



THE HEALING MINISTRY NEWSLETTER

The Newsletter of the Healing Ministry of St Andrew's Cathedral Sydney

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From the Leader, Canon Jim Holbeck



Dear Friends,

Having just begun my Long Service Leave of 13 weeks it gives me a chance to reflect on the goodness and faithfulness of God to the Healing Ministry and to us personally as a family over the last 18 years since we arrived in Sydney.

During that time we have seen things we really didn't expect to see even though we knew they were possible for a God for whom all things are possible. It is always amazing to see the power of God at work in bringing instant healing to some people. More often it has been the gradual improvement in people's physical and emotional health that has shown that He has been at work in answer to prayer. For others there has been the experience of coming out of darkness into the light of Christ as they heard the gospel message. For some there has been the release of being set free from things that have bound them over the years and beginning to walk in a whole new dimension of Christian freedom.

Those of us involved in our healing ministry remain amazed at our recognition of the power of God at work in people's lives. But we keep on realizing afresh that this comes from the love of God to us in His Son Jesus Christ. We have come to know something of that love. Paul reminds us in Eph 3:17-19 that though we may come to a greater knowledge of all the dimensions of the love of God it will always surpass human knowledge. In other words we can't fully understand or fully appreciate the love that God has for us.

One of the highlights of our recent Farewells was the number of people who told me what the Healing Ministry had done for them as individuals over the years. They and I knew that it was what God had done for them but they were grateful to God for the ministry they had received at the Cathedral services or at our seminars and other activities at the Healing Ministry Centre. At times we don't realize what God is doing as His word is preached and taught or what He is doing in answer to prayer.

Carole and I want to say "Thank you!" for your love and support to us over all these years. And to thank you for your prayerful support of our whole family.

Any ministry has its joys and challenges and like everyone else in ministry we have needed your support which you gave to us generously in many ways. We trust that as a new Leader is appointed you will get behind him and give him the same sort of support that we were privileged to receive.

Until we see you again may the Lord richly bless you and keep you in His love.

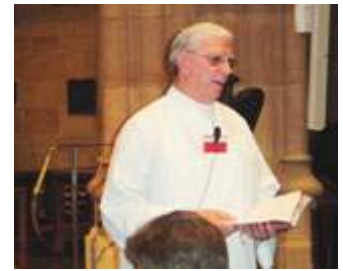
Your friends in Christ
Jim and Carole



Jim and Carole at the congregational farewell on 28th June 2006, after the last Healing Service conducted by Jim as Leader of the Healing Ministry.

FAREWELLS FOR JIM AND CAROLE

Several hundred past and present healing ministry members, crowded into St Andrew's Cathedral on Wednesday evening 28th June 2006 to farewell Canon Jim and Carole Holbeck before Jim officially finishes up as the leader of the Healing Ministry on 1st October 2006.



It was an emotionally moving service, followed by a wonderful supper in the Chapter House. Congregational representatives spoke gratefully of the contributions this special pair had made in the eighteen years they'd so generously shared themselves with us. Praise was given to God for their appointment and dedication to the tasks He'd entrusted to them. Repeatedly, their godly characteristics and scriptural motivation were mentioned. They have greatly influenced many lives at the Cathedral and out at The Healing Ministry Centre, "Golden Grove", Newtown.

Thanks and blessings were prayed over them.



The Sermon from the Healing Service can be purchased on CD for \$5 plus postage. Ring 9557 1642 or email centre@healingministry.org
See www.healingministrysydney.org for more photos.
See www.sydneyanglicans.net

The afternoon tea and evening farewell at The HM Centre, Newtown, on Saturday 1st July was an informal and special opportunity to be with Jim and Carole.



In the Cathedral on Sunday morning 2nd July, Phillip Jensen, Dean of Sydney interviewed Jim and Carole and the congregation prayed for them, in their long service leave, their move from the Healing Centre in Newtown to Port Macquarie, and their time of ministry for 6 weeks in America in October and November.

How greatly we all will miss Jim & Carole and with God's blessing, release them into the joys of retirement and the adventures of faith yet ahead.

STRESS SEMINAR

The "How to Handle Stress" Seminar conducted by Canon Jim Holbeck on 27th May was attended by 140 people. Several participants heard about this seminar through the interview with Canon Holbeck by Ross Clifford on Radio 2CH. The praise and worship throughout the day was uplifting. The three talks looked at where stress comes from: "The Enemy Around Us", "The Enemy Within Us", "The Enemy Against Us". There was much practical application in these teachings and the closing session of meditation, prayer and personal ministry was most valuable.

One participant commented on how everything taught came straight from God's word and that there was no worldly method or theory. This confirmed to them, that the Bible contains what we need for life's needs.

Stress Seminar CD's:

These are available for purchase at \$15 the set. Orders can be placed by phoning 9557 1642 or email centre@healingministrysydney.org

WEDDING CONGRATULATIONS



On Friday 21 April Sarah Holbeck married Andrew Barber at St. Andrew's Cathedral.

Jim walked Sarah down the aisle and Carole stood with him to give their daughter away in marriage. The ceremony was conducted by Jim.

The Healing Ministry Community wish them God's blessing for a happy future together.

INNER HEALING AND WHOLENESS

The June Inner Healing and Wholeness Weekend was booked out with participants travelling from New Zealand, Melbourne, South Australia, Queensland and NSW. Once again God moved mightily in the lives of those in attendance.

