

August 2021

Welcome to our new edition of Airwaves. Grab a cuppa, read & enjoy!



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2021 June Appeal

Thank you for standing with us!

June Appeal is always an exciting time of year! What great stories will we hear? What fabulous guests will we have in the studio? How will God move on his people?

Every year is different. It's unpredictable, inspiring, and faith-building! This year due to the lifting of most COVID restrictions we were able to launch with a long weekend of Open Days from 4th to 6th June. It was great to have visitors back "in the house".

By the end of those 3 days the tally sat at \$13,315, which was a solid start. The gifts kept coming in throughout the month and we capped it off on Wednesday 30 June, to celebrate what God had done and to thank our faithful supporters. We had planned on this being another Open Day, but due to stay-at-home orders we had to abandon that idea! :-)

The tally at the close of the month had climbed to just over \$71,000! Fantastic!

Thank you so much to everyone who gave, those who shared their words of testimony and encouragement, and to those who prayed. God is good, and as always He has provided through you, His people!

We're Bursting at the Seams!

Rhema.CC Building Fund Launched!

Growth is good! But it brings with it challenges. When we moved into our current premises in June 2011 it seemed huge! (Well, after the 25m² space we had in William St Gosford, it was!)

Now, 10 years on, we're struggling to fit within the space. It's not uncommon to find someone sitting in the reception area with a laptop on their knees, for lack of a desk to work at. And we have had to turn away interviews and guests when we just haven't had studio space available at the right times.

So the time has come to look for a new home. In preparation we've launched a building fund, to put aside the money we will need to make that move. Relocating a radio station is not easy, nor is it cheap, so when we find the right place we want to be able to act quickly. The building fund will help make that possible.

Can you help us with this? Gifts to the building fund are fully tax deductible. Maybe you could tithing on your tax return? If you'd like to give, go to www.rhema.cc/building-fund-donation/

What's Happening?

- **Office Manager Appointed!**

A huge welcome to our new Office Manager, Peter Alarcon! Pete joined the team mid-June and is already making a big difference, getting our office procedures and protocols up to speed. With a background in business and ministry (having headed up Youth For Christ Central Coast for a number of years with his wife, and Rhema director, Sarah), Pete brings a wealth of practical experience, a heart for the people of the Coast, and a passion for Jesus! It's great to have you on board Pete!



- **Annual General Meeting**

We know it's not until November 16 but with this newsletter you'll find the official notification, director nomination, and proxy vote form (for if you can't attend the meeting in person). You'll also be able to download these from the website from early October.

- **CBM Miracles Day**

We love Miracles Day! And so do our listeners! Last year you funded 372 life-changing cataract surgeries (up from 166 in 2019). Tune in on Thursday 19 August between 6am and 6pm and let's see how many lives we can transform together this year! Let's break through the 400!

You can find out more about CBM and Miracles Day at www.cbm.org.au/miraclesday/



- **MAF Bring Hope Appeal**

In a new partnership this year Christian radio stations around the country are getting behind the fabulous work of Mission Aviation Fellowship (MAF). MAF brings hope to the isolated through emergency medevacs, aid drops, disaster relief and community development, as well as remote missions support. On Thursday 2 September we'll have MAF CEO Ian MacDougal as a special guest in the studio from 7am, so be sure to listen in and hear all about it.

You can find out more about MAF and the Bring Hope Appeal at maf.org.au/donate/



- **Rhema.CC Radio Internship**

We're putting together a 12-month internship for 2022 to train a young person in all areas of radio. This would be an ideal gap-year program for a current year 12 student, or someone that has graduated in the last couple of years and has not yet settled on their future career. If you're thinking about a career in radio, this could be your perfect launch pad. We'll be releasing more details in the coming months, so keep listening for on air announcements. If you'd like to express your interest, pop an email to our General Manager: rick@rhema.cc

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