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# LAUNCESTON **ALIVE**

EASTER FESTIVAL

13-16 April 2017

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MELISSA LIPSETT  
ANNIE GARRATT

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## LAUNCESTON ALIVE

Something very significant began when people of all ages from numerous churches and organisations came together to worship and pray in Royal Park on Good Friday evenings in 2011 and 2012, from 6pm until after midnight, beneath spectacular sunsets and stars. Across diverse cultures the unity was palpable. The prayers ranged from scrawled hopes of school children to wisdom for our leaders, direction of our nation and the future of our world. A seed was planted that grew into Launceston Easter Community Festival which, after three wonderful Easter celebrations in numerous venues across Launceston, was named *Launceston Alive* in 2017.

Easter is a time to commemorate and reflect upon the most profound moment in world history which inspired some of our world's finest art, music, literature, discovery and innovation. In this tradition *Launceston Alive* celebrates with a festival of arts, music, thought and food. We seek to bring people of faith together into cooperative unity, to engage in a relevant, helpful, relatable way with those still exploring truth, to fully celebrate Easter and to assist everyone to realise the wonderful and continuously transforming power of the Easter message, "Christ is risen indeed".

*Launceston Alive* is steered by a volunteer committee who contribute to the festival's objective of showing how vitally relevant the Easter message is for all today.

## WELCOME

We welcome everyone to Launceston for our 2017 Easter Community Festival. Here we enjoy a rich, unique blend of natural beauty, historical significance, architectural diversity, cosmopolitan friendliness, academic expertise and diverse creativity in dance, music and the arts. Who can we thank for such a great city, region and people?

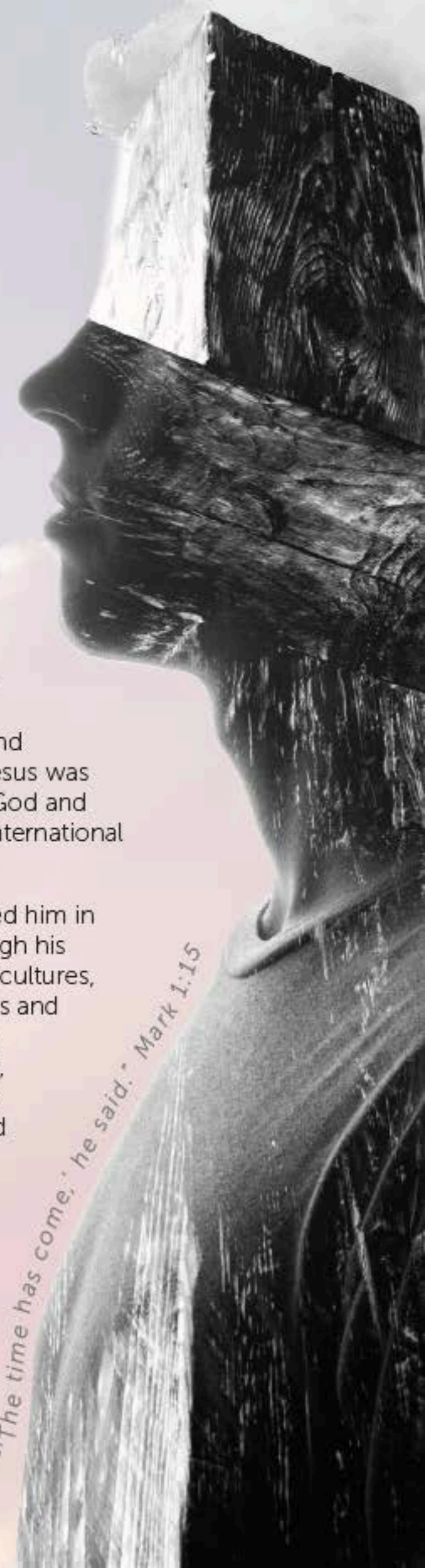
There is increasing recognition that Jesus' life, death and resurrection are the most eye-witnessed, solidly documented and thoroughly proven events of their era. We know a great deal about who Jesus was, where and how he lived, what he said and what happened to him, including numerous personal accounts from the hundreds of people who saw him alive after his death on the cross. Modern archeology continues to further verify and add hard scientific evidence to our surety that Jesus was publicly executed for claiming to be the Son of God and out of jealousy for his progressive national and international popularity.

