



RHEMA 106.5 NEWS

From the Chairman

APRIL 2024

God the Lord, even he who made the heavens, measuring them out on high; stretching out the earth, and giving its produce; he who gives breath to the people on it, and life to those who go about on it, says: I the Lord have made You the vessel of my purpose, I have taken You by the hand, and kept You safe, and I have given You to be an agreement (covenant) to the people, and a light to the nations: To give eyes to the blind, to make free the prisoners from the prison, to let out those who are shut up in the dark.

Isaiah 42:5-7 (BBE)

Our God. He is an awesome God. He is the creator. He is the great "I am". He is the one who has ultimate power and might. In last letter we focused on God's prophesy through Isaiah in chapter 42:5; let's now look at verse 6 and 7. But firstly I would encourage you to dig out your Bible turn to Isaiah 42 and read it afresh. Notice the focus on the goodness of God and His son Jesus. Verses 6 and 7 tell of the blessings Jesus is bringing into the world.

The Law (Commandments) that God downloaded to Moses for the people of Israel was set as a fore runner, a schoolmaster, a tutor, a guide to the qualities God was specifying for His chosen people. It is regarded as the Old Covenant leading up to the New Covenant He put in place for the salvation of not only Israel but indeed the whole world. God promised a New Covenant and one that is not a set of rules, but Jesus.

Jesus is the Covenant; the One whom God initially planned would bring redemption for all those who believe. He declares Jesus as the vessel of His purpose, the Way to salvation and unity with God the Father. God promised He would be with Jesus, directing his hand and keeping Him safe; that He, Jesus, will be the Light of the world; the One who will open blinded eyes and set people free from prison, the prisons of the mind and the soul.

1 Timothy 2:4 " He wants all people to be saved and to come to a knowledge of the truth.", John, shares in chapter 3 v16, *"For God had such love for the world that he gave his only Son, so that whoever has faith in him may not come to destruction but have eternal life."*

The depth and desire of the Father to nestle all His children into His care and love is very evident in these scriptures.

God so yearns for us that he planned for our redemption, from the time of the creation. Then at the right time Jesus, God the Son, would come to share and offer Himself as a ransom, even when we were still sinning.

Romans 5:8. "But God demonstrates his own love for us in this: While we were still sinners, Christ died for us."

As we celebrated Easter, trust in Jesus who went willingly to that cruel cross for our salvation. Rejoice also in the fact that on the third day He rose from the dead and is now seated with the Father advocating on our behalf. He is our only Hope for salvation.

Accept the invitation to come to the Father through Jesus and yield all that we are to Him. Through Jesus we can be free from the bondage of the prisons within that can hold us in a dark zone, whispering insecurities and highlighting our inadequacies and unworthiness. We are made for more than this. Jesus makes us worthy by wiping away our past and forgiving us of sin (that separation from and ignorance of God) when we repent of that past and yield to Him and receiving Him as your personal saviour. He loves you!

There is room for more volunteers at Rhema 106.5. There are roles that need to be filled. A larger number of announcers are required, particularly from the youth. I encourage us all to be on the lookout for opportunities to promote Rhema 106.5 amongst your friends, neighbours, churches and colleagues. Let's aim to build our membership base from a drop off of membership that can happen. Government regulators are checking on this and it is vital for the future of Rhema 106.5.

Become pro-active; be motivated for this vital ministry outreach which is your partner in the Gospel of Jesus Christ.

"...His compassions fail not. They are new every morning; Great is your faithfulness" (Lamentations 3:22b-23)

God Bless, *Don Emms*



FOR KING & COUNTRY

It has been 5 years since "For King & Country" were in Australia for a series of concerts. The band return home in late May for concerts in capital cities plus Newcastle. This one will be on Saturday 1st June from 7pm at the Newcastle Entertainment Centre. Tickets are available via our website www.rhemafm.net Click on the "For King & Country" banner to go straight to the Ticketek site to buy your tickets.

TRANSMITTER SITE

We reported in our last newsletter of the collapse of our transmission tower, and the hard work of our technician, John Shackleton, to get us back on-air. It is good to report that repairs have been on-going and should be completed by the end of April so we will be back broadcasting on full power. Thank you for your patience while this work has been done.

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

The Annual General Meeting of the Manning Great Lakes Christian Broadcasters will take place on Monday 27th May in the hall beside the Taree Presbyterian Church in Albert Street at 6pm. The election of the Board of Management for the next twelve months will take place at that meeting. If you are interested in being on the board, and have been a financial member for over 12 months, please contact our chairman Don Emms prior to the AGM. His email address is donemms52@gmail.com All members are welcome to attend our AGM.

HOPE BEHIND BARS

During February and March 2024, Bible League's *Bringing Hope Behind Bars* Campaign partnered with over 20 Christian radio stations across Australia. With this partnership, they aimed to meet an initial goal of 4,000 Bibles. You can still donate by going to our website www.rhemafm.net and clicking on the banner.

FINANCES

All donations given to Manning Great Lakes Christian Broadcasters (Rhema FM) over \$2 are tax-deductible. If you would like to electronically transfer money, the banking details are:
RAB Acct No: 500017880 BSB No: 932-000
Important: Please make sure that you include some details when you give online, such as your surname, so that we can easily account for any money transferred into our account.

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TODAY'S CHRISTIAN MUSIC FOR APRIL 2024

TOP 10 CHRISTIAN SONGS ACROSS AUSTRALIA

#	SONG TITLE	ARTIST	ALBUM
1	Gonna Be Good	Taya	Taya
2	These Days	Jeremy Camp	[Single]
3	Good Day	Forrest Frank	[Single]
4	A Thousand Times	We Are Messengers	[Single]
5	You're The Voice	For King & Country	[Single]
6	I Got You	Danny Gokey	[Single]
7	He Does	Brandon Heath	The Ache
8	Where Grace Begins	Joel Vaughn	[Single]
9	High Water	Tori Kelly	[Single]
10	Turbulent Skies	Lauren Daigle	Lauren Daigle

PRAYER

Please pray and give thanks for:

1. The way God has poured out His guidance and blessings.
2. Pray that the ACMA will show favour on the work of your local Christian radio station Rhema 106.5 FM.
3. Please uphold all of our Rhema volunteers who serve in this ministry.
4. Continue to pray for Vicki Goodsell and her family after Chris passed away in January.