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Welcome to the L'Arche Australia end of year Newsletter. We continue to live life to the full within our communities as we live out our L'Arche Mission.

WELCOME OF NATIONAL LEADER

Claire Lawler officially named as the L'Arche Australia National Leader for the next five years.



I am deeply honoured to take up the role of National Leader for the next five years. Let us be inspired by the new Mandate, to our journey together in trust, faith, forgiveness and celebration.

L'ARCHE AUSTRALIA MANDATE 2023-2028

Our priorities for the next 5 years:

- Confirm and live the essential values and principles of L'Arche as outlined in the new Charter
- > Sustain and develop leadership at local and national level
- Formation
- > Spiritual nourishment
- Communication and fundraising
- Unity and solidarity.



EILEEN GLASS AS A LIFE MEMBER OF L'ARCHE **AUSTRALIA COMPANY**



Rob, Eileen, Ann, Julia and Claire

Eileen was presented with a certificate of recognition for her work with L'Arche in Australia and a Book voucher. Eileen, vou are such a gift to each of us. THANK

YOU!



Voting Members at National Assembly-Mulgoa Sydney



National Assembly Gathering









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WELCOME OF INTERNATIONAL DELEGATE RAJEEVAN CHERIYA CHALIL IN AUSTRALIA



Rob, Claire, Julia and Rajeevan at National Assembly

We welcomed Rajeevan Cheriya Chalil, our International Delegate from India to the National Assembly and National Board meetings. Following the meetings Rajeevan spent a couple of days with the L'Arche NSW Community. We hope to see you again in 2024.

WELCOME OF NEW COMMUNITY LEADER FOR L'ARCHE BENDIGO

Bhupinder Singh was appointed as Community Leader for L'Arche Bendigo in July, 2021.

Bhupinder had been working in the role of Homes Coordinator. During that time, he developed positive working relationships and has been part of many developments and improvements.



Bhupinder Singh

NATIONAL LISTENING AND SPEAKING GROUP (NLSG)

The NLSG met in November at Stanmore, Sydney. The members discussed news from communities, prepared for the National Assembly, commenced work on the new L'Arche Australia Mandate to make it easy for everyone to understand. Hearing about L'Arche in the World, prepared report for the National Board meeting.

The National Listening and Speaking Group (NLSG) is an advisory committee to the Board of L'Arche Australia Limited (L'Arche Australia).



NLSG Program



NLSG members Garry, Marilena, Stewart, Rose, Rosey and Ann



NLSG with Julia and Rajeevan









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L'ARCHE AUSTRALIA ONLINE RETREAT- OCTOBER 2022

The retreat was based on Luke 15-1-10 "The Lost Coin". Communities around Australia gathered for this enriching time. Thank you John Coleman for writing a song called the "The Lost Coin". It was an opportunity for communities to reflect on what have we lost personally and as a community, what have we found or wanting to hold on too. Thank you to the L'Arche NSW community for facilitating this nourishing time.

The next online Zoom Retreat will be facilitated by L'Arche Australia in on the **5th August, 2023.** If you are interested in participating in the retreat, please email **National Leader, Claire Lawler at <u>leader@larche.org.au</u>**



Jackson and Jason from Brisbane



L'Arche NSW members



John Coleman from L'Arche Hobart



Storytellers- Kath and Kathy from NSW



L'Arche friends from Alice Springs



Friends from L'Arche Hobart



Friends of L'Arche around Australia gather via zoom



Members of L'Arche Perth with National Leader Claire









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L'ARCHE AUSTRALIA ONLINE PRAYER

L'Arche Australia is facilitating a short time **monthly** prayer as from the 3rd November for L'Arche Australia and L'Arche International. The gathering commences at 7.00pm (AEDT) and concludes at 7.30pm, 6.00pm (Brisbane), 6.30pm (Adelaide), 4pm (Perth). It is a gentle prayer time with

Zoom details as follows: Meeting ID: 826 4347 1339 Password ID: prayer

https://us02web.zoom.us/j/82643471339?pwd=QVNQb2tzSUh5SHFZRWZhTWpKenI1QT09

To receive the notice about our prayer theme and the Zoom link, please send your email address to social.media@larche.org.au

Tony Robertson (Online Prayer Facilitator)







WE WISH YOU A MERRY CHRISTMAS AND HAPPY NEW YEAR!





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