Those who have followed him closely have joined him in his unselfish, generous, caring lifestyle and through his teachings and life have increasingly affected the cultures, moral and legal frameworks of their communities and nations. Jesus' effect on Tasmania has been and continues to be profound. Most of the freedoms, equities and advantages we take for granted can be traced back to this one man who transformed history more than any other.

It is thus fitting and right that we all gather at Easter to commemorate and celebrate the very foundation of our society and the reason for our freedom, rights and relative prosperity. We hope you all have a wonderful time at Launceston Alive and gain lasting value from the multifaceted festival program.

*Launceston Alive*  
Organising Committee

"The time has come," he said. • Mark 1:15





PRIME MINISTER

**MESSAGE FROM THE PRIME MINISTER**

**2017 LAUNCESTON EASTER COMMUNITY FESTIVAL  
WELCOME MESSAGE 'JUST IN TIME'**

At Easter, Australians have much to be thankful for. We are a people with warm hearts and generous impulses, who strive for inclusion and open-mindedness in the best tradition of fairness and equality.

While other parts of the world may be buffeted by violence, disaffection and doubt, we retain a calm confidence in our ability to resolve points of difference constructively, without fear of retribution for our views.

The peaceful, prosperous nation we are today has not occurred by accident. Rather, it is the remarkable legacy of men and women across the eras whose idealism and courage laid the foundations for the blessings we now enjoy.

While all great pioneers and innovators influence the times in which they live, there are few who can be said to have changed history in a lasting and pivotal way.

Jesus was a man who, we are told, was educated yet down-to-earth; feared by those threatened by his ability to transform with words and deeds, but worshipped and revered for the love and care he showed to the most humble in the community. His sacrifice and teachings have endured through the ages and shaped the world's civilisations.

At Easter, this most sacred moment in the Christian calendar, we gather in awareness and gratitude for Jesus's history-making contributions – the precious inheritance of the entire Christian people in every corner of the world today.

We also acknowledge the priorities of our own time, and consider how we too can manage our resources and opportunities, respond to compelling urgencies, and do what we can to create a better world.

With these thoughts in mind, I send my warmest greetings to the people of Launceston and to everyone attending the annual Easter Community Festival. It is my great pleasure to wish you all a happy, productive, and inspiring Easter.



The Hon Malcolm Turnbull MP  
Prime Minister of Australia

12 January 2017

**MESSAGE FROM THE PREMIER**

Easter is a time to come together to celebrate all that we have to be thankful for.

The Launceston Easter Community Festival is a remarkable collaboration between members of the business, church, arts, academic and community services sector of Launceston. Together they create an event where people can celebrate the Easter message in a contemporary and thought-provoking manner.

Tasmania is a wonderful place to live and we live in exciting times. There is much to be positive about but at this time of year we should also remember those who are less fortunate and recommit to do more to support them

I wish you all an enjoyable time at the 2017 Festival and a wonderful Easter.



Will Hodgman  
Premier of Tasmania

## MESSAGE FROM THE MAYOR

As Mayor of Launceston, I welcome you to *Launceston Alive* 2017 "Just in Time".

