

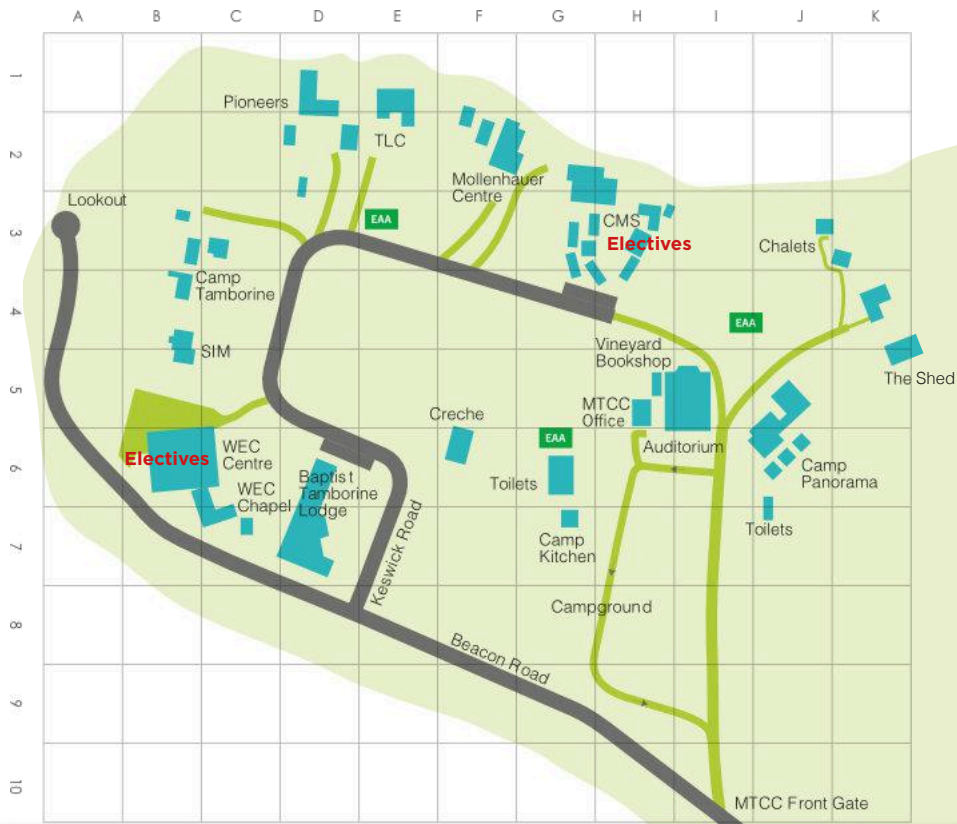
# MT. TAMBORINE SENIORS' GET-AWAY!

9-12 Nov 2023

**mtcc** Mt TAMBORINE  
CONFERENCE CENTRE

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# MTCC MUD MAP



## THE CHALETS

### COME & STAY

Our two chalet-style cabins are perched above the escarpment, adjacent to Tamborine National Park. Our self-contained units are perfect for couples' getaways, small group retreats or family holidays (6 guests maximum in each, though 4 is optimal).

Self-cater in the kitchenette. All linen supplied. Washing machine and dryer provided.

### PRICING

Per Chalet includes 4 guests	
2 night (minimum hire)	\$380
3 night stay	\$480
4 night stay	\$620
5 night stay	\$750
6 night stay	\$900
7 night stay	\$1050
Extra guests	\$25 pp per night

### TO BOOK

bookings@mtcc.org.au 07 5545 1419

# Welcome

## to the 2023 Seniors' Get-Away Convention

It's wonderful to have you all along to our annual Seniors' Get-Away (SGA), number 10! There will be some who have come to all 10. There will be some who are here for the first time. To you in particular, the SGA Committee offers a hearty welcome and trusts you have a blessed and invigorating time praising Jesus through good Biblical teaching, great fellowship and fine food in the House Parties.

The Committee has been working throughout the year to put together a programme of challenging messages, inspiring electives, fun and also an opportunity to relax and enjoy the sites of Mt. Tamborine.

