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### **ACCELERATE YOUR MINISTRY**

**Accelerate Educational Ministries** is a not for profit charitable ministry, registered in Queensland and established for the purpose of promoting and facilitating Biblical education around the South Pacific region

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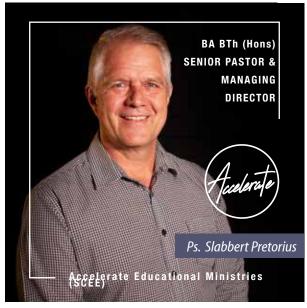
in the East. Countries in the South Pacific Region which currently have schools using Accelerated Christian Education are (from West to East):

Countries in the South Pacific that are currently using Accelerated Christian Educational material.

Indonesia, Australia, Papua New Guinea, Solomon Islands, Nauru, Vanuatu, New Zealand, Tuvalu, Fiji Islands, Cook Islands

As of April, 2019, there are some 200 registered schools operating within the region comprising about 15,000 students.

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viewing the Our Events section of this website. More information on A.C.E. can be obtained by viewing the page "About A.C.E." on this website or by visiting the A.C.E. Website.

# Our Disciplines

- Seek first the Kingdom of God.
   It's about: our Priorities
- We will honour one another. It's about: valuing People
- We will appreciate weaknesses and strengths in co-disciples. It's about: Unity
- We will follow the recipe. It's about: Discipleship
- We will be like Daniel. It's about: Excellence
- We will be fishers of men. It's about: Taking action
- We will not be a bless me club.
   It's about: existing for others
- We will multiply. It's about: spreading out growth
- We will take massive action starting with small steps.
   It's about: each one doing something
- We will not overpromise or
- exaggerate. It's about: Honesty

# Focus Areas

God, God's people, God's world, Promoting God's plan (preaching - marketing)

# Our Desire

We want to...

EXPERIENCE THE
TRIUNE GOD
Father, Son, Holy Spirit

ENTER INTO
NEW SPIRITUAL
DIMENSIONS" of Faith
to Faith, Grace to Grace
and
Glory to Glory

ENJOY FELLOWSHIP
WITH
God's Family
EXIST TO INTRODUCE
SINNERS TO GOD
AND TO DISCIPLE
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# Letters from the Pastoral Coordinators

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**God Bless!** 



Happy New (Academic) Year! I trust that you have all had a wonderful break and are refreshed and ready for the next twelve (12) months! As you begin this new academic year, may you be reminded of our theme for 2019, which is "A New Thing". You are beginning a 'new year', and many of you will have 'new students' and maybe even 'new staff'. There will be ample 'new opportunities' to invest into the lives of your students, and even into the lives of one another, as you continue to serve in your schools, implementing Biblical worldview educational resources. What will God do differently this year? What will He do NEW this year? May we have eyes open to see what new things He is doing in our midst! Keep trusting Jesus!

Pastor Stephen Khu
Pastoral Coordinator for
Indonesia

## New Zealand

2019 is the year of the future! This year is the newest year that we have ever had, since last year at least! It is really exciting to look at things happening this year, a new year to work with you again, to serve you better, and grow and strengthen the ministry. Joshua 24:15 tells us "As for me and my house, we will serve the Lord". With all the crazy that is going on, we here at Accelerate Educational Ministries (SCEE), are still committed to Biblical Worldview Education. Yeah, it can be tough, it can be a challenge, and sometimes we lose a battle, but our God has ALREADY won the war, and we will not compromise!

Pastor Karl Duxfield
Pastoral Coordinator for NZ

# Port Moresby

I am praying for you, that your year so far is fruitful and continues to be. With Easter just around the corner I pray that there will be many opportunities to present the Gospel within your schools and to your communities.

Your Accelerate team are aware that schools face challenges in one way or another in seeking to meet the requirements of our Governments whilst preserving the Biblical worldview that we hold so dear.

We can take heart though that prayer is powerful and this is the key to continuing success for us all.

Pastor Justin Croome
Pastoral Coordinator for
PNG Southern Region

# PNG Islands Regions

How quickly time passes, it's almost the end of Term 1. I should have been in touch with each school by now, so if you haven't heard from me, give me a call. I pray that your vision for Biblical Worldview Education is growing stronger each day. May I encourage you in the wonderful journey that you are on with the young people in your school. I pray that you might marvel with them about the wonder of our great God, that you might move with the Spirit of God and that you might be a messenger to all around about the saving grace of Jesus Christ. If you have not joined

our A.C.E. PNG Islands Facebook page, please do this so we can make communication with you easier. Stay in touch! Blessings.

