

UPCA General Conference 2020 Breakout Sessions

	10.00am – 10.55am	11.05am – 12.00pm
Royal Theatre	Music Session – Musicianship	Tips for Evangelistic Services / Praying people through to the Holy Ghost
Bradman Theatrette	Personal Evangelism in the 21 st Century	Discipleship in the 21 st Century
Menzies Theatrette	Personal Self Sacrifice	Your Gifting and Call to God’s Service
Nicholls Theatrette	A Vision for Missions	Spiritual Gifts
Sutherland Theatrette	Effective Use of Social Media	First Impressions – Visitor Friendly Churches

Music Session- Musicianship

Speakers: TBC

Session intended for all local church music teams.

Within this music stream session, you will have a hands-on opportunity to hone your musicianship and vocal skills. We will have 5 sub streams within the session:

1. Expanding "church" chord knowledge and background music for pianists
2. Guitar Riffs for beginners (Electric and Acoustic)
3. Drum fills for beginners
4. Bass Guitar for beginners
5. Creating vocal blends

Tips for Evangelistic Services / Praying people through to the Holy Ghost

Speaker: Chris Green

Bro Green has travelled extensively as an evangelist in the USA and throughout the world. He has ministered in many of our Churches in Australia, and has seen many people baptised and filled with the Holy Spirit in many nations under his ministry.

In this session Bro Green will use his experience to offer tips for holding effective evangelistic services. He will also offer advice on assisting people to receive the gift of the Holy Spirit.

Personal Evangelism in the 21st Century

Speaker: Matt Cogin

This will be an interactive session intended for ALL who are interested in learning how to reach people effectively with the gospel and want to gain confidence with personal evangelism.

Session content:

- Maintaining focus & motivation with being kingdom minded during 2020
- Practical tips on reaching people with the gospel
- How to develop confidence with personal evangelism
- Skills to better connect with people around you
- Creative and innovative methods you can share the gospel

Discipleship in the 21st Century

Speaker: Sam Rainima

Do we need to change the way we approach discipleship?

Are we following the model Jesus gave to us?

We'll be exploring biblical principles of discipleship. Learn how we can better equip those we are training to be as effective as possible as we try to maximise every opportunity that is given to us in order to reach this world with the gospel of Jesus Christ.

Personal Self Sacrifice

Speaker: Bro Errol Paulus

Intended for all who desire to take their respective ministries to greater heights through tough measures of personal self-sacrifice.

Text: Romans 12:1-2

Summary: With respect to all that we have learned over the years when it comes to divers ministries in the church, I have discovered that there is essentially one thing missing that if adopted, will effectively take our ministry to "to greater heights".

This all come down to "Personal Self Sacrifice". As the old adage states, "the greater the deposit, the greater the return". It's how much you put in that will determine the size of the return. However, the outcomes received, comes not without pain. Be prepared!

In this session we will be looking at the Altar of Sacrifice as the source of all outcomes of ministry in the Body of Christ. It's not just what we leave at the altar, but also what we receive.

We must cease engaging the enemy of our souls from an earthly perspective; we cannot fight on his terms but in terms of the Spirit (We wrestle not against flesh and blood – it's not by might nor by power).

I believe that it's time for those in the Australian church to take their respective ministries to greater heights and to quit floundering around in the beggarly elements of this life. The only way that we can successfully achieve this is by "Personal Self Sacrifice".

Warning: this is not for the faint hearted!

Your Gifting and Your Call to God's Service

Speaker: Brother John Downs

In this session you will be challenged to move beyond just attending church and paying your tithes.

We are all called to God's service and we are all gifted for a unique service. However, many miss their calling feeling unfulfilled because they never recognise God's plan for their lives.

Today we will learn:

- a. There is no calling which is insignificant in God's eyes.
- b. Your gift is probably so obvious that you don't recognise its significance in your life.
- c. Recognising and undertaking your calling can bring great purpose and satisfaction in life.

A Vision for Missions

Speaker: Allan Shalm

Bro Allan and Sis Georgene Shalm received career missionary appointment in 1980. After becoming General Superintendent of Pakistan in 1994, Brother Shalm planned a series of major crusades which saw the work grow from 325 churches and preaching points to almost 3,060 churches and preaching points by the time they left Pakistan in January 2012. They helped raise the funds to buy property or construct forty churches in India and Pakistan as well as funds to buy property for a Bible college in New Delhi, India, and build a new Bible college in Lahore, Pakistan. The Shalms moved to Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia, in January 2012 and are now traveling throughout the Asia and Pacific regions, teaching, evangelizing and promoting end time Apostolic revival. At the end of 2013, the number of congregations in Pakistan had reached nearly 3,300 with more than 165,000 constituents.

In this session Bro Shalm will challenge and encourage you to have a vision for missions. The harvest truly is great, but the labourers are few!

Spiritual Gifts

Speaker: Allan Shalm

In this sessions Bro Shalm will teach on the purpose and operation of the Spiritual Gifts. He will draw on his many years of practical knowledge and experience working as a missionary throughout Asia and the Pacific.

Effective Use of Social Media by the Church

Presenter: Brother Greg Hackathorn

Session intended for anyone involved in, or interested in, their church's social media

Social Media is no longer a fad, but it is part of almost everyone's life. According to a recent Sensis Social Media Report almost 8 in 10 people (79%) in Australia use social media. Out of those people, 59% of them access social media once a day or most days and 35% of them check it more than five times a day. The younger the person the more they are on social media. Social media is very important to our society in Australia, so it is imperative that churches have a good presence on these platforms.

In this session you will learn how you can maximise your church's impact on social media in order to be more effective in reaching people for Jesus in a digital age.

First Impressions – Ushering/Greeting/Visitor Friendly Churches.

Presenters: Sister Marcela Ferrari and Brother Jarred Cannon

God has called the church to be good stewards of His blessings, and that includes being stewards of the people who God brings into our services. Does a first good impression matter? How can Hospitality and Greeting Teams make a positive impact? This session will aim at providing biblical principles, current research and practical information on how to optimise First Guests experiences.