

WESTERN SYDNEY URBAN PILGRIMAGE
REGISTRATION DETAILS (contd)

TRAVEL

I/we will travel by car, arriving (when)
.....

I/we would be willing to assist by transporting
..... (no.) people between venues during the
pilgrimage.

I/we will travel by train to Penrith and will
need to be met at the station
(I will inform you by 10 October of the time of
arrival at Penrith).

I/we will need transport between venues
during the pilgrimage.

I/we understand I/we will receive further
details and maps when I/we forward the deposit.

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PLEASE RETURN this section of the form with
deposit BY 19 SEPTEMBER to:

Urban Pilgrimage
Wellspring Community Inc.
PO Box 1689
Macquarie Centre NSW 2113

For more information - please contact

Registrar:

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Anne McPherson on Ph 02 4567 7269

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This urban pilgrimage provides a chance to meet
people of diverse cultures and backgrounds who
live and work within Western Sydney
communities.

The pilgrimage continues the theme of the
Wellspring 2007 National Gathering: "Walking the
Edge", addressing the challenge of community and
mission today - and that of the book, "Campfires
and Wellsprings in Surprising Places" by Anne
McPherson and Peter Millar. The book is a
reflection on Christian presence and ministry in
Mt Druitt and is a useful introduction to some of
the places and people we will visit on the
pilgrimage. It is available @ \$28 + 10%pp from:

admin@wellspringcommunity.org.au

02 9868 5915 or

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Wellspring Community is an Australian Christian
Community, inspired by the Iona Community. It is
a dispersed ecumenical community of lay and
ordained women and men who seek to deepen
their spiritual lives through prayer and listening
to God, to take action for peace and justice and a
sustainable earth, and to support and challenge
each other in life together as a community.

www.wellspringcommunity.org.au

The Urban Pilgrimage is supported by -

The NSW Ecumenical Council - which comprises
16 member churches (Catholic, Protestant &
Orthodox) in NSW & the ACT committed to a
journey of peace and reconciliation together.

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Wellspring Community

in NSW & the ACT

invites you to an

Urban Pilgrimage

in Western Sydney

17th- 21st October, 2008

- engaging with urban Australian issues
- affirming relationships with Western Sydney communities
- enabling community building and spiritual reflection together
- meeting and having conversations with people of diverse cultures and backgrounds
- exploring the possibility of on-going relationships

Pilgrimage participants may attend
just one day (Sat or Sun),
for two days (Sat & Sun or Mon & Tues),
or the full four days.

ACCOMMODATION

The Lakes Academy is beside the historic Castlereagh Uniting Church near Penrith (1st Methodist Church in Australia - 1817). It is in an attractive setting, with gardens and lawns overlooking the Penrith lakes.

The 6 cabins have four separate bedrooms with 1 double bunk in each, a bathroom and toilet and tea-making facilities in a common area. The communal dining area and conference room are close by.

COSTS

Including accom & meals per person	
4 nights	\$195
2 nights	\$120
one day, no accom, meals included	\$40
Deposit by 19 Sept (overnight)	\$50
(no accommodation)	\$20
<u>Full amount for all by 10 October.</u>	

BRING

Own bed linen (sheets, pillow case) or \$4 to hire this, or sleeping bag. Towel, toiletries, some warm clothing, Bible.

No alcohol or pets, please!

PROGRAM

- * Morning and evening prayer each day, (including some time for silent meditation)
- * Time to reflect on people and places of each day and time to share something of our own journeys with each other.

Friday 17 Oct Arrival from 5 pm
 6.30pm Dinner
 8pm Darug Elder: Welcome to Country
 Performance by women from the local Aboriginal Catholic Ministry.

Saturday 18 Oct 10 am - 4 pm

OPEN FORUM

In recognition of Anti-Poverty Week we will hear from and join in discussion with invited guests representing Christian communities living and working in areas such as Mt Druitt, Brent Lyons Lee of the Community of Urban Seed in Melbourne, Fr Pat Mullins, Jesuit Community in Mt Druitt, Urban Neighbours of Hope in Bidwill, Revd John Dacey of Mt Druitt Community Ministry, and others.

Sunday 19 Oct
 Morning: Small groups to visit churches such as Mt Druitt Indigenous Church, Bidwill Tongan Uniting Church (UCA Moderator, Niall Reid will be preaching), Holy Family (multicultural Catholic) or the Coptic Orthodox Church. Afternoon: free time - accompanied visits to Aboriginal sites in the region possible.

Monday 20 Oct
 Morning Street Retreat: in Mt Druitt Town Centre; lunch at Bidwill Uniting Church with a group of local residents, members of Resident Action Group, and staff at Mt Druitt Community Ministry. Visits to local community centres, eg Neighbourhood Centre, Community Technology Centre, Community Garden.

Tuesday 21 Oct
 Visit agencies such as Aboriginal Catholic Ministry in Penrith or Caroline Chisholm Centre (St Vincent de Paul) or the Men's Shed (both on site at Holy Family Catholic Church). Lunch at Holy Family with members of the local Reconciliation group, hearing their stories.

Conclude with final debrief and closing ritual in the Holy Family Centre. Departure 2.30pm.

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REGISTRATION (with deposit by 19 September Final balance by 10 October) for

Name/s:.....

 Address:
P/C.....
 Phone/s:
 Email:

I/we wish to attend the urban pilgrimage for nights/days on October

I/we wish to book accommodation and meals at the Lakes Academy, Castlereagh Rd, Castlereagh (near Penrith) from Oct to Oct, arriving on day @, leaving on day @

Willing to sleep on an upper bunk: Yes/No Yes/No

I/we wish to attend, but do not require accommodation, but do require meals on (Deposit \$20 pp)

I/we have special dietary needs - please give details on a separate sheet.

I/we enclose a deposit (\$50 pp)\$..... OR full amount \$..... pp Total \$
 (Cheques to Wellspring Community Inc.)
 Credit Card: Mastercard / Visa

Name on Card:
 No. _ _ _ _ / _ _ _ _ / _ _ _ _ / _ _ _ _
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