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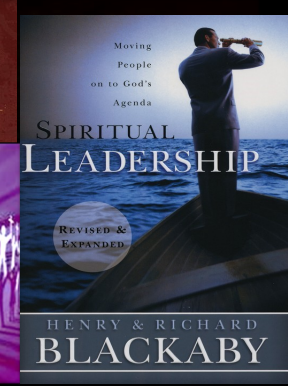
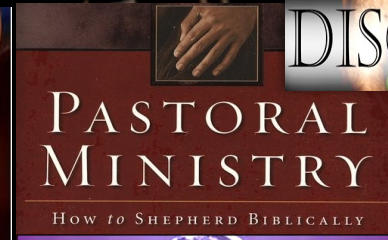
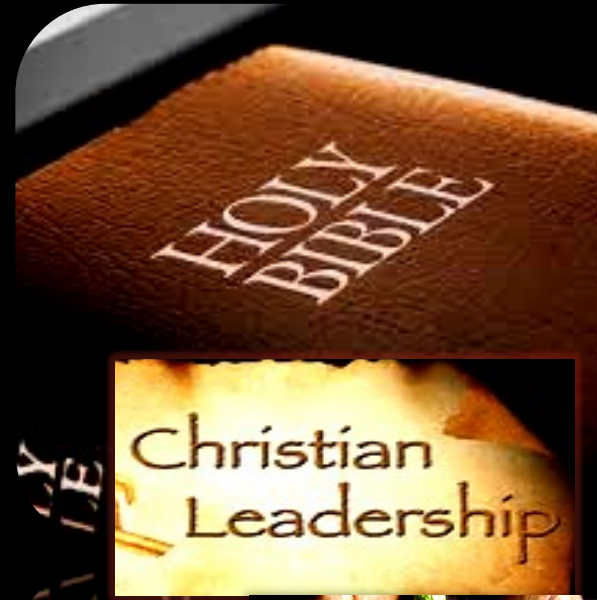
Equipping People For Life – From The Word to the World

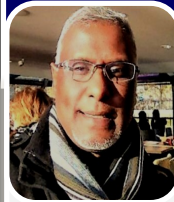
# College Connect

Mid Year Issue - 2017

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## From the Principal's Laptop

Here we are in Semester 2/2017! I am certainly delighted that there is such 'freshness' at BCWA. The Lord is working out His purposes for our ministry, that is, a missional, cross-cultural, equipping centre where students and participants



are coming to a deeper understanding of God, the world in which we live and their part in life's history. Step-by-step in Christ, we are attaining the prize for which God has called us to. Semester 1/2017 has indeed been a fruitful one. Student feedback has shown that they have thoroughly enjoyed their learning experience at BCWA and accordingly most of them have decided to pursue further studies. A total number of 21 students and participants have studied at BCWA in semester one. Praise God for His faithfulness!

We also praise God for our partner ministries in South Africa and Indonesia that are bearing much fruit. At the end of this semester, our new ministry partner in the Philippines will receive discipleship training and other ministry services from BCWA. Our territory in "equipping people for life – from the Word to the world" is certainly being enlarged. Our partnership with a prospective online university to offer the BA (Ministry), MA (Ministry) and the Doctor of Ministry, is gaining momentum and will, no doubt, enhance the ministry at BCWA. We are only being obedient to the leading of the Holy Spirit in fulfilling the Great Commission.

So much to look forward to this semester...

"Now unto Him who is able to keep you [us] from falling, and to present you [us] faultless before the presence of His glory with exceeding joy, to the only wise God our Saviour, be glory and majesty, dominion and power, both now and ever. Amen" Jude 24-25.

In Christ,

*Dawson Elliott*



## Philippines Mission Trip Update

Semester One saw our Global Mission Students go on a practical Mission exploration to Laguna province, Philippines. Thanks for all the prayers and financial support that has made this impossible trip "Him-Possible." This missional-cultural exploration

to Laguna Province was indeed an eye opener to the many facets of life and ministry in context. Our hearts were moved once again as we stepped into another country where the poor live to survive yet another day.



