



South Yarra Community Baptist Church

Decisions and Questions from

the Host Group Meeting

9 September 2015

Listed below are the main decisions from our recent Host Group meeting. This is not the full minutes, but a summary of the main decisions. In line with our church policy, these decisions are circulated not only for your information, but to allow you to consider the decisions 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, Samara Pitt, Nathan Nettleton, Alison Sampson, Sylvia Sandeman and Shelley Taylor.

Summary of the Decisions

1. The Host group is preparing a letter to inform the congregation of our **response to Jill Friebe's visit** to the service on August 9.
2. The **Host group review** is happening Sunday 13 September.
3. **All Saint's Day** is on Sunday November 1. A combined service will be held at 6pm at St Martin's, so there will be no service at South Yarra on that Sunday.
4. On November 15 at 2pm there will be a **workshop** on "Confession, Lamentation, Repentance, Atonement: how non-Indigenous Australians are wounded by our history, and the Christian traditions that offer a path to healing". It will be run by Matt Bell from the Indigenous Hospitality House and ANTAR Victoria.
5. The **Advent Retreat** is happening on Sunday 29 November. If you have any suggestions for who could lead the retreat, please speak to Nathan.
6. **Jenni's music tasks** will be divided up among a number of congregation members. Thanks to all who volunteered. Samara will be following up with you all.
7. Nathan, Margie and Acacia are not going to be moving back into **the manse** after the Gillans leave, so we are exploring suitable tenancy options.