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DIRTY DISHES

Little things can sometimes make me mad. Like dirty dishes. A bowl, a mug and four spoons to be exact. Each dripping wet, covered in last week's unrecognisable lunch debris — and now congealing further in the pool of goo on my desk where a colleague had unceremoniously dumped them in my absence.

"Way to make a point!" I muttered in disgust, as with outstretched arms I carried the dripping dishes back to the office kitchen. "These are NOT my dirty dishes and how dare someone presume they are!" My frustration rose as I continued my internal dialogue with the unknown 'dish dumper'.

"If you're upset about people leaving dirty dishes in the sink, there's a better and more professional way to go about it," I continued, but only the dishcloth heard my grumbling.

Leaving the dirty dishes on the equally dirty sink, I returned to my desk and attempted to concentrate on my most pressing task. The minutes ticked by and the dishes remained unwashed on the sink. I tried to work but the dirty dishes haunted me. Should I write an email to all the office staff, expressing my disgust at such childish behaviour? Should I seek

out the 'dish dumper' and let them know just how petty I think their behaviour is? What would be the best and most appropriate way to respond?

A nagging thought entered the background of my thinking. The best way to respond would be the way Jesus would respond. So, what would Jesus do? WWJD?

"But I bet Jesus never had to wash dirty dishes," I muttered to myself again, "especially dishes that He didn't even use!"

My petty internal dialogue suddenly came to

a screeching halt as I heard my own reply: "No, but He certainly washed dirty feet."

I returned to the kitchen, where the dirty dishes still sat congealing in their own leftovers. As I filled the sink with hot, soapy water and began scrubbing, I imagined the looks on the faces of the shocked and embarrassed disciples as Jesus got down on His hands and

knees in that upstairs room and immersed His hands in the dirty, stinky, footfungus-infested water and washed away the congealed mess of their sinful lives.

With this image vivid in my mind, I began to wash the other dirty dishes scattered around the neglected kitchen, cleaning the sink to a sparkling shine and sweeping away the crumbs on the floor

Jesus answered the WWJD question in Luke 6:35 saying: "I tell you, love your enemies. Help and give without expecting a return... Live out this God-created identity the way our Father lives towards us — generously and graciously, even when we're at our worst" (The Message).

And then Jesus demonstrated the answer with outstretched arms as He carried our dirty

dishes, our dirty feet, our dirty lives to the cross, and through His own death made us sparkling clean.

And He got a whole lot more than dishpan hands in the process.

Sharlene Guest, Director of Communications, Marketing & Public Relations

Upcoming Events...



All Power Seminars 25 Feb – 13 March 2010 Newcastle Panthers



Grey Nomads Camp 30 April – 8 May 2010 Stuarts Point Campground

OUR TESTIMONIES

Veronica Chandler lives in Coonamble, a town in the north west of our Conference. She first visited the Coonabarabran Seventh-day Adventist Church on a Sabbath morning in May 2009 and she was so impressed with the welcome and fellowship she received that day, that she has hardly missed attending Sabbath services since. She shared with Pastor Eddie Mackie what God has been doing in her life since that moment and the freedom she has found through her new faith in Christ.

Pr Eddie: Veronica, you've lived in Coonamble for much of your life. Can you share with us a bit about your life up until July of last year when you had a major life crisis?

Veronica: In six months I will turn 50. I've lived in Coonamble almost all of my married life since 1985. It was the last place on earth that I wanted to come. Just before we moved, I had a child who was 11 weeks premature and when we came to Coonamble he was three weeks old. In that time I reached out to God and from that time on I searched for God. I have now found a Saviour that has given me peace and helped stop the anxiety that used to run in my heart every single day, 24 hours a day.

Pr Eddie: What happened then in July of 2008 that brought you to a defining moment when you had to decide what you were going to do with the rest of your life?

Veronica: On 1 July 2008 I had a major operation and had my gall bladder removed. A few months before that, tests revealed polyps and there was some uncertainty as to whether they were cancerous or not. If they had been cancerous I wouldn't be here talking today; I would have had only six months to live!

I remember looking out my kitchen window and I could see the end of my life was coming very, very quickly. Six months seemed such a short space of time. I was very lucky that it wasn't cancerous and gave me the opportunity to reach out to God and as a result brought a big change in my life.

Pr Eddie: So what was your life like before that happened, before

this major operation when you were faced with the prospect of only a few months to live and what were your goals and dreams like up to that point?

