

# The Christian Community in Australia

MOVEMENT FOR RELIGIOUS RENEWAL

## Newsletter of The Queensland Group, February 2010

Mapleton Falls College, 36 Mapleton Falls Road, Mapleton Qld 4560

*Rev. Cheryl Nekvapil will be visiting from*

*Thursday 4<sup>th</sup> – Saturday 6<sup>th</sup> February 2010.*

Cheryl Nekvapil is available for conversations and meetings with individuals.

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Dear Members and Friends,

With the Baptism of Rossi Palmer's baby daughter in Mackay, I will visit our Queensland congregation, a brief and blessed opportunity for us to gather together. Gospel study in a group is one key to enlivening the message carried in Christian scripture, and we will follow a 'method' of recall, observation and then personal sharing of the reading. The question of "Why Ritual?" is one we will also share together. We will celebrate The Act of Consecration of Man, a renewed sacrament for us today; a 'ritual' impulse for Christian renewal in prayer in community, inviting Christ to be in Us.

Looking forward to our meetings; *Cheryl Nekvapil*

### ***PROGRAMME FOR THE CHRISTIAN COMMUNITY IN QUEENSLAND***

*Thursday 4<sup>th</sup> – 6<sup>th</sup> February 2010*

#### **Wednesday 3<sup>rd</sup> February**

**8.30am:** Baptism of Louella Ruth Palmer in Mackay

**7.30pm:** Brisbane – Gathering at the home of Sue and Rob Vos, 7 Riatta St., Chapel Hill.

Phone 07 37202915; please contact Sue if you are coming. Open topic depending on who's there!

*All other events unless otherwise indicated will be held in the temporary Chapel at  
**MAPLETON FALLS COLLEGE: 36 Mapleton Falls Road, Mapleton.***

**Thursday 4<sup>th</sup> February:** Chapel Set- up will be on Thursday. From **10am** on we need volunteers to set up the chapel. Please contact Paul Martin if you can help ph 07 54786260.

**7.00pm:** Gospel Study, the reading for the week – (Matthew 20: 1 – 16) – at Therese and Colin Allen's home, 33 Glenys St., Burnside. Ph 07 5441 6917.

### **Friday 5<sup>th</sup> February**

**8.00am:** THE ACT OF CONSECRATION OF MAN

**7.30pm:** **The Transitions of Childhood:** Talk by Cheryl Nekvapil. *In the meeting room at Noosa Pengari Steiner School, 86 Nyell Rd., Doonan.*

This interesting talk will cover the 3 major transitions that occur during the school aged child's development.

Cheryl will look at the changes that affect the inner and outer landscape of the child during these phases and how we can best meet their needs at home and at school.

- 6-7 yr "first puberty" transition
- 9-10 yr "rubicon's crossing"
- 12-14 yr teenage transition

A wonderful talk for parents and teachers alike!

*Cheryl Nekvapil is former kindergarten teacher and founding parent of the Orana Steiner School in Canberra. She was ordained as a priest in the Christian Community in 2002 after studying in Germany and is now a school chaplain. Cheryl is a mother of four and a grandmother of two; and brings much experience, wisdom and inspiration to her presentations.*

**Saturday 6<sup>th</sup> February:**

- 10.00am:** THE ACT OF CONSECRATION OF MAN.
- 11.15am:** **Why Ritual?** We will consider this question from many perspectives: cultural, religious, psychological, pragmatic, and personal. Michael Tapp (priest of The Christian Community) has written a booklet with this title and we'll also look at his approach to the subject.
- 12.45 pm:** Lunch – please bring food to share.
- 2.00pm – 2.45pm:** **Committee Meeting.** All welcome.
- 2.50pm:** Close of Day Service.
- 3.00pm:** **Chapel pack-up.** This doesn't take long if everyone helps out.

*For information/enquiries on the program phone Therese Allen: 07 5441 6917.*

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