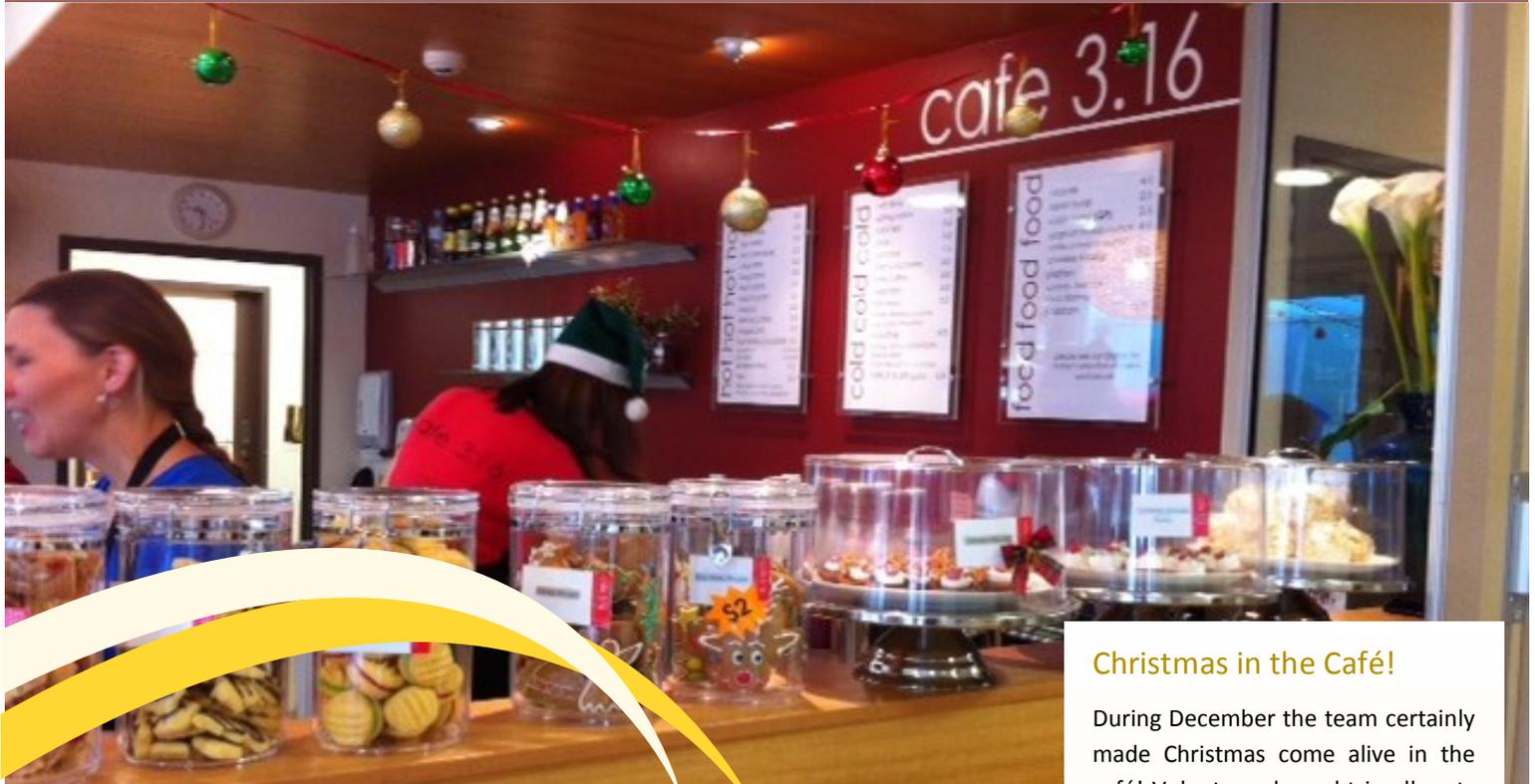


café 3:16



Quarterly Update for café 3:16 Volunteers
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2015 in the Café and Bookshop!

Welcome to the New Year and the opportunity to continue service at café 3:16 and bookshop within the Hahndorf community.

