

ABM Anglican Board of Mission - Australia **Working for Love, Hope & Justice**



Quarterly Anglican Schools' Newsletter Term 1 2014

Welcome to ABM's quarterly Anglican schools' newsletter! This newsletter will keep you up-to-date with educational resources for students and staff as well as highlighting news stories from our partners around the world.

New Lent 2014 App!

ABM is excited to announce its new Lent Smartphone App!

The ABM "Lent 2014" App provides you with a reflection, prayer and action for every day of Lent!

This Lent you are invited to travel (virtually) around the world with ABM exploring the many facets of mission: reconciliation, building amity, loving our neighbour, embracing kindness, loving justice and walking a way of peace.

Over the 40 days of Lent the App will introduce you to some of ABM's partners and how they are involved in making God's love known upon earth, and what you can do to join them in mission.

Download the free "Lent 2014" App now. Just search for 'ABM Lent' in the 'Apple' or 'Play' App stores or visit the links below.

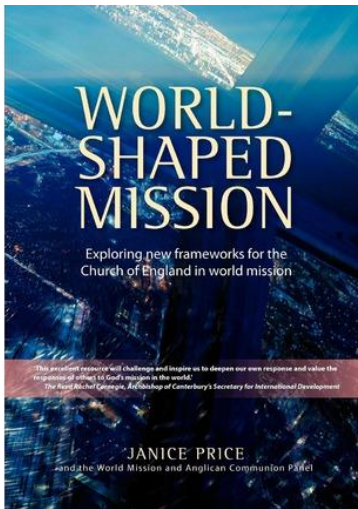
Apple: <https://itunes.apple.com/us/app/lent-2014/id823229503?ls=1&mt=8>

Android: <https://play.google.com/store/apps/details?id=com.abm.lent.app>

Take a look at ABM's other Lent resources [here](#).



Recommended Reading for Chaplains and RE Educators



Book:

World-shaped Mission

The last few decades have brought with them some major shifts in the way that mission is understood. Today, the distinction between 'home' and 'world' mission is blurred, and separating 'mission' from 'development' is no longer straightforward.

There are some robust conversations happening right now in Anglican Schools in Australia about adopting new frameworks for establishing local and international partnerships. This book is the fruit of much hindsight and the latest understanding of partnership developed in close consultation with mission and

development agencies, dioceses and others engaged in mission activity in the Church of England. World Shaped Mission is sure to challenge and reconfigure the way Anglican Schools talk about, and practice, mission in the world today.

World Shaped Mission is available for \$20-\$25 at most major [online bookstores](#).

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Journal Article

Koll, Karla Ann. "Taking Wolves Among Lambs: Some Thoughts on Training for Short-Term Mission Facilitation." *International Bulletin of Missionary Research* 34, no. 2 (2010): 93-96

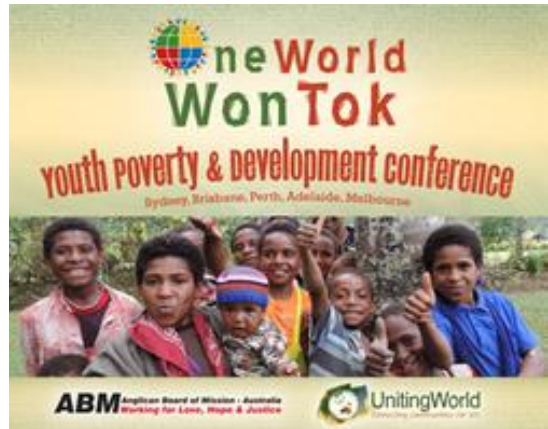
"Many of the guidebooks available in abundance in Christian bookstores do not even ask this question [of what mission *is*] but simply assume that these short-term trips *are* mission. I suspect that as long as mission is defined by the act of going, the task undertaken, or the target population, it will be impossible for the groups who travel to understand listening as a vital part of what they are called to do in that new place." (p. 96)

The full journal article can be retrieved [here](#)

http://www.cedepca.org/index2.php?option=com_docman&task=doc_view&gid=91&Itemid=64

One World WonTok conferences

Our poverty and sustainable development conferences are coming to a capital city near you this May! This year's conference will ask the question, *'Who is my neighbor?'* Activities for the day will focus largely around a PNG village simulation activity aimed at enhancing students' knowledge and understanding of the complexities of poverty and sustainable development. Students will be required to think critically in a small group environment and exercise problem solving skills as they discuss and evaluate certain challenges throughout the day.



