



ROBERT TURNBULL NEWSLETTER

EASTER 2009

I've been working solidly on my new storytelling project: *Jesus: According to Luke*. It is my most exciting project to date because it has the great potential to bring people face-to-face with Jesus.

I've deeply enjoyed the last few months of preparation. I've been astounded at the character of Jesus. His teaching has been greatly encouraging but also extremely challenging - especially since I have the terrifying responsibility of speaking His words to others. In preparation, I've been able to listen to all of John Piper's sermons on Luke and this has done me a great amount of good as my attention has been turned to God and making Him my treasure (I'm halfway through listening to his talks on Matthew's Gospel now as well).

For more information about the show, including details about performances and to see the promotional movie clips, go to the website:

www.theBackyardBard.com/Luke



Storytelling Luke 4 at VCYC

EASTER PERFORMANCES

I'm planning on performing Luke throughout the year (and, God-willing, for the rest of my life), but here are the performances coming up around Easter. Please pray for me as I am so busy in this season, that I'd be able to give my all to each one and please pray for the people as they meet Jesus through His story.

Sun. 7:30 pm, March 22 - Wycliffe Celebration
Mon. 9:00 am, March 23 - Maranatha Christian School
Tues. 12:30 pm, March 24 - RMIT Christian Union
Sun. 10:00 am, March 29 - Luke 24 at St Stephen's Greythorn
Sun. 7:00 pm, March 29 - Community Church Warragul
Wed. 1:00 pm, April 1 - Deakin Christian Union
Fri. 9:00 am, April 3 - Luke 24 at Plenty Valley Christian College
Fri. 7:00 pm, April 3 - Upper Yarra Arts Centre
Sat. 8:00 pm, April 4 - St Peters Church Cooks River
Sun. 7:00 pm, April 5 - St Marks Freshwater
Wed. 1:00 pm, April 8 - Open air Melbourne Uni Student Life
Wed. 7:30 pm, April 8 - North Balwyn Baptist Church
Thurs. 7:00 pm, April 9 - St Albans Anglican Community Church
Fri. 10:00 am, April 10 - St Matthews Anglican Church
Sat. 9:00 am, April 11 - At Lutheran Church camp
Sat. 7:30 pm, April 11 - St Luke's Sth Melb. (Wine and cheese night)
Sun. 5:00 pm, April 12 - St Stephen's Greythorn
Sun. 6:30 pm, April 19 - St James the Less Mt Eliza

QUICK PRAYER

Thank God for storytellings so far this year and ask Him to continue to use His Word among these people.

Ask God to help Rob in the Luke storytellings coming up and that people will be astounded at Jesus and His story,

HIGHLIGHTS OF YEAR SO FAR

Even midst preparations for *Luke*, I've had many opportunities to do storytelling around the place. Please thank God for these occasions and ask Him to continue to use His Word in the lives of the people who were there. Here are some highlights:

GFS Australia Conference - I did a storytelling of Jesus and the man born blind from John 9. One of my favourite passages!

CMS Summer under the Sun - There I performed Isaiah 40, *Mission of Paul III* for the youth, ran a Biblical Storytelling workshop and performed with Nicky Chiswell on the final night in a concert which mixed storytelling together with music.

Victorian Christian Youth Convention - I did two Bible readings: the Temptations from Luke and Hebrews 9. Please pray for the kids, especially those who became Christians that day.

Lowther Hall Girls' School - I ran workshops in Biblical Storytelling for two Grade 6 classes. Please pray for those girls that their eyes would be opened to read God's Word.

Beaumaris Baptist - They have had me along to a their Church and their Youth Camp where I did storytelling mixed in with preaching. Please pray especially for the kids challenged by my evangelistic talk on *Jesus: the friend of sinners*.

Wycliffe Pacific Group Conference - There I had the chance to debut the first half of the Luke storytelling. Please pray for their vital work in Bible translation.

Leongatha Anglican Camp - There I ran a workshop, gave a storytelling/talk and performed Easter from Luke. Please thank God for this church and pray for their continued work in the community.



Performing with Nicky Chiswell

FAMILY

Life at home is great. Hannah is growing and is now laughing and rolling over. Please pray for her, that she will know our love for her and that she will grow to understand God loves her even more than we do.

We are planning a trip overseas near the end of the year. We hope to go to Lebanon and elsewhere in the Middle East. There we plan to visit my family and explore the possibility of doing ministry somewhere there in the future.

We may also be going to the United States for me to do storytellings of *Luke* there for Christmas. Please pray, that if this is of benefit for God's glory, that this trip will come together (with venues, visas and everything else).



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