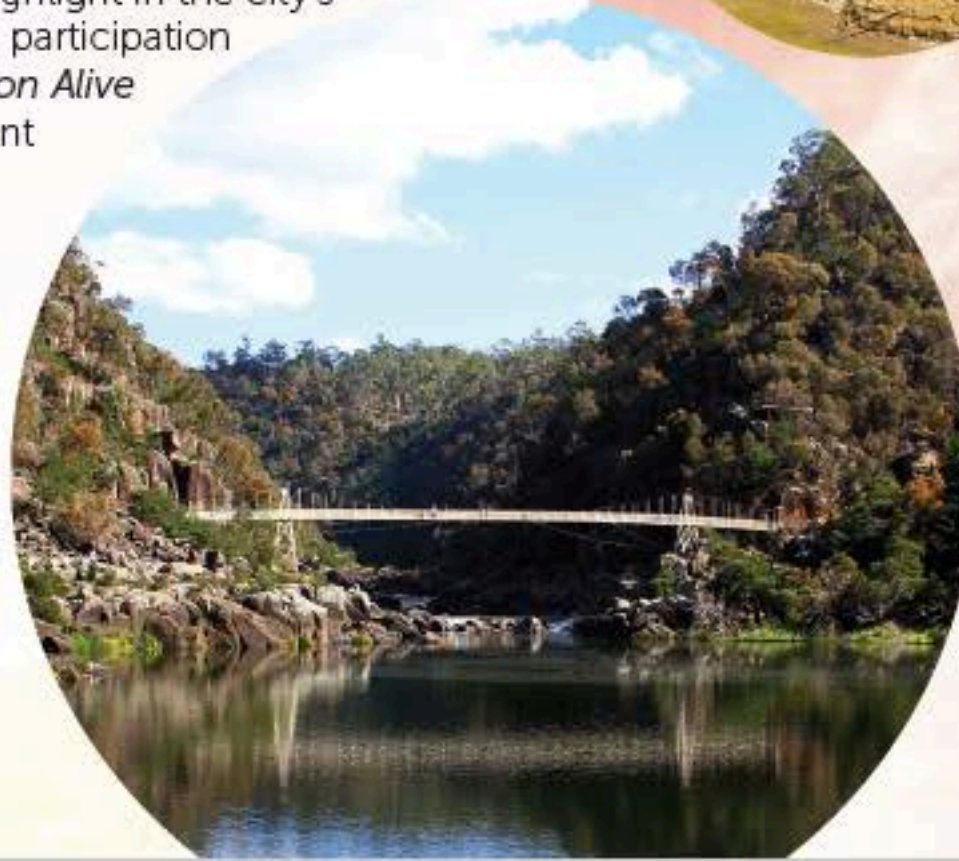
Every fifteen minutes the clear-toned iconic bells of the Launceston Post Office clock ring out to remind the city that time is progressing. As central as that bell tower is to our city, time is central to every one of our lives. On an hourly, daily and annual basis, our lives are shaped by the regular and relentless passing of time and the need to organise and use it wisely. Most things constantly change with time. People age, things change. It is rare to find something which remains the same no matter how much time passes.

The truth of Easter is both central to history and profoundly relevant to our time, yet in a special way it is timeless. It will be as applicable in our great grandchildren's time as it was to previous generations and is to us. We sometimes take all we have here for granted, but the Easter message formed the central motivation for most of the good works which have founded our society. For those who have largely ignored it, now is the time to realise the free and wonderful gift of Easter; a gift which cost Jesus everything, yet gained us eternal security through his resurrection. The offer of eternal life with God is inextricably linked to the events of Easter, witnessed and documented by so many people who were alive at that time.

Launceston again welcomes some of Australia's most astute leaders to our city to inspire us in our celebration of Easter and focus on making best use of our opportunities in the time available. The firmly founded tradition of Launceston Easter Community Festival (*Launceston Alive*) as a highlight in the city's annual calendar deserves generous sponsorship and participation across the breadth of our city. I commend *Launceston Alive* to you as an intelligent celebration of the pivotal event in world history. I take this opportunity to welcome all visitors to our great city. We look forward to making your visit a very special time for you. Have a wonderful Easter in Launceston.



**Albert van Zetten**  
Mayor of Launceston



# just in time

Aussies like "a fair go". Jesus cared a lot about justice. On the cross he paid a just price for all human failings – his own life! However familiar forgiveness is to us – we take it for granted – it is only possible through Jesus' full payment for us all. If we accept it – we're free. We can now get what none deserve, full citizenship rights – with Jesus – in God's eternal family.

Jesus also called us all into distributive justice. Through shocking stories on the foolishness of hoarding and inequity, his warnings to the rich, kindness to the poor, praise for those who gave of the little they had and his acts of compassion to lift up the oppressed and rejected, Jesus urged all to hold justice high throughout time. He detested the religiosity of the rulers of his time, as it was not accompanied by attention to justice. He overturned extortion tables and shouted out for "justice, mercy and faithfulness". While his words and actions profoundly transformed our world, the need to call for justice in our time is no less now. Who will stand up for justice today?