Pastor Kathy Fisher,
Pastoral Coordinator for PNG
Island Regions

# PNG Highlands

Welcome to 2019! I personally want to express my love and encouragement for you all in this New Year. Let's be better than the year before! Let's take 2019 on with a new passion and a deeper desire for connection. Let's encourage our neighbours and build up our team to achieve all that is possible in our great walk with God. I am filled with hope and passion for you all for this New Year.

I am aware that there are political and physical barriers that have come against some of you previously. This year I want to pray with you to see your schools and homes become the beacons of light written about in Matthew 5:14. This, that you may stand out in your areas and impact those around you. I look forward to seeing you soon.

God Bless!

Pastor Johnathan Albrecht
Pastoral Coordinator for the
PNG Highlands Region

# Fiji

You have all constantly been in our prayers. We truly have such a heart for the people of Fiji.

As we were preparing for this short message God spoke to us about Colossians 3:23-24 for all our Fijian Educators' and those involved in various areas of our A.C.E. ministry in Fiji.

"And whatsoever ye do, do it heartily, as to the Lord, and not unto men; knowing that of the Lord ye shall receive the reward of the inheritance: for ye serve the Lord Christ." - Colossians 3:23-24 KJV

environment. As a believer, work as though you are serving the Lord with your time, gifts, and abilities. You have a sure promise that God will reward you because you are serving Him.

We want you to know that we are upholding all of you in our prayers.

Pastors Atraú & Marcelle Paul, Pastoral Coordinator for Fiji

### PNG Lae

Dear Pastors, Principals, Administrators and staff of LAE, PNG. I am writing this on my last day in the office before we leave for our Educators' Conferences in Lae. By the time you read this we will have already met face-to-face at the conference! You will also have met my wife Diana who is attending and delivering a number of sessions at the conference. We trust that you will enjoy our sessions, and that you will not only be challenged and inspired by it, but that it will provide you with both spiritual and practical tools to take back to your schools. You will have also heard about some of our exciting developments here at Accelerate Educational Ministries and we would encourage you to take advantage of them. If we can be of further assistance to you, answer any questions or if you would like further information about any particular development, please do not hesitate to contact me at petertrim@scee.edu.au.

Pastor Peter Trim, Pastoral Coordinator for PNG Lae

## Solomon Islands

It is wonderful to be involved with all the exciting things happening within the region and the continual pursuit of doing more. In the Solomon Islands, we are seeing A.C.E. schools and students flourish, despite a decline in the national curriculum. The foundation it lays as the whole

child is developed sets our students up for success, as leaders in the nation within academics and in Godly character. We continue to sow into the region with our time and resources as we hope to see the name of Jesus proclaimed in the nation. Blessings

Pastor Ben Davies
Pastoral Coordinator for
Solomon Islands



# Guiding Principles for Future EdEducation

"In this future, what attributes will be most critical for our children to learn to become successful in their adult lives? What's most important for educating our children today?

For me it's about passion, curiosity, imagination, critical thinking, and grit."

These are the thoughts of Peter Diamandis, MD, Executive Founder and Director of Singularity University and recently named as one of the World's 50 Greatest Leaders by Fortune Magazine, in his recent post on A Model for the Future of Education 1.

As an educator, reading this challenged me to reflect on how I apply these principles in my teaching in general, and specifically in every training session I present.

As I pondered on practically applying the areas Diamandis mentioned as "guiding principles" in every class, all the while being conscious of maintaining a biblical perspective, I identified the following:

Passion: For Christians, passion orientates in our relationship with Christ and the reason for our creation. In Jeremiah 1:5 God reminds us: "Before I formed you in the womb I knew you, before you were born I set you apart; I appointed you as a prophet to the nations." The concept of "knowing" someone as referred to here is more than just knowing a name, but rather understanding the frame of their life – their gifts, personality and reason for being created. Once we 'know' our

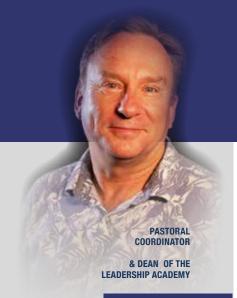
students we can apply the subject matter taught in a way that connects with the reason they were created, inspiring passion for learning.

