



Many Languages in Christ

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One Peg at a Time*

Ethnic Congregations Project Newsletter ACSQ

Big Day at Goodna

Two Bishops Deliver Training

Bishops Cameron and Daniel jointly took the lead in a big day at Goodna Parish to deliver diocesan training in Child Protection to the ethnic congregation and parishioners on 26 June. As the day progressed the delivery changed from a Cam delivery, to one where Daniel translated as well. A model that proved highly effective and was appreciated by those participating.



Two photo's of the participants at the training sessions.

Sudanese Anglican Council

Following the training, both Bishops participated in a meeting of the Sudanese Anglican Council. One of the main items of discussion was the number one barrier that has confronted all non English speaking migrants to Australia since Federation. - First Generation migrants struggle with a language they battle to get a grip on and apply in everyday life.

Previous discussions within the Council led to Bishop Daniel presenting a formal request letter to Bishop Cameron requesting that diocesan training in Child Safety, Workplace H&S and also for Liturgical Assistants be produced initially in Dinka and Arabic.

Together with this request, was a plan to put this into effect at nominal expense and use Bishop Daniel to deliver the early packages with expert assistance.

All this was well received by the Council Progress on this initiative will be reported in future editions of this newsletter.



Council Members with Bishop Daniel

Planning Child Safety Training

At St James on 25 June, Daniel and Rhoda Akech, the ethnic congregation caretaker, had a constructive meeting with Avryl Gration the Project Manager with CALD group to discuss ways to roll out Child Safety Training at St James Toowoomba.



Avryl and Rhoda

MU Closes the Divide

On Sunday 27 June there was an opportunity to foster links in Mother's Union across the ethnic divide. This initiative came as a result of the connection Bishop Daniel and the President of MU Beverley Perry have formed. Copies of the MU magazine MiaMia were given to MU members in the ethnic congregation. To some this might seem a small gift, but to the Sudanese congregation it was a real example of how the divide in ethnic backgrounds is closing and was much appreciated.



MU members and LA's Rachel and Rhoda in vestments with Daniel

Survey Road Testing

Progressing in the background over the past few months has been the work towards a survey across the diocese of ethnic congregation members and leaders. But more importantly to get an understanding of needs and issues that confront them. Also to celebrate the many things that make the church an important part of their life and faith. Bishop Daniel has been holding meetings with leaders in person and via zoom to come up with a suitable format for the survey.



One of the previous meetings to work on the survey format

Covid Lockdown

A big disappointment right at the start of July was the cancellation of the Senior Ichthus Camp at Glendalough on the Sunshine Coast due to a Covid lockdown. Erica Skerman had kindly invite Daniel to attend and speak to the young people there about his roll as Resource Church Specialist with Ethnic Congregations.



Glendalough