There are a number of ways to explore this together. Welcome to participate in the "Just In Time Conversations". Just look for the signs and join in – a space to tell your stories, hear those of others and explore what we can and should do with today's big dilemmas. Send your justice stories (old and new) to [justintimestories@gmail.com](mailto:justintimestories@gmail.com) and pics to [justintimepics@gmail.com](mailto:justintimepics@gmail.com) and watch the website grow. We hope that this Easter Launceston Alive will help us all to move a big step toward being Just in our Time.

God wants us all to live justly, mercifully and humbly  
Micah 6:8

# introducing

## OUR MAIN SPEAKERS

### MELISSA LIPSETT

**Rev. Melissa Lipsett** is the Director and the Group Chief Operating Officer for Bible Society Australia.

For nearly twenty years Melissa was the Executive Minister of Newlife Uniting Church, Brisbane, a multi-campus, multi-generational, multi-ethnic evangelical Christian community with a vision to see more people become more like Jesus. Newlife's embedded values include adventurous faith, passionate outreach, fervent prayer, inviting hospitality, empowering leadership, scriptural discernment, creative worship and authentic transformation.

Melissa is a gifted leader, administrator, preacher, inspirational public speaker and community outreach.



Melissa is married to Peter and they have two young adult children. She loves cooking big meals (for family and friends) and spending time with those she loves. She also loves travel, particularly to those mission partners and projects she's been involved with over many years.

We warmly welcome Melissa and look forward to learning much from her.

### KARL FAASE

**Karl Faase**, Australian Christian communicator, media presenter, leader and social commentator, is CEO of Olive Tree Media, through which he produces programs of excellence for media and local church use internationally. Karl is in demand across Australia, with his special interest in encouragement and motivation, leadership, ministry development and communicating to those exploring faith. He is passionate about reclaiming Christian gospel in deed as well as in word.



With over 20 years of involvement in media, Karl is one of Australia's most experienced Christian radio and television presenters, with his programs broadcast and distributed in USA, UK, Canada, France, Germany and New Zealand. In 2013, he released the award winning series, *Towards Belief*, a 10-part DVD/TV series where Karl interviews over 30 international speakers and academics on belief blockers in western countries.

In 2016 Olive Tree Media released *Jesus the Game Changer*, which Karl hosts. This series looks at how Jesus' life and teaching changed the world and why it matters. The high production value series was filmed in USA, UK, Singapore, India and Australia.

*Daily Nudge* is one of Australia's most widely used spots on Christian radio. Karl is regularly called upon as a Christian spokesman and commentator on a variety of social issues. We welcome Karl and look forward to his talks on 'Jesus at the Centre of Time' – past, present and future.

## THIS YEAR'S VENUES

TAILRACE  
CENTRE  
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111 Elizabeth St,  
Launceston

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50 Glen Dhu  
St, South  
Launceston

QVMAG LAWN  
2 Invermay Rd,  
Invermay

LEGANA  
CHRISTIAN  
CHURCH  
1 Gerrard Cl,  
Legana

ST JOHN'S  
ANGLICAN  
CHURCH  
157 St John St,  
Launceston

DOOR OF HOPE  
50 Glen Dhu  
St, South  
Launceston

FRELIFE  
CHURCH  
4 Invermay Rd,  
Invermay



## Schools Seminar

### MAKING THE MOST OF TIME

We are grateful to Karl Faase for his input into northern Tasmanian school students, including his Easter Week seminar material on *Making the Most of Time & Opportunities*, exploring attributes and actions of those who make the most of opportunities, including talents, time and creative ideas: not only innovative visionary thinking but transforming ideas into real and lasting progress. Karl's training covers making ideas reality, staying focused, getting things done, time management and persisting through challenges to experience victory.



## Annual Northern Tasmania Civic Leaders' Breakfast

Enjoy a delicious cooked breakfast and hear Karl Faase speak on *Meeting the Needs of our Time for Courageous & Exemplary Leadership*.

**When:** Thursday 13 April, 7:15-8:45am

**Where:** Tailrace Centre

**Cost:** \$25 per person - book at [launceston.org.au](http://launceston.org.au)

## poetry competition

Watch, clock, second, tock,  
minute, moment, time block,  
seconds, hands, hours, ages,  
passing quickly  
through its stages...

Write an original poem based on the theme "Just In Time" for your chance to win a share in prizes totalling \$1000.

#### Competition Sections

- Primary Student
- Secondary Student
- Open (18 years and over)

School entries to include name, year and school. Open entries to include name and contact information.

