



Pratt family celebration

Pastor Andrew Pratt was ordained as a minister on August 26 at Forresters Beach church (NSW). Pastor Pratt has served in many churches in the North New South Wales (NNSW) Conference, including Wingham, Gloucester, Byron Bay and Kingscliff, and now serves in the ministerial team at Forresters Beach. The ordination service included testimonies, a special item and a sermonette presented by Australian Union Conference (AUC) ministerial secretary Dr Brendan Pratt. NNSW secretary Pastor Abel Iorgulescu and AUC associate ministerial secretary Pastor Lyndelle Peterson delivered the ordination charge. Pastor Pratt said, "I'm incredibly humbled to see this longstanding calling on my life acknowledged and affirmed."—**Megantha Kiruwi**



Multicultural feast

Members of Hillview church in Morisset (NSW) celebrated their diverse community at the church's second annual International Night on September 30. The celebration, organised by social leader Claudia Campos Diaz, gathered more than 100 attendees—some in traditional costumes. Held in a hall decorated with flags and banners, the event featured a variety of international foods. "Attendees were treated to a mouthwatering buffet with dishes from more than seven countries," said church member Mary Fedorow. Organisers said the aim of the event wasn't only to celebrate diversity but also to foster unity. "It was a night of laughter, learning and taking the opportunity to learn more about each other's cultures and appreciate the beauty of diversity within the church," said Ms Diaz.—**Mary Fedorow/Juliana Muniz**



Inmates church

Inmates sang and gave praise to God during a worship service held recently at the multi-church hall at Kerevat Correctional Services in PNG. More than 300 church members from Kabakada and Rarokos and 43 Adventist inmates attended the service, with the message presented by New Britain New Ireland Mission president Pastor Andrew Opis. In his message, he promoted the 2024 "PNG for Christ" campaign, revealing that the New Britain New Ireland Mission will supply Bibles and godpods to the churches in the Mission, including Kerevat Correctional Services.—**Garry Laukei**



New chapter

After 35 years of service, Pastor Doug McLeod has retired from full-time ministry. Pastor McLeod started in ministry in South Africa. In 1997 he moved to North New Zealand with his wife Angie where they've ministered to churches in Palmerston North and Auckland. Although starting a new season, he is committed to continuing to answer God's calling to minister to people in the community.—**Plugin**