Sydney	Tuesday 13th May Newington College 200 Stanmore Road, Stanmore NSW 2048
Brisbane	Thursday 15th May St Peter's Lutheran College (PAC Theatrette) 66 Harts Rd, Indooroopilly QLD 4068
Perth	Monday 19th May Penrhos College (Function Centre) 6 Morrison Street, Como WA 6152
Adelaide	Wednesday 21st May St Peter's College (Big School Room) Hackney Rd, Hackney SA 5069
Melbourne	Friday 23rd May Trinity Grammar School (South Room – Centre for the Arts) Cnr Charles St & Cotham Rd Kew, Victoria 3101 Australia

Check out our website for [conference flyers and registration forms](#).

Brisbane students show support for children in the Philippines

Last month a letter of thanks was received from the Prime Bishop of the Episcopal Church in the Philippines (ECP). It was in response to Elementary School students at the Springfield Anglican College in Brisbane who sent handwritten letters via ABM in support of children affected by last November's Typhoon Haiyan.



Earlier on, College Chaplain the Rev'd Chris Boyce told us, "How wonderful! This is so heart-warming and I know the kids will be very pleased to hear how well their gifts and little notes have been received. It will do their little hearts good when they hear the news from the Philippines. Praise God!"

In his letter, Prime Bishop Edward Malecndan (pictured) said, "Do extend the ECP's greetings to all those sent their messages of hope and encouragement to the children of the Visayas who are at the same time "the least of our sisters and brothers", as well as the whole community of Springfield College. God bless."

Thank you to Springfield College and to all other supporters who have shown their care and love for our brothers and sisters in the Philippines.

Final report of Episcopal Church's response to Philippines' emergency



Last month the Episcopal Church in the Philippines (ECP) released the 2nd and final report of its work in emergency relief for the victims of Typhoon Haiyan.

"Remarkably, many communities previously involved in ECP projects in other parts of the Philippines have become active participants in the relief efforts and presumably in other ways, if needed, during the next phase of the work ... The engagement of these communities, including some one-off support provided by others, is truly inspiring."

[View the full article here](#)

New ABM website

Yes, that's right! ABM has a [new website](#) and is now live! We hope that navigating our projects and resources is a breeze and that you find everything you are looking for! www.abmission.org

Partnership videos

The Episcopal Church of North Carolina have uploaded four online educational video resources on the nature and theology of partnership in development. These videos may be a helpful tool for Anglican School Staff to reflect on and evaluate current overseas relationships.

View these videos [here](#)

<http://episdioncmedia.com/?p=177>

Meeting for education in PNG



The Anglican Church of Papua New Guinea's (ACPNG) Education Division hosted a strategic meeting of the Diocesan Education Secretaries in Port Moresby.

The Church has 3 secondary schools, over 100 primary schools and many more elementary schools spread across PNG, in the highlands, lowlands, coastal and islands regions of PNG.

Through the Church Partnership Program (CPP), ABM is assisting the Anglican Education Division (AED) to better support its teachers and communities to provide quality education to PNG children.

This meeting is the first of its kind for many years and one of the outcomes is the program for the Diocesan Schools Conferences to be held during first and second term in each Diocese, also funded through the CPP.

The CPP is a partnership between Australian AID, ABM and ACPNG along with 6 other PNG churches and their Australian partners aimed largely at improving health and education services to people in rural and marginalised parts of PNG.

Meagan Morrison PNG Partner Liaison

(Photo: Meagan Morrison (second from right) with AED staff Luke Aum, Harold Kaiyaoko, Percy Kaniniba, Larry Dou and Roger Baboa.)

You can show your generous support to PNG Anglican Schools [here!](#)

RE Resources

The [Grove Education Series](#) offers and promotes Christian thinking rooted in practice for all involved in schools, colleges and churches. A useful and inexpensive resource for RE staff!

http://www.grovebooks.co.uk/cart.php?target=category&category_id=403

South Sudan Crisis

From the [UN News Centre](#)

11 March 2014 – As the fighting continues in South Sudan, United Nations humanitarian agencies warned today that the approach of the rainy season is a major concern for the 706,000 people displaced since the beginning of the crisis in December 2013, 77,000 of which are seeking refuge at UN Mission in South Sudan ([UNMISS](#)) base.

In addition to the threat posed by inclement weather, humanitarian actors continue to face major challenges caused by constant insecurity. Recent fighting in the flashpoint town of Malakal, capital of South Sudan's Upper Nile state, forced the halt of humanitarian operations for several days and created serious obstacles to delivering aid.

“The shelter and non-food relief item humanitarian cluster, co-led by IOM [International Organisation for Migration], is currently testing a shelter prototype for the rainy season using sandbags, floor elevation and additional framing materials to fortify existing shelters,” said IOM spokesperson Chris Lom at a press briefing in Geneva.

[View the full article here](#)



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Challenge violence, injustice and oppression, and work for peace and reconciliation

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