



The Revival Fellowship Council Newsletter

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introduction

Welcome to the second edition of the Council Newsletter.

One of the difficult tasks for any large organization is to stay in touch with all its spread-out centres to share and maximise the blessings we enjoy in the Lord. Good communication and a good understanding of each other are very important - whether it's on the local scene, or internationally.

As such, one of the functions of this Newsletter is to try and introduce to you different areas of our global Fellowship.

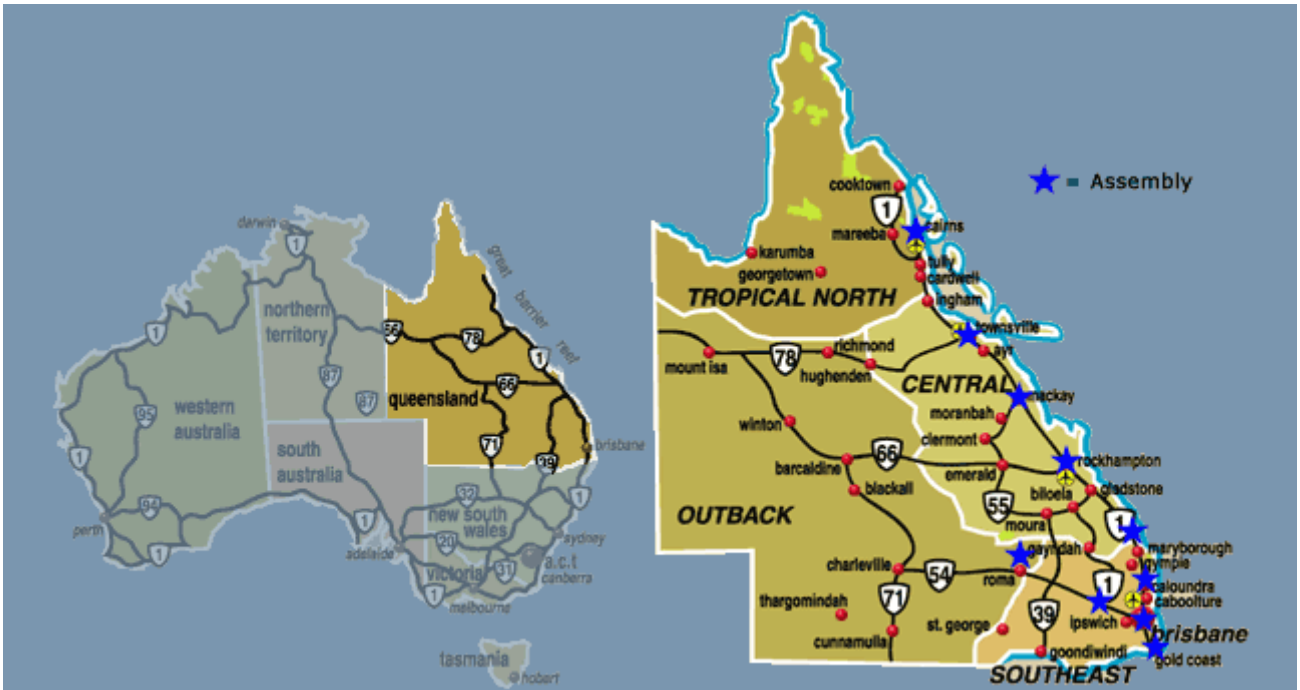
This quarter we introduce the state of Queensland, Australia and North America.

so, you've never been to queensland ...

To most Australians Queensland is famous for its surf beaches and tropical weather, the Gold Coast, Cairns and Noosa Heads. But the best part of Queensland is the Fellowship.

The Revival Fellowship is well represented with 10 assemblies scattered mainly along the coastal cities and towns of Australia's Sunshine State, as well as in small outposts in between.