Curiosity: By inspiring curiosity in students, we increase engagement with the subject and its application in their world. Students become self-motivated and ready to learn in order to satisfy this curiosity. By being open to students asking 'why' questions (and asking many of our own), we can guide their thinking - showing them the depth of creation and exposing the innate complexity that God built into their world for them to discover.

Imagination: Imagination can offer new insights into past experiences and history (imagine being at the crucifixion of Christ - what would you have felt, seen, done?) as well as enable students to prepare for their future. It is closely tied to their faith. Hebrews 11:1 says; 'Now faith is the substance of things hoped for, the evidence of things not seen.' A wise educator can encourage a student to use their imagination through the lens of faith in order to encourage belief in the promises of God.

Critical Thinking: Diamandis suggests that 'In a world flooded with often-conflicting ideas, baseless

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Ps. Peter Trim

claims, misleading headlines, negative news, and misinformation, learning the skill of critical thinking helps find the signal in the noise. This principle is perhaps the most difficult to teach kids.' For Christians, this is less problematic as we have the measuring stick of the Word of God to guide us. However, this makes it even more important that we teach our students not only 'the answers' to specific questions, but also educate them using methodologies that encourages students to develop the ability to discern the truth without our direct assistance.

**Grit/Persistence:** In A.C.E. we would call this perseverance. Along with the other biblical character traits we teach, this is essential for ongoing success in the world and continued adherence to our faith.

As I continue to reflect on these guiding principles for future education, I am reminded to consistently ask myself 'how am I embedding this into my classroom practice?' and, perhaps more importantly, 'how am I modeling these principles in my own life'?



Serving as part of the 24/7 Squad is a unique and life-changing experience, and we are always looking to add to the ever-growing "Squaddie" family. To apply or find out more about the 24/7 Squad, contact us at events@scee.edu.au

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# CONVENTIONS

The 24/7 Squad is a group of volunteers committed to the vision and ministry of Student Convention, many of whom are A.C.E. graduates, former Convention competitors and even parents and teachers.

"Squaddies" assist in setting up, coordinating and judging events, and carrying out various important tasks that contribute to the running of a Student Convention. Anyone aged 17 to 177 (or older) can apply for Squad at a Convention in their own region or different region/country.

### MINISTRY OPPORTUNITY

The heart of the 24/7 Squad can be summed up in 4 words:

- Commitment (Jeremiah 24:7),
- Obedience (Exodus 24:7),
- Worship (Psalm 24:7) and
- Wisdom (Proverbs 24:7),

It is amazing how, year after year, we continue to see these traits honed and exemplified in Squad volunteers.

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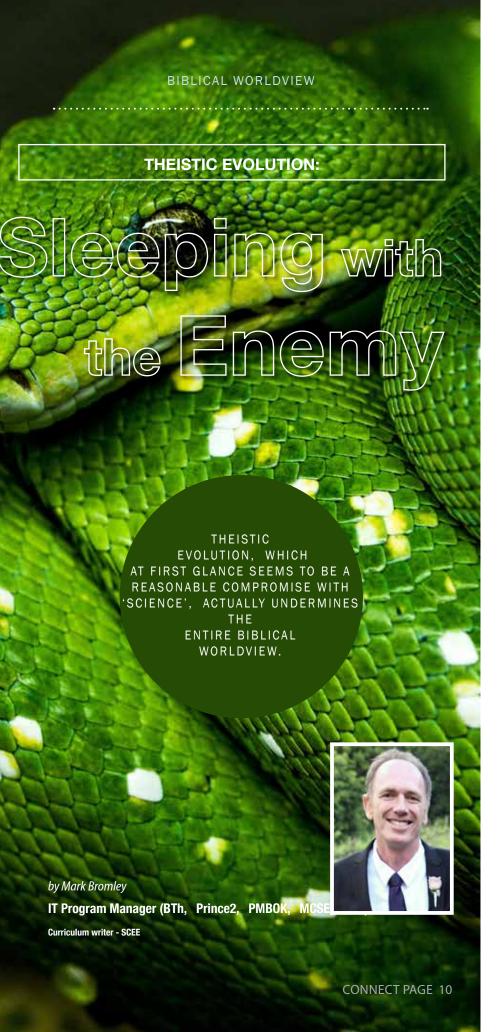
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An alarming development that has emerged over the last decades, is an increasing synthesis of evolutionary teaching with the Christian faith. This is known as Theistic Evolution (TE), and is the idea that God, over immense periods of time, used evolutionary processes to create all life. Pope John Paul II has publicly supported 'theistic evolution', as have numerous evangelical leaders. The popular website Biologos, founded by geneticist Dr Francis Collins, is a Christian ministry that actively promotes Theistic Evolution and states that "Christian parents and students should believe and teach evolution".