Veronica: My life was getting up in the morning, going to work, knocking off at 3:30pm, parking the car in the garage, opening the refrigerator and getting a stubbie of 4X out of the fridge. I would drink right through the night, even while preparing and serving dinner. I also used to smoke anywhere between 40 and 50 cigarettes a day. My husband was a drinker and a smoker also and that caused conflict in our marriage. Even though the majority of times we felt

hunger inside me for things, which caused us to go into extreme debt. That's where I was at; an alcoholic, a 'nicoholic', a person that didn't seem to have enough even though to the outside world she had everything that anybody ever wanted — and I knew inside I had nothing!

Pr Eddie: So realising your dreams were empty and didn't satisfy the longings of your heart, especially with the prospect of losing your life in the near future, what were the things that motivated you to change from the person you were to the person you are today?

Veronica: I had a desire to catch up with six people from my past that I went to school with when I was a very small child and the majority of these I met when I was about seven or eight. But we all went our different ways, so I put some feelers out on the internet and one out of the six responded. He was a Seventh-day Adventist Christian and his Facebook site just screamed at me, "Veronica, get your act together". Yes, I was going to church, I was a Catholic. I thought I believed in God. I found that I didn't. One of the beautiful

that I would have been still over the limit for blood alcohol while sitting in the pews, because we'd had a party the night before; and that's how my life was. And from that first day in church, I've not been over the limit since.

Just one day, the day I walked into that church, God touched my life and He changed my life. He's prompted me through His Word; He's convicted me of things just by simply reading the Bible and I'm sitting here now as a non-drinker and a non-smoker!

My dreams and my visions have changed: the four bedroom house now is a thing of the past. We still own it but not for long. The banks are going to foreclose in the next three to four months, but I can see better and bigger things and a different vision to my life now and that's looking eternally that God will provide me a home. I see myself as a pilgrim in this world and as a servant for God. I feel that call greatly on my heart to share the Word of God so that people can see this beautiful Saviour that I have discovered over the last six months.

Pr Eddie: You mentioned that you have quite a few contacts through Facebook and that it is one of the avenues God is using you to reach out. Are you finding any success there and are there other areas where God is impressing you to reach out to share your faith?

Veronica: We're having a little bit of success; people are starting to respond. I've been putting out Bible verses each day and people are slowly starting to respond to that and I find that very positive. I also produce small movies anywhere from 6-10 minutes in length. They're about things I've learnt; for example I've put one on YouTube called "Steps to Christ" and I've got a couple of others "Signs of the Times" Part A and Part B. As I learn things the Lord is teaching me, I'll make more videos so that I can spread the Gospel message and hopefully God will use me as a vessel to bring people to Him.

Pr Eddie: Now I know it hasn't been a smooth change and that there have been issues along the way, particularly in your home. Could you share how



partially happy, there was always that big gap that alcohol drives between a married couple.

My dreams were to own my own little private palace: a four bedroom home — you know, the Australian dream. I was just totally, totally focussed on the world. So my husband tried to pacify me and buy me things to satisfy that

things this Christian friend of mine got me to do was to open up the Word and I found a completely different Jesus to whom I thought He was!

So my life started to change and I got so curious that I had to check out a Seventh-day Adventist Church and the closest was at Coonabarabran. The first day that I walked in there I believe

OUR HEALTH

you've been able to make the change and cope with these issues?

Veronica: When alcohol is in the home, even though you've stopped doing it, it gets in the road quite frequently. It allows Satan a lever, but you just have to remember your Saviour is stronger and He has more legions of angels than Satan does. I often find that when the struggle is really tough that you just have to start praising the Lord. And you just praise the Lord even if you don't feel like praising Him and your Spirit becomes lifted up because you're praising the Lord

I spend a lot of time in prayer. At one time, for three weeks in a row as I got in the car to go to Coonabarabran my husband told me, "I will not be home when you get back." After praying for an hour and twenty minutes about it on the way over, usually starting off crying and then praising the Lord, by the time I got to Coonabarabran my mobile would be ringing and it would be my hubbie saying to me, "I am sorry." So I can tell you after going to church for six months with a husband that is very anti-religion and been told time and time again, "I'm leaving you," it is only through surrender to God that he is still there! That's a real answer

I praise the Lord now and I can see that one day my husband will be able to praise the Lord and see the Lord's hand in his own life because of how the Lord has touched me.