We often are excited about starting afresh and may have ideas or goals about things we personally hope to achieve with a new year. When thinking about the resolutions that I often make that are bound to fall short of my own unrealistic expectations I was led to this passage in Colossians 2:6-7 (ERV): *“⁶ You accepted Christ Jesus as Lord, so continue to live following him. ⁷ You must depend on Christ only, drawing life and strength from him. Just as you were taught the truth, continue to grow stronger in your understanding of it. And never stop giving thanks to God.”*

Even if the changes we vow to make in a new year don't quite come to fruition, God remains faithful to us and promises to walk beside us every step we take. He is our Lord, so we simply **live following him**. Asking ourselves questions about how God would respond in a situation that we may face, will help us walk at Christ did. We can **draw life and strength from him** daily! God has wonderful things in store for us—we are so thankful for his gift of grace and salvation and should **never stop giving Him thanks!**

I am excited about the fresh opportunities God gives us with a new year and let's thank and praise God for this opportunity to serve Him as we serve others.

Blessings, Ali Hoopmann

Christmas in the Café!

During December the team certainly made Christmas come alive in the café! Volunteers brought in all sorts of yummy treats to sell and everyone went out of their way to bring a festive atmosphere to the patrons. Thank you to all who supported the café with treats and to all of the volunteers who welcomed customers with smiles and cheery greetings!

Farewell

We said goodbye to Robyn in her role as key visionary and manager of the Café. Her farewell was a lovely way to reflect on



the years the café has been operating and to acknowledge Robyn's servant heart and love for Jesus. So many in the community have been blessed through her contribution and we will dearly miss her smiles and encouraging words.

Check out our volunteers.....



Brenda is a great Barista, love her smile!



Sean serves good coffee on Sunday's...



and Kathy works hard on POS

Serving in the Café & Bookshop....

Our café 3:16 volunteers are truly a gift from God! You are amazing people with a heart to serve. In serving alongside many of you in 2014 I've witnessed first hand your passion and enthusiasm for this ministry.

I've been researching various aspects of the café and have come across some notes that have prompted a few points to consider in our service to customers.....

Be Informed:

- Be familiar with what is happening around the place eg. Kid's Ministry, Shed Men, Men's Prayer Group Friday morning, LIFE groups, Women's Ministries, Youth events... so you know what is available as you talk with people coming into café. See the 2015 brochure in the café.

Be Prepared:

- You may be a 'pathway/ connection' in the lives of those we come in contact with, share the love of Jesus with others—our café 3:16 does this so well!

Be Versatile:

- Please be encouraged to take on more than one role so each person can be more versatile during a shift. This allows freedom for someone from team to chat to a customer.

"Because of the LORD's great love we are not consumed, for his compassions never fail. They are new every morning; great is your faithfulness."
Lamentations 3:22-23

Lord, we thank You for this new year and new beginnings, and we also praise You for the present moment. God, use pieces of the past and gifts of the present to build the future You have planned for us. In Jesus' Name, Amen.



Special thanks to Alan and Margi Gerhardy for troubleshooting the 'strange sink smell' in the Café!

Rosters

This term rosters have been prepared for the Sunday Team and weekly teams independently.

I would like to consolidate the rosters to include all Café events each week.

This gives all who serve in this ministry area a good perspective on who is involved and the amazing contacts and connections we are building within the community.

WHO are the Hoopmann's?

Our family moved from the Barossa to the Hills in April 2014 as my hubby, Mick, moved into the role of Business Manager at Concordia College. We have 3 children, Lauren Yr9, Jacob Yr 7 and Sam in Yr 4 this year, who have settled in well to our new location.

While working part time at Immanuel College last year, God placed the call to serve in the Café on my heart.

I am excited to take on this role, as I love being with people AND drinking coffee!



New Recipe to try....

Our family received a lovely gift during the holidays—a recipe in a jar—we just added the wet ingredients to make these tasty "Munchy Cookies"....

1. Preheat oven to 175°C
2. Stir together contents of jar : 1 C SR Flour, $\frac{3}{4}$ tsp baking soda, $\frac{3}{4}$ C packed brown sugar, 2 Tbs flaked coconut, $\frac{1}{2}$ C Choc chips, $\frac{1}{2}$ C white sugar, 1 C rolled oats
3. In a bowl stir together $\frac{1}{2}$ C melted butter, 1 egg, $\frac{1}{4}$ tsp vanilla
4. Add dry ingredients to the wet ingredients
5. Roll dough into 1-2 inch balls, place on baking tray
6. Bake for 10-12 minutes until golden, cool on wire rack, enjoy!