Reading through this handbook will inform you of the things that are on offer during your stay.

The MTCC staff will be wearing distinctive name badges and they are happy to assist with any questions you might have. Use the map on page 2 to orientate yourself with the property layout.

We do have medical assistance available from our volunteers Dr Karen Flegg, and Lorraine Walker between 9am and 5pm daily. For First Aid or Medical assistance,

please call 0483 061 649. There is a first aid box at the MTCC Office and in each accommodation. There is a defibrillator on the outside wall of the MTCC Office. In the case of emergency, call 000

Other important numbers are Tamborine Mountain Medical Practice 5545 1222, Tamborine Chempro Pharmacy 5648 0902.

We trust you have a wonderful time here.



*Greg & Jill Peacock*

MTCC Seniors' Get-Away Coordinators  
Mob: 0412 514 570



# On the platform for this convention

The main speaker for this Get-Away is:



Stephen Gaukrodger

## Rev Dr Stephen Gaukroger

Stephen's ministry began in a local church context, after gaining a degree in business and then a theological degree and pastoral diploma from Spurgeon's College. For 14 years he oversaw remarkable church growth as Senior Pastor of Stopsley Baptist Church, Luton, before spending 12 years as Senior Minister of Gold Hill Baptist Church in Buckinghamshire – one of the largest Baptist churches in England.

Stephen was also President of the Baptist Union of Great Britain (1994-1995). This role opened up a number of strategic opportunities that grew Stephen's passion for preaching and teaching internationally and laid the groundwork for the ministry of Clarion.

Stephen is also hugely involved in a wide variety of Christian initiatives, both in the UK and internationally. He is a Vice-President of the Bible Society and holds positions on a number of Councils of Reference, both as a member and as Chair, including Open Doors, Jews for Jesus and The Rooftop International Ministries. He works closely with Agape Europe in an advisory capacity. He's also Patron of Viva - an international organisation that works with vulnerable children around the world.

A prolific author, Stephen has written more than 20 books, edited a variety of Bible study series and small group resources and authored numerous articles and blogs. He has recently written and recorded 7 DVDs entitled 'God's Amazing Book' for Community Bible Study International. These have been translated into over 40 languages and distributed around the world! His latest video series is eight talks called The Post-Covid Church.

He enjoys spending time with his family – his wife Janet, their three adult children and their five grandchildren.

# Elective Speakers



Billy Williams

## Walking Along Side Young People Before/Within/Out-of Youth Detention

Lots of comments have been made about “the youth crime problems”, with governments scrambling to try to address it. Come along and listen to a Kingdom approach that is starting to see transformations. The Dhiyaan “True Fella” team includes the unique mix of 3 men (system survivor, Maori, and First Nation) who are walking with young people from all nationalities who have either experienced, are currently experiencing, or are in danger of experiencing, youth detention.

**Billy is presenting at 2pm & 4pm on Friday at the CMS Dining Room. See map page 2 for locations.**



Murray Lean

## Finding Peace in the Pain of Grief

In 2010 Murray's wife passed away after a 10 year battle with cancer. In this session he will share how the Lord has carried him through the pain of this loss, and helped him live with hope through the challenges of life as a father, grandfather and pastor in the years since.

**Murray is presenting at 2pm & 4pm on Friday at the WEC Centre. See map page 2 for locations.**

# General Information

## Podcasts & Videos

Stephen Gaukroger's messages and the electives will be recorded, and you will be sent a link to the video and Podcast files a few weeks after the convention concludes. This is included as part of your conference registration so everyone gets a copy and we encourage you to share them with family and friends!

## Evaluation Forms

This year there will be a survey sent out to all participants after the convention concludes. There is also a QR code on the back of this booklet that will take you straight to the feedback survey to fill out during the event. If you prefer a hard copy to fill out, ask for one at the MTCC desk and make sure to leave it with us once completed.