Pr Eddie: You had a lengthy battle before you finally gained the victory over the smoking habit recently and stated that you found alcohol much easier to give up than smoking. Could you share how you managed to do that?

Veronica: Yes, nicotine was a real demon for me! As my father would say I had more starts than Phar Lap. I kept saying, "I can't do it," which I couldn't. It was something I was struggling with and I was trying

to do it in my own will and with my own efforts. I was thinking, "Won't the Lord be proud when I do this." I was looking at self and I was looking at the sin, and then I realised one day that this was impossible. But then the Lord showed me while I was praying about it one day that, "I want to do this for you". I can remember thinking, "It's the Lord that forgives me of my sins; it's the Lord that takes the sins away from me by His grace; it's not by works that we are saved." And I thought, "Oh! I am actually looking at the sin in this and that I'm the one who's going to solve this thing and it wasn't Christ."

So I started praying to the Lord and asked Him to help me with this and in three days I stopped smoking. I usually had a really bad time at 3:30pm because it was from then onwards that I used to smoke like a chimney! The first day, after I turned it over to the Lord, I got home at 3:30pm and had a short sleep instead of a smoke. After that I spent some time reading the Bible.

Each time I thought or had a craving for a cigarette I would say out loud, "Praise the Lord I don't do that any more"! And it was like the thought and the craving would just vanish. Satan cannot stay around when you're praising the Lord! And now when people ask me about it I say, "It's gone," and I know friends of mine that do not know the Lord as vet (and I pray that they will one day) now say "I'm glad I will not have to visit you in hospital one day while you are on oxygen from emphysema". So I can truly praise the Lord for the amazing things He has done and continues to do in my life.

Thank you Veronica for sharing your testimony and inspiring us with what God's doing in your life.

Try these five strategies to help you stress less!



- 2. Look for the fun stuff. Work can sometimes be boring or life can be stressful but that doesn't mean things can't be fun as well. Don't forget how wonderful it feels to laugh. Have fun with whatever you're doing. And if you know that something specific makes you happier, pencil it in to your diary or make it a regular habit.
- **3. Community.** Let others join you in what you're doing. Problems shared really are problems reduced and having a network of people around you can help you to consider other perspectives.
- **4. Forgive.** Sometimes our greatest stress comes from the anxiety and anger we hold against circumstances or people in our lives. In reality, we are the only ones that suffer when we hold a grudge. Choosing to let go can provide enormous relief.
- **5. Eat well.** Stress tends to see us eat sporadically and poorly But unfortunately, a poor diet leads to energy peaks and troughs in our daily routine, encouraging mood swings and poor concentration. A balanced diet with lots of fruit and vegetables will make a very surprising positive impact on your stress levels.



For more great health tips and information, look out for your copy of BLEND in churches during March.

BLEND is published by the Health Department of the NNSW Conference and highlights the latest information about many health and lifestyle issues challenging Australians, including exercise, nutrition, substance use, life balance and relationships.

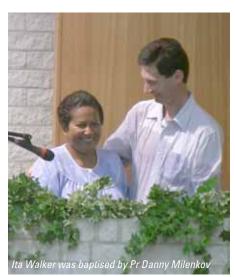
CHURCH SPOTLIGHT

Wauchope Celebrates!

Wauchope Seventh-day Adventist Church is bursting at the seams and the need for a bigger worship facility has never been more evident than in recent months, as six new members joined the congregation in as many weeks.

Ita Walker was first to be baptised, and she was quickly followed by Kylie Cummins and then Helen and Troy Eggleton, then Cathy Anders and Nathan Lancaster. It has been a joy to witness each of the journeys that has led to these decisions to follow Jesus, and we wish them God's blessings on their path to heaven.

First to be baptised was Ita Walker on 3 October 2009 and here is her story:



I was bought up in the Seventh-day Adventist Church, attended Adventist schools in Fiji and was originally baptised when I was 15 years of age.

I had drifted away from the Lord and the Church for so long, and to be married to a non-Adventist man made it very hard to be committed too. But I never forgot what my parents taught me. Every time I went back home to Fiji, even though I am an Aussie now, my parents always told me, "Ita, don't give me any

presents, we just want all our children to come back to God. That's the best gift you can give us".

