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NEWSLETTER

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Back in the early 1990's, Myra Wilkinson nurtured a vision for Elijah House Ministries in Australia; and since that vision was brought to fruition, many, many people have received the special gift of God's grace through the healing of life's wounding and the restoration of relationships that Elijah House seeks to bring. Many of these have learned to bring that gift to others.

And of these folk, many, many were drawn into that healing place by the inviting, caring, accepting, encouraging and Holy Spirit filled ministry of Jim Hamilton.

Together with his essential counterpoint and equally caring partner Dell, Jim conducted Elijah House courses in almost every State of

Valē Jim Hamilton

Australia, constantly on the go and engaged in up to twelve EHMA levels a year, as well as many ongoing personal ministry sessions. Long term Board Member and Chairman, Course Leader and Minister, Jim has lived and breathed and carried the vision of Elijah House forward for almost two decades.

He himself received significant healing at a Sandford conference in 1986 and has been Chairman of the Board of Elijah House Ministries Australia since 1994, bringing to the role his many leadership skills developed as Queensland Deputy Electricity Commissioner before his 'retirement' in 1989. Jim's energy and enthusiasm for the things of God have been a shining example to others, and his generosity of spirit always contagious.

Every community, be it Christian or otherwise, is the sum of all its people; each one of them an important part of that group's identity, or personality. But at any given time there are always one or two folk who are just so vitally involved and universally respected that they shape the very flavour of that community; and when

they leave, things are never quite the same again. So it was with Jim.

There isn't such a title given, nor should there be, of Mister or Ms Elijah House Australia; but if length and intensity of service were determinants, Jim was a qualifier. If energy and enthusiasm were to have a say, Jim could yet claim such a place. If love and care for all involved, students and volunteers alike, became a criteria, yet again Jim would have been in the front row.

Yet were such a thing ever offered, Jim would have been the first to renounce it.

Jim died at peace with God, hand in hand with his beloved Dell, fully reconciled to family and friends, and in that we see God's grace once more active in his life. We will miss him greatly, and wherever God takes Elijah House Australia in the future, whatever form it takes, whatever grace it enables – it will not be the same without him.

Valē (farewell) Jim – go to the God who loves you and to whom you were so true.

Message from Mark Sandford

Dear Dell and Elijah House Ministries Australia,

I pray that you feel God's comfort as you and Jim both go through this time of transition each in your own way.

I have been very blessed to know Jim. There are many men of his generation who seem unable to reach beyond themselves to relate to others—especially younger people—where their hearts are. This was not true of Jim. As we walked barefoot through the soft sand in the balmy sea breeze at Caloundra, I felt like I was walking alongside a pal my own age. Jim's heart was timeless; I suppose much like that of Jesus who lives outside the bounds of age and era.

Jim bore the traits of a healed heart. He attuned himself to everyone, stepping into your world and mirroring you for the moment, while at the same time not losing any sense of who

he was. For that reason he could offer who he was in a way that made you discard any reservations about letting him in. You didn't even realize this is what you were doing, for you were too focused on sipping a cup of his affable selflessness, lingering over it as one lingers over a line of deftly crafted poetry shared over tea. You wanted to breathe in the pleasant nuances of his presence. But more than anything, you wanted to soak up his love and follow behind him in his simple faith. He wore that faith like a comfortable old shoe; just being with him convinced you that it fit you just as well as it did him. Before you knew it, you were walking in it. Jim was able to evangelize the heart without uttering words.

Bless you all for sharing him with us for a season.

In Jesus' love, Mark Sandford.

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From Elijah House USA



Turning Hearts...Changing Lives.

Elijah House USA has a new logo! Executive Director, Robert Fetveit, wrote recently about the focus for Elijah House, saying, "...there is such a temptation to focus on healing and miss our larger purpose... (as) John and Paula say, 'healing is not the goal of this ministry.' The goal is greater than that; it is the kingdom of God. It is our desire to hear, connect and participate with the Father's heart... Healing is only a means to help us fulfill HIS Heart's desire!"

Robert also wrote about how he "was recently reminded of one of the original goals for teaching Elijah House principles—to equip the whole Body of Christ to do inner healing!" Part of this equipping is through teaching series like 'Kingdom Warfare' from a recent Elijah House US conference. It is hoped DVDs may be available in Australia later this year.

Elijah House USA recently launched its new website, www.elijahhouse.org, with links to their BlogSpot and GodTube videos.