Email your poem to:  
[justintimepoetry@gmail.com](mailto:justintimepoetry@gmail.com)

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Competition closes 11:59pm Wednesday 5 April 2017. Winning entries will be notified by phone/email by 13 April 2017. See [launceston.org.au](http://launceston.org.au) for more details.



## Annual Equipping Workshop

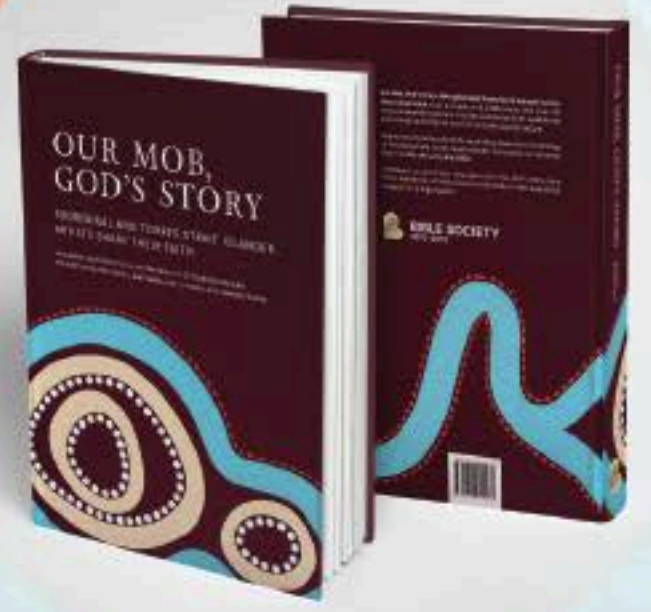
### OVERCOMING CURRENT OBSTACLES TO BELIEF

Join speaker and facilitator Karl Faase as he explores some common belief blockers in Western culture and how we can help our friends overcome them.

**When:** Thursday 13 April, 9:15-11:00am

**Where:** Tailrace Centre

**Cost:** \$15 per person - book at [launceston.org.au](http://launceston.org.au)



# Multicultural Dinner

At this multicultural meal the Sudanese Community Kitchen team will be serving a delicious main course and dessert accompanied by scrumptious treats by Syrian and Chinese chefs, as we enjoy the music, dance and culture of several cultural groups. We hope you don't miss it – for the world.

Melissa Lipsett will speak on *The Good Book for the Nations* and will share why it's so good, what good it has done, what it continues to do and why the Bible's message is good for all people of every race and ethnicity. Find out how the ancient story of a Jewish nation is still able to speak to us all today.



**Speaker:** Melissa Lipsett –  
*The Good Book for the Nations*

**When:** Thursday 13 April, 6:30-9:00pm

**Where:** Salvation Army Elizabeth St Campus

**Cost:** \$15 pp, \$50 family up to 5 members  
book tickets at [launceston.org.au](http://launceston.org.au)



*Juma Piri Piri was born in a mud hut in a village in South Sudan, to poor farmer parents who struggled every season to feed Juma and his five siblings. When he was in grade six, war broke out, with day and night bombing of his home area. He and his cousin's family hid, then at night, without food for many days, fled to cross the Congo border into Uganda.*

*Juma's memories of refugee camps he lived in are of worse-than-prison conditions; 40 degree temperatures; dust storms that blew away tents; rains bringing mud, cholera, and death; armed locals committing atrocities.*

*Many of Juma's close family and friends are still there. At a church in South Sudan Juma came to know Jesus as a child. As a young believer he learned to see difficulties as part of God's maturing process. This has helped him immeasurably.*

*Sudanese Christians have much to teach us about love, faith and trust. Juma affirms that all people deserve respect and dignity. Now a Community Mental Health officer, he looks for opportunities to serve God and humanity. Come and hear, taste and learn more at the multicultural Easter celebration.*



## INDIGENOUS ART BOOK LAUNCH: 'OUR MOB, GOD'S STORY'

*Launceston Alive* is proud to host the festival launch of an art book with a difference. *Our Mob, God's Story*, edited by Louise Sherman and Christobel Mattingley, features 115 works in an exciting variety of styles as well as stories by 65 established and emerging Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander artists. The artists hail from communities, towns and cities from Tasmania to Tiwi Islands, Ceduna to Cairns, Perth to Wongthaggi, sharing their faith in paintings inspired by Bible verses and stories from creation to the crucifixion.

