE CROSS AN ACCIDENT" ?**

I have attached another one of my sermons  
for you to see how and what I preach