SouthPoint Life NEWSLETTER



SouthPoint Church of Christ, 24 Towers Terrace, Edwardstown SA 5039

July 2021

About Us

SouthPoint Edwardstown is a community church, a place where Everyone is Welcome.

Our service is on Sundays at 10am, followed by informal morning tea, where we get a chance to chat with visitors, new members, and friends.

"Create", art classes.

Every Sunday during school term we offer "Create", art classes. Headed by Paul & Gaynor, if art is your therapy, please come along to bring your projects to life. Paul & Gaynor welcome beginners, intermediate or advanced artists, or artists in heart. All welcome.



Online Presence

Our SouthPoint Website and App is our face to the outside world.

If you missed a sermon, you could look at the sermon video on the website or App, and you can also view the latest Newsletter (with some photos excluded for security reasons).

Other things you will find on the website are events and daily verses.

Our website address is: <u>https://southpointcc.org.au/</u>

Steps to download the new Church Central App:

 Download the Church central app from App Store (Apple) or Play Store (Android)

- Select "Find a Church". Search for SouthPoint and select as favourite
- Delete your Old SouthPoint App

SouthPoint organization is run by eight ministries.

- 1. Pastoral Care
- 2. Hospitality
- 3. Outreach and Engagement
- 4. Leaders support and Development
- 5. Generations and Discipleship
- 6. Preaching and Communication
- 7. Worship and Music
- 8. Stewardship

Ministry Area under Spotlight

Outreach and Engagement

Team members:

Gaynor, Paul, Sonal, Vibe, Christelle & Lily

This ministry has strong theological motivations, based on:

Luke 10:2-3

He told them the harvest is plentiful, but the workers are few. Ask the Lord of the harvest therefore, to send out workers into his harvest field.

Go! I am sending you out like lambs among the wolves.

John 4:35

I tell you open your eyes and look at the fields! They are ripe for harvest.

Jerimiah 29:7

Seek the Shalom (peace/ wellbeing) of the city where I have sent you into exile, and pray to the Lord on its behalf for in its shalom, you will find your shalom.

Gaynor, Paul & Christelle are in the heart of this ministry, motivated by their vision.

Team Vision:

To become missional in local community by joining in, in what is already going on. Being a light to the world.

Matthew 19:19

Honour your Mother & Father and you shall love your neighbour as yourself.

What does it look like in reality?

Who Does SouthPoint Support?

Who are **Puddle Jumpers**?

A non-profit, non-government organisation committed to responding to the social development needs of society's most vulnerable children and young people. We believe that **all kids matter** and deserve the right to engage in happy and fun experiences in their life.

Originally, Monday night food relief was held at Puddle Jumpers premises where anyone in need was welcome to come in for a meal, socialize and support each other. COVID however changed this, the need for food among vulnerable grew and restrictions prevented this happening at the PJ's premisses.

Food relief now happens pretty much every day in different locations across our city – from Edwardstown to Seaton, Hackam to Salisbury & city centre.

How did SouthPoint became involved?

Well, remember the "big storm" a few years ago? It destroyed PJ's gazebo they used to cook under... and they sent out SOS to the community. Our lovely Vera got involved, and the rest is history.

SouthPoint stepped in not only providing indoor kitchen to cook in, but also storage and most importantly, the volunteers who are the core of this operation.

Well done & thank you so much!!!

How it happens?



Then about a dozen brave people, old and young gather at SouthPoint on Saturday mornings wanting to make a

difference to others in our community.

Healthy meals are concocted by creative cooks while others peel potatoes, chop carrots, onions, capsicums. Then there are those who are washing up experts.

Must not forget the servers/packers who make the meals look appetising while a couple write labels and dates of packing on the containers.

Vegetarian meals are carefully named too.

During the morning we chat, laugh, and get to know each other. At the end of our efforts, it's very satisfying sending off 250 plus meals to be frozen then given out during the week.

Special shout out to Jo who is the Saturday coordinator. Jo is a Puddle Jumpers volunteer and can turn a pack of mince into something delicious.

Volunteering is such a great contribution and a gift to others.

Lynne

Reflections

What a month we've had! June was truly an amazing month for us. We heard some amazing preaching, testimonies, we cried, we laughed and shared fellowship together.

Garden

You will notice how lovely the garden in front of the church looks. This is all the work of Lynne Hook. Lynne planted some new colourful flowers in the garden for the Biggest Morning Tea. Thank you, Lynne! We appreciate you so much.