Not everyone knows where all the Queensland saints are so we introduce them for you as follows:



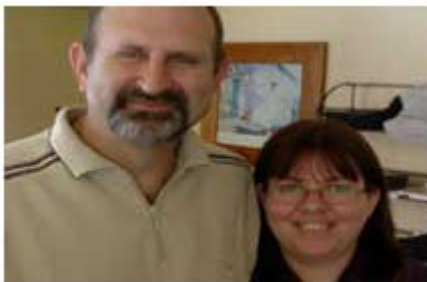
BRISBANE - the capital of the State of Queensland



Brisbane Communion Meeting Feb, 2004



Pastor Brad Smith



Pastor Steve Stephen Horne and his wife Mandy



Pastor Larry Weeks

TOOWOOMBA - located about an hour and a half inland from Brisbane and the home assembly of the Queensland Council Representative ~ Pastor Russell Gay



Pastor Russell Gay



Pastor Jim Hitchener

MARANOA - located a further four hours out into regional central Queensland ~ originally an offshoot of Toowoomba assembly.



Sunday Meeting Feb, 2004

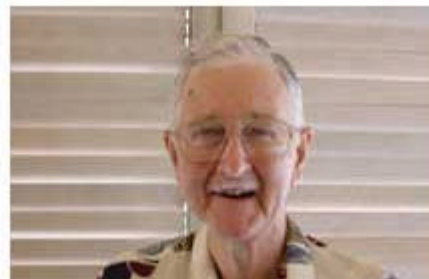


Pastor Tom Krahenbring

GOLD COAST - located an hour south of the capital Brisbane



Sunday Communion Meeting Feb, 2004



Founding Pastor Hedley Joske



Pastor Terry Coles and his wife Sandy



Pastor Nick Rogers

SUNSHINE COAST - located about an hour north of Brisbane



Sunday Communion Meeting Feb, 2004



Pastor Brian Smith

BUNDABERG - located approximately 4 hours driving north of the capital Brisbane



Sunday Meeting Feb, 2004



Pastor Bill Walsh and wife Agnes



Pastor Ian Jarvis

ROCKHAMPTON - at about this point you would probably be in another country if you lived in Europe, as you are now 600km north of the state capital. "We love visitors - come on up for the Rocky Roundup outreach in October!" says Pastor Bill Allen.



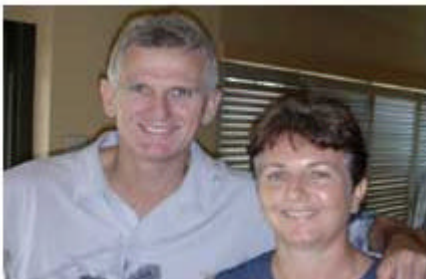
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Pastor Bill Allen and his wife Anne

MACKAY

continuing on up North we reach Mackay; described by Pastor Arthur Marshman as "Revival in Tropical Paradise".



Pastor Arthur Marshman and his wife Sheryl

TOWNSVILLE

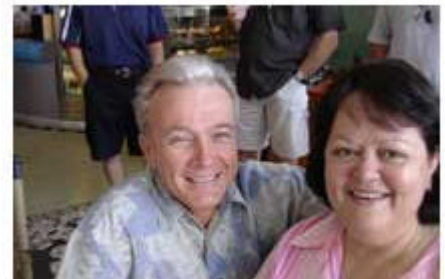
"Revival in the middle of the Great Barrier Reef", declares Pastor Chris Thomassen.



Pastor Chris Thomassen

CAIRNS

famous holiday destination and the tropical heart of Far North Queensland



Pastor Neil Jenner and his wife Rose

queensland pastors' conference 24~26th january

For probably the first time ever all the Queensland pastors managed to get time off and make it to Brisbane for their Pastors' Conference in January. It was a fruitful weekend with the emphasis on good communication and mutual support. There's plenty of work to do for the Lord there in this growing state. Also present were a couple of "honorary" Queenslanders for the weekend:

LISMORE - technically located just south of the border in New South Wales but often included in the planning for Queensland due to its proximity



Pastor Peter Miller and his wife Ann came up for the weekend



Lismore - collage of shots around the assembly



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COUNCIL VISITORS - also joined in the Queensland Conference