## Prayer

At 7am each morning we encourage you to participate in the prayer meeting at your house party:

**Baptist Tamborine Lodge** meeting room between cabins 2 and 3.

**Camping Ground** in the prayer tent on site #76.

**Camp Tamborine** in the meeting room ground floor north building.

**Panorama Homestead** meet on the front veranda.

**WEC Centre** meet on veranda outside the dining room.

**TLC** meet on the veranda outside the dining room.

**CMS** people should join the TLC prayer meeting.

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## Bean Redeemed - MTCC Coffee Shop

Did somebody say coffee! Our wonderful baristas are here to serve you and are located in the covered area between the auditorium and office. Enjoy some barista made coffee, tea and cold drinks. Coffee cards are available for purchase from the MTCC desk and opening hours are displayed at the coffee station.

## Electives

Please read the information in this handbook regarding the Electives. There will be 2 different electives and the locations are CMS Dining Room and WEC Centre. Refer to map for locations and look for signs on the footpath outside each location (Both on Friday and each presented twice. This will enable you to attend both if you would like to).

## Bus Tour and Outings

If you wish to be on any of these tours/outings, make sure to put your name down on one of the sign up sheets at the MTCC Desk.

All of these outings will be leaving Saturday afternoon at 1.30pm from the MTCC Desk at the back of the Auditorium.

The Famous Tamborine Mountain Bus Tour is back!

We will be doing a 1.5 hour guided tour of Mt Tamborine. Max capacity on the bus is 57 people, so make sure to put your name down if you would like to come along. Payment of \$10 per person will be required before hopping on the bus.

We will be running the MTCC people mover to a couple locations for some self-guided fun on the Mountain. Look for information on these additional trips at the MTCC desk, including Botanic Gardens and Gallery Walk. Maybe you'd prefer a walk? MTC Member Frank Sanders will guide you on the Global Missions Discovery Walk for a time of contemplative thinking, prayer and fellowship.

## Offerings

There will be an opportunity to support the mission, vision and values of Mount Tamborine Convention on Sunday during the communion service. Gifts and offerings will go towards the Redevelopment of Panorama. See the display of the plans at the back

of the Auditorium and more information later in this booklet.

## New Book Sales

The Wandering Bookseller is back with us again. Look for his books in the Auditorium, you never know what you might find for yourself or a gift for family or friends.

## Second Hand Bookshop

Used books are in 'The Vineyard Bookshop' outside the west wall of the auditorium. Jim & Grace Vine would love to meet and assist you to find real bargains. This will be open at least 15 minutes before and 30 minutes after each auditorium session.

## The Keswick Comet

Need help getting around the site? The Keswick Comet will come to you. Collections commence ½hour before each session and ½hour after each session. Pick up points are marked on the map in the back of this book. Make sure you look for the sign and wait for your driver to arrive!



# Mission Displays

## Barnabas Aid

Barnabas Aid stands alongside our Christian brothers and sisters around the world where they suffer discrimination, oppression or persecution. As Jesus said, "Love one another..." A current focus is on our programme to feed hungry marginalised Christians – see <https://www.food.gives>.

## Bethel Funerals

We're for compassion, not for profit. Bethel Funerals is an independent, Australian not-for-profit funeral home, built on the Christian principles of love and compassion and our team is available to help you at the most difficult time of your life. We are deeply committed to providing a ministry of care that extends far beyond the practical details of arranging a funeral. We're also dedicated to bringing hope to people in need, giving away our surplus funds to organisations such as Wycliffe Australia, Compassion Australia and many others. Visit our website- [www.bethelfunerals.com.au](http://www.bethelfunerals.com.au) or contact Angela Russell for all your funeral and preplanning needs. [infoqld@bethelfunerals.com.au](mailto:infoqld@bethelfunerals.com.au)

## Bush Church Aid

BCA was founded 104 years ago to try to ensure those in rural and remote Australia had opportunities to hear and respond to the gospel. We continue to strive to ensure that nowhere is ever too far to go to tell people about Jesus and no group of people is ever too small to reach if people want to know about Him. Opportunities abound to partner in this mission.

## Dhiyaan Aboriginal Corporation

The Gamilaraay word, dhiyaan, centres on the concept of belonging to "The One Meat". This concept stems from ancient wisdom laws of kinship and centres on the goal of interconnectedness. We are a culturally-diverse group and yet, a common thread for us all has been trauma. Whilst this might be seen by some to be an unusual or even unwise way to identify as a community, it is nonetheless ours.

