

South Yarra Community Baptist Church Decisions and Questions from the Host Group Meeting

2 March 2016

Listed below are the main decisions and questions from our recent Host Group meeting. This is not the full minutes, but a summary of the main decisions and questions. In line with our church policy, these are circulated not only for your information, but to allow you to consider the decisions and ponder the questions and, if you have any concerns about any of them, to seek more information or ask for them to be reconsidered. Where possible, we will not implement the decisions for at least seven days, in order to allow time for people to respond. Questions or concerns can be raised with any member of the Host Group, or by emailing all of them at once at hosts@southyarrabaptist.church

Those in attendance at the recent meeting were Eliz Cook, Nathan Nettleton, Alison Sampson, Sylvia Sandeman, Shelley Taylor and Samara Pitt.

Summary of the Decisions and Questions

- 1. **Offering Sanctuary to Asylum Seekers** Gracetree Baptist Church in Coburg was pleased to receive our offer of financial and people support as a potential Sanctuary location. At this stage, it is hard to know what will be needed and most useful. Samara will continue to provide updates as appropriate and as things develop.
- 2. The **workshop on baptism** will be held on April 24. Its key aim will be to work out how we make decisions on who we baptise, and who decides.
- 3. We need volunteers to organise the **church camp** in July. Sylvia will send an email to the congregation.
- 4. St Martin's usually have a **Maundy Thursday service and meal** that we attend. A request for rsvps for this, other Paschal services and the Herring Island boat trip on Resurrection Sunday will be emailed around soon.

Next meeting: 6 April at 7.30pm at Nathan's house