So, what is the problem with Theistic Evolution, and why should we as believers adopt a strong stance against it?

1. THEISTIC EVOLUTION MAKES SCRIPTURE SUBSERVIENT TO **SECULAR THINKING: Marrying** your theology to the latest scientific theory has a long history of ending in a messy divorce. Theistic evolution believes that science is the truth that leads men to the correct understanding of our origin and hence see the necessity of a Creator. God, speaking with Job, underscores the limitations of human wisdom when He states: "Where were you when I laid the foundation of the earth? Tell me, if you have understanding. Who determined its measurementssurely you know! Or who stretched the line upon it? On what were its bases sunk, or who laid its cornerstone, when the morning stars sang together, and all the sons of God shouted for joy? Science, as amazing and life changing as it is, nevertheless has a long history of getting it wrong. Science is continually having to make reverse its theories as new discoveries prove old information wrong. Until recently science taught that the universe was eternal, the atom was the smallest particle, and that life exists on Mars. In a world were both

reality and truth have become subjective, and flat earthers, conspiracy theorists and fake news are everywhere, we as believers, need to hold on to the literal truths of the Bible above all else. Teaching Christians to reinterpret biblical revelation based on (ultimately atheistic) evolutionary presuppositions is illogical and leads to a lack of biblical authority. Never try to shoe horn biblical truth to fit science! Scriptures alone is our rock and our guide.

# 1. THEISTIC EVOLUTION DISTORTS THE NATURE OF

GOD: Scripture is clear that God is perfect (Matthew 5:48), holy (Isaiah 6:3), omnipotent (Jeremiah 32:17), and loving (1 John 4:16). Theistic Evolution portrays a God who uses suffering and death to in order to create life. Evolution is a senseless, undirected struggle for existence where the weak perish and only the strong survive. How do you understand the goodness of God if He used evolution, "nature red in tooth and claw", to create everything?

### THEISTIC EVOLUTION **CONFLICTS WITH THE CREATION ACCOUNT: The** theistic evolutionist must radically alter the plain literal narrative of Genesis in order teach that man's creation took billions of years of death and decay through myriads of transforming life-forms. God must have been deceiving us when He said He made man directly from the dust. The Genesis creation account differs radically from the teachings of evolution in its timeline, with the order of the creation events. and in the very purpose of

creation itself. Francis Collins, the founder of Biologos states "I cannot take Genesis literally because I had come to the scientific worldview before I came to the spiritual worldview". If the Genesis account does not mean what it plainly says, but must be "interpreted" to fit an evolutionary worldview, how are we to understand the rest of the Bible? How are we to know that the historical accounts of Jesus' life, death and resurrection should not also be "reinterpreted"? Indeed, how can we know anything for sure if the Bible can be so flexible?

# 1. THEISTIC EVOLUTION MAKES ATHEISTS OUT OF THEISTS:

By definition, all thinking atheists must believe in evolution of some sort in order to explain their existence without a creator. Evangelist Mark Cahill stated; "I think the real issue is if people know that evolution is true, they then know that the Bible would not be true and that then leads to the conclusion of atheism". A believer's acceptance of an evolutionary history destroys their ability to answer even the most common objections to faith such as; "If you have such a loving God, why is there so much death, pain and suffering in the world?"

# 1. THEISTIC EVOLUTION BREAKS THE WORK OF REDEMPTION: The heart of the message of redemption is the revelation of the first Adam who fell and sold mankind into sin, and the last Adam (Jesus) who bought mankind back by His life, death and resurrection. Theistic evolution leads to a denial both of the historicity of Adam and his fall. The fact that death was

instituted by the disobedience of one man, Adam (Romans 5:12), is a serious challenge to theistic evolution as they must basically arque for a god who used cruel processes that entailed suffering and the extinction of most forms of life over billions of years, prior to the disobedience and fall of Adam. How then can they agree with scripture that death and suffering is the consequence of sin, and that Christ's death and resurrection defeats death, which is 'the last enemy' (1 Corinthians 15)? The Theistic evolutionist must believe that Adam's sin had no real effect on the human race, that we have not inherited a sin nature from Adam, and that all humans are born with the ability to live a sinfree life. This renders the work of Christ on the cross superfluous.

