

"HUME'S HAPPENINGS"

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Greetings brethren ,

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

There is few "new" items to report on this month outside of my usual 4 am - 9 . 30 pm busy daily schedule .

PREACHED AGAIN AT ULVERSTONE .

On the 28th of July Jackie and I drove to Ulverstone (about 115 kilometres) for me to preach for the church there . Normally I only preach there every twelve weeks , my last time being just four weeks ago .

This trip was made because of a special request from the man who does all the preaching there . He asked me to come and preach on , **"Do not love the world" (1 Jn 2 : 15 - 17)** .

The lesson was well received and the members took away my Lesson Booklets for future reference .

TWO GUEST SPEAKERS .

This month we were privileged to have two guest speakers from other Tasmanian congregations worship and preach for us at Eastside .

PHIL DOW .

Phil is a members of the Eastern Shore congregation in Hobart (Tasmania's Capital City). Phil has been a Christian for over 30 years , as was his mother and father (Alf Dow preached in Australia for a number of years).

Phil preached a fine lesson , and plans to worship at Eastside once a month . Jackie and I have known Phil and his wife Lindy ever since they were teenagers .

GREG WELLS .

Greg has been a faithful member of the Lindisfarne congregation in Hobart for over 30 years (I was worshipping with the congregation on the day he came forward to be baptised).

Greg has developed to the extent he is one of the "leading" men in the Lindisfarne church . Lindisfarne and Eastern shore do not have a "full - time" preacher , but several men in each congregation preach on a roster basis .

Greg also preached a fine lesson , and it was great that he was able to meet several Eastside members he has had very little to do with before .

REQUEST FROM KENYA .

I received an Email from a man named **Lennox Barasa** , who said he was a preacher in Kenya . He has seen my bound lesson booklets which I send to four other Kenyan preachers each month .

Lennox requested that I add him to my monthly mailing list which I was happy to do. These lesson booklets now go each month to people in **Kenya**, **Sri Lanka**, **India**, **New Zealand**, and **every** state in Australia.

LESSON BOOKLETS .

Many hours each month I spend researching, typing, photocopying, stapling, binding, enveloping, and addressing these booklets.

Every time I preach or teach a Bible Class at Eastside, around Tasmania, and on the mainland, the people who are present expect to be able to take the sermon / Bible class home in the form of a bound booklet.

This is why sometimes I do not have many items to report to you about, but I assure you I have put in long hours compiling these booklets.

Wherever they go I am regularly told they are used by men all around Australia and the world as sermons and Bible classes by men who have secular employment and find it difficult to prepare lessons.

Others order bulk numbers of particular booklets and hand them out to relatives, friends, and contacts. Others use them as the basis for their own private study of God's word.

REGULAR MONTHLY ACTIVITIES .

July was a month in which I was occupied most of the time with the "Regular Monthly Activities" recorded at the end of this report.

Please visit us if you ever get the opportunity, in order to see "first hand" how we labour each day for Christ.

LESSONS TAUGHT BY ME AT EASTSIDE IN JULY .

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 .

- July 7 - *"Wise men still seek Him"* .
14 - *"Wise men still seek Him"* .
21 - *"Wise men still seek Him"* .
28 - I preached at **Ulverstone** .

SUNDAY SERMONS .

- July 7 - **Phil Dow** preached (he is from Eastern Shore) .
14 - "A bag of old bones" (Joseph) .
21 - **Greg Wells** preached (he is from Lindisfarne) .
28 - I preached at **Ulverstone** .

MIDWEEK BIBLE CLASS .

July 2 - Viktor taught from **Jeremiah 45 - 46 .**
9 - Viktor taught from **Jeremiah 47 - 48.**
16 - Viktor taught from **Jeremiah 49 - 50 .**
23 - Viktor taught from **Jeremiah 51 - 52 .**
30 - **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 .

P . S . "LOVING OUR ENEMIES"

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