## SIM

Compelled by God's love, SIM Australia mobilises people, prayer and funds to make Christ known. We facilitate missionaries who God is calling from anywhere to everywhere to reach the unreached with the Gospel. In the 70+ countries where SIM workers are serving, we work alongside local churches to evangelise, disciple and share the love of Christ to communities. We also support a wide range of projects to minister to human need, including aid and development initiatives through our tax-deductible arm SIMaid.

## Steer Inc.

Steer Incorporated is an Australian Not for Profit organisation committed to financially resourcing Mission work in Australia and overseas since 1962. We do this through offering Christians with a mission heart, 5 programmes that have been approved by the ATO. These programmes allow people to give in a tax effective way to maximise their financial support of Mission activity. We also offer a Memorial Fund program that allows people to continue to give long after they have gone.

## Voice of the Martyrs

Voice of the Martyrs is serving persecuted Christians with practical assistance and spiritual assistance and leading Christians in the Free World into fellowship with persecuted believers. Our ministry is to help, love and encourage persecuted Christians by providing Bibles, ministry resources, medical aid and practical assistance.

## Vision Media

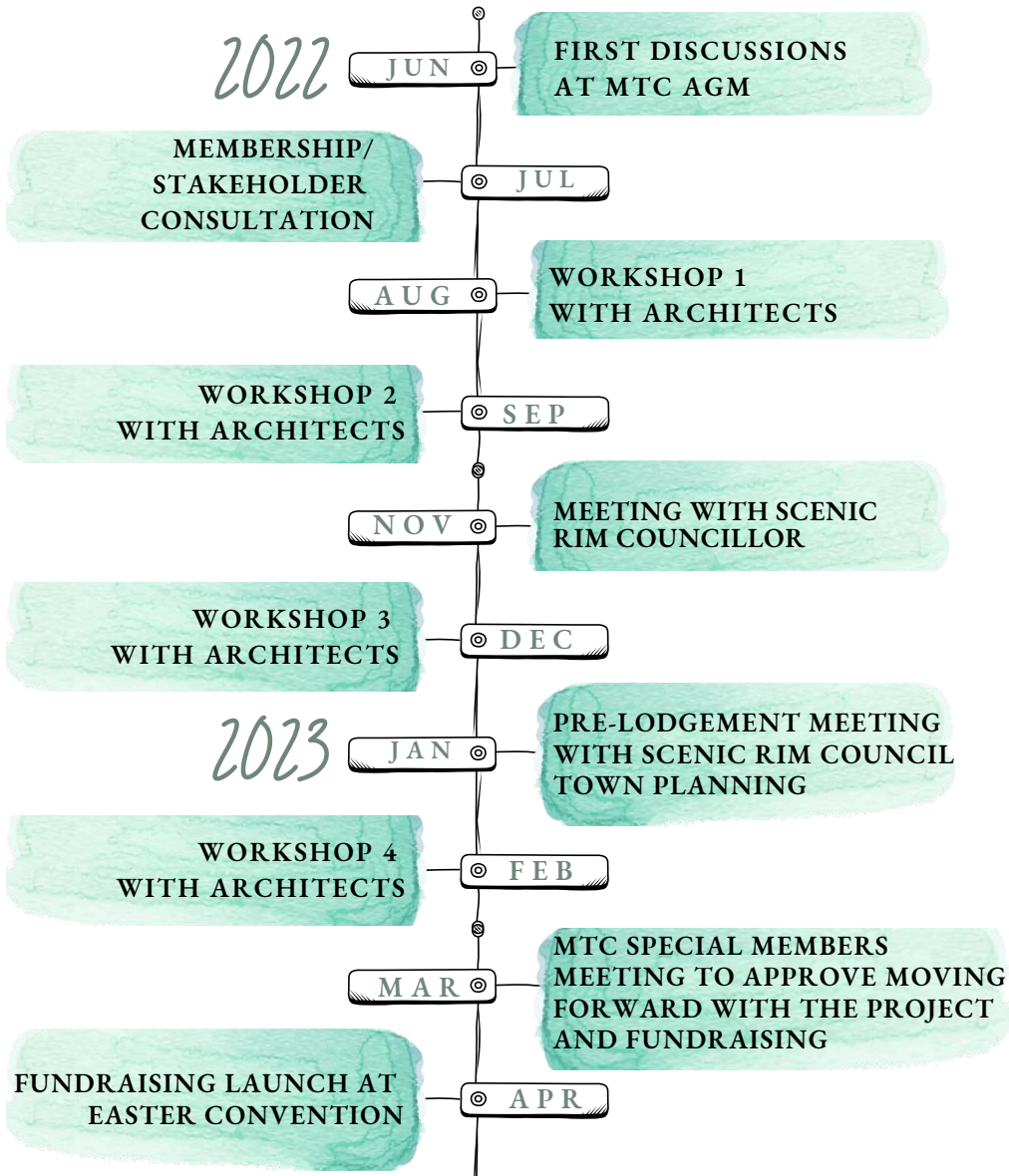
Vision Christian Media is a non-profit, non-denominational Christian ministry dedicated to ensuring God's Word remains prominent in Australia's media. With over 750 radio transmitters, an app with unlimited reach potential, a streamed national news service, and various digital channels, we currently reach approximately one million people per month, relying on the generosity of our donor partners to continue inspiring Australians to Look to God Daily.