# 1. THEISTIC EVOLUTION DEHUMANISES HUMANKIND:

The concept that humans and apes share a common ancestor contradicts the clear teaching of the Bible which states that on the sixth day God said, "Let us make man in our image, after our likeness." (Genesis 1:26). When God created the vegetation and the animals, He made them all 'after their kind'. When He created Adam. He made him after the God-kind - in the image and likeness of God (cf. Acts 17:28). Did God ever declare: 'Ape, you are now man! Adam is your name? And did God erase from Adam's mind who he used to be? The Bible clearly elevates humankind as a special creation of God, unique from all other creation, created by the very hand of God and imbued with the very breath of God Himself.



# EVENTS

**PRINTING** We have contributed to Breast Cancer Awareness, Abortion and various other not for profit organisations in the form of helping them with cost effective design and printing needs.

**Calenders** are being designed as we speak to help Accelerate connect and communicate upcoming events and dates.

The SCEE/Accelerate Magazine is getting a design and content overall. We will be sharing more news to our regions about Ministry, Training, Redwood college, Homeschooling, Events, our new Leadership institute, the Music and arts Academy, Marketing, Distribution of Educational Material for the upcoming semester.

We are planning to give the **Product catalogue** an update this year as well.

**MULTIMEDIA** Accelerate Multimedia is working in the

background of the entire ministry. As well as helping our marketplace with their media needs, we are finalising several projects for the ministry including (but not limited to) the Staff Training and Level 2 Training videos.

The idea behind this project to be able to reach even more schools in the areas we serve that may otherwise untouchable; whether because of funds, location, or scheduling.

In addition to the training videos, we are documenting

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In addition to the training videos, we are documenting seminars held by our incredible speakers, teachers, and educators that are unable to travel. Because of this, our Pastoral Coordinators can still include their content in Conference schedules.

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# Book Kevielv

**Spencer, M. (2014)** 

# One People One Destiny A Christian History of Australia". AustraliSouthern Cross Educational Enterprises.

There seems to be an innate desire to know our 'roots' - the mystery and romantic notions about who previous generations were and what they were about, draws many to the reading of history. Furthermore, as a major country in the South Pacific, and being mapped at a similar time as other nations in the Pacific, this book would appeal to many readers in our Region. In Mike Spencer's book, "One People, One Destiny - A Christian History of Australia", he clearly and systematically follows the history of Australia from the foundations of the British Empire through exploration, settlement, the gold rush, through to Federation, and down through both World Wars to the year of publication, 2014.

Notwithstanding that Australia's First People, the Aboriginal peoples, bring a rich culture to our nation, Australia today is a multicultural nation, and the history of the exploration and settlement of Australia by the British cannot be ignored; each State having its own rich history. As we can't change

history, it is pertinent to know about what came before, learning from the past; becoming the foundation to our country which is evolving through the generations.

One People

by Mike Spencer

The main point of the author, I believe, is to connect the faith of our forefathers to our history, as this is a substantial part of the foundation of our nation. From the very beginning at the first discovery of the hidden continent, this land was dedicated to the Holy Spirit. The Portuguese born Pedro Fernandez de Quiros sailed three boats in search of terra australis, which he proposed to rename to Austrialia del Espiritu Santo - a land dedicated to the Holy Spirit. He did find land, but not Australia, however he dedicated all land as far south as Antarctica to the Holy Ghost. The well-known explorer, Captain James Cook, claimed the east coast of Australia for Britain after mapping New Zealand and sailing the extent of the east coast. This book also sensitively describes the differences of mode and symbols of ownership used by the British to that of the Aboriginal peoples, which caused much heartache and conflict over the succeeding years.

The faith of our forefathers is seen in recounts of the Explorers, the Settlers, and the Ministers who came to this often harsh country as they relied on their faith in God to sustain them through often difficult times. For example, the explorers such as Lawson and Leichhardt who opened up Australia had such faith which they relied on as they penetrated the interior of Australia. They openly wrote

about their reliance on God. This is refreshing and the more our nation grows away from these roots, the more wayward our nation will grow.

Therefore, it is a book that is essential reading. I found it easy to read, extremely informative, and fascinating, as the history books tend to neglect our Christian heritage. This book is well laid out with snippets of information attractively presented, in a logical order. The chapter on politics does date the book, and it covers only the first 28 Prime Ministers. I believe that this book would appeal to many people from teenager upward interested in the history of our Region, and would whet the appetite of many for further investigation. It is written as a textbook, with a glossary and index, and I would recommend it to anyone who wants to be inspired by the courage and tenacity of people in our history who relied on God as part of their daily life. The history of Australia may not be romantic, and mistakes were definitely made, however I believe that God is the Lord over our nation, and the claim made back in the 17th Century is a rich, solid foundation to the history now in the making, as we forge ahead living day by day by the grace of God into the mystery of our future as an evolving nation.

