

## Upcoming Events

### **NSW Camp**

Dates: June 7-9, 2025  
Location: Elim Heights Youth Camp

### **Camponotus Kids**

Dates: June 9-11, 2025  
Location: Elim Heights Youth Camp

### **NSW Delegation**

Date: June 10, 2025

### **Centenary Week of Prayer**

Dates: July 11-20, 2025  
Location: Worldwide

### **Pastoral Families Conference**

Dates: July 20-24, 2025  
Location: Queensland

### **QLD Camp**

Dates: August 8-11, 2025  
Location: Mt Tambourine, QLD

### **South Australia Camp**

Dates: September 5-7, 2025  
Location: Victor Harbor, SA

### **NZ Prophecy Seminar**

Dates: Sept 20 - Oct 5, 2025 (TBC)  
Location: New Lynn, Auckland

### **QLD Youth Camp**

Dates: October 3-6, 2025

### **WA Camp**

Dates: October 10-13, 2025

### **Week of Prayer**

Dates: December 5-14, 2025

### **AUC Delegation Session**

Dates: December 23-24, 2025

### **AUC Spiritual Conference**

Dates: December 25-28, 2025

## Something to share?

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[goodtidings@sdarm.org.au](mailto:goodtidings@sdarm.org.au)

## Victoria Camp - Peace in the Countryside

Families gathered at Harrietville, Victoria in early March for the annual camp. Moving away from Easter weekend helped avoid holiday traffic and peak rates, and camp was every bit as enjoyable.

The theme was "Peace of God," which was explored in the worship sessions and workshops. We found that peace is an internal experience produced by the Holy Spirit, and that God wants peace in families, in the church, amidst trials, and spread to the world at large by giving the gospel message.

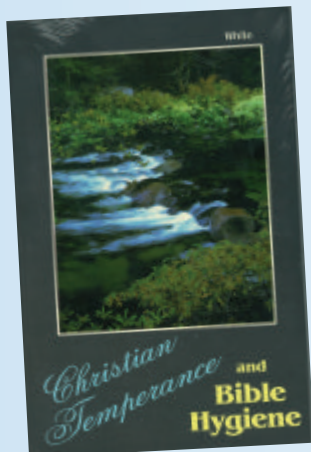
The children enjoyed various activities including feeding animals as shown below. We hope to see you next year!



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## THE ELIJAH MESSAGE

**NSW Camp Meeting, 6-8 June, 2025**

### Camp Theme

In these last days, a messenger is to come in the spirit and power of Elijah. Who is this messenger and what is this message? And why is it important for us to understand? We invite you to join us in discovering this most important message in preparation for Christ's soon return. Come and enjoy a spiritually enriching weekend filled with praise, worship, and immersive Bible study!

### Location

Elim Heights Youth Camp

### Registration

Register by 1 June, 2025

Online: [www.sdarm.org.au/events/nsw-camp-2025](http://www.sdarm.org.au/events/nsw-camp-2025)

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# Keilor Park Church Dedication

On the Sabbath 26th of April, 2025, the new church building at Keilor Park was dedicated. The day was filled with spiritual reflection, heartfelt worship, and a renewed commitment to sharing the Present Truth with the world.

The service was well attended, with members and visitors coming together in a spirit of unity. The service began with singing, with voices joined in harmony, creating an atmosphere of joy and devotion.

Brother Nathan Tyler delivered a message for the occasion, showing pictures of the progress of construction of the new building, and reminding the listeners that God wants to live inside the hearts of His people. These words reminded everyone of the church's role as a beacon of hope in a broken world.

The act of dedication was led by Brother Miguel Mendoza. With solemnity and gratitude, Brother Miguel guided the congregation in dedicating the church as a sacred space for worship, fellowship, and outreach. The act symbolised the church's commitment to being a lighthouse for sharing the Gospel and Present Truth with those around them.

In the afternoon, there was a youth meeting. This session provided an opportunity for young members to engage in fellowship and present their special items, which included musical items, testimonies, and other heartfelt contributions.

As a lighthouse in the community, Keilor Park Church stands as a place where truth is proclaimed, lives are transformed, and God's love is freely shared. The dedication service was not only to dedicate the physical space, but also to reaffirm the congregation's calling to shine brightly in a world in need of hope and to strive to live out their mission of bringing souls to the knowledge of Jesus.



The old church building





# Coleambally Church Building Appeal

Coleambally is a farming community 600km south-west of Sydney. Families have been meeting together here in their homes and rented buildings for over sixty years.

In recent years, with new families moving into the area, the church has outgrown the current rented building.

We have always held the hope of building our own church as a witness for the Lord, and with the support of the members we purchased some land in the town. Plans began to be drawn up in 2021, however COVID put a stop to any further progress, and building costs increased rapidly. We were also delayed for more than six months in Council before the building approval was granted.

Building finally began in October 2024 with the foundations being laid. Steady progress has been made with the roof now on and the brickwork completed.

Additional funds are needed to finish the interior of the structure, including flooring and painting, installing the kitchen and bathrooms, and connecting electrical services. Furniture will be needed for the sanctuary and dining hall. Lastly, the carpark and landscaping must be completed to council's standards.

If you feel impressed to support us in this project and be a part of our work for the Lord in this regional part of Australia, your donations will be sincerely appreciated and gratefully received by your local church or direct deposited to:

Coleambally Church  
BSB: 633-000  
Account: 137928024.

Your brethren and sisters from  
Coleambally, New South Wales Field,  
Australia.





