

# Mission 09: Hunter Bible Church

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**Sam Chan** I am hopeless at cricket, surfing, dancing, karaoke, shopping, fashion, fixing things and buying cars - but I do know all the words to Jimmy Barnes and Cold Chisel. I'm married to Steph and we love goofing around with our baby son Toby - with baby boy #2 due in June. In the past, I studied at SMBC; got a PhD at Trinity, Chicago; and played rugby for the lower grades of Sydney Uni - and I reckon I'm still good for "one more last season". At SMBC, I teach theology, ethics, preaching and evangelism.



**Peter Azer** Hi, my name is Peter, I am a second year MDiv student. I can't believe my first year is over but what a great year it was. It was very challenging but life changing. I am looking forward to this year to see what God is going to teach me from His word and about myself.

**Emma Azer** My name is Emma Margaret Azer and I am married to Peter. I have been married for over 3 years now and it has been a blessing. I really enjoy cooking anything. I am looking forward to the things the Lord has in store for Peter and me. It is great to know that our future is in His hands. I am in my final year of Bible College.



**Jeremy Dunne** Grew up in Ryde and Gladesville and worked as a high school PE teacher for a couple of years before doing MTS at Christ Church Gladesville. Worked mostly with youth and young adults and continue to be involved with youth work at church.



**Lisa Fackerell** I couldn't get enough of the College goodness last year so I'm back for a 2nd year and maybe even a third. Bruce and I are loving Petersham Baptist Church, each other, and I'm even quite partial to a spot of Greek. But don't tell anyone. Promise?

**Corinna French** My name is Rin and I'm from Sydney. I love getting involved in my local church at Miranda and telling teenagers about Jesus. I'm in my first year here at SMBC and am keen to learn more about God and His people.



**Andrew Hanna** I am at College studying the Graduate Diploma of Divinity. I am completing this course to know God better and through knowing him come to serve him better.

**David McPhail** My name is Dave. I am 26 and recently married. My wife Marieke and I have come to study at SMBC for 3 years with the hope of heading into rural youth pastoral/chaplaincy ministry post College. But who knows...we hear 'Ministry Matters' changes people...The Lord has given me a real passion to reach high school aged kids with the gospel through creative ministries.



## Alexandra Mileto

Hi! My name is Ali Mileto. I am 22 years old. I'm in my second year of the Diploma and I'm what they like to call a 'day student'. I've lived in Sydney my whole life and I was born and raised in the church. My church is St Aidan's Anglican in Longueville where I have the privilege of being employed as the children's and youth minister. I really love studying at SMBC because I love the Bible and I really love Jesus!



## Stephen Moore

I'm very glad to be back here for another year at SMBC, and because all Christians are missionaries, and the Bible is God's word. Sydney is great. I'm originally from Ballina NSW. I moved to Sydney after finishing school and did a business degree in HR management, then worked for a while. I'm excited about what God has in store for 2009 and beyond. Music is what I enjoy, and Randwick Presbyterian is where I serve.

## Rachel Russell

Hey, I'm Rachel. I love big dogs, being an aunt, 'Lost', reading, board or card games, the beach, real coffee and gooey cakes. I've spent most of my life in Western Sydney (Blacktown area). I am a primary school teacher and recently had the privilege of helping to home-school missionary kids, in Papua New Guinea, for MAF. It took 18 years to get here, but I made it! I'm really looking forward to God preparing me, and then allowing me, to work alongside Him in cross-cultural mission.



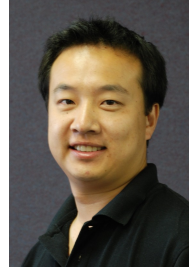
## Emma Stewart

I'm a proud child of 'the Shire' and enjoy lazy Sundays in the sun and good cups of tea. I studied pure mathematics at uni but I'm terrible at arithmetic. I love Thai food and the best I've ever eaten was in Berlin! I'm also a firm believer in the theory that any food can be improved by either chocolate or bacon. I'm looking forward to being intellectually challenged at College with the intention of being a more helpful church member and effective witness in the workplace.



**Philip Thomson** Home town: Camden.  
I enjoy outdoor activities such as mountain biking, rock climbing (multi-pitch lead), abseiling, canyoning, caving, hiking and wilderness camping. Anything that gets a bit of adrenaline flowing. I am looking forward to the many conversations I will be having about God, and the many new people I will be getting to know. My direction for the future is looking to long term mission in remote, wilderness areas, working with tribes and church planting.

**John Yeo** I am a first year MDiv student. Prior to College I worked as an accountant for 12 years. I attend South-West Chinese Christian Church (a plant of Chinese Christian Church, Milson's Point and St Bede's Anglican Church, Beverly Hills) which reaches out to mainland Chinese in the region. I am married to Bec and we have a baby daughter, Charlotte. We hope to be serving in China in some capacity, but we'll see where the Lord leads! I enjoy spending time with family, watching and playing various sports and hanging out with friends.



**Nathan Zorn** I'm from the Blue Mountains, married to my beautiful wife Claire, and have a young son Eli, who is currently 8 months (yet I'm sure he will be older when you read this given the laws of time). We are now living the dream in Ashfield. I've worked in the hospitality industry for around 10 years, and hope to use that experience in ministry in some capacity, wherever God takes us in the world.

**Philip van't Spyker** loves writing in the third person. He is married to Jessica and father of Jasper. (I, oops he, always carries photos of the little man to show around.) The family are at Kellyville Anglican. Pre College, Philip worked in youth ministry and Subway. Philip loves to cook, always keen to hear of good new recipes - and places to buy bargain cooking ingredients. Pray for me as I balance life and lead the family in loving the Lord with everything.

