2nd December Pasifika Festival:



The Melbourne Pasifika Festival and Charity Walk is an annual celebration of Pasifika culture, giving families the opportunity to enjoy Pasifika culture through dance performances, art, crafts, food, merchandise, children's activities, DJ, and a live band.

The Charity Walk raises much-needed funds to support WFWP Global Development and Aid Projects located within the Pacific Islands.

The MPF promotes a culture of peace through fostering dialogue, reconciliation, and conflict resolution at all levels by celebrating and promoting the beauty and uniqueness of each Pacific Island culture to provide the wider community a window into all things Pasifika.

-Anne Bellavance, WFWP Vice President

Christmas Party: 10th December









HPHC held it's annual Christmas party, inviting both members and friends. Due to the unusually cold weather this weekend, Christmas service was held indoors. Thank you so much for all those who prepared the night before, especially James & Tsuneko Babb, Chris & Debbie Bruce and Jacinta Darbishire. On the day Rick McInerheney, Dr Jacinta Moreau & a choir of sisters sang Christmas carols as the event began to warm up. Sarah Boyd & her daughter Celeste were the high spirit MC's for the event. Michael Treacy gave a beautiful opening prayer. Rev Daniel gave a sermon on the True purpose of Christmas and Jesus' coming. There was then a raffle and Santa (Doug Greenall) came to give presents to the kiddies. Christmas lunch was enjoyed in the warmth of the Dining Hall & we gratefully WFWP members, a Christian minister & a Youth Pastor. A group of second gen stayed on at church until very late at night sharing fellowship. Around 80 people attended the event.

PCLC: 12th December



Melbourne Pastors attended this years last PCLC online. Bishop Nelson gave the opening prayer and Pastor Steve gave the prayer of intercession. Ministers were very inspired to see the body of Christ uniting. From next year we will have meetings in person again.

12th December

Santa and the Deputy Mayor:



The Deputy Mayor of Geelong visited Randall Apps (Santa) at work. Randall has very high level connections in Geelong.

AO Greg Sheridan's event:

14th December



Dr Moreau couple attended the book presentation of famous of Greg Sheridan along with 120 participants for the last "Liberty Event" dinner of the year 2023. Greg Sheridan, an 'Order of Australia' recipient, is a prominent Australian journalist who has written books promoting God and Christianity.



Building permit has been granted and work has begin to repair the Belgrave church centres pastor house. It has been 2 years coming and now the day is finally here. It is estimated to be complete by the end of January. This is the last of two major projects coming to completion.

World Sports Fishing Federation boat ready to go:

15th December



Chris Bruce and the team have been working on the Fishing Fed boat to make it seaworthy. We are excited to see the Ocean providence restart with new life in the coming year.

Youth gathering: 16th December



This Saturday was the end of year youth gathering for the Melbourne church. The Naumovich boys made their way from West Melbourne, as did Bless Odjou. We are very grateful for their dedication to join in despite the distance. Youth leader Hiromi Kobayashi gave internal guidance and they have a pizza dinner together.

Nativity Play at the All Saints Church:







Mr Arai, Dr Yves & Jacinta Morea, Jacinta Darbishire & the Meadows family attended the Nativity play and Christmas dinner at Pastor Steves All Saints church in Kooyong. Mr Arai donated his famous fish to the feast. The play was performed on the street front of Glenferrie Rd for all to see. Then guests were invited inside for food and music. Santa came and handed pressies to the kids.

Witnessing: 20th December



Candace Robertson & Debbie Bruce went to meet Father Cruz at St Thomas More Catholic Church in Belgrave. They said that it felt like Father Cruz had been waiting for them, they spoke for a couple of hours and he took their new PCLC flyer that Candace had designed. Father Cruz said he would love to talk to other Pastors, so he is an amazing candidate for PCLC. He gave them some special tea before they departed.



Tsuneko & James Babb drove to Bacchus Marsh to purchase and pick up some play equipment, which will be used for a children's area in Camp Belgrave. It was very cheap and second hand, though in very good condition. This kind of good quality equipment will be a fantastic addition to the Camp Site, and a welcome utility for Childrens Workshops. In the new year we will have to decide on the place of installation.

Further Witnessing:





Candace & Debbie are on fire for outreach, focusing on PCLC connection. They visited the Selby All Saints Church and the Uniting church in Tecoma, hoping to meet new people. Candace and Debbie have already made some very good connections to local pastors.

23rd December



Assistant Pastor Melanie has travelled to the Thailand HJ Training Centre to staff the 13th Sunghwa Youth Workshop. She will bring her experience back in time to help staff the Australian Youth Workshop in January.