Next Inner Healing and Wholeness Weekends:

Aug 25,26,27 Sept 15,16,17 Nov 10,11,12

Application forms can be downloaded from the website or ring 9557 1642.

A waiting list is kept if particular dates are fully booked.

CANCER/CHRONIC ILLNESS DAYS

On Sat 20th May at the Centre in Newtown, we conducted a wonderful day of praise worship and healing for people diagnosed with Cancer and Chronic Illness, as well as their carers. The highlight of the day was the address by our guest speaker Rev Gary Mulquiney from St Philips Auburn. As a result, attendees received a special blessing from our gracious God through the sharing of God's word & the ministry of the Holy Spirit.

Another highlight was the circle of prayer and the laying on of hands prior to the powerful Healing Service of Holy Communion.

Remaining dates in 2006:

Sat 19 August and Sat 21 October.

Tony Mullins – Leader

GOD'S HEALING LOVE

Some brief comments from participants at the Core 5 Teaching Seminar in May.

- Found the message and music inspiring and over all this, there was such love present.
- Fellowship fantastic, released from grief that had caused a lot of pain.
- The prayer ministry and the love that was there blessed me.
- Was released from a critical spirit.
- Felt surrounded by love, my broken heart is beginning to mend.
- This is a beautiful place of love.
- Experienced joy and love.
- Jim's talk on Fellowship convicted me, I was burnt out – am reborn again in service to others.
- The teaching was liberating.
- I always get ministered to here.
- Healed of a broken heart.
- Asked God to take my fears – He did – they are now gone.
- The teaching on the difference between repentance and remorse brought conviction.
- I came exhausted. Didn't have to do anything, just let God's word wash over me. Rested in His love, and enjoyed the fellowship. He meets us at our deepest need.

Editor's Note: This was the last Core Teaching conducted by Canon Jim Holbeck before his retirement later this year. All the teaching sessions were recorded and are available for purchase from Healing Ministry Centre. Set of 6 tapes costing \$30. Phone 9557 1642 or email centre@healingministrysydney.org

FRIDAY MORNINGS AT HMC

Prayer Mountain: 9.45am

If you love to pray with others you could join the "Prayer Mountain" group. This is held in the Chapel. In praise, we open the door to Jesus to give him access to our needs and those that have been requested, locally and from all over the world. All requests are brought before our powerful God.

Healing Devotions: 11.00am

Healing Devotions opens with praise. Some Fridays have been spent learning about Meditation, how to put prayer into action, or being encouraged by hearing someone's testimony. It is an intimate, smaller group which provides a lot of opportunity for fellowship and prayer for your needs or that of a loved one. All needs are prayed for whether, emotional, relational and spiritual.

We praise God for the many blessings of answered prayer, as he meets our deepest needs. **For the next 6 weeks Rev Tom Halls will be in attendance.**

You are invited to come to The Healing Ministry Centre on Friday mornings. Stay and fellowship over lunch afterwards, for a reasonable cost of \$8.

Valerie Ewart-Pike – Healing Devotions Leader

FAREWELL HOLY COMMUNION

Canon Jim Holbeck conducted Holy Communion at the Healing Devotions on Friday 30 June.

It was the first time, during the 18 years as Leader, that he and Carole had been able to attend the Friday Healing Devotions together, as Jim usually conducted Holy Communion in the Cathedral on Fridays.



After the service Jim and Carole prayed for those people who raised their hands requesting prayer.

ANNOUNCEMENT

Rev. Chris Moroney, Senior Minister at St. Andrew's Cathedral will be the Acting Leader of the Healing Ministry until an appointment of the new Leader. Rev. Tom Halls will be assisting him for the next 6 weeks.



Chris Moroney

"THANK YOU!" FROM THE USA

A leading American surgeon has written expressing his thanksgiving to God for the help he has received through our Healing Ministry. He writes, "It is with conflicted feelings that I embrace the upcoming retirement of Canon Jim and Carole Holbeck. They and Canon Glennon have helped me understand God's healing plan for us in this world; as a result, I have received incredible physical, spiritual, emotional, and relational healing.

Much of this progress has been facilitated by the Healing Ministry at your Cathedral through the prayer, counsel, friendship, and biblical teaching of these servants of God.

Prayers for my patients have resulted in some extraordinary healings which defy medical statistics; I am certain those prayers are more effective based on principles learned through your Healing Ministry.

Thank you and GOD'S blessings and grace be with you!"

EVENTS AT A GLANCE

July to September

Please refer to the enclosed program for full details and weekday information.

The Healing Ministry Centre:

Phone: 9557 1642

July 1 – Farewell functions for Holbecks 2-5pm & 6pm onward

July 8 – Prayer time for Healing Ministry

July 22 – The Evangelical Sisters of Mary

July 23 (Sun) – Christian Meditation

July 29 – Farewell to HM Office Secretaries, Cathy & Diane

Aug 5 – Prayer time for Healing Ministry

Aug 19 – Support Day for those with Cancer or Chronic Illness

Aug 25 to 27 – Inner Healing & Wholeness W/E

Aug 27 (Sun) – Christian Meditation

Sept 2 – Grief and Loss

Sept 9 – Prayer time for Healing Ministry

Sept 15 to 17 – Inner Healing & Wholeness W/E

Sept 23 – Praise & Worship and Living by Faith

Sept 24 (Sun) – Christian Meditation

Healing Services in Cathedral

Phone: 9265 1660

6pm. every Wednesday

2.30pm. Sunday July 9, Aug 13, Sept 10