



**Live More. Love More. Learn More**

**Albury Seventh Day Adventist Church  
is CLOSED Until at least the end of  
April due to COVID-19 log in to ZOOM for  
the Church Service.**

*Bulletin for the 11<sup>th</sup> of April*

*Zoom Sabbath School*—starts at 10am log in to

<https://zoom.us/j/411176871>

*Zoom Service*—starts at 11:00am log in to

<https://zoom.us/j/411176871>

*Sunset tonight will be at 7:01 pm*

Greetings Church Family,

We find ourselves in sober moment. These are uncertain times around the world and people's hearts are failing them for fear. People who have never felt anxious before are suddenly weighed down with worry and are not sure what to do next.

Do you need encouragement right about now? Are you feeling anxious and

uncertain? Do you find yourself in a season of isolation as events cancel, schools shift online, and churches close their doors to large gatherings?

When I need to stay calm, I turn to this Scripture: “Do not be anxious about anything, but in every situation, by prayer and petition, with thanksgiving, present your requests to God. And the peace of God, which transcends all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus” Phil 4:6-7, NIV.

As Christians, we believe with all of our hearts that God knows our needs and promised to provide for them according to His will. We are to trust Him with an attitude of thanksgiving and find contentment in what we are given.

What if God doesn't answer your prayers for things that you are absolutely sure that are necessary for you, for your family and friend's survival during this time of government forced lockdown? Will your heart be at peace if God gave you nothing more than He already has? Test yourself with this question: What if God's only gift to you were His grace to save you? Would you be content? You plead with Him for work or to keep the business you work for afloat; You implore Him to remove cancer from your body; you plead with Him to take away addiction that has plagued your life for years; you beg Him for restoration of first love in your marriage; you ask Him to save your children. What if the answer is, “My grace is sufficient for you?” Would you be content? Here is Paul's answer, “And we know that God causes everything to work together for the good of those who love God and are called according to his purpose for them.”

### **Application:**

Are you praying with someone? Meaning, did you ring someone this week to check how they're doing and offered to pray with them?

Who are you praying for? Do you have a prayer list? If you don't, please work on one straight away before Sabbath starts.

How is your walk with God, individually and as a family? Do you put aside time to spend with God in His Word? Do you really pray to God and lay everything at His feet, how you feel and openly confess to Him the things that you stumbled on which pushed Him outside the door rather inside the house with you? Are you proactive in gathering the family once or twice a day for family worship?

If you're struggling and in need of someone to talk to or to pray for you, or study the Bible with, please do not hesitate to talk to someone you're comfortable with in the pastoral team; pastors, elders, deacons, deaconesses and the Prayer Team. They would welcome you with open arms.

God bless you all abundantly in Christ Jesus our Lord, amen.

## Hi Family,

Albury Seventh-day Adventist Church building complex is closed until at least the end of April 2020 due to COVID-19 Coronavirus.

While our building and facilities are closed **OUR HEARTS ARE STILL OPEN.**

We are meeting virtually so please engage and join us in worship online.

Weekly Services will be online through Zoom. Please use the below link:

<https://zoom.us/j/411176871>

Prayer Meetings at 6:30am each week day morning are also online through Zoom

Please use the below link:

<https://zoom.us/j/902339803>

You can also interact with us on Facebook:

<https://www.facebook.com/AlburySeventhDayAdventistChurch/>

By email:

[email@alburyadventist.church](mailto:email@alburyadventist.church)

Or on our website:

<https://alburyadventist.church>

Finally, if you cannot get online please call one of the below numbers:

**Pr. Tony Moala:** 0430 041 116

**Steve Greenham:** 0407 078 535

**Damian Cox:** 0414 548 058

Regular updates will be communicated by email and Facebook. If you are not on the church email list please signup at our website:

<https://alburyadventist.church>

Please scroll down to the bottom of our homepage and signup there.

**Sabbath School Pamphlet:** These can now be paid for via e-giving, please don't make them as an anonymous payment as no-one will know who has paid if you do. A category called 'Pamphlet Payments' has been included in e-giving for this.

