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It's hard to believe that we are in the final month of winter, but we are! The weather has been cold with snow at times around the state, but people can bring warmth into your life. Here at the Dandenong Bible Education Centre our term 3 courses have started. If you haven't already enrolled, come along anyway. Even if it is cold outside we extend a warm welcome to you - as well as a hot drink to warm you up! If you've lost your course brochure, ring 9791 1699 and we'll send you another.



Learn about Christian attitudes in the 21st century

Come on Sundays 11.30am—12.30pm for the New Life Class!

Take a look at the topics for the New Life Class below. Whether you want to know about how a Christian should live in our society today or you are interested in various aspects of judging (now or in the future) there are topics suitable for you.

August 5	Jesus' resurrection: so what?	September 2	The Christian and gambling
August 12	Athletes for Christ	September 9	Judgement: how God judges
August 19	The Christian and work	September 16	Judgement: the day of judgement
August 26	The Christian and materialism	September 23	Judgement: judging others

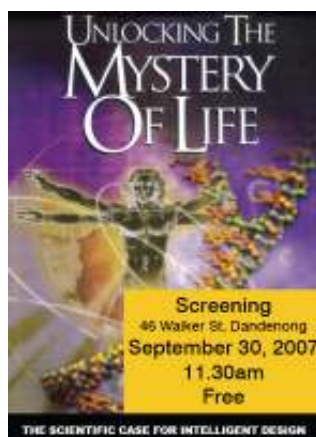
Free magazines still available!

Bundles of the Bible-based magazine "Glad Tidings" were advertised in our last newsletter. There are still some of these free magazines available. Come into the Education Centre and ask for your bundle. Full of interesting articles about a variety of Bible topics, these would be great to read beside a warm heater during these cold winter days.

All our plans are subject to the will of God.

Video Screening

Many scientists say that life on earth came about by a series of small changes over millions of years—but could it? In this video a group of scientists discuss this idea.



Advance notice!

**Open Day
 Saturday October 13
 11am-2pm**

Start looking for a Bible to enter in the "Oldest Bible Competition". Gather the children to come and enjoy some craft and see a puppet play. See displays, linger at the free café, browse in the shop or join the library. Mark October 13 in your diary now!

Mount Waverley Bible Exhibition

Enclosed with this newsletter is a leaflet advertising a free Bible Exhibition in Mount Waverley.



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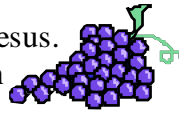
Cooking in Bible Times

We all need to eat to live. Most people enjoy eating too. Have you ever wondered what people ate in Bible times? We are given some clues in certain stories in the Bible.



Bread is often referred to. For example in the book of Ruth we read of Ruth eating her lunch in the field of Boaz after she had been gathering grain for herself and her mother-in-law. Boaz invited her to share the meal with him and the reapers. They ate bread dipped in wine (Ruth 2:14). Jesus ate a special meal with his disciples just before he was crucified. It is known as *the last supper*. At this meal they ate bread with wine (Mark 14:22-25). The bread and wine are still used to remind believers of

the sacrifice of Jesus. Five thousand men (plus women and children) ate bread and fish which Jesus had miraculously multiplied (Matthew 14:13-21). The feast of Passover was an annual event for all Israelites to remind them of the time when God brought the people of Israel out of Egypt. The special thing about this bread was that it had to be unleavened - no yeast (Leviticus 23:5-6).



Honey was another food enjoyed in Bible times. We read of Samson finding and eating honey in Judges 14:8-9. Jonathan also found honey delicious and strengthening (1 Samuel 14:27). John the Baptist ate locusts and wild honey! (Matthew 3:4).



Isaac's favourite food was cooked game (deer) (Genesis 27:1-4). Isaac's father



Abraham was very hospitable. When some visiting angels arrived (he didn't realize they were angels) he and his wife prepared a meal of a calf (which he had killed and cooked) eaten with bread, curds and milk (Genesis 18:1-8).

Daniel and his three friends refused to eat the king's rich food and wine. Instead they asked for vegetables and water (Daniel 1:8-16).

When spying out the land of Canaan (which was described as a land flowing with milk and honey) the men gathered a huge cluster of grapes as well as pomegranates and figs (Numbers 13:23).



These are just a few of the times when food is mentioned in the Bible. There are many more. We read of cereals, meat, milk, fruit, honey, cheese, fish, eggs, bread and so on.

Make your own "Bible Muffins"

Here's a delicious recipe to try - you need to look in your Bible to work out all the ingredients! Have fun and enjoy the results!

3/4 cup *Proverbs 24:14*

2 1/2 cups *Leviticus 24:5*

1/2 cup *cocoa*

1 cup *chopped chocolate*

90 grams *Psalms 55:21*

320 mL *Hebrews 5:12*

One *Job 39:14*



1. Mix *Proverbs* and *Leviticus* with *cocoa* and *chocolate*.
2. Melt *Psalms* and mix with *Hebrews* and *Job*.
3. Pour the wet ingredients into the dry ingredients and stir with a fork until just mixed.
4. Spoon into greased muffin pans.
5. Cook at 200 deg C for about 25 minutes.
6. Gird up your loins and *Romans 12:13*.

Puzzle Solution

In our June newsletter we had a crossword puzzle about creation. Here is the solution.

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