Back in May, we also had **Generations ministry** taking charge of Sunday service. And it was **F.U.N.T.A.S.T.I.C**.

Hamilton, Jared, Luke and the children / youth arranged a really good and engaging service. Thanks to technology we could see Hamilton on big screen, even though he was at his Dad's and boy's camp in the Woodhouse.

We're looking forward to seeing our young ones flourish at SouthPoint.

Biggest Morning Tea Sunday, 20 June 2021



Our in-house fundraiser was a great success.

Everyone enjoyed sitting around decorated tables with a huge selection of cakes, tea, and coffee.

We raised \$570 to support the Cancer Council! A big thank you to everyone who made this possible. To give you an idea where these funds are going, these are just a few examples:

- Support and information from 13 11 20 (Cancer Council helpline) staff
- Home away from home accommodation
- Transport to appointments
- Legal and financial advice
- Wigs and headwear
- Online information
- Booklets and publications

Thank you to our young helpers on the day – Leila, Hannah, Nicole, Zoe & Chelsea for their engagement in this event. You girls were amazing!



Dr Dan Thomas shared a great sermon on Cancer Research and the role Christians play in praying and supporting the sick. Well worth watching again!!



Projects Of The Month

July will be little light on events, it's cold and we like to hibernate.

Kids church is also taking break during school holidays. However, colouring in, books and children activity packs are available for collection from the foyer.





DID YOU KNOW THAT YOUR SAVED USED POSTAGE STAMPS CAN BE USED FOR OVERSEAS MISSIONS?

Pauline McKay has recently shared a great idea with us:

Geoff & I have always saved our postage stamps. We used to give them to Churches of Christ for overseas missions, however for many years now, they stopped taking them. Recently in the Sunday Mail column in the 'Can you help" section, I saw that there is a lady who collects them & they are used to raise money for all sorts of mission like items. I rang her & we had quite an interesting conversation. My idea is that people at church save all their stamps, & when they have a reasonable number, they can give them to me at church - or leave at the church office & I will collect from there.

Example how the stamps help:

2021 Programs and Projects supported by Stamps for Mission

Sprau family, Papua New Guinea

The Sprau family is serving in Papua New Guinea to bring medical care to one of the most underserviced areas in the world. As members of Wycliffe Bible Translation and in partnership with the Lutheran Church of Australia, Patrick and Anke volunteer as a General Practitioner and as a physiotherapist in a clinic at Ukarumpa, Eastern Highlands Province. Through your support, they give primary care to the local population as well as supporting Bible translators and mission workers. In light of the pandemic, the need for solid healthcare has become even more pressing.

For more information about this cause please visit the website: Icamission.org.au/join-gods-mission/stamps-for-mission/

In The Pipeline

Next month, we'll be celebrating Sala again. Date is set for Saturday, 14 August.

Kid's movie night, Ladies lunch @ the winery, Quiz night... are all in making.

Please speak to Hanli & Ivana if you would like to help with any of these. We would really appreciate your help.

Prayer Points

We pray for the future of our church and direction to be shown to us, for God knows the future and the plan he has for us. We are grateful that HE has carried and guided us through the last 6 months.

Ivana's Recycling Tip

Did you know it's **ILLEGAL** in South Australia to put anything electronic (items needing either a battery or cord for power) into any of your household bins?

Luckily Electronic Recycling Australia have **Unplug 'n Drop** cages located across South Australia.

Visit <u>www.electronicrecyclingaustralia.com</u>

for more information and locations near you (most Bunnings stores participate in this scheme).



Admin

Please do get in touch to say hello, ask questions, or provide feedback about what you would like to see at SouthPoint.

You might have ideas for events, fundraising, home groups, kids church activities etc. We want to hear it all.

You can reach us via e-mail: <u>admin@southpointcc.org.au</u> or phone 8293 5754 or speak with us in person.

We share our days in the office, which is now open on

Tuesdays (9-5 Hanli), Thursdays (9-3 Ivana) & Fridays (9-5 Hanli& Ivana).

Yours,

Hanli& Ivana

We hope you enjoyed this Newsletter, we are here for you!

Proverb s 16:3-3

Commit your works to the Lord and your plans will be established.

Message from Nicole F. Don't be afraid, God is with you all the time.

How to give

Banking details

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BSB 105131 A/C No 067 242 040

Website and App

GoTo: https://southpointcc.org.au/payments

