

“HUME'S HAPPENINGS”

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Greetings brethren ,

Thank you for your support , it is very much appreciated . Following is my report for **October 2016** .

KANE'S "S . A . T ." TEST .

This month Jackie and I drove Kane Keleher the 200 plus kilometres to Hobart for him to sit the S . A . T . test at the University of Tasmania . Kane is the amazing young member at Eastside that we are organising to enrol at Florida College for four years , beginning in August 2017 .

This S . A . T . test was a requirement of Florida College , and Kane feels he has done well . The University of Tasmania will forward his test results directly to Florida College .

PREACHED AT LINDISFARNE .

I originally was rostered to preach for Lindisfarne on the 27th November , but when it became known that Kane was required in Hobart on October 1st for this test , I changed my preaching date to the **2nd October** so that we only needed to make the one trip .

The Lindisfarne brethren greeted us warmly with open arms, and a husband and wife who normally meet on their own 2 hours south of Hobart, heard that I was to be at Lindisfarne on the 2nd and they drove to Hobart that morning to be present at Lindisfarne's worship.

WORSHIPPED AT EASTERN SHORE .

Our normal practice in the past (when preaching at Lindisfarne) has been to drive home on Sunday afternoon, but this time we stayed over Sunday night so that we could attend the evening service of another Hobart church, the **Eastern Shore** church of Christ.

The Eastern Shore brethren also greeted us warmly, and a number of them joined Jackie, Kane, and I for a meal after the service. We returned to Launceston on Monday morning.

PREACHED AT ULVERSTONE .

Because my Lindisfarne "booking" was rescheduled, this month I was away preaching at other churches twice in the same month. The Ulverstone brethren welcomed us warmly as usual, requested extra Lesson Booklets of the sermon, and provided me with a number of subjects they wish me to preach on next time I am there.

HOMOSEXUALITY LESSONS .

On October 4th, in our Tuesday night Bible class, Viktor finished teaching the book of Deuteronomy, and before he began the book of Joshua, the Eastside brethren asked me if I would teach two lessons on "Homosexuality".

I agreed to do so, and on October 18th and 25th I dealt with, "*The Gay Agenda*" and, "*What does the Bible teach ?*".

CAMP BARNABAS INVITES .

This month I began compiling over 100 advertising packages for the 2017 "Camp Barnabas" lectures , to be posted to churches all over Australia . The Lectures will be held over four days from the 14th - 17th April 2017 .

Each package contains a Poster , information booklet , Camp fees explanation , Registration forms , and a map to the Lectures site . They take me many days to print , envelope , and address , but all the long hours is worthwhile when we welcome brethren from all over Australia on day one of the Lectures .

TONY MOVES HOUSES .

Last month I reported that I was having a private weekly study with an ex - Jehovah's Witness whose ex - JW's friends refused to assist him and his wife to move their belongings to a new house .

Because he has studied himself "out" of remaining a JW , everyone in that organisation has refused to even speak to him in public . All the Eastside brethren volunteered to help him move , and on October 8th we all drove our trailers to his "old" house and transported his household goods to his "new" home .

His wife remains a Jehovah's Witness (which is causing many issues re their marriage) but she was "blown away" by the friendliness of the Eastside brethren , and their willingness to assist them move to their new house . Tony gives all the indications of being a "truth seeker" , thus we are praying that we can convert both him and his wife .

GOSPEL MEETING NEARS .

The Eastside brethren are looking forward to welcoming **Roy** and **Nancye Courtney** to Tasmania for our Gospel Meeting . Roy will be the guest speaker , he is the full time preacher for the Hawksbury church of Christ in Sydney , New South Wales .

ROSS PICNIC .

This month I compiled and mailed four - fold invitations to churches and individuals throughout Tasmania to attend our annual picnic in the historic town of Ross . Every year Jackie and I hire the sports complex (clubrooms and sports field) at Ross for a day , and brethren arrive about 10am from all over the state . We sing , pray , eat , and play together , and a great time is had by all .

While the younger ones play football or cricket on the oval (my wife Jackie cannot stop herself from participating) the "oldies" sit around the oval or in the clubhouse chatting .

After lunch , everyone walks through the main street of Ross , visiting the antique shops , garden centres etc , before driving away in all directions to their homes .

LESSONS TAUGHT BY ME AT EASTSIDE IN OCTOBER .

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 .

October 2 - Preached at **Lindisfarne** .
9 - *"False standards of authority"* .
16 - *"False standards of authority"* .
23 - Preached at **Ulverstone** .
30 - "The source of authority in Christianity" .

SUNDAY SERMONS .

- October 2 - Preached at **Lindisfarne** .
- 9 - *"Reading or not, here He comes"* .
- 16 - *"Called to be fishermen"* .
- 23 - Preached at **Ulverstone** .
- 30 - "The prophet and the prostitute" (Hosea) .

MIDWEEK BIBLE CLASS .

- October 4 - Viktor taught Deuteronomy 32 - 33 - 34 .
- 11 - Hymn singing meeting .
- 18 - **I** taught , *"Homosexuality - The Gay Agenda"* .
- 25 - **I** taught , *"Homosexuality - What does Bible teach" ?*

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 . "FAITH OF THE DOUBTER"

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