

# BHC Summer CONVENTION

# Join us for inspirational teaching and fellowship with Christians of all ages

The Convention Centre is located at Belgrave Heights in the Dandenong Ranges, only 45 km east of Melbourne, in a beautiful setting of gum trees, bush and ornamental shrubs and has an area of more than 8 hectares.



Thursday 28 December 2023 January 2024







PURPOSE



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### Summer Convention 2023-24

We live in a discordant and conflicted world. With changing societal values, governments and organisations make their plans for a better world. In hindsight, many of these plans seem unwise because people don't have all knowledge; we don't have all perspective. Many of us make foolish plans.

The theme of this Summer Convention is *Purpose*. The writer of Proverbs reminds us – *Many are the plans in a person's heart, but it is the Lord's purpose that prevails* (19:21). It's my privilege to invite you to join other believers in worshipping God, listen to His word, and have your life challenged and transformed by the Holy Spirit. I hope to see you there!

Richard Coombs, Chairman

#### All attendance requires registration.

Day Visitors Welcome. Please preregister if attending. See website for details.

Accommodation: New Building (Hope Centre), existing accommodation, and camping options are available. Book on the convention website.

**Campers:** Campers can arrive from 9am on 28 December and may depart by 10am on 3 January.

Speakers:



# **Chris Chia**

Chris came to know Jesus at a Billy Graham Crusade in 1979 while studying in Sydney, Australia. He was then a journalist but is now glad to be preaching Good News! He is the Senior Pastor at Adam Road Presbyterian Church in Singapore.



Adam Ch'ng

Adam leads the pastoral team at *Cross and Crown* (Melbourne) and is primarily responsible for preaching and vision. He was a workplace relations lawyer and an adviser to the Minister for Employment in the Abbott Government.

**Young Adults:** A Young Adult program will run from 9pm after the evening sessions.

**Creche:** Creche facilities are available during the daytime main sessions. Parents using this facility will be rostered on help.

**Shuttle Bus:** The mini bus runs to and from Belgrave Station half an hour before and after main sessions. Ring office to arrange pickup.



## **Stephen McAlpine**

A pastor and church planter for thirty years, Stephen now writes and speaks on issues of theology, culture and church, in particular the increasing pressures on religious belief in the secular public square. He recently published *Being the Bad Guys* and *Futureproof.* 



**Chris Griffioen** 

Chris serves as National Ministries Leader for Operation Mobilisation (OM). He looks after the various OM Australia ministries and also facilitates church partnerships, encourages prayer, and journeys with people interested in joining the OM team.

**Mission Focus:** Come and meet missions representatives in the Auditorium to learn more about what missionaries are up to around the world.

**Prayer:** Join in prayer in the back room behind the stage each day at 8:30am (9am Sunday).



Day/Date	THURSDAY 28 DEC	FRIDAY 29 DEC	SATURDAY 30 DEC	SUNDAY 31 DEC		MONDAY 1 JAN	
9:30am	Chris Chia The Meaninglessness of Wisdom Ecclesiastes 1	Adam Ch'ng The Picture Isaiah 1:1-2:5 Peter 2:9-12	Chris Chia The Meaninglessness of Friendships Ecclesiastes 4	10:00am Communion	Chris Chia The Meaninglessness of Evil Ecclesiastes 6-7	9:30am	<b>Adam Ch'ng</b> <i>The Postscript</i> Revelation 7:1-17 Psalm 67
11:30am	<b>Adam Ch'ng</b> <i>The Prototype</i> Genesis 1:1-2:3 Ephesians 1:3-10	Chris Chia The Meaninglessness of Time Ecclesiastes 3	Adam Ch'ng The Proclamation Matthew 28:1-20 1 Corinthians 15:12-19	2:00pm	Adam Ch'ng The People Ephesians 3:1-21 Acts 2:42-47	11:30am	<b>Chris Chia</b> <i>The Whole Duty of Man</i> Ecclesiastes 12
2:30pm	<b>Stephen McAlpine</b> Where we have come from	Stephen McAlpine Where we are	<b>Stephen McAlpine</b> Where we might be in the future	Following 2:00pm Session	Official Opening of HOPE CENTRE Buildings		DAY VISITORS WELCOME!
7:00pm	Chris Chia The Meaninglessness of Pleasures Ecclesiastes 2	Adam Ch'ng The Prince Mark 1:1-15 Isaiah 40:1-11	Chris Chia The Meaninglessness of Religion and Riches Ecclesiastes 5	7:00pm	Chris Griffioen With Great Privilege Comes Great Responsibility 1 Peter 2:4-10		WELCC: Preregistration recommended www.bhc.org.au

**Sausage sizzle:** 6pm on the 27 December. Gold coin donation appreciated.

**Bookstore(s):** Browse the new Books & Bibles, as well as the 2nd hand books, in the foyer

Primary Children and Teenagers:

There will be programs for primary children and teenagers during the first and second sessions each day, run by OAC Ministries.