# A Blessed Union

On January 13, 2025, surrounded by family and friends, Jonathan Thiel and Victoria Kornja exchanged vows in a heartfelt ceremony. The day was a blessed occasion filled with joy, faith, and cherished moments, followed by a lively reception at the same venue.

The ceremony was officiated by brother Miguel Mendoza, and it was both solemn and celebratory. The proceedings began with the bridal procession, as Victoria, radiant in her gown, walked down the aisle accompanied by her father, Cornel Kornja. The congregation then joined in singing the beloved hymn, "To God Be the Glory," voices filling the air with praise and gratitude.

Brother Miguel's sermon emphasised the sacred bond of marriage. Johnny and Victoria then exchanged their vows, promising to love and cherish one another. The declaration of marriage sealed their commitment.

The couple then proceeded to the signing of the marriage register, a formal yet joyful moment. The ceremony concluded with the presentation of the bride and groom, introducing Mr. and Mrs. Thiel to their loved ones. Then the newlyweds walked back down the aisle hand in hand, beaming with joy.

The wedding party played a special role in the day's events. The maid of honour, Luiza Dimitriev, stood by Victoria's side, offering her support, while the best man, Damien Thiel, shared a bond of brotherhood with Jonathan. The bridesmaids—Natasha Milic, Layla Gaviria-Cruz, Jade Letic, and Hadassah Robles—added warmth to the occasion lighting up the day. The groomsmen—Daniel Lobo, Damien Gordon, and Daniel Kornja—brought camaraderie and cheer, ensuring everything ran smoothly.

The lovely flower girl, Sophia Robles, charmed everyone with her sweet presence, scattering petals with a smile. Ushers Roni Szabo and David Tomoiaga warmly welcomed guests.

Following the ceremony, guests gathered at the reception venue, where the celebration continued with delicious food. Interstate visitors, who travelled from near and far to witness this union, added to the sense of a truly special gathering, bringing stories and laughter that enriched the day.

The day was filled with moments of connection, from the sacred vows to the shared laughter at the reception. Bramleigh Estate, with its serene beauty, was the ideal setting for a day that will be cherished for years to come. As the sun set over Warrandyte, it was clear that this was a union blessed by God.

May the Lord be with you Jonathan and Victoria Thiel—may your journey together be as beautiful as the day you said "I do."

~ Miguel Mendoza





## Brother Lance's Milestone

On May 3, 2025, the warm glow of a small restaurant in Richmond, Tasmania illuminated a joyful gathering.



Brother Lance Smith, a member of the SDA Reform Movement, had just turned 80. The room was filled with laughter and love as family and friends came together to celebrate this remarkable milestone.

Brother Lance sat at the head of the table, his eyes sparkling with gratitude. To him,

this day was more than a birthday—it was a testament to God's enduring grace. "I'm just so thankful," he said, his voice steady yet soft. "I was not supposed to be here with you all today, but God in His mercy has spared my life a few times and I'm thankful for His love and mercy. I'm also thankful for you all being here with me on this day." "Keep serving the Lord," he urged, "He's been faithful to me, and He'll be faithful to you." The room fell silent, and our hearts were stirred by his words of encouragement.

Let us keep Brother Lance in our prayers, that God may continue to strengthen and guide him as he walks this path of faith, ever ready to share the light of God's Word with all who cross his way.

~Miguel Mendoza



## A Day of Love and Unity

On the 14<sup>th</sup> of April, 2025, the picturesque Riverlea Estate in Warrandyte, Victoria, became the backdrop for a heartwarming celebration as Edward Daniel Cristea (Eddy) and Corina Emanuela Dragnea (Emma) exchanged vows in a beautiful wedding ceremony. Surrounded by beautiful greenery, the day was filled with love, joy, and cherished moments that will remain in the hearts of all who attended.

The occasion was made even more special by the presence of family and friends who travelled from interstate and overseas to witness the union. Emma's parents, Florin and Mihaela, along with her sister, Tabita, joined the occasion, while Eddy's relatives, including his parents, Daniel and Simona, added to the warmth of the gathering. The guests demonstrated their deep connections and shared joy on the couple's special day.

The ceremony, officiated by Brother Miguel Mendoza, was a mix of tradition, faith, and heartfelt commitment. It began with the elegant bridal processional, setting a reverent tone as Emma made her way to Eddy. The congregation joined in singing the song, "As for Me and My House," a declaration of faith and unity. A prayer followed, with the minister asking God's blessings on the couple's life together.

Brother Miguel delivered a solemn message, emphasising the sanctity of marriage and the importance of love and partnership. The rite of marriage was the centrepiece of the ceremony, with Eddy and Emma exchanging heartfelt vows that reflected their devotion to one another. The declaration of marriage, blessing of the union, and presentation of the bride and groom as Mr. and Mrs. Cristea brought tears of joy to many. The recessional concluded the ceremony on a jubilant note, as the newlyweds walked hand in hand, ready to embark on their new life together.



Following the ceremony, guests gathered for a delightful reception. The reception featured a series of heartfelt presentations, including speeches and special items that celebrated the couple's new stage in life and their shared values.

The wedding of Eddy and Emma was a testament to the power of God's will regarding the union of a man and a woman with love and faith. Their commitment to one another was sealed in a ceremony that was both deeply meaningful and uplifting. As they begin their new chapter as husband and wife, let us uplift them in our prayers that they remain faithful to God and to one another.

~Miguel Mendoza

# Father's Day Weekend

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