# PANORAMA REDEVELOPMENT PROJECT

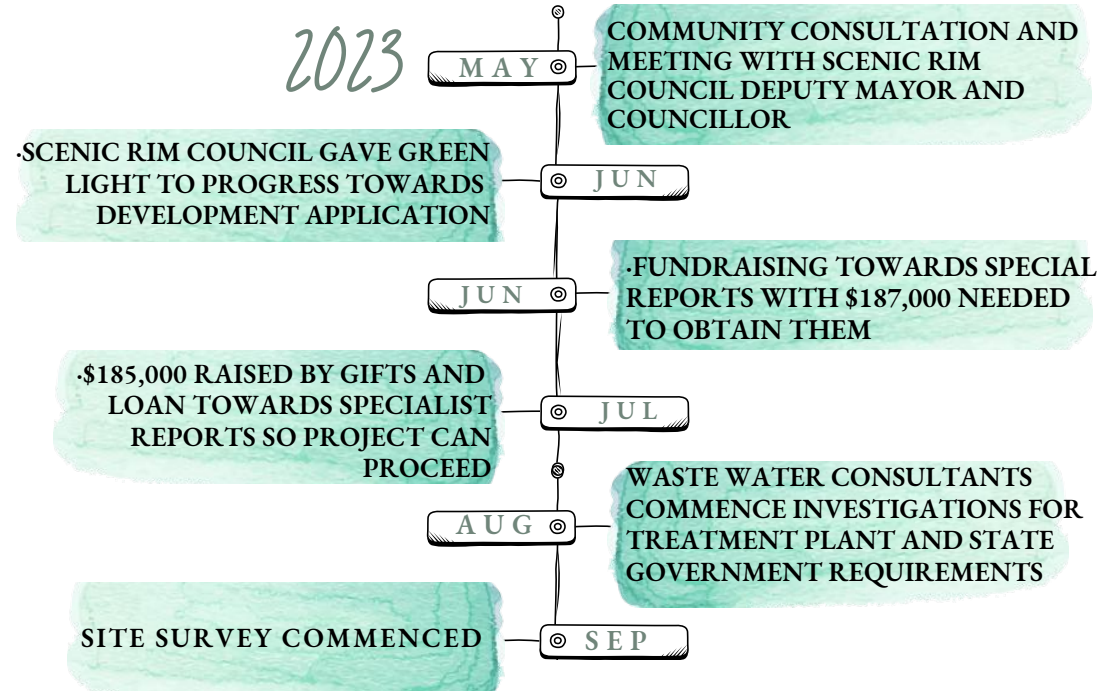
THE JOURNEY TOWARDS A DEVELOPMENT APPLICATION

