

WHITEBOARD

February 2014

A NEW YEAR

WELCOME to the first edition of Whiteboard for 2014. It's only a short issue this month, but punching above its weight. RealMen Canberra Conference is on this month and if you haven't already registered, you'll find everything you need to know right here to get registered and be there. Not only that, but turn the page and you'll see what we've got to look forward to this year in church and throughout the wider community. Look ahead and be encouraged!

Keep an eye out next month for the first (all new!) bi-monthly edition of Whiteboard. That's right, Whiteboard will be out every two months and we're hoping to get more of you guys involved - writing articles, telling stories and generally encouraging others as men of God. We're all brothers, fathers, sons, mates, men. And we've all got our experience to share.

But for now, enjoy this month's Whiteboard...and don't forget to register for RealMen Canberra.



REALMEN CANBERRA registration details

To register place your name and details on the Expression of Interest form at the Information Desk in the main foyer at church. Any paid registrations (cash or card) are receipted at the info desk. If you choose to electronically transfer your \$25.00 the following Church Account is used for this purpose.

Account Name: C3 Church Monash; BSB: 633-000; Acc No: 116894205
Reference: the event, your name, and the number you are paying for
(E.g. MensCGallagherJx1)

WHAT'S ON IN FEBRUARY

MEN'S PRAYER AT CHURCH

10:00 am Sunday, 2 February

Where: C3 Church Monash

During the morning service all of the men and their sons will be invited on stage, where Pastor Steve White will pray over us. In return we will demonstrate the 'Australian Salute' and chant as a mark of respect and protection over Ps Steve for 2014.

REALMEN CANBERRA CONFERENCE 2014

8:00am Saturday, 8 February

Where: C3 Church Watson,
160 Aspinall Street St, Watson

Breakfast starts at 8am, with sessions from 9am to 1pm. Speakers include Greg French, Eric Harrison and Steve White. There'll also be a Q&A panel. The cost is \$25.00, which includes breakfast and morning tea.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY!

Wayne Allen, James Vahalahi and Ruben Falcinelli are all having birthdays in February.

2014: THE YEAR AHEAD

John Gallagher gives us an 'over the horizon' glimpse of the year ahead for the C3 Monash Men's Ministry and a challenge to look beyond ourselves to those around us.

- Morning service, Sunday 2 February, prayer for men and sons
 - Saturday 8 February, Canberra Realmen Conference at C3 Watson with Eric Harrison.
 - New bi-monthly 'Whiteboard' from March-April.
 - John Finkelde and Joshua Winarta in April
 - Two church working bees in March and November
 - *Presence Global* in April
 - Mother's Day in May
 - Realmen Conference Sydney in August
 - Father's Day in September
 - C3 South East Asia Conference in September
 - Ian Jagleman in November
 - Love Christmas, Love Canberra in December
 - A workshop in the second half of the year
- Remember to continue with:**
- Prayer
 - Emails to men on events, activities and points of interest
 - Pastoral care for men
 - Connect groups
 - Growth of men's casual gathering groups
- Change, Connect, Reach*

Challenge

How do you as a Christian man do life differently to that of the world? Can I ask you to consider these things and endeavour to find another man in the church to talk it through?

- Do your current activities create an atmosphere where those closest to you feel they are important?
- Does your attitude to a work-life balance align with God's view of what is important?
- If you are honest with yourself, what position does your family and friends have in your life - are they able to speak into your life for your personal growth?
- Will you as a Man, Friend and Christian leave a mark on your sphere of influence?

SCRIPTURE

2 Timothy, 1:7 - *"God has not given us a spirit of fear, but of love, power, and self-discipline"*.

I love that it points out that the self-control we need is actually already INSIDE us since the Holy Spirit has arrived on the scene. If we lack self-control (in regard to pornography, or rage, or spending, or alcohol, or even punctuality) meditating on this verse will drive us deeper into relationship with the Holy Spirit IN us, to draw out the true new nature, and stop living like our "old self" who we used to be.

I learned a long lesson and changed a lot from this verse in my early twenties, and I've probably been preaching it ever since.

Stu Gilding C3 Watson Men's Ministry

Graham Cumming is one of the mighty men in our church and has published some of his own books. Follow the link below to his ebook page on Amazon and view some of his titles:

<https://www.amazon.com/author/grahamcummingebooks>

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