When my husband passed away last year, I realised that the only people

who cared about me was my church family — their unconditional love, prayers, visits, phone calls, cards, even a couple delivered firewood and left it in front of my door, because it was winter time. I can remember Pastor Danny Milenkov, whom I'd only met the

once, visited with encouragement and prayed with me.

> During my husbands' funeral service, when I came outside, I realised that half the people in attendance were from the church.

I went through some hard times, but Pastor Danny always came and prayed with me every Tuesday afternoon. And my heavy burdens always lifted away. I attended Pastor Danny's recent seminar and then told him that I wanted to be baptised again. It was the most glorious day of my life as my sister, Kasa, came all the way from Fiji to witness my re-baptism.

My Christmas gift to my parents was a copy of the baptism DVD at Camden Haven Adventist Church.

Next to be baptised was Kylie Cummins on 24 October 2009 in a beautiful beach setting at Pilot Beach, Dunbogan:

Kylie Cummins grew up with a knowledge of God and His Word. She went in search of truth, meaning and relevance in her life. God was leading her step by step as she was seeking

to know His will for her life. Kylie is very passionate and committed to Christ. Christ is everything to her and she is a person who is always smiling and happy in spite of the challenges that life throws her way.



During 2009, Kylie was introduced to the Wauchope Adventist Church through her naturopath, Troy Eggleton, who was baptised a week later along with his wife. Troy invited Kylie to come along to a set of health lectures before continuing on to attend the 'Search for Certainty' evangelistic series that Pastor Danny conducted. A short time after the series came to an end, Kylie was impressed to join the church through re-baptism. Kylie is a happy Christian that draws other to herself and her best friend Jesus.

Helen and Troy Eggleton were baptised on 31 October 2009 at the same place that Kylie was baptised





A simple prayer more than 16 years ago "If there really is a God, please help us to have a baby", commenced a long journey back to God for an infertile couple, Helen and Troy.

Eight children later and a string of remarkable events have led this couple to baptism.

Troy had a non-Adventist protestant background, and Helen a Catholic background, and together over a 20 year period have shared a long journey in the wilderness with several significant events drawing them closer to God. Following a three year period of studying the Bible alone, the final scene was set with a business failure and serious personal injury, bringing Troy to crisis point and subsequent evangelistic program attendance at Wauchope Seventh-day Adventist Church. This coincided with the 'providential' finding of a Great Controversy book on a roadside picnic table, and suddenly allowed all the pieces of the puzzle to fall into place for Troy. Upon sharing with Helen, the couple and their eight children began attending Wauchope Adventist Church, culminating in their baptism. Peace and security with God at last!

On 12 December 2009, Cathy Anders and Nathan Lancaster also took the plunge for the Lord. Here is Cathy's

My parents are Catholic but we didn't go to church, although my parents sent me to a Catholic school from Kindergarten to Year 2. Then I went to public schools. During my public school years, I attended Catholic scripture classes and did

the Catechism rituals but I still didn't attend church regularly.

In 1989, I was acquainted with a Baptist and he revealed a few truths, essentially about being baptised by faith (not as a baby and being sprinkled on) and about praying

to Mary. I started to attend church regularly and was baptised. Shortly after though, I stopped going to church. In 2005, I came to a crossroads, which represented a choice

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Dora Creek's Christmas



Cathy Anders was baptised by Pr Danny Milenkov

of my way or God's way. I never

stopped believing in God, just stopped

obeying some of His commandments.

reading the Bible, I could see that not

after another. I cried out and gave God

control of my life and He took me on a

He brought me to Port Macquarie (by

churches. I also made a commitment

to read the Bible from front to back. I

tried many times previously. I started

but never got to the end. When I read

know more about these end times. At

the same time, I also read about the

Revelation, I thought, I wanted to

road I would never have travelled!

myself) through a transfer through

work. I started attending other

obeying was leading to one disaster

I realised my way was not working

so I opted to take God's way. From

for the truth and God helped me to find it.

I'd like to thank God for answered prayer and for reminding Kathleen to remind Danny to put the advertisement on the radio. I believe I'm the only one that responded to it and I KNOW that it was especially for me!

an Adventist so

my Christian experience has been a gradual one. But when I was 15, I noticed that Satan was fighting for my soul more than ever and that he was making the world a lot more enticing so there were a lot of ups and downs in my Christian experience. And when we came back to Australia I was hit with all the bad influences of school and had a real down in my experience with God.

But God through His mercy and grace has used all these trials to teach me and help me to grow, and help me understand that I am weak and that I can only depend on God's strength to the reason I made the decision to be baptised.