As we ministered and moved around, there was the beauty to be seen in the landscape. Perhaps the greater beauty was seen in the hearts of the people we encountered. Christ does have the preferential option for the poor! Imagine a narrow unhealthy river that serves as your local washing machine, bathroom, food supply (fishing) and entertainment (swimming) – these are the sights that are all too common. Our hearts bled for these suffering ones in the Philippines. Encountering orphans in a local orphanage opened up a well of tears in our eyes and hearts. Children abandoned by parents, left to die, left to live – saved by the 'lights' of Christ who give their all so that these orphans may live a better life. The redeemed ones (volunteer staff) of this orphanage are the unsung heroes who care and love these abandoned ones.

While sowing the seed of faith, we pray for those suffering people in the Philippines and searching for God to open up doors for us to bless. God transformed this exploration to an open door for Bible College training with one local Church in Calamba, Philippines. BCWA will also liaise with different Churches there and to offer discipleship training and other ministries at the end of this semester, November 2017. Glory to God. **\*\*Video clips of the Philippines mission trip are available on BCWA website\*\***



# News update from Women's Ministry

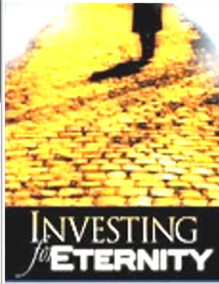
It was such a delight to see women attend this seminar with total enthusiasm and expectations to learn the divine principles manifested through the testimony of the speaker, Mrs. Cheryl Lee Elliott. She is the wife of BCWA Principal, a mother of two children, and a banker who has twice survived breast cancer. Her testimony was powerful and inspiring. Christian women of different backgrounds had participated in the women's Seminar with emphasis in the area of healing: "Restoring yourself after the storm." This was held by BCWA at Huntingdale Christian Church on Saturday, 06 May 2017. Their willingness to sacrifice Saturday's shopping and household chores indeed paid off. It was well worth their sacrifice because they received answers to conquer the challenges of keeping the balance between career, family, health as well as ministry. Hallelujah! Glory to God!



## EQUIPPING PEOPLE FOR LIFE, FROM THE WORD TO THE WORLD THE "J-TYRE" INSPIRATIONAL STORY

**Y**ou are the salt of the earth...you are the light of the world, is what Jesus said in Matthew 5:13-14 (NIV) about us. Jody, a student of BCWA, had come to the college when he was facing the cross roads in terms of work. Through guidance from the Principal and Jody's subsequent enrolment helped him find stability during this time in his life. Jody was equipped to envision a business to support himself and his family. Hence, J-Tyre business was founded which provides on the spot service for tyres. This just one example of how the vision for BCWA (Equipping people for Life, from the Word to the World) becomes a reality. The vision to serve people holistically is integral in equipping people for life. From buying the vehicle, modifying it to fit in with necessary tyre fitting and servicing equipment, even taking the appropriate course and ready to provide the service on the spot, Jody is now in business and flourishing. Just imagine a mobile Tyre shop that can appear at your front door or where you are around Perth when you call. When we asked Jody what "J" stands for, he said it is "Jesus" as well as his first name "Jody." BCWA students have come together to support this family member by praying and dedicating this business to God so He can bless and use this business as His tool to touch many lives in Perth. At this opportunity we would like to invite students, alumni, friends, prayer partners and supporters of BCWA to support this kingdom inspired business either through prayers and introducing others for tyre services. Just call J-Tyre on 0487 932 672.





## Equipping People For Life — From The Word to the World A challenge to “INVESTING for ETERNITY”

“Do not store up for yourselves treasures on earth, where moth and vermin destroy, and thieves break in and steal. But store up for yourselves treasures in heaven, where moths and vermin do not destroy, and where thieves do not break in and steal.” (Matthew 6:20-21) NIV.

God has been faithful to BCWA. The seeds of faith planted in previous years has started to bear fruits. God has begun to enlarge BCWA with overseas ministry partners in fulfilling the Great Commission. Therefore, we encourage our fellow brothers and sisters in Christ to partner with us by supporting us financially and through your prayers. Every dollar you give for His Kingdom counts as your “**INVESTMENT for ETERNITY.**”

BCWA is a Not-for-Profit organization, so all the giving are tax deductible.