Kingdom Warfare

Many Christians wonder why they feel so oppressed. They ask, "What more can I learn about our enemy so I can end his attacks? Such knowledge

is certainly needed, "in order that Satan may not outwit us. For we are not unaware of his schemes" (2 Cor. 2:11). But perhaps many have forgotten that Scripture's greater focus is on God and His purposes, and that the enemy is the one truly under attack ("...and the gates of hell shall not prevail against [the church]"). God can easily prevent an attack. So perhaps we should also ask, why does He allow it, and what is He teaching us through it?

The answers will reveal more effective ways to wage war. For spiritual warfare is more than just identifying demons and firing salvos of rebuke. It's also shaping our character as warriors through a lifestyle of repentance.

Only training done on our knees makes us well fitted to our armour. A battle waged in this manner will make a demon's departure more sure. And that will not be the only blessed outcome. The lasting fruit of strengthened character will have made the victory sweeter still. Indeed, if such strengthening is one of God's purposes for allowing attack, the attack itself may become a means for victory.



SEMINARS

CALOUNDRA 14th February

ALBANY 21st February

MANDURAH 7th March

CALOUNDRA 14th March

SEE TIMETABLE FOR DETAILS.

Course Format Change

Beginning this year, the format of the Prayer Ministry Training course has changed to incorporate 48 teachings, bringing us in line with Elijah House USA.



As a result, each level can now be completed in either 4 days or 2 weekends. A complete list of teachings in each level is available by clicking on Course Information under the Courses link on our website, www.elijahhouse.com.au.

Though still available for purchase, the teachings that will no longer form part of the course are:

- Common Errors in Ministry
- Biblical View of Boundaries
- Homosexuality
- Protection of the Prayer Minister

NSW Volunteer Approved Training Assessment

The first NSW assessment sessions will be held as follows:

Session 1: CCR Centre, 19A Quirk Street, Rozelle
Dates: Friday to Sunday, 6th to 8th March 2009

Session 2: Servants of Jesus, 15 Park Road, Seven Hills
Dates: Thursday to Sunday, 19th to 22nd March 2009

Volunteers need to attend on two days only; from 9am to 2pm on one of the Saturdays, and for 3 hours on one of the other dates. An information letter and booking timetable will be sent to volunteers shortly.