With a foreword by distinguished Aboriginal artist and educator Miriam-Rose Ungunmerr Baumann, *Our Mob, God's Story* is an important contribution to Australian art. Celebrating the bicentenary of Bible Society in Australia, it is a beautiful and powerful witness to God's love for the traditional custodians of this ancient continent and to the talent of indigenous artists.

This beautiful hard-covered book with dust jacket and slip case is perfect for gift-giving. All proceeds go towards publication of Scripture in mother tongues of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander groups.

**Our Mob, God's Story will be launched at the Multicultural Dinner and Celebration. It will be available for purchase at most festival events, or buy it online at [www.bibleshop.org.au](http://www.bibleshop.org.au)**



*Hello! My name is Liz and I love Jesus.*

*My birthplace is Tasmania and this is where my Aboriginal family came from. I have exhibited my art at Riawunna Centre in the University of Tasmania in Launceston, and taken part in many exhibitions over a long period of time.*

*Paintings 1 and 2 [detail pictured above and in the background] depict creation of the stars, moon, sun and planets, the leaves are representing plant life and I am depicting that God would have found so much joy in his creation.*

**Liz Pinner**  
Artist, *Our Mob, God's Story*

# Pray FOR OUR TIME

Join us for an hour or more, to pray for the needs of our region, nation and world. Each 30-60 minute session will be led by participating organisations, schools, churches and community groups.

## CITYWIDE PRAYER MEETINGS

**Palm Sunday 9 April, 2:00-5:30pm**

### Door of Hope

Experience the movie *War Room*, screened 1.00 & 3.30pm: persistent prayer restores marriage and heals lives

**Good Friday 14 April, 2:00-5:30pm**

### Door of Hope

**Saturday 15 April, 10:00am-4.00pm**  
Freelife Church

**Easter Sunday 16 April, 3:00-4:30pm**  
St Johns Anglican Church Parish Centre

See [launceston.org.au](http://launceston.org.au) for schedule & details.

Jesus said,  
"Could you  
not pray with  
me for one  
hour?"

"Truly, I say  
to you, today  
you will be  
with me in  
Paradise."  
Luke 23:43



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In the beginning was the Word,  
and the Word was with God,  
and the Word was God. John 1:1

Bible Society, currently celebrating its bicentenary, strives to lighten people's hearts with the Bible's message of unconditional love in Jesus Christ. It engages people with the Bible and advocates for its value to each individual and society as a whole while ensuring all people can access the Bible in a language they understand, a format they can use, at a price they can afford.

Bible Society's interdenominational mission is only possible through generous support and prayers. We are grateful for their partnership and encourage all to visit [www.biblesociety.org.au](http://www.biblesociety.org.au) to find out more.

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## Good Friday CHURCH SERVICES

**Speaker: Karl Faase –**

*Jesus at the Centre of  
Time: Long Path to the  
Cross*

**When: Friday 14 April,  
10:00-11:30 am**

**Where: Freelife Church**



**Speaker: Melissa Lipsett –**  
*Time at the Cross*

**When: Friday 14 April,  
10:00-11:30 am**

**Where: St John's Anglican  
Church**



## Face to Face GOOD FRIDAY CITYWIDE GATHERING

- Interviews with special guests Karl Faase, Melissa Lipsett and Annie Garratt
- Music: Annie Garratt, Hillsong Australia
- Melissa Lipsett:  
*The Good Book for all Time*
- Karl Faase: *Jesus at the Centre of Time: History Changing Power of the Cross*