There are few options you can give:

- ⇒ By cash or cheque at the reception office.
- ⇒ Post your cheque to 8 Kinsale Parkway, Canning Vale 6155.
- ⇒ Make a direct deposit OR
- ⇒ Transfer via online banking to the following BCWA’s checking account:  
**Commonwealth Bank, BSB number : 06 6131, Account number : 1027 0513.**

*\*The financial accounting and auditing of the College meet the requirements of the ATO and BCWA is pleased to inform you that in matters of financial stewardship, integrity is our key, Christ-honoring feature. JAYBEZ Accounting and Management Services serves the College in this regard. Furthermore, as the Bible College of Western Australia is also an incorporated entity, it does meet the regulatory standards for charities through The Australian Charities and Not-for-Profit Commission.\**



## END OF SEMESTER 1 BARBECUE - FELLOWSHIP (04 June 2017)



One Sunday afternoon, towards the end of Semester 1, Principal, staff, students of BCWA including their families gathered together to have a barbecue fellowship. Starting at 4 pm the, barbecue grill was on and the fellowship began. Everyone brought their dish to share with others which turned out to be a multi-cultural feast. A variety of meat from chicken satay to lamb chops, sausages were sizzling on the BBQ grill, several rice

dishes, salads, onions, and many more were also available to choose. It then followed by prayer for one another after meal and fellowship over refreshments and desserts. No one wanted to leave as the sharing became more intense as we edified one another with a relaxed atmosphere in His presence. There was a great sense of building one another. Thanks to Raymond Tai for the use of your residence. BCWA is not only known for quality studies but for quality cross-cultural food. Yumme...



# BCWA Semester 2 Update

**Lecturers briefing** We started the first week with the briefing for the lecturers as well as welcoming new lecturers on board along with the presence of the principal of Global Reach Bible College, South Africa. As each one of us expressed insights of the subject we teach, we found that we were edifying one another. It is conforming with what Paul said about edifying the body (Ephesians 3:19-21). This was followed by fellowship with one another of a light lunch.



## Welcome to our new Lecturers



**Keith Henderson**



**Peter Chase**



**Theo Sim**

## Student News

*This semester, we have an initial enrolment of thirteen students enrolling in different classes. We expect this number to increase through our other programs. It is a dynamic and busy semester as we sense God bringing to fruition His agenda for BCWA.*



# Short Courses, Seminars



**Bible College of Western Australia**

"Bite size" (Short) Courses

## What on earth is the Church?

**29 Aug , 5 Sept, 12 Sept, 19 Sept 2017**

A four (4) week "Wheel Alignment" course  
to dissect, diagnose and reconstruct

**'Church'**

**as Jesus intends it to be...**



WORSHIP

**Seminar**

**Saturday, 16 September 2017**

**9.30 am - 12.30 pm**

**WHAT IS  
WORSHIP**

Session 1: Theology of Worship  
Session 2: Practice (Workshop)

For information and online registration visit our website: [www.bcwa.wa.edu.au](http://www.bcwa.wa.edu.au)

# PRAYER POINTS



Short Courses on Church (August 2017), Worship Seminar in September 2017, Principal's trip to Balikpapan, Indonesia, Sponsors for Mission Trip to Philippines (November 2017), GRBC—South Africa, BCWA Board Members, Principal, Staff, Lecturers, Students, Leaders of Huntingdale Christian Church. Also, give thanks for His blessings this semester and next year 2018.

## BCWA - Semester 2 Timetable

Time	9.00-11.00 am	11:00-11.20	11:20-1:20pm	1:20-2.00pm
Day				
TUE	Discipleship (RS)		Christian Leadership (TS)	Lunch
	Pastoral Ministry (KH)	Morn. Tea	Directed Research (Grad Dip Students) (DE)	Lunch
WED				
THU	Spiritual Formation (DS)	Morn. Tea	Spiritual Warfare (PC)	Lunch

DE- Dawson Elliott

DS – David Shalley

PC - Peter Chase

TS - Theo Sim

KH – Keith Henderson

RS– Ros Smith

### YOUR TURN

to **SHAPE** you

### SATURDAY MORNING

Inquiries welcome

BCWA acknowledge your desire to grow into spiritual maturity despite of your limited time. As part of our commitment, we provide you with this Saturday morning course to keep you spiritually in SHAPE.



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