

The December Newsletter

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Greetings!

It's almost Christmas again! 2024 lasted about 3 months, it feels!

Whether you celebrate Christmas or not, this is a great time to focus on Jesus birth, and why He came. I like to always remember that - His birth, while miraculous, would have been very little without His death and resurrection. It's a complete story!

Enjoy your time with family and friends, but remember the 'Reason for the Season' as such - Jesus!

God Bless, and enjoy the last newsletter for the year!

** Please be aware that access to some of the links in this newsletter may require you to be logged into the Accelerate website. **

Our Greatest Responsibility.

Deuteronomy 6:4-9

"Hear, O Israel: The Lord our God, the Lord is one! You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, with all your soul, and with all your strength. And these words which I command you today shall be in your heart. You shall teach them diligently to your children, and shall talk of them when you sit in your house, when you walk by the way, when you lie down, and when you rise up. You shall bind them as a sign on your hand, and they shall be as frontlets between your eyes. You shall write them on the doorposts of your house and on your gates."

This passage is used in the Accelerate Staff Training (for supervisors, monitors, and administrators in schools using A.C.E.), because we believe that bringing our children up in the nurture and admonition of the Lord is our greatest responsibilities, whether as parents in the home, or as teachers at a school.

How many of us grew up in and around church, with good, Godly parents? And how many grew up a long way from the faith, and came in later in life? Those who grew up in church often cannot imagine what it would be like to not have faith, and those who didn't know very well what it is like! And we can both agree that we want our children to grow up knowing who God is. More than that, to grow up with their own relationship with God. We want them to know that they can rely on Him, trust Him, and hopefully make good decisions and wise choices about their future with their relationship with God in mind.

[Read full article here!](#)



The Awards Ceremony and Graduation are open to everyone! Please make sure to complete the RSVP form that has been sent out. If you haven't received it, let us know, and we will ensure you get the details.

The awards application will open on the 20th of December. See [here](#) for more information.

Graduates of 2024, keep an eye on your inbox for another email with additional details coming soon.

The online Celebration will be on 15th of March 2025 at 1pm using Zoom.
 (Online Celebration Times - NZ - 4pm, Fiji - 3pm, ACT, NSW, VIC and TAS - 2pm, SA - 1.30pm
 PNG - 1pm, QLD - 1pm, NT - 12:30 pm, WA - 11am, Indo - 10am)

Share Your homeschooling moments with us!

We'd love to see pictures of your children working on their PACEs, enjoying outings to parks, zoos or any other activities from this year.

Please note that by submitting photos, you are giving permission for them to be included in a slideshow presentation during graduation.

Performance Showcase Auditions

As we prepare for the Celebration 2024 event (scheduled for March 2025) we are looking for a few students to perform a showcase during the event. As we know how many talented students we have enrolled,

we are asking for students to audition for the opportunity to showcase a talent or skill. It could be playing a musical instrument, singing, dancing, a recitation or something else.

Students who are selected from the audition, will perform live.

Those students who are interested, are invited to audition by sending us a video of their performance. The video submitted, should be a maximum of 5 minutes long. To help those viewing the auditions, when sending your video, please specify that you are attending the in-person celebration.

Submitting an audition video is also providing your consent for us to use it.



Important Dates!

1. The Deadline for submitting test results for it to be included in the Semester 2 Report is on the **15th of December**.
 2. Please remember to send your children's Moderation for the date shown: **Moderation 4 – 9th December 2024**
 3. The Accelerate Office will be closed from **20th December, 2024 and will reopen on 6th January, 2025**.
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The importance of prioritising spending time with your children.

Due to most families busy lives they move from one part of their lives to another, not always able to enjoy time with their children.

For example, the parent wants to leave as they have someplace to be, but the child/ren are playing with Lego. The parent had asked the child to pack up the Lego instead of playing with it. The parent then is upset with the children, because they have made the parent late (and probably a mess), and they miss the amazing creation (or science experiment) that they have made.

In our busy lives, there is always somewhere to be, something to do. Many times children see something in their local area and they ask their parents if they can go. The parent responds with "someday". Well I challenge you to consider that this summer (December/January) is that someday.

[Read full article here!](#)

Price Increase 2025

Greetings to our fellow labourers in the Lord, the team here at Accelerate are trusting and praying that you and your families are staying safe and making the most of the opportunities this year has provided.