**When: Friday 14 April,  
7:00-9:00pm**

**Where: Launceston  
Conference Centre**

**Cost: FREE + (no pressure) opportunity  
to financially contribute to the  
future of Launceston Alive.**





# Music

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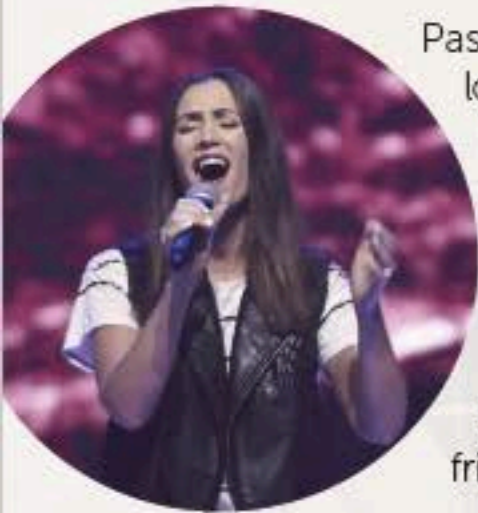
Since the beginning, *Launceston Alive* has had a special place for music, in most, if not all its events. Launceston Alive provides a stage for some of Australia's most gifted musicians, as well as many who are developing their giftings.

### FEATURED ARTIST:

#### **ANNIE GARRATT**

American by birth, **Annie Garratt** came to Australia for Hillsong International Leadership College and has made Sydney her home for life. Originally traveling as part of UNITED, she is now one of Hillsong's Creative Pastors, coaching worship leaders, training vocalists and speaks often about her love for Jesus.

Passionate about building the church, Annie loves seeing people developed and released into their gifting. A gifted worship leader, she understands the healing, restoring power of God as we worship and loves seeing people transformed in His presence. Wife of Brent and mother of three, Annie is devoted to her family, her friends and her church.



#### ANNIE GARRATT: WORSHIP WORKSHOP

**When:** Saturday 15 April, 10:30am-12:00pm

**Where:** Freelif Church

**Who:** All who lead, play or participate in worship, or would like to

**What:** Deepen your worship life and gain skills to strengthen and transform community worship

**Cost:** \$10 / donation (if able)



There is a time to weep and a time to laugh,  
a time to mourn and a time to dance\* Ecclesiastes 3:4

## Easter Saturday CHILDREN'S AND FAMILY FUN FESTIVAL

Celebrate Easter Just-In-Time and join us for games galore, crafts, music, balloon sculpting and free sausages kindly provided by the City Mission outreach team!

The Children's and Family Fun Festival is for everyone and it's FREE! So bring the whole family, the grandparents, the neighbours and don't forget to bring friends from school for a day of fun, joy and laughter at the lawn in front of the Queen Victoria Museum and Art Gallery.

**When:** Saturday 15 April, 11:00am-3:00pm

**Where:** QVMAG lawn

**Cost:** Free!

Free  
sausage  
sizzle!



Sing to him a new song: play skilfully and shout or joy: Psalm 33:3

# He is RISEN!

## Easter Sunday COMMUNITY GATHERING

**Speaker:** Karl Faase – *Jesus at the Centre of Time:  
Unfolding Victory of the Resurrection*

**When:** 10:30-11:30am

**Where:** Legana Christian Church



## Combined Churches RESURRECTION CELEBRATION

**Speaker:** Karl Faase – *Jesus at the Centre of Time:  
Action Now for the Future*

**When:** 5:00-7:00pm

**Where:** St John's Anglican Church  
St John Street, Launceston



For those events requiring tickets, they can be purchased at [launceston.org.au](http://launceston.org.au)

contact us: [info@launceston.org.au](mailto:info@launceston.org.au)

# just in time

## COMMUNITY ART WALL

Walls. Everyone's talking about them – whether we call them borders, boundaries or barriers, the news is full of them.

Do walls serve or hinder justice ?

Capture the images of justice in our time by joining in painting the Just in Time Wall which beckons to all – amateur to professional – from a fingerprint to a masterpiece. Your contribution matters.

You will find at least part of the Just in Time Wall at each *Launceston Alive* event.

Please come and look, and draw or paint something while there's time. Suitable for all ages and stages of art career, paints will be provided.



Connecting Tasmanians with the world, 105.3 WayFM broadcasts national and international news on the hour and comprehensive state news weekday mornings and afternoons. Connecting northern Tasmanians with our local communities, WayFM is a community radio station with local announcers who care. We interview local people and cover local events.

105.3 WayFM plays Australia's current Hot 25 top hits and the best of yesterday's music. WayFM is a family-friendly station, and features half hourly life coaching tips.

Tune in to our message of hope, inspiration and encouragement to greater Launceston on 105.3 FM and Northern Tasmania on 98.1 FM.

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