Pastor John Kuhlmann - Council Chairman



Pastor Kevin Quirk

north america

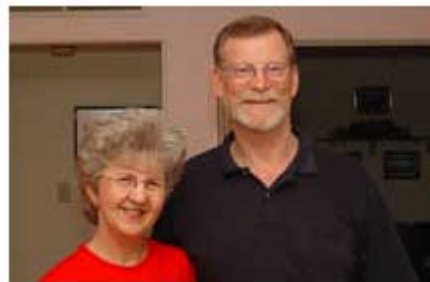
The Australian liaison pastor for North America is Pastor Darryl Williams from Melbourne assembly. The three main assemblies are described below with other locations on the map showing where we have folk.



FRESNO, CALIFORNIA - this work started around 1986 as a result of the conversion of a young lady from Fresno playing in a women's basketball team in Hobart, Australia. Pastor David Elliott and his wife moved over in 1987 to get things going and he now coordinates our activities around North America.



Fresno Assembly



Pastor David Elliot and his wife Alice

PENNSYLVANIA

This assembly on the opposite side of the USA began in early 2002 as a result of a witness over the internet from Adelaide. *"With God all things are possible."* !

VICTORIA, CANADA

Pastor Mark Lindal was saved in 1993 and cares for the fellowship there. Two people were healed of HIV with documented medical certification.



Pennsylvania Fellowship Members



Members of the Victoria assembly

NEWS FROM AROUND THE WORLD ...

BRAZIL FLOODS

While we are in the Americas, many of you will by now know that massive flooding at the end of February in the Brazilian state of Ceará has left 35 assembly families without housing, food or clothes. The Brazilian government estimates that with the attendant loss of crops, the effects of the inundation will be felt for another 5 months.



An appeal has been made to all fellowships to contribute to relieve the disaster. The Revival Fellowship immediately sent over approximately \$A8 000 as emergency relief for those in the greatest need.

"My little children, let us not love in word, neither in tongue; but in deed and in truth." (1 Jn 3:18)

The Brazilian saints appreciate your generosity in this time of need.

"ALL THINGS WORK TOGETHER FOR GOOD ... !"

On the subject of the Brazilian disaster, as it happens, Pastor Eliardo and Brother Antonio had need to go into the main provincial center, Iguatu, to complain about the ongoing lack of power from the power company in early March. There was a demonstration going on in front of the Power Company's office. After they got inside the office they found a similar situation so they started up some witnessing while waiting. Before long they had a group of fellow complainants listening in.

Then the most amazing thing happened. As they were preaching to a yet wider circle of waiting customers, the Holy Spirit began to fall on those listening until there were ten of them wonderfully filled and speaking in other tongues!

The senior pastor of Brazil, Pastor Esteves, reported by phone this week "It was amazing, brother!"

EUROPE

In more news from Holland, the Revival Fellowship has baptised over 40 since Christmas and they now have around 200 attending meetings. "We are having great difficulty fitting them all in our hall in Dordrecht", says Pastor Pieter Visser.



Ben Visser and his family

As many of the new converts come from Rotterdam they will start meetings there from 1st April. (Rotterdam is a city some 30 km to the north of Dordrecht and has a population of over 1,000,000.)

"The current plan is to split the assembly in half and appoint Ben Visser as the local pastor with Harry van Gelderen as his helper. We are expecting the blessing of the Lord to continue as we know that is what he promised, providing we keep on doing things as he showed us."

Look forward to news of progress with the "Rotterdam Revival Fellowship"!

CHRISTMAS CAMPS

Reports have come in from all over Australia (and even from Europe) of some wonderful Christmas camps - great fellowship, good ministry from the Word; and even a number of baptisms. Praise the Lord.

"Behold, how good and how pleasant it is for the brethren to dwell together in unity." (Ps133:1)



conclusion

"Finally, be ye all of one mind, having compassion one of another, love as brethren, be pitiful, be courteous..." (1 Pet 3:8)