And here is Nathan's testimony: I was raised as

overcome. So I decided to allow Christ to take full control of my life and that's of a digression from the traditional. Its title was "Born Crucified" and outlined the birth of Jesus and His earthly life, culminating in Calvary and pointing to the Second Coming. The decor was a tastefully simple

Dora Creek Adventist Church's

Christmas program was somewhat

manger scene, the on-screen graphics were a cross and the angelic host displayed at the appropriate times.

The actual program comprised a narration interspersed with Scripture readings and selected carols and hymns. The feedback from members and visitors was extremely positive.



Jumping for Joy

Noah's Ark was the inspiration for the attendee's of the Beginner's Tent at NNSW Conference Big Camp 2009 to fundraise for a small project. Just like the animals and Noah's family found refuge in the walls of Noah's Ark, the families that use the Woman's Refuge in Lake Macquarie are kept afloat by the security and support they encounter in their time of need within its walls.

Acts of Random Kindness (ARK) was a wonderful theme that worked in well with the living story of Noah and his experience building a big boat. The children helped 'build' the Ark, climbed up the ramp and put the animals onto the Ark and then huddled together under umbrellas as the rain came down. The children relished putting their money into the mouths of different animals. This ARK offering was collected and put towards a trampoline for the Women's Refuge.

In early January, a trampoline with a protective netting was purchased with the money raised and delivered to the Women's Refuge.

"This will be a real blessing for the children that pass through the centre," said Heidi Tually, coordinator of the fundraiser.

"The trampoline is now set-up and squeals of joy can be heard everyday — the children are loving it," said Vivian, one of the staff at the Refuge. "Thanks for the wonderful gift, it's great to see the children literally 'jump' for joy."

The Beginner's program at Big Camp acted as a timely reminder that providing 'a refuge' for those less fortunate is a Christian privilege that we have the opportunity to engage in. Serving and thinking of others really does prove to be the gift that keeps on giving.

The Woman's Refuge in the Lake Macquarie area is a project supported by Life Boat and ADRA. The main support comes from volunteer staff and a visionary team of mangers and depends heavily on fundraising. Contact Vivian or Adele if you would like to assist in this program. Call 0414 290 521, email: lakesref@bigpond.net.au





Baptisms at Murrays Beach

Saturday, 14 November 2009 was a very special day for Swansea Adventist Church, Pastor Jan Jankiewicz and the Cook family of Valentine in Lake Macquarie.

During the Sabbath service, Peter and Elizabeth Cook brought their little 18 month old daughter, Lila, to the Lord in a dedication service. Pastor Jan Jankiewicz was a special choice to conduct the dedication as he had also previously dedicated their son, Taj (now 5 ½ years old) some years earlier at Boolaroo Church.

The church family later assembled at Murrays Beach for a fellowship picnic lunch followed by the baptism of Peter and Elizabeth in the waters of beautiful Lake Macquarie.

The weather was perfect for the occasion. The warm sparkling waters of the lake, clear blue sky and the

music presented by George Kei, his wife Ou and their family of five children combined to make the day a truly memorable occasion.

It was a special time for all present to witness Peter and Elizabeth's public commitment to their Lord and Saviour, Jesus Christ. Parents and grandparents were present along with friends from the Swansea, Boolaroo and Polish churches. Pastor Jankiewicz conducted the baptism service, assisted by Allen Robson (Head Elder) and Don Sforcina (student minister).

Peter's grandfather was an Adventist pastor and Elizabeth has uncles who are Bishops in the Anglican Church.

Peter and Elizabeth were gladly received into fellowship by the members of the Swansea Adventist Church.

A Profession of Faith

On 19 December 2009, Lakeside Adventist Church added a new member to the congregation. Joan Lane was accepted into fellowship by profession of faith.

Several years ago Robyn and Colin Colquhoun began giving Joan and her late husband the 'Search' videos, which were eagerly watched.

Unfortunately, Joan's husband passed away about four years ago but Joan continued watching the

videos the Colquhouns gave her. At that time she began attending church regularly. The Colquhouns organised for a satellite dish to be installed at her home. This has also been a great blessing to Joan.

Pastor Clive Nash asked Robyn and Colin to join him at the front of the church because of their pivotal role in Joan's acceptance into the Lakeside Church family.