T I M E T A B L E

Location	Level A	Level B	Level C	Level D	Contacts	
NSW						
	ROZELLE	Fri 13 - Sun 15 Feb Sat 21 - Sun 22 Feb	Fri 20 - Sun 22 Mar Sat 28 - Sun 29 Mar	Fri 15 - Sun 17 May Sat 23 - Sun 24 May	Fri 26 - Sun 28 Jun Sat 4 - Sun 5 Jul	CCR 02 9810 2499 Terry Boccalatte 9712 1109 tandiboccalatte@elijahhouse.com.au
	DOONSIDE	Saturdays 7, 14, 21 & 28 Mar	Saturdays 2, 9, 16 & 23 May			Neadree Waddell 02 4721 4649 neadree.waddell@elijahhouse.com.au
	CARINGBAH	Thu 12 - Sat 14 Mar Mon 16 - Tue 17 Mar	Thu 14 - Sat 16 May Mon 18 - Tue 19 May			Carol Porter 02 9544 1598 carolporter@elijahhouse.com.au
	NARRABRI	Mon 16 - Thu 19 Mar				Belinda Druce 02 6792 4089 heathermackenzie@elijahhouse.com.au
	WEST WYALONG	Fri 20 - Sun 22 Mar Fri 27 - Sun 29 Mar	Fri 19 - Sun 21 Jun Fri 26 - Sun 28 Jun			Jenny Marshman 02 6976 3032 jennymarshman@elijahhouse.com.au
	RICHMOND	Sat 11 - Mon 13 Jul Sat 18 - Mon 19 Jul	Sat 10 - Mon 12 Oct Sat 17 - Mon 18 Oct			Margaret Bailey 02 4776 1487 margaretbailey@elijahhouse.com.au
	ROZELLE	Fri 18 - Sun 20 Sep Sat 26 - Sun 27 Sep	Fri 30 Oct - Sun 1 Nov Sat 7 - Sun 8 Nov			CCR 02 9810 2499 Terry Boccalatte 9712 1109 tandiboccalatte@elijahhouse.com.au
QLD						
	SAMFORD			Fri 6 - Sun 8 Feb Fri 20 - Sun 22 Feb	Fri 20 - Sun 22 Mar Fri 3 - Sun 5 Apr	Kenneth & Moira Redhead 07 3351 2197 kandmredhead@elijahhouse.com.au
	CALOUNDRA	Seminar, Saturday 14 February 2009				Resource Ctr 5492 8588 info@elijahhouse.com.au
	LAWNTON	Fri 27 Feb - Sun 1 Mar Fri 6 - Sun 8 Mar	Fri 1 - Sun 3 May Fri 15 - Sun 17 May	Fri 14 - Sun 16 Aug Fri 21 - Sun 23 Aug	Fri 2 - Sun 4 Oct Fri 16 - Sun 18 Oct	Terry & Monika Lewis 07 3284 1880 tandmlewis@elijahhouse.com.au
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	CALOUNDRA	Fri 17 - Sun 19 Apr Fri 24 - Sun 26 Apr	Fri 5 - Sun 7 Jun Fri 19 - Sun 21 Jun			Resource Centre 07 5492 8588 info@elijahhouse.com.au
	BRIBIE ISLAND	Fri 22 - Sun 24 May Sat 6 - Mon 8 Jun	Fri 17 - Sun 19 Jul Fri 31 Jul - Sun 2 Aug			Carol White 07 3408 6997 carolwhite@elijahhouse.com.au
	TOOWOOMBA	Fri 24 - Sun 26 Jul Fri 31 Jul - Sun 2 Aug	Fri 28 - Sun 30 Aug Fri 4 - Sun 6 Sep			Mary Lou Johnston 07 4691 2826 bandbooth@elijahhouse.com.au
	CARINA HEIGHTS	Fri 7 - Sun 9 Aug Fri 21 - Sun 23 Aug	Fri 25 - Sun 27 Sep Fri 16 - Sun 18 Oct			Bill & Colleen Guttormsen 07 3488 0695 billguttormsen@elijahhouse.com.au
	SAMFORD	Fri 28 - Sun 30 Aug Fri 11 - Sun 13 Sep	Fri 9 - Sun 11 Oct Fri 23 - Sun 25 Oct			Kenneth & Moira Redhead 07 3351 2197 kandmredhead@elijahhouse.com.au
	CALOUNDRA	Fri 18 - Sun 20 Sep Fri 9 - Sun 11 Oct	Fri 13 - Sun 15 Nov Fri 27 - Sun 29 Nov			Resource Centre 07 5492 8588 info@elijahhouse.com.au
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	MANDURAH	Seminar, Saturday 7 March 2009				Angela 08 95371168 angelacramer@elijahhouse.com.au
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	ALBANY	Fri 20 - Sat 21 Mar Fri 27 - Sat 28 Mar				Alan & Betty Taylor 08 9841 1575 aandbtaylor@elijahhouse.com.au

Elijah House Support

If you would like to financially support Elijah House Ministries Australia, advise us of a change of address, or to no longer receive newsletters, simply tick one or more of the boxes below, fill in the relevant sections and post to the address below.

Here are six good reasons to financially support Elijah House Ministries:

- + Help make Australia the Great South Land of the Holy Spirit
- + Contribute to building the Kingdom of God
- + Bless others as you have been blessed
- + Be part of releasing people into their full Christian potential
- + Make a difference for Jesus
- + Help grow the ministry

Full Name:

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Newsletter (Receive via) Email Post

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Once Monthly Yearly

Amount:

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Cheque (payable to Elijah House Ministries Australia)

Money Order (payable to Elijah House Ministries Australia)

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Postal Address:

Elijah House Ministries Resource Centre

PO Box 244, Caloundra QLD 4551

POSITIONS VACANT

Elijah House Ministries is seeking to fill two part-time positions to commence on 2 March 2009.

TRAINING COORDINATOR

Reporting to the manager, this role will involve:

- Working from Resource Centre, Sunshine Coast, QLD
- Travel to States where EHMA is operational
- Direct communication with course leaders, volunteers, students, CALAM Training & DETA
- Establishing and maintaining Course Assessment and Training Committee
- Preparation of reports, forms and documents relating to the accreditation process
- Approved Training assessment of volunteers and past and present students
- Presentation of Micro-Skills and Ministry Group Management workshops

The Training Coordinator will need to complete:

- Cert IV in Workplace Training & Assessment
- Cert IV in Prayer Ministry Training

SYSTEM & FINANCIAL ADMINISTRATOR

Skills Required:

- Administration and management
- Accounting incl. BAS
- MYOB and Microsoft Office experience

Full position descriptions and criteria for each position is available from the Resource Centre. Office hours are 8.00am to 4.00pm Monday to Thursday.

Applications addressed to the Manager must be received by Tuesday, 17 February 2009.



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