Dear Friend

## **SUPPORTING YOUR CHURCH WITH YOUR TITHES AND OFFERINGS DURING COVID-19**

We are certainly living in unprecedented times with each day changing the way we are accustomed to the way we have lived, shopped, worked and worshiped. COVID-19 has changed so much yet in the midst of all the turmoil and change we have seen amazing ways in which people are connecting with each other. Our church buildings maybe closed but our church remains open within the hearts of our members.

Over the past few years our conference has borne the brunt of severe drought, wildfires and floods, now we face a pandemic. Through all of this our South New South Wales Conference members have remained faithful to their Saviour. Now is not the time to be disheartened, we are blessed to have a God that we can rely on to sustain us and guide us through these uncertain days. Two bible verses come to mind at this time.

### **Philippians 4:19**

And this same God who takes care of me will supply **all your needs** from His glorious riches, which have been given to us in Christ Jesus.

### **Psalms 91:14**

The Lord says, "I will rescue those who love **me**. I will protect those who **trust in** my name.

Isn't it wonderful that we have a faith base that provides us with comfort in these rapidly changing days?

Over the past few weeks I have received a number of questions from members asking, how can we continue to return our tithes and offerings to God's storehouse. With the changes outlined by the Government over recent days I thought I should update you on where we are now at.

Previously I had suggested that those who were not familiar with eGiving could still return their offerings by cash. This could be done through ministers visiting with their members or members going to a designated point and dropping off their tithes and offerings. I need to make it clear now that this is no longer an option that we can continue due to the restrictions now placed on non-essential travel.

I would therefore encourage our members to remain faithful at this time and to consider one of the following options.

**1. eGiving** - eGiving is our most preferred option as it is easy to use as a one-off transaction or for setting up regular gifts. It is also easier for our local church

treasurers. Our treasury staff are willing to support our members if they require help with their set up. [eGiving.org.au](http://eGiving.org.au)

**2. Direct Deposit** – Members can direct deposit tithe directly into the conference bank account. The challenge here is in respect to local church budget or offering of the day. The details of the conference account are as follows.

BSB 032-719

Account Number 273575

Account Name Seventh-day Adventist Church (South New South Wales Conference) Ltd

Description Tithe (name of donor)

**3. Credit Card** – Members can phone **Kaylene Kosmeier** on **(02) 6103 6112** or email **kaylenekosmeier@adventist.org.au**. Provide Credit Card details, payment amount and how they would like it disbursed – Tithe, Offering of the day (which includes Local Church Budget), Sabbath School etc. Where funds are received for Local Church Budget or Stewardship our office will transfer these funds to the Local Church Cash Management Fund (CMF) or their local bank account in the event the church does not operate a CMF Account.

**4. Cheque** – Members can prepare a cheque and post it to their local treasurer or to the Conference directly at Seventh-day Adventist Church (South New South Wales Conference) Ltd, PO Box 800, Canberra, ACT 2601

**5. Cash** – While not ideal members can store their tithes and offerings at home until such time as our churches re-open.

At the end of this letter I have included the offering of the week schedule for your information.

While our office is closed our team are still available to support you as we navigate through daily changes.

Our prayers and thoughts are with each of you. We thank you for your faithfulness and pray that we will all come out of this stronger.