Baptisms at Dora Creek



Dora Creek Adventist Church held its second baptism in five weeks on the afternoon of 30 January 2010.

Five candidates, who had completed the Footprints Program and had Bible studies with Christine Geelan, Robyne Butler and Pastor Wilf Pascoe, gave their testimonies and were baptised.

Three ministers were involved in the service; Pastor Wilf Pascoe baptised Elyse Aitken, Pastor Len Barnard baptised cousins Kaysie Butler, Damian and Kristan Wigglesworth and Pastor Gordon Lee baptised Kaye Fisher.

Prior to the baptisms, a Commitment Ceremony, conducted by Pastor Daron Pratt, Children's Ministries Director for the NNSW Conference, was held for 8 year old Ryan Wigglesworth. He has expressed his desire to be baptised in the future.

At the close of the baptismal service, when a call was made for those desiring to be baptised at a later date, an encouraging number of hands were raised.

THE SOAPBOX

Promoting Prayer

Having experienced the transforming power of prayer in her own life, Alexis Deves is now a personal advertisement for a book which she says changed the way she prays and changed the way she lives.

I had started to feel that my ordinary run-of-the-mill prayers were insignificant and that there must be more to prayer. I was especially interested in intercessory prayer. Can it really make a difference when you petition God on behalf of someone else?

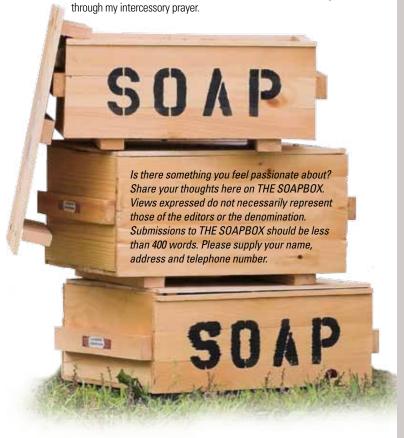
While discussing this concept with a friend one day, they suggested I buy the book "Incredible Answers to Prayer" by Roger J Morneau. It had an impact on me from the very first page. The author used the power of prayer to transform peoples lives — and it really made a tangible and powerful difference!

I started to try it out on my family and friends and was amazed at the work the Holy Spirit was doing in their lives

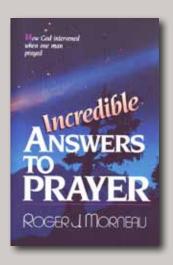
I couldn't stop talking about the amazing prayer ministry I was involved in and would pass "Incredible Answers to Prayer" on to anyone who showed interest, especially those whose lives I had been praying for.

Each time I give a book away I buy another ready for the next time I can pass on this wonderful prayer testimony. I recommend picking up this book and taking on the challenge to let the Holy Spirit do amazing work through your intercessory prayer.

Alexis Deves works as Assistant in the Communications & Marketing Department of the NNSW Conference and believes the most powerful way of promoting the love of Jesus is to live a life connected to God in prayer.



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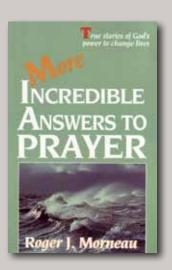


Incredible Answers to Prayer by Roger J. Morneau RRP \$21.95

This book is an exhilarating spiritual experience. It will send chills down your spine and make you rejoice that you serve the "God of the Impossible". Roger Morneau is a man of incredible faith — when he prayed, things happened and it was exciting. You too can share in this excitement.

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As a result of the success of "Incredible Answers to Prayer" Roger Morneau's readers contacted him with stories of their own. He could not resist writing another book incorporating these stories of inspiration and hope. In this book he addresses questions that people frequently ask about intercessory prayer and discusses preventative prayer. He outlines steps we can take to bring the power of God into the lives of those we pray for and tells how we can preserve our vital relationship with God.



The Radical Prayer Durck J. Morris

The Radical Prayer by Derek J. Morris RRP \$21.95

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For further information, please contact Ralph Luchow on (02) 4951 8088 or at ralphluchow@adventist.org.au Applications close 26 March 2010.



POSITIONS VACANT

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Assistant in Nursing (AIN) and Care Service Employee (CSE) High and Low care.

Essential: Certificate III in Aged Care Work. Medication competency an advantage. Care Service Employee (CSE) Cleaning/Laundry Prior experience in cleaning / laundry an advantage.

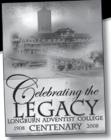
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