### MEET THE ACCELERATE TEAM



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### HR UPDATE

# WELCOME TO NEW PERSONNEL

Introducing a new member of staff at Redwood College. Rebecca has lived in Julia Creek (QLD), Canberra (ACT), Adelaide (SA), Melbourne and Wodonga (VIC), Kingston (TAS), and in Rarotonga (Cook Islands). She also have a heart for mission, and joined short term trips to Rwanda, Africa. Most recently, I was on staff at a Christian school in Rarotonga, Cook Islands. Most people jump to the conclusion that Rarotonga must be in New Zealand – and it is true, the Cook Islands Maori people are the ancestors of those in New Zealand, however, Rarotonga is located in the central South Pacific Ocean and shares the same time zone as the Hawaiian Islands.

Rarotonga is an island paradise filled with palm trees, resorts, cafes and churches. With a circumference of only 32km, the island is a hub of activity, including having over 100 places to eat and drink. There are also 13 schools from Early Childhood (3 and 4 year olds) to Year 13. Like us, the children are to be in schooling from the age of 5, and they start Year 1 in the term after they turn 5. The Cooks is fortunate to have two schools who use the same book work (PACEs) as you do. Imanuela Akatemia, where I taught for three years, and then returned as Principal for nearly 2 years, is located in Rarotonga.

Teaching was always in her heart as she was in school, however that dream was not to be at that stage of her life. She graduated from QUT in



Rebecca Aitchison-Gill

2007, as a second career, and commenced teaching that year at a school in Victoria which uses the same work books. She has also been a case manager at WorkCover, and a member of the military, which is another story.

I look forward to working with you all as the opportunity arises. What have I learned throughout this journey? – to always be available and open to God's leading, wherever that may be.

### MEDIA GROUP UPDATE

**NEW WEBSITES** The ministry's web presence is getting an overhaul to improve, modernize, and streamline our information. We have added new websites to assist with getting the correct information to our marketplace as efficiently as possible, and to ensure that they stay up to date with new information supplied directly by our department heads.

YOU CAN FIND OUR NEW ONLINE HUBS WITH THE FOLLOWING URLS:



Southern Cross Educational Enterprises I Distributers of A.C.E. in the South Pacific

www.scee.edu.au

Accelerate Ministries | Here to Serve

www.accelerateministires.com.au

Accelerate Church I A Christ Centred, Caring, Faith Community

www.acceleratechurch.com

Accelerate Media Group I Creative Services with a Ministry Attitude

www.acceleratemediagroup.com.au

**Accelerate Homeschooling I Personalised** 

**Homeschool Support** 

www.accelerate.edu.au

Accelerate Leadership Institute | Training up Leaders
www.accelerateleadership.com.au
Educators' Conference | Keeping our Leaders Informed
www.educatorsconference.com
Student Convention | Training up Leaders
www.studentconvention.com.au
24/7 Squad | 1 Life, 24 Hours a Day, 7 Days a Week, For Christ
www.247squad.com.au
Redwood College | Christian Distance Education
www.redwoodcollege.qld.edu.au

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The **Accelerate Media Group** focuses on Multimedia, photography, Design and Digital Printing to support your ministry cost effectively. For more information visit our website. **www.acceleratemediagroup.com.au** 

### **PRINTING**

This year we have contributed to Breast Cancer Awareness, Abortion and various other not for profit organisations in the form of helping them with cost effective design and printing needs.

### **DESIGN**

The new **2020 Calenders** are being designed as we speak to help Accelerate connect and communicate upcoming events and dates.

The SCEE/Accelerate Magazine is getting a design and content overall. We will be sharing more

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news to our regions about Ministry, Training, Redwood college, Homeschooling, Events, our new Leadership institute, the Music and arts Academy, Marketing, Distribution of Educational Material for the upcoming semester.

We are planning to give the **Product catalogue** an update this year as well.

### **MULTIMEDIA**

Accelerate Multimedia is working in the background of the entire ministry. As well as helping our marketplace with their media needs, we are finalising several



projects for the ministry including (but not limited to) the Staff Training and Level 2 Training videos.

