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Our Vision: ABM wants to see people everywhere experience the wholeness of life God offers in Jesus Christ, and supports our partners as they participate in God's mission.

Term 3 Anglican Schools News & Resources 2015

Welcome to the third edition for 2015 of ABM's Quarterly Anglican schools' News & Resources. This email 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.



**An ecumenical service learning
conference for primary and
secondary educators**

Date Claimer for 2016 Conference

This is an invitation to educators involved in leading or organising service learning activities in Australian schools.

The *Transforming Service* Conference will bring together Service Learning professionals from all over Australia to share a national picture of service learning activities and to work together on advancing the understanding of service learning and the foundations which underpin service encounters.

The *Transforming Service* Conference is an ecumenical initiative that recognises the rich variety of approaches to service across Australian faith-based schools. The conference will focus particularly on secondary schools but recognises that many schools adopt a whole-of-school approach to service learning. International and cross-cultural service encounters will be a focus of discussion, alongside local endeavours.

Registrations will open in term 3, 2015 | Cost \$375

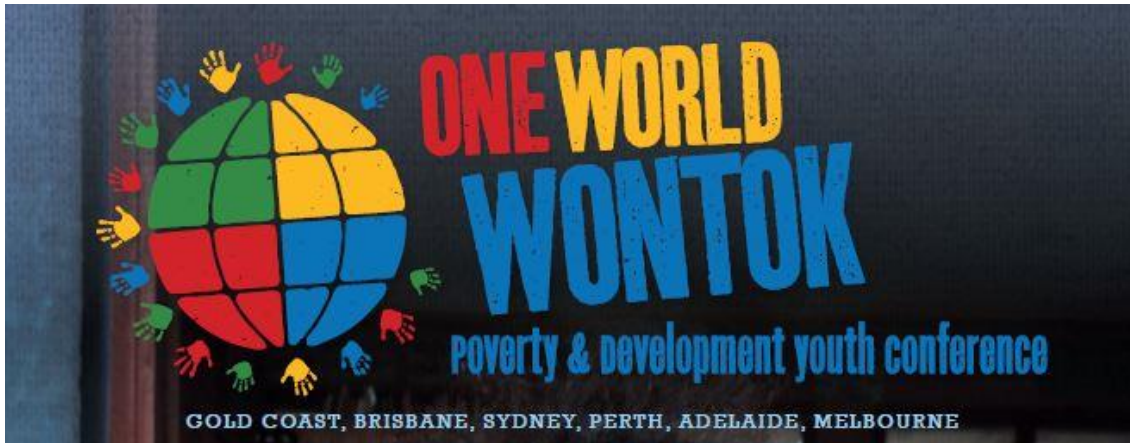
**Venue: Australian Catholic University Leadership Centre,
Elizabeth Street, Brisbane**

APRIL 14-16, 2016

Supported by:

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Visit the Transforming Service [website >>>](#)



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The **One World WonTok Poverty and Development Youth Conference** is a joint development education initiative of ABM and UnitingWorld inviting student leaders to wrestle with global issues in an enjoyable and engaging format.

Gold Coast	Tuesday 17th May
Brisbane	Wednesday 18th May
Perth	Friday 20th May
Adelaide	Monday 23rd May
Melbourne	Wednesday 25th May
Sydney	Friday 27th May

[Click here](#) to watch a short video about One World WonTok.



The campaign for Australian Aid invites Australians to celebrate the great accomplishments of Australian Aid.

Take the [FAIRNESS TEST](#) with students and generate classroom a discussion about inequality, aid and what difference our choices can make!

For more information and to sign up for updates, visit [Australian Aid](#).

Support an ABM Project & share your story!

Is your school currently supporting a project? Why not choose an annual project for your school to get behind? News and updates on some of our projects may be found under the relevant project pages on our website.

We'd love to hear **your story** about what your school is doing to work with ABM for love, hope and justice in this world! Send your stories to education@abm.asn.au



You are welcome to contact our office for more information.

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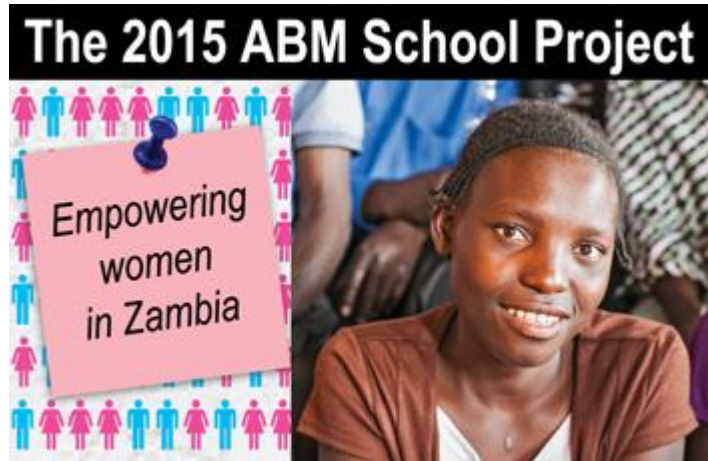
From [Learningservice.info](#):

"International volunteering has grown in popularity, and with so many people going abroad to "serve", we worry that we are often forgetting a really important step: we have to learn before we can help.

If we don't research our options thoroughly, understand the context and culture of the communities we visit, and ensure that our skills and experience match the needs, volunteering can be wasteful, and at worst, cause a lot of harm.

We are promoting a movement of learning, designed to better prepare young people about to travel abroad for the first time, and travelers of all ages looking to give back through their time, with the skills and mindsets they need to be of "service", not just for a few weeks on a volunteer trip, but for the rest of their lives."

Visit [Learningservice.info](#)



Gender inequality in Zambia continues to make life difficult for women. Even though the country's laws are increasingly supportive of women's rights, there are traditional cultural practices that continue to hinder women from reaching their full potential. Some of these are:

- arranged early marriages
- no access to education
- no work outside the home
- no community leadership roles
- limited government participation
- lack of identity papers
- no inheritance rights or land ownership.

To help make a difference simply register your school, select an activity and begin fundraising for ABM. You may want to host a Zambian food stall, a Zambian cultural day or anything you please! All fundraising information is available on the flyer:

[Download a .pdf copy of the 2015 School Project Flyer here.](#)

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Sustainable Development Goals

One of the main outcomes of the Rio+20 Conference was the agreement by member States to launch a process to develop a set of Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs), which will build upon the Millennium Development Goals and converge with the post 2015 development agenda ([click here for information on different work streams](#)).

[Read more >>>](#)



MYANMAR FLOOD EMERGENCY UPDATE

The latest news updates report that at least 69 people have been killed by flood waters in Myanmar and over 260,000 people are affected. Please keep praying for them, for our Partner CPM and all

government and aid agencies who are assisting in the relief efforts.

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ANTI-POVERTY 11 - 17 October 2015 WEEK

The main aims of Anti-Poverty Week are to:

- Strengthen public understanding of the causes and consequences of poverty and hardship around the world and in Australia; and
- Encourage research, discussion and action to address these problems, including action by individuals, communities, organisations and governments.

Everyone is encouraged to help reduce poverty and hardship by [organising an activity](#) during the Week or [taking part in an activity organised by others](#).



PILGRIMAGE STORIES

Canterbury College Students Experience Vanuatu Pilgrimage - July 2015

“One of the best things about our pilgrimage is that we’ve really had the time to bond with our friends at Losalava Secondary School in Vanuatu,” says Canterbury College School Captain Luke Clipperton. “The way we’ve done it is so much better than a tour... it’s been a life changing experience.”

Read more about the pilgrimage [here >>>](#)



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