



# Campbelltown Spiritual Church of Light

CWA HALL AT THE END OF KING STREET CAMPBELLTOWN

Service every Sunday 5.00pm to 6.30pm

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### The Seven Principles

1. The Fatherhood of God
2. The Brotherhood of Man
3. The communion of Spirits & the Ministry of Angels
4. The continuous existence of the human soul
5. Personal responsibility
6. Compensation & retribution  
for all good & evil deeds done on earth
7. Eternal growth open to every human soul

### Upcoming Guests

#### January 2014

- 5<sup>th</sup> – Tracey Lee
- 12<sup>th</sup> – Ann Williamson
- 19<sup>th</sup> – Kerry Ann Thornton
- 26<sup>th</sup> – Beverly Ann

#### February 2014

- 2<sup>nd</sup> – Sharon Hood
- 9<sup>th</sup> – Nicole Walker
- 16<sup>th</sup> – Florence King
- 23<sup>rd</sup> – Terry Rose

### OUR SPIRITUALIST CHURCH SERVICE

- Welcome and introductions
- Song or Hymn and Opening Prayer
- Song/Hymn to lift the energy
- Address by the Guest Speaker
- Reading The Great Invocation &/or The Seven Principles
- Meditation and Healing
- Members of the congregation invited to share meaningful experiences or suitable readings
- Song or Hymn with freewill donation
- Demonstration: Spiritual communion (proof of survival) by guest medium
- OR Overheads, Psychometry etc.
- Notices
- Benediction (closing prayer/blessing) and closing Song or Hymn
- Tea and Coffee and a chat

### The Dark Origins of Valentine's Day



Valentine's Day is a time to celebrate romance and love and kissy-face fealty. But the origins of this festival of candy and cupids are actually dark, bloody — and a bit muddled. Though no one has pinpointed the exact origin of the holiday, one good place to start is ancient Rome, where men hit on women by, well, hitting them.

#### Those wild crazy Romans

From Feb. 13 -15, the Romans celebrated the feast of Lupercalia. The men sacrificed a goat and a dog, then whipped women with the hides of the animals they had just slain. The Roman romantics were drunk. They were naked. The young women would actually line up for the men to hit them; they believed this would make them fertile.

The brutal fete included a matchmaking lottery, in which young men drew the names of women from a jar. The couples would then be, um, coupled up for the duration of the festival —or longer, if the match was right.

The ancient Romans may also be responsible for the name of our modern day of love. Emperor Claudius II executed two men — both named Valentine — on Feb. 14 in the 3<sup>rd</sup> century AD.

Their martyrdom was honoured by the Catholic Church with the celebration of St Valentine's Day.

Later Pope Gelasius I muddled things up in the 5<sup>th</sup> Century by combining St Valentine's Day with Lupercalia to expel the pagan rituals. The Christians put clothes back on it. That didn't stop it from being a day of fertility and love."

As the years went on, the holiday grew sweeter. Chaucer and Shakespeare romanticized it in their work, and it gained popularity throughout Britain and the rest of Europe. Handmade paper cards became the tokens-du-jour in the middle ages. Eventually the tradition made its way to the New World. The industrial revolution ushered in factory-made cards in the 19<sup>th</sup> Century.

Today, the holiday is big business; according to the market research firm IBIS World, Valentine's Day sales reached around \$18.6 billion last year.

The celebration of Valentine's Day goes on, in varied ways. Many will break the bank buying jewellery and flowers for their beloveds. A few may even be spending the day the way the early Romans did. But let's not go there!

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#### **NOTICES:**

**SUPPORT YOUR CHURCH** Feel free to come and help set up, clear up, (many hands make light work) bring a friend, bring a plate of something, flowers from your garden, host a service, whatever makes you feel good - all contributions appreciated.

**HAPPY BIRTHDAY:** Best Wishes & Many Happy Returns to all our friends who are celebrating birthdays in January & February. We hope that the year ahead will be everything you wish for yourself and more.....

## A New Year's Wish

On New Year's Eve, Marilyn stood up in the local pub and said that it was time to get ready. At the stroke of midnight, she wanted every husband to be standing next to the one person who made his life worth living.

Well, it was kind of embarrassing. As the clock struck - the bartender was almost crushed to death.

## An Irish Girl comes back for New Years

The father asked, "Where have you been all this time? Why did you not write to us, not even a line? Why didn't you call?"

The girl crying replied, "Dad, I became a prostitute."

"Whaaa!!? Out of here you shameless harlot! You're a disgrace to this family."

"OK, daddy. If that's your wish. I just came back to give mum this luxurious fur coat, title deed to a ten bedroom mansion plus a savings certificate for £4 million."

"For me little brother, this gold Rolex and for you daddy, the sparkling new Mercedes limited edition convertible that's parked outside plus a membership to the country club and an invitation for you all to spend a fun New Years' Eve on board my new yacht in the Riviera, and..."

"Now what was it ye said you had become, again?" says dad.

Girl, crying again, "A prostitute dad!"

"Oh! You scared me half to death, girl! I thought you said a Protestant. Come here and give your old man a hug!"



A couple came upon a wishing well. The wife leaned over, made a wish and threw in a penny. The husband decided to make a wish, too but he leaned over too much, fell into the well, and drowned. The wife was stunned for a moment but then smiled, "It really works!"

## THOUGHT FOR THE DAY:

*You cannot hang out with negative people  
and expect to live a positive life*



## Valentine's Day Sudoku

Every row, column and mini-grid must contain the letters H E A R T S. Don't guess - use logic



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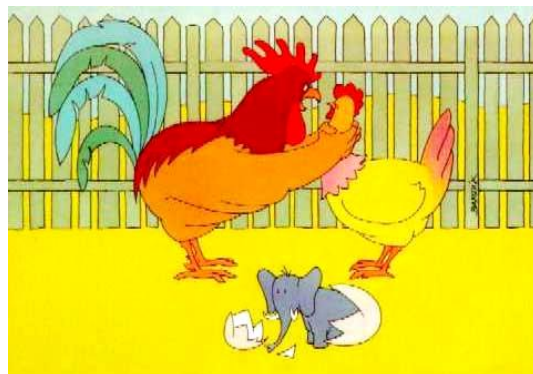
## "Love" stamps

A guy walks into a post office one day to see a middle-aged, balding man standing at the counter methodically placing "Love" stamps on bright pink envelopes with hearts all over them. He then takes out a perfume bottle and starts spraying scent all over them. His curiosity getting the better of him, he goes up to the balding man and asks him what he is doing.

The man says: "I'm sending out one thousand Valentine cards signed: 'Guess who?'"

"But why?" asks the man.

"I'm a divorce lawyer." the man replies.



## OOPS!

A very shy guy goes into a pub on Valentine's Day night and sees a beautiful young woman sitting alone at the bar. After an hour of gathering up his courage he finally goes over to her and asks tentatively, "Um, would you mind if I brought you a drink?" She responds by yelling, at the top of her lungs, "No, I won't sleep with you tonight!" Everyone in the pub started staring at them. Naturally, the guy was terribly and completely embarrassed and he slinks back to his table totally red faced. After a few minutes, the woman walks over to him and apologizes. She smiles at him and says, "I'm really sorry if I embarrassed you just then. You see, I'm a graduate student in psychology and I'm studying how people respond to embarrassing situations." At this the guy responds, at the top of his lungs, "What do you mean? \$300?"