The idea behind this project to be able to reach even more schools in the areas we serve that may otherwise untouchable; whether because of funds, location, or scheduling.

In addition to the training videos, we are documenting seminars held by our incredible speakers, teachers, and educators that are unable to travel. Because of this, our Pastoral Coordinators can still include their content in Conference schedules.



### IT UPDATE

The new phone system (using cellular phones or Computer) is now in place. Its a much more effective phone system where we have been able to effortlessly filter the right customers to the right departments.

There will be a second layer to this system where we plan to incorporate international contacts on our list. We thank Justin Croome who has been instrumental in the implementation of this system.



NEW TELEPHONE NUMBERS: MAIN CONTACT: | +61 7 3881577 | Fax: +61 7 3205 7331

**Accounts** | +61 7 3881 5720 | **Orders** | +61 7 3881 5727 | **Homeschooling** | +61 7 3881 5789 |

**Church** | +61 7 3881 5757 | **Events** | +61 7 3881 5737 | **Academy** | +61 7 3881 5770 |

**Leadership Institute** | +61 7 3881 5750 | **Multimedia** | **Design** | **Digital Printing** | +61 7 3881 5717

### **ORDERING PROCESS @ SCEE**







Orders are processed as quickly and efficiently as possible. Order turn around time depends greatly on the number of orders waiting to be entered. At our busier times (particularly the first and last month of every term), there can be a back-log of orders stretching back a few days. Even though we may have received your order on a certain day, it may not necessarily leave our warehouse until 7-10 business days later.

How long does it take for an order to be processed? 5-10 working days (not including shipping)

How long can it take for orders to respond to my email? 24-48 Hours

Can the orders department answer my curriculum questions for the ACE program? No we can't. You can send your questions to us and we will pass them onto the appropriate department, or email Kathy Fisher directly.

### **Processing delays**

- 1. Insufficient or unclear address and contact details.
- 2. Unclear order (i.e. multiple changes making it hard to read).
- 3. Insufficient payment to cover the cost of the order or credit card declined.
- 4. Outstanding fees or payments (where applicable).
- 5. Changes to your order (this will cause delays to your order).
- 6. Stock Take at the end of June: Estimated delay: 4-5 business days (Once Yearly).
- 7. Receiving container orders: Estimated delay: 2-3 business days (at least 4 times yearly).
- 8. Back order fulfillments: Estimated delay: 1-2 business days (potentially 3 times yearly).
- 9. Staff absence; Brisbane public holidays; Unforeseen technical issues.

Where an Item is recorded on your invoice as "out of stock", SCEE will back order the item/s in question, and send it out to the customer as soon as it is in stock. No additional freight charge will be applicable in such circumstances. There will be no need for the customer to reorder an out of stock item under this policy. Where a customer prefers not to have items back ordered, they must indicate this on every order. Please note that there may be some delay experienced before new stock arrives. Given these factors, it is impossible to give a guaranteed order turn-around time.

It is better to plan in advance as much as possible and submit your order as soon as possible

# What happens when I place an order via email/order form?

- One of the team confirms that we have received your order
- Orders will send you a confirmation email
- Your order will be placed in a queue
- All orders before yours will be entered before we can get to your order
- Your order will be entered into our system and allocated an order number
- If we have any questions regarding your order we will email you and put your order on hold
- Your order will then be double checked to reduce the chance of errors
- This does not guarantee a 100% success rate
- The team will email you with a draft invoice with the total amount to pay
- Once payment is received your order will then be sent off for picking & packing
- When it has finally been picked it will be invoiced and dispatched at the beginning of every work day

# What happens when I place an order via the webstore?

Weborders can be processed in 3 ways

- Order by subject
- Order by level
- Quick order (better for schools)

Once you have placed your web order you will be sent a confirmation email. Orders will require payment before we can continue with the process. Once payment is received your order will then be sent off for picking & packing. When it has finally been picked it will be invoiced and dispatched at the beginning of every work day

### How do I access the webstore?

Make sure you are on the right page: https://webstore.scee.edu.au/

Sign in (top left of the screen). If you have forgotten or don't have your login details email the orders team. We will send you an email with your login details.

# How do I get my tracking number for my order?

TNT have a great tracking platform for orders of any size and can be given on request. Air Mail will only have a consignment number which is difficult to track overseas. If your Air Mail order is under 1kg it will not have a consignment number. The orders team can give you the invoice and date of dispatch for your order.