With kind regards



Gavin Howie

**Chief Financial Officer**

## Offering of the Week

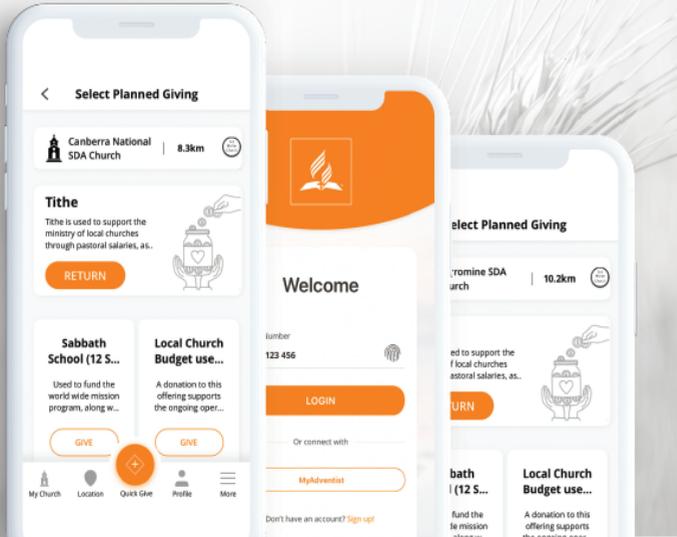
To continue supporting your Local Church, Conference and World Church log onto [eGiving.org.au](http://eGiving.org.au) or contact the SNSW Conference office to set up direct payments.

Month	Date	Offering Designation
<b>April</b>	4	Local
	11	Hope Channel
	18	Local
	25	Local
<b>May</b>	2	South Pacific Record
	9	Local
	16	SPD Strategy: Comprehensive Health Ministry
	23	Local
	30	Border Christian College
<b>June</b>	6	Avondale College
	13	Local
	20	Local
	27	SNSW Special Projects Offering (SNSW Strategic Direction)
<b>July</b>	4	Local
	11	World Mission
	18	Local
	25	Union Global Partnership Project

# RETURNING TITHE & OFFERINGS MADE EASY

Download app now and set up in 3 minutes

Returning tithes and offerings is a blessing because it means God has provided for you first. "You shall remember the Lord your God, for it is He who gives you power to get wealth..." *Deuteronomy 8:18 ESV*



## FEATURES



Please remember in your Prayers:

\* Jess & Family

\* Pr. Tony Moala

\* Pam Haysom

For changes contact:  
Steve Greenham 0407 078 535

## Church Directory

**Pastor**—Tony Moala

0430 041 116

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**Communications**—Damian Cox

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**Calendar/Hall Bookings**

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**Church Clerk**—Ela Hromis

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**Lesson Pamphlets**—Faith Huston

[mfhuston@hotmail.com](mailto:mfhuston@hotmail.com)

**Church Library**

[library@alburyadventist.church](mailto:library@alburyadventist.church)

**Bulletin**—Pam Haysom

**(Deadline: Wednesdays 5pm)**

[bulletin@alburyadventist.church](mailto:bulletin@alburyadventist.church)

**Church website**

<http://alburyadventist.church>

**Giving Totals for Last Week the 4<sup>th</sup> of April**

Church Expenses	\$0.00
Main Church Offering	\$0.00
Sabbath School Offering	\$0.00
Church Building Fund	\$0.00
Border Christian College	\$0.00
13 <sup>th</sup> Sabbath Offering	\$0.00

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## Sunset Times

\*Friday 17<sup>th</sup> April 5:44pm

\*Saturday 18<sup>th</sup> April 5:42pm

**Wanted:** A hardcover of Patriarchs and Prophets by Ellen White. Please contact Fiona 0413 205 515.

**PRAYER WORKS**  
prayerworks@alburyadventist.church

**PRAYER RESPONSE GROUP** – to submit prayer requests or join, Text: 0405 645 016;

Email: [prayerworks@alburyadventist.church](mailto:prayerworks@alburyadventist.church)

**ZOOM PRAYER** - each Mon, Tues, Thurs, & Fri, 6.30 am

**UNITED PRAYER ON ZOOM** - Wed 6.30 am & 6.30 pm (excluding school holidays).

**ZOOM LINK** <https://zoom.us/j/902339803> or download the Zoom app.

**Emergency Relief Committee:** A committee has been selected to look after the special needs in relation to fire/flood/quarantine or other special circumstances. Please contact Janice or Michael if you would like to help or are in need of help.

**ADRA News:** ADRA Op Shop is closed until at least the end of April due to COVID-19. We will update as more information comes to hand.



## Fundraising

Support your Pathfinders by recycling 10c bottles at the Return and Earn Recycling Collection Points.

Scan below barcode when you return bottles for money to go straight to the Pathfinder account.

