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Generous service

Sydney Adventist Hospital (the San) has taken the time to honour and celebrate its team of more than 300 volunteers. The recognition took place during National Volunteer Week, an annual event held in May. Among the volunteers, 22 individuals were commended for significant years of service, ranging from 10 to 25 years. The volunteers contribute in many ways, including helping visitors find their way around the hospital, sorting stock, assisting in administration, serving in the hospital gift shop, and making hot drinks for patients in the Day Infusion Centre, Renal Dialysis Unit and Cardiac Cath Lab. Help Team Volunteers manager Patrina McLean said more than 20,000 volunteer hours have been contributed in the past calendar year alone. "The San is so blessed to have such generous people who contribute their time," said Ms McLean.—Maddi Glover/Record Staff



Green thumbs blossom

Young green thumbs at Wahroonga Adventist School (Sydney, NSW) were thrilled to receive a special visit from popular TV presenter Costa Georgiadis recently. The energetic host of *Gardening Australia* chatted with the students and explored the school's new yarning circle, flourishing gardens and chicken coop. He shared his wealth of knowledge with the students and encouraged them to embrace the joys of gardening and sustainability. Mr Georgiadis was accompanied by Adam Shipp (Uncle Adam), First Nations educator with Landcare Australia, and a film crew. The school's environmental focus was boosted earlier this year by a Woolworths Junior Landcare grant. The grant, provided through the Junior Landcare Grants program, aims to foster sustainability education in classrooms throughout Australia, empowering children to become stewards of their local environment.—**Record staff**



Markham reunion

Markham One and Two districts joined forces to host a successful camp meeting in Biring, Morobe Province (PNG). The event, supported by Morobe Mission (MM) and district directors Pastor Micah Akui and Pastor Max Tola, featured guest speaker Pastor Kua Nugai, the newly elected MM president. All sessions were conducted by MM departmental directors. The program culminated in the baptism of 16 candidates, marking a significant milestone for the two districts. —Gibson Sani Jr



Committing to Jesus

Clarkson church (WA) celebrated the baptism of four people on Sabbath, May 13. Shireen Khan, Carin Green, Ian Green and Chantelle Debruyn publicly declared their faith in Jesus after receiving Bible studies from senior elder Desiree Geldart and elder Henry Anyona over the past year. Pastor Geoffrey Plewright and elder Roland Green officiated the baptisms. The service concluded with a special lunch celebrating the newly baptised Clarkson church members.—Arthur Pettifor