### **Rosetta Stone**

Please be advised that we are currently negotiating our next agreement with Rosetta Stone and at this time are not able to sell the Licences. Instead we are directing our customers to purchase the licences directly from Rosetta Stone. We apologize for the inconvenience but we hope to have the licences available again in the near future.

https://www.rosettastone.com/

### **Discrepancies**

Once you receive your order please check it immediately. If there are any issues please email us with the item/s you are missing the quantity of each, The item/s you received instead, & whether you will keep any excess items, If we have any questions regarding the discrepancy we will email you. All discrepancies will be sent via Air Mail

### Contact details

Orders team email: orders@scee.edu.au Orders teams phone number: 3881 5727

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### **HOMESCHOOL UPDATE**

# **Easter Worshipers?**

Many Christians (and non-Christians, for that matter) expressed outrage that particular political leaders referred to victims of the bomb blasts in Sri Lanka as "Easter worshippers."

Why? Well, the sentiment was that these same leaders who expressed solidarity for "Muslim" and "LGBTI" victims in past atrocities could not bring themselves to express solidarity for Christians.

Although this debate is well worth having, I just want to focus on the idea of Easter for a moment; that, and the nearly simultaneous celebration of ANZAC Day in Australia and New Zealand.

This year has been an amazing time to reflect on the sacrifice of some for so many.

Paul says, in Romans 5:7 "... for one will hardly die for a righteous man; though perhaps for a good man someone would dare to die."

We celebrated the selfless acts of Australians and New Zealanders, and in defending democracy we strive to ensure that their sacrifice was not in vain. This can be very frustrating when we see more and more examples of our freedoms being eroded around us; such as the freedom of being able to teach our children according to the truth, or the freedom to proclaim our faith boldly without legal or government interference.

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How appropriate is it, then, that we were also able to celebrate another sacrifice, another selfless act, of one man for all of mankind?

Paul continues, "...but God demonstrates His own love toward us, in that while we were yet sinners, Christ died for us."

This sacrifice can never be in vain, and we can never be frustrated in the effect this has on us. This was what was being celebrated when those Christians were murdered in Sri Lanka, and we can praise God that, as tragic as it is for their surviving loved ones, those victims will know first-hand that their celebration will continue into eternity.

They are Christians. They were worshiping at Easter. They were celebrating not just Jesus' sacrifice, but His resurrection, and consequently their own resurrection.

Paul says in Romans 6:3-5 "Or do you not know that all of us who have

been baptized into Christ Jesus have been baptized into His death? Therefore we have been buried with Him through baptism into death, so that as Christ was raised from the dead through the glory of the Father, so we too might walk in newness of life. For if we have become united with Him in the likeness of His death, certainly we shall also be in the likeness of His resurrection."

May God bless your family in the coming term.

Greg Simon

Head of Homeschool Services (Australia)

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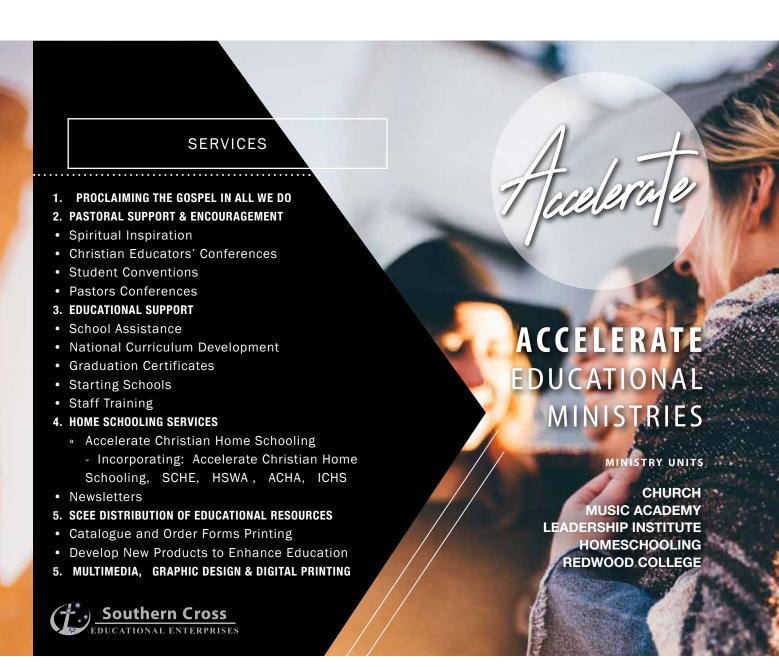
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