*Progress to date*

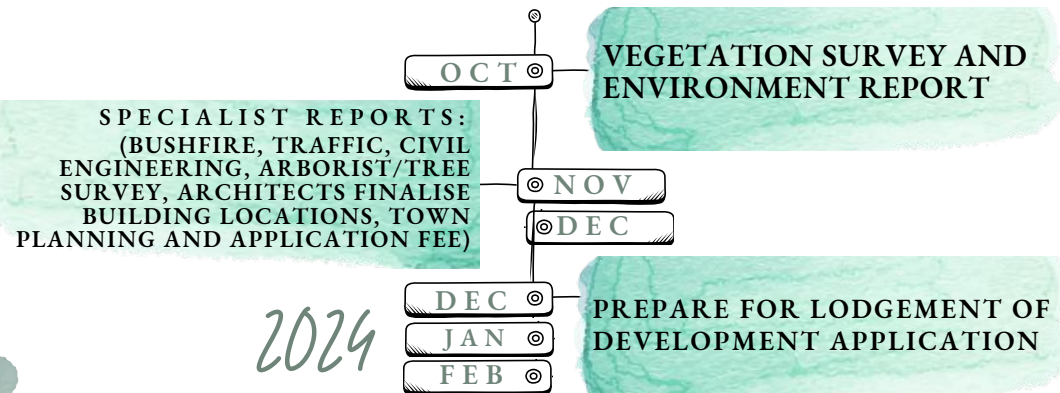


# PANORAMA REDEVELOPMENT PROJECT

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## STILL TO COME



FOLLOWED BY 2-3 MONTHS OF OUR DEVELOPMENT APPLICATION BEING WITH THE SCENIC RIM COUNCIL FOR CONSIDERATION.



# MTCC Seniors' Get-Away Program

9-12 Nov 2023

## Thursday

- 3:00pm** Arrive at the Auditorium Check-In desk.  
**5:30pm** **Dinner** (in your house party or as directed)  
**7:15pm** **Hymn Sing in the auditorium** -  
 Jim Vine - song leader, Carly Nisbett - pianist,  
 Cliff Bingham - organist and "The Seniors' Get-Away Band."  
**8:15pm** **Welcome Attendees and Guests**  
**8:20pm** **"On the Couch with Stephen Gaukroger"**  
**9:00pm** **Supper** - in the auditorium refreshments area.

## Friday

- 7:00am** **Prayer meeting** in your house party.  
**7:30am** **Breakfast**  
**9:00am** **Session #1** "The Gospel is True"  
 Stephen Gaukroger - 2 Timothy 1:6-14  
**10:10am** **Morning tea** - auditorium refreshment area  
**10:45am** **Session #2** "Living as Aliens"  
 Phil Thomas - John 17:14-24  
**12:30pm** **Lunch**  
**2:00pm** **Electives:** - Billy Williams (CMS dining room),  
 and Murray Lean (WEC Centre)  
**3:15pm** **Afternoon tea** - auditorium refreshments area  
**4:00pm** **Electives Repeated:** - Billy Williams (CMS dining room),  
 and Murray Lean (WEC Centre)  
**5:30pm** **Dinner**  
**7:15pm** **Session #3** "Disciples Who Make Disciples"  
 Stephen Gaukroger - 2 Timothy 2:1-10  
**8:15pm** **Campers' Concert** - Maurice Smith MC, Carly Nisbett - pianist,  
 Cliff Bingham - organist, "The Seniors' Get-Away Band"  
 and other performers  
**9:00pm** **Supper** - in the auditorium refreshments area

## Saturday

- 7:00am** **Prayer meetings**  
**7:30am** **Breakfast**  
**9:00am** **Session #4** "Jesus the Victor"  
 Stephen Gaukroger - 2 Timothy 3:10-17  
**10:10am** **Morning tea** - auditorium refreshments area  
**10:45am** **Remembrance Day Service**  
**Session #5** Q&A Panel - Standing for God, while society spirals  
 out of control MC - Mike Uptin; Panellists - Stephen Gaukroger;  
 Phil Thomas; Murray Lean  
**12:30pm** **Lunch** (in your house party or as directed)  
**1:30pm** **Bus Drive and Outings:** As per General Information (page 7)  
**3:15pm** **Afternoon tea** - auditorium refreshments area  
**5:30pm** **Dinner** (in your house party or as directed)  
**7:15pm** **Saturday Night Concert:-** Featuring "The Blenders"  
**9:00pm** **Supper** - auditorium refreshments area

