

# AMEN Australia

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A NEW HEART  
&  
*A New Spirit*

EZEKIEL 36:26

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Never was there a place where medical missionary work would have told with more power than in Australia.

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**As we step into 2024, we reflect on the impactful messages and enriching workshops experienced at the recent 2023 AMEN Conference.**

**We are grateful for the support and enthusiasm shown by our attendees, as their participation and engagement have been instrumental in making this event a success.**

**At AMEN Australia, our mission is to inspire and equip individuals for effective health ministry, and we are encouraged by the positive response we have received.**

**As we move forward into the new year, we remain committed to fostering a community of passionate individuals dedicated to spreading the gospel message, health and wellness. Thank you for your continued support, and we look forward to continuing this journey together, inspiring and empowering others through health ministry.**

**May God grant us a renewed heart & a new Spirit in 2024.**



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**WE WELCOME**

## **DR MEGAN FORBES**

**Getting to know our new  
Board member.**

Dr. Megan recently graduated from the University of Wollongong in 2023 and will be starting her internship in Wagga Wagga in early 2024.

The specialties she is considering are Rural Generalist, with advanced training in emergency medicine or palliative care.

Dr. Megan is also passionate about lifestyle medicine. The areas of ministry she is most passionate about are medical/health ministry, youth ministry, and Sabbath school. Her home church is Bowral SDA Church. In her free time, you will usually catch her outside hiking, camping, cycling, skiing, paddleboarding, or lounging in the sun reading a good book.

AMEN Australia sponsored Megan for her student elective in Penang, Malaysia, and she shared a powerful testimony of her experience at the 2023 AMEN Conference.



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**WELCOMING**  
**DR SHAUN**  
**DAVID-**  
**WILATHGAMUWA**  
**New AMEN Secretary**

Dr. Shaun David-Wilthagamuwa is a recent medical graduate from UNSW and a passionate Christian. Dr. Shaun is currently serving in his local church as a youth leader, and has held positions in other ministries such as Adventist Youth for Christ (AYC).

Born in Sri Lanka, Shaun moved to Australia at the age of 11 with his younger brother and parents. Shaun was raised as a Christian but his journey as an Adventist only started after he moved to Australia.

Throughout pursuing and studying medicine, Shaun had the opportunity to know Jesus personally and commit his life to Him. Shaun is passionate about serving Jesus in the field of health, community and ministry.

Dr. Shaun joined AMEN in 2022 as a student representative and will now take on a new role as Secretary.



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## JOIN AMEN AUSTRALIA

Join a movement of like-minded medical professionals who are committed to restoring the body and reclaiming the heart.

[Join Now](#)

[Contact Us](#)

### **NEW WEBSITE**

### **NEW MEMBERSHIP PROGRAM**

Just in case you didn't know, AMEN Australia has launched a completely new website ([www.amenaustralia.org](http://www.amenaustralia.org)) where you can find information about the history of AMEN, current and past Board members, upcoming conferences, etc.

Towards the end of 2023, AMEN shared its vision with Adventist Book Centre (ABC), Australia. ABC has decided to support AMEN by offering a 10% discount for all registered AMEN members, both in-person and online purchases.

AMEN Australia seeks to partner with like-minded SDA organisations in helping share the three angels' messages through health evangelism. To inspire you, our website has a resource section that features inspiring messages (both audio and video). Be sure to check them out.

We want to bring to your attention our student mentorship program. If you are interested in mentoring medical & dental students, please reach us at the AMEN website. This is open to nursing and allied health students as well. If you are a student and wish to find a mentor, please contact us.

We thank you all for supporting AMEN Australia, and we look forward to providing more exclusive offers to our members.



# 2024 AMEN CONFERENCE

6-8 DEC 2024  
MELBOURNE, AUSTRALIA



For more Info, visit:  
[www.amenaustralia.org](http://www.amenaustralia.org)

## Testify of Me

John 15:26

Our 2024 AMEN Conference will be held in Melbourne, Australia. This year, our theme is 'Testify of Me'. What is our greatest need today? It is the need for the Holy Spirit. God has promised us the Latter Rain, which will be poured out upon all flesh in the last days (Acts 2:17-18). None of our work can be accomplished without the Holy Spirit.

The Spirit of Prophecy tells us, 'The outpouring of the Holy Spirit on the day of Pentecost was the former rain, but the latter rain will be more abundant. **The Spirit awaits our demand and reception.**' (COL 121.1) Did you notice this? God is waiting for us to ask for the power of the latter rain to be poured out. And this same Spirit will testify of Jesus through us. In John 15:26, the Bible states, "But when the Helper comes, whom I shall send to you from the Father, the Spirit of truth who proceeds from the Father, **He will testify of Me.**"

This is my challenge to you this year, let us unashameably and boldly ask for the Holy Spirit. This request, God will not refuse. He is eagerly waiting for us to ask. James 4:2 says, 'You do not have because you do not ask.' So let us ask for the Holy Spirit. And the fruits we bear shall testify of Him whom God has sent.

The 2024 AMEN Conference will be the best conference yet. We expect a great revival that will turn the world upside down (Acts 17:6). Will you have a part in this?

Dr. Aaron Koh  
President AMEN Australia



# Will You Go?

SHORT-TERM MEDICAL MISSIONS



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## **AWR360° HEALTH MEDICAL CLINIC IN PNG APRIL 14-21, 2024**

Do you have a heart to serve and want to follow in Jesus' footsteps? He healed the sick then said "Follow Me."

This is your opportunity to use your gifts of healing at our AWR360° Health four-day medical clinic in beautiful Mount Hagen in Papua New Guinea. Not a medical professional? No problem. We invite people with different talents to serve thousands during the four days of our medical clinic. We also need teachers, musicians, barbers, beauticians, helping hands, etc., to help with a number of different assignments.

If you want to have the experience of a lifetime and be a part of this exciting event, please go to <https://awr.org/missiontrips/> for more information or scan QR code below.



AMEN Australia would love to hear your testimonies of your mission trip at the 2024 AMEN Conference.



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## WISH TO SUPPORT AMEN?

AMEN Australia operates as a not-for-profit Seventh-Day Adventist organisation, guided by dedicated volunteers serving on the AMEN board.

Our core belief centers around empowering, training, and preparing SDA health professionals to collaborate with pastoral ministry in the field of medical missionary work.

You can support AMEN by joining our AMEN Membership at our website or by scanning the QR quote below.



As an AMEN member, you will receive discounts from our annual AMEN conferences, as well as exclusive 10% discounts from a diverse range of selected books at ABC (Adventist Book Centre) across Australia. We are also giving away a AMEN Devotional Book from Philippines for every registered member. We only have a few books left in stock!

You can also support AMEN by spreading the word to your friends and colleagues, and remembering us in your prayers.