Aboriginal kids camp

“REMEMBER THE LORD”
8-12 Jan 2018

In January this year, all the children at the Friends Camp in Tweed Heads encountered God in the most powerful way, especially on the last night. Please spread the word if you know any Aboriginal children who would like to attend the January 2018 camp. Prayers appreciated for the camp on every level. For more information please visit: www.friends-camp.com

The SURRENDER conference

23-25 March 2018

Belgrave Heights Convention Centre, VIC

The SURRENDER conference is a gathering of Christians from across Australia to share ideas, stories and hope on justice, discipleship and mission. The SURRENDER conference is for people from all walks of life - with workshops for first-timers, amazing keynote speaker and performing artists and, fantastic programs for kids and youth, and heaps more! To register, visit: http://surrender.org.au/conference/

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And the Word became flesh and dwelt among us, and we beheld His glory, the glory as of the only begotten of the Father, full of grace and truth.
John 1:14

“The word for "dwelt" is the word for "set up a tent" in Greek. I used to think that implied mainly that He was here only temporarily. But when I looked up all the places this word occurs in the New Testament, I found that it does not imply temporary status. For example, in Rev 21:3, where the eternal new heavens and new earth are described, it says, "Behold the dwelling [tent!] of God is with men. He will dwell [pitch his tent!] with them, and they shall be His people." I think what pitching a tent with us implies is that God wants to be on familiar terms with us. He wants to be close. He wants a lot of interaction.”

John Piper (desiringGod.org)
ALPA – Arnhem Land Progress Association - was established >40 years ago by the Methodist church to run the stores and supplies network for Arnhem Land indigenous communities.

Profile: Rodney Rivers

Khesed project officer, musician, stockman and highly involved in translation work
Tribe/Language: Moola Bulla people, Gidja people, Gooniyandi people

Raised on Kimberley cattle country in WA, Rodney Rivers, 70, is fluent in 4 Indigenous Australian languages. A talented musician and singer-songwriter, he has performed Australia-wide and has toured with Slim Dusty’s guitarist Barry Thornton.

Working as an ethnic and Indigenous translator for the Summer Institute of Linguists in Darwin, he has been significantly involved in Scripture translation work for Australia’s first Kriol Bible translation, published by the Bible Society Australia.

Rodney Rivers is on the committee for A National Act of Recognition of the First Peoples of Australia and Torres Strait. A core action is to invite every Australian to gather at Botany Bay, NSW, to publicly denounce and declare unacceptable any false notion of “a land belonging to no one” that there may have been when taking possession of Australia. “We’re all going to go there and dig a grave and bury that lie of terra nullius and any personal hang ups people got and have a celebration. Black and white, let’s walk away from Botany Bay and rebuild this nation for the Lord Jesus Christ,” said Rodney.

“My passion for Australia is that one day I’d like to see the glory of the Lord cover the earth as the waters cover the sea. The Lord have me a vision back in the mid 1980s. He took me up to a different realm and showed me this global outpouring of the Holy Spirit that started here in Australia. There is a wave coming as well for the South Pacific Islands. My role as an Indigenous person is to prepare the way for what is coming.”

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Sons of Abraham & ANZAC Tour report in Israel 17 Oct - 4 Nov

By Ps Barbara Miller

We had a number of key areas to focus on: 1) Visiting and praying at the sites where God made covenant with Abraham and Abraham built altars to the Lord. 2) Hosting a Sons of Abraham conference in Jerusalem with Jewish and Arab pastors as speakers. 3) Attending the centenary of the Battle of Beer Sheva on Oct 31 and praying at battle sites throughout Israel and laying wreaths to honour the memory of those who lost their lives. 4) Attending an event re the centenary of the Balfour Declaration on 2nd Nov. 5) Visiting & praying at the sites holy to Christians so that the Bible comes alive & our faith in the Lord is deepened. 6) Visiting Messianic Jewish and Arab pastors and hearing them share from their hearts. This included a worship night we organized in Beer Sheva on Oct 30. 7) Praying on the borders of Israel for the protection of the people from terrorism. 8) Honouring William Cooper and other events.

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