## Sunday

- 7:00am** **Prayer meetings**  
**7:30am** **Breakfast**  
**9:00am** **Communion Service** - Rev Chris Boyce  
**10:00am** **Morning Tea** - auditorium refreshments area  
**10:45am** **Session #6** "Finishing Well"  
 Stephen Gaukroger - 2 Timothy 4:1-8  
**12:15am** **Official close**  
**12:30pm** **Lunch**







# Prayer for MTCC our greatest need!

Colossians 4:2



## 1. Pray for those behind the scenes:

The Mount Tamborine Convention (MTC) Membership and Friends of MTCC.

The Reference Council - advisors to the Board.

The MTC Board - for clear godly guidance and wisdom.

## 2. Pray for the 2023 staff of MTCC

Ross Dinnar - CEO

Mary-Ann Wichgers - Ministry Development & Support

Johanna Schmidt - Marketing and Communications

Charlotte Roache - Assistant to the MTC Board

Jack & Trudi Visser - Onsite Caretakers

Peter Witten - Onsite Caretaker

Jim & Grace Vine - Seniors Plus Coordinators

## 3. Pray for our many faithful volunteers who serve MTCC on various committees and sub committees

Teams of qualified tradesmen/labourers at working bees.

Coordinators and planners for the growing number of convention events.

Those who underpin the work with prayer and financial resources.

## 4. Pray for the spiritual ministry at MTCC

Bible teaching conventions reaching people for Christ

Preparing young people to serve in their churches

Challenging people to go into the world's mission fields

Providing a place to thoughtfully experience God's marvellous creation.

# MEET THE MTCC STAFF



(L-R) Ross Dinnar (CEO), Joel Prange (Operations Manager, Church & Community Relations Officer), Mary-Ann Wichgers (MTCC Bookings), Jim & Grace Vine (Seniors Plus, MTC Reference Council, Archivists), Peter Witten (Property & Maintenance), Ken Cairns (Property & Maintenance), Jack & Trudi Visser (Caretakers).

Lined area for taking notes.

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*Pete Sorrenson*

PETE IS THE AFES CAMPUS DIRECTOR AT DEAKIN UNIVERSITY, AND HAS BEEN INVOLVED WITH MINISTRY TRAINING SCHEME (MTS) FOR OVER 20 YEARS.

OUR GUEST  
KEYNOTE  
SPEAKERS:

*Rev Dr Dan Wu*

DAN IS AN OLD TESTAMENT LECTURER AT MOORE THEOLOGICAL COLLEGE. HE LOVES SEEING PEOPLE GROW IN THEIR UNDERSTANDING OF AND PASSION FOR JESUS, AND LOVES BEING INVOLVED IN TRAINING PEOPLE TO SERVE GOD IN THE WORLD.



THURSDAY 28TH MARCH | MONDAY 1ST APRIL  
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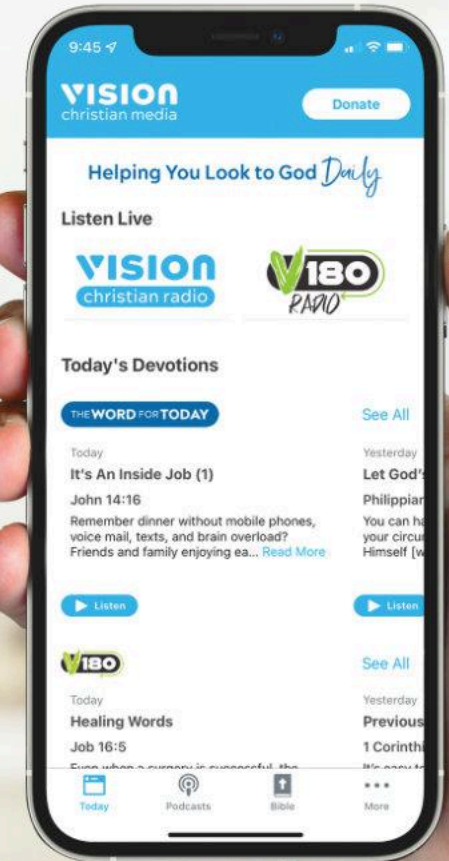
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# Enjoying This Convention?

