



HopeNetConnection 160217

Around our churches

We have been asked to tell you about these two important events: **First** at Pasadena with several national advocates for marriage. Southland Church, Pasadena Green Shopping Centre, on Saturday 18th Feb @4pm. Guest speakers include Hon Robert Brokenshire (Family First), Christopher Brohier(ACL Director SA), Mona Olson (Aboriginal Elder) and Lyle Shelton (ACL National Director).

Second. On the steps of Parliament House in North Terrace Sunday 28th. Organised by [Adelaide Arise](#). Please pray for this events to be effective in publicly honouring our Lord and his gracious ways for our lives.

HopeNet has joined the **National Coalition for Marriage**, at its last Exec meeting. ACC has also joined, along with many other entities. See their research and action protecting Australians from [legalistic enforcements](#) urged by the lgbt political lobby. This means we are identifying with other churches and groups across Australia who are both declaring the beauty and truth of marriage as it can be and resisting the imposition of gender theory, legal discrimination against faith schools and Christian's businesses, robbing children of biological parenting and the social restructuring of marriage and families. The Coalition is currently using the Marriage Alliance website: <http://www.marriagealliance.com.au/> The Coalition for Marriage is a group of over 50 organisations such as yours that have a common belief in the value of protecting marriage as between one man and one woman, a lifetime commitment entered into voluntarily. The Core group of 4 coalition members is Marriage Alliance, Australian Christian Lobby, the Catholic Archdiocese of Sydney and the Anglican Diocese of Sydney.

Others joined their Ministry Team at Bute for an afternoon discussion on going ahead with **releasing the power of God's word** amongst the congregation particularly in the Sunday meetings. Prophesying, seeking, submitting to and receiving the truths the Lord of the church has for His people Sunday by Sunday as the church meets truly raises expectation. Not only is this Christ's way of encouraging, informing and strengthening his kingdom people it is also the way for his Gospel and law to impact with all its reality into the community. 'God is really amongst you', as the Apostle describes it.

The number of **our churches connecting with mission fields overseas** winning souls and enhancing everyday life for believers is amazing and gratifying; here are just a few; Bute, Branches, Stokes Bay, Crystal Brook, Macclesfield, Glenunga (visiting and ministering in places like Uganda, Cambodia, Thailand, Tanzania) . Send in your stories.



And more; Scroll [here](#) to find Judy Bailey's inspirational song "The Spirit of the Lord". Presented for G.O.D. Global Outreach Day on May 27. For a fresh devotional read this one. [The Wonderful Someone](#). The problem of [bigotry](#) in the big debate on refugees.

We are thankful for our HopeNet congregations Sunday by Sunday hearing receiving believing and doing The Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ as it is expounded and practised Monday to Sunday. Young marrieds are having babies and on the other end from time to time others are released (as Paul put it) to enter heaven and await the great Day of the Lord. Though and with it all our lives are wrapped up with Christ, we have received the Kingdom, we will thus fear nothing, we shall speak confidently of the goodness of the living God to us. The Lord bless you in His grace, mercy and peace. We would like in future Connections to gather insights and experiences of God's healing amongst us and we invite comment.

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