We are writing to advise that the increase for 2025 will be 3.9% for our affiliated ministry partners. This will result in the price of each PACE (including GST and discounts) rising to (Australia) AU\$6.94 and (New Zealand) NZ\$7.85

These prices will be effective from the 20th of December 2024. Orders received and paid for prior to this date will be processed at 2024 prices.

Please note: The majority of our operations including distribution will be closed for the Christmas/New Year break. Our last trading day will be Friday the 20th of December 2024 and we will resume on Monday the 6th of January 2025. If you would like your orders to be dispatched prior to the break, please ensure that we have them no later than Friday the 6th December 2024. Keep in mind that all the freight companies are very busy at this time of year.

The Warehouse team.

End of
Year
Fun!

CHRISTIAN HOME SCHOOLING
As for me and my house, we will serve the Lord. Joshua 24:15b

FAMILY CHAT!

Please join us on our Next Zoom Family Chat
meeting at **12 pm Brisbane Time (+10 GMT)!**
(New Zealand - 3 pm; Fiji - 2 pm; PNG - 12 pm; Indonesia 9 am)

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This month's Family Chat will have a fresh, interactive format! Keep an eye out for a reminder email, which will include this month's discussion question: ***How does your family celebrate this time of year?*** We look forward to hearing your stories and sharing in the joy of the season!

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Your details!





Talk to us

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If you change any of your details (phone number and address), tell us first!

General enquiries about your order or payment, please contact the orders team on:

For all Membership Fee related enquiries, you are now able to contact Kathryn directly on:

When you inform us, we will ensure that the other departments are also informed, because we are your service provider!

Phone: (07) 3881 5777
Email: orders@scee.edu.au

Phone: (07) 3881 5705
Email: accounts@acclerate.edu.au

Member Contact

Scripture Memorisation

We include two translations for the Scriptures: One is the traditional King James Version (KJV), which is the version used in all PACEs.

The other version will usually be the New American Standard Bible (NASB), or a similar translation chosen for readability while retaining the meaning of the original Greek or Hebrew writings.

We recommend you and your child/children learn each Scripture passage over the following month. Read it together and discuss what it means, plus how it applies to your lives.

Memorize one verse each day, or every couple of days. Every time you memorize a new verse, add it to the verses before. Repeat the section often during the day.

Try "spot quizzes" at random times in the day. Try making it fun by putting the words to music, or having competitions to see who is able to memorize the whole passage faultlessly before anyone else.

As soon as your child has recited the entire passage without fault, use our Scripture Passage form (Members menu) to notify us, and we will record it.

Memorized Scriptures will show on each Semester report. Children who memorize eight (8) passages in a year will be eligible for a Scripture award at the end of the year.

Deuteronomy 6:4

King James Version (KJV)

4 Hear, O Israel: The LORD our God is one LORD:

5 And thou shalt love the LORD thy God with all thine heart, and with all thy soul, and with all thy might.

6 And these words, which I command thee this day, shall be in thine heart:

7 And thou shalt teach them diligently unto thy children, and shalt talk of them when thou sittest in thine house, and when thou walkest by the way, and when thou liest down, and when thou risest up.

8 And thou shalt bind them for a sign upon thine hand, and they shall be as frontlets between thine eyes.

9 And thou shalt write them upon the posts of thy house, and on thy gates.

New American Standard Bible

4 "Hear, Israel! The LORD is our God, the LORD is one!

5 And you shall love the LORD your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your strength.




6 These words, which I am commanding you today, shall be on your heart.

7 And you shall repeat them diligently to your sons and speak of them when you sit in your house, when you walk on the road, when you lie down, and when you get up.

8 You shall also tie them as a sign to your hand, and they shall be as frontlets on your forehead.

9 You shall also write them on the doorposts of your house and on your gates.



<p><u>Fun with Food</u></p> <p>17 Healthy Christmas Snacks for children and parents to do together! Recipe by "Haute and Healthy Living".</p>  <p>Recipe</p>	<p><u>Fun Science!</u></p> <p>This Christmas Science Experiment by <i>Beyond the Playroom</i> is a fun, easy and hands-on experience for kids.</p>  <p>Experiment</p>	<p><u>Fun Exercise for children!</u></p> <p>Coordination has a critical role in a child's skill level in a number of activities as they grow and develop – ranging from performance in sports to academic performance and even attitudes about school and education.</p>  <p>Exercise</p>
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