Don't forget to save the date For SGA 2024

7-10 November 2024.



Mark Baddeley

Mark Baddeley lectures Doctrine at Queensland Theological College in Brisbane. He is married to Jennie and they have two children. He also serves as an elder at Redlands Presbyterian church. Mark is undertaking doctoral work on Athanasius and his view of the atonement. His other research interests include: the doctrines of grace, the Trinity, patristics, and Calvin's theology. In his spare time, Mark enjoys gardening, board games, reading, obscure TV shows and exploring the possibilities of his BBQ.



Paul Young

Paul Young is the founder and CEO of Off The Fence, a Brighton & Hove based charity in the United Kingdom. Off The Fence is a charity founded with a vision to end social and spiritual poverty in Brighton & Hove, engaging with individuals to create a new level of hope in the City. Off The Fence provides short and long-term solutions by delivering a range of support networks to empower people and prevent poverty in all its forms.

Off The Fence covers four areas of work in the City:

- Antifreeze – An emergency outreach to those living on the streets and a homeless centre which provides emotional and practical assistance for exiting homelessness.
- Gateway – A centre supporting women in crisis or in times of need.
- Schools & Youth – A series of programmes for pupils aged 6-18 in a number of Primary and Secondary schools around the city.
- Ministry – with a missionary background and as a church minister, I speak in many churches and business groups about the work of Off The Fence in Brighton and Hove and why we do it.

We'd love to see you again next Year!

Announcing –

The 2024 Seniors Plus Conference, Feb. 23-26.

Pertinent Bible teaching for those 75 years and over.

Conferecer speaker: Dr Douglas Green

Theme: The Pilgrim Psalms: "Light for the journey Home"  
given in 4 conference sessions.

In additon there are 4 great electives:

Defining the needs of carers & patients – Dr Geoff Mitchell.

A sensible exercise plan for the physically limited – Ann Mitchell.

Can grandchildren teach grandparents to communicate? – .....

Missions: – bearing fruit 'til we're Home! – Rev Mike Uptin.

**2 HymnSings. 3 Early morning prayer meetings.**

Sound interesting? Call MTCC office for a Seniors Plus brochure & info: 5545 1419

Want to register *Now*? Call Coordinators Jim & Grace Vine: 0407 743 483

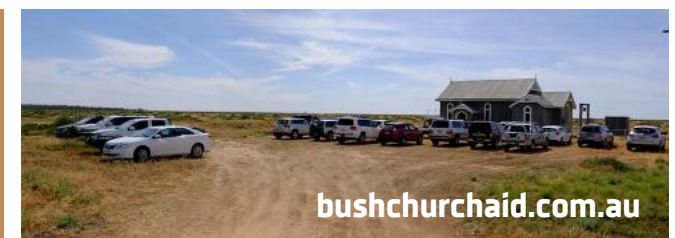
Registrations close: Friday February 16<sup>th</sup>, 2024.



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not know the Good  
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***For I was hungry and you gave me something to eat***

*Matthew 25:35*

## Helping our ministry...

Here are some ways which you can help to support Mount Tamborine Convention's Bible teaching ministry:

Commit to prayer how you can support this amazing ministry potential, talk with your friends and people you know who have experienced MTCC before and know how important the precinct is;

Direct deposit to our special bank account (regular or one off gift):  
Westpac BSB 034 051 Account 641436  
(use your first/last names as a reference)

Credit card: See one of the friendly MTCC team or -  
Click on the 'Support Us' button on the MTCC home page and look for 'Donate' and follow the instructions, alternatively call the office on 07 5545 1419

Cheques:  
Addressed to Mount Tamborine Convention, PO Box 38, North Tamborine, Qld 4272



**Thank you**







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