



There is something special about Australia's vast Outback, and the Red Heart of this great country. Travelling through "the desert" as we affectionately call the area, you are assured of ever changing scenery as light tree lined creek beds flow from the flat topped mesas. Wedge tailed eagles or the whistling kite catch the thermals in their search for prey, and occasionally we may be rewarded with sightings of emu or kangaroos. The itinerary we offer takes longer to travel from Adelaide to Darwin than you may find with other companies because we allow for some more time, and we also include visits with Christian people serving the Lord through the Bush Church Aid Society (BCA), the Outback padres of the Presbyterian Inland Mission (PIM) in this, the centenary year for Flynn's work, and we also will meet with workers translating the Bible through the care of Wycliffe (WBTA). A wonderful holiday experience awaits you.

## Tour Inclusions

- ✓ Daily Devotions by your CFT Tour Escort
- ✓ Christian Tour Leader
- ✓ Quality accommodation with private bathroom facilities
- ✓ Meals as indicated in the itinerary **B L D**
- ✓ Sightseeing as detailed in the itinerary
- ✓ All entry fees as detailed in the itinerary
- ✓ Portage assistance at motels

## TOUR ITINERARY:

**DAY 1 Monday 23rd July, 2012**  
**HOME - ADELAIDE**

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Interstate passengers will fly to Adelaide on pre-arranged flights. You will be met and welcomed by your CFT Escort for the transfer to your selected motel, with a short orientation tour taken so that you get your bearings in preparation for the afternoon at leisure. Your motel is a short stroll from the main shopping precinct, or you may like to enjoy the

**2 NIGHT STAY**

tram ride to Glenelg. We will enjoy dinner together at the Adelaide Riviera.

Overnight: Choice Hotel, Adelaide Riviera

**DAY 2 Tuesday 24th July, 2012**  
**ADELAIDE SIGHTSEEING**

**B D**

Today's tour of the City of Adelaide will include the spacious parks and gardens that surround this beautiful city, as well as a drive through the Adelaide Hills towards **Hahndorf**, the quaint Germanic township, travelling via Mt Lofty and returning to Adelaide.

Overnight: Choice Hotel, Adelaide Riviera

**DAY 3 Wednesday 25th July, 2012**  
**ADELAIDE - PORT AUGUSTA**

**B L D**

South Australian Passengers choosing to join the tour this morning need to be at the Adelaide Riviera by 7.30am. Our adventure begins as we leave Adelaide heading northwards alongside the Gulf of St Vincent and Spencer Gulf, passing Port Pirie and Port Augusta. In Port Augusta you may elect to visit the **Woodlata Centre** (own cost) or you may prefer to visit the **Desert Gardens** before check in at our motel.

Overnight: Standpipe Motor Inn



#### DAY 4 Thursday 26th July, 2012 PORT AUGUSTA – LEIGH CREEK

**BLD**

Skirting the **Flinders Ranges** we make our way on what is called the Hans Heysen trail and we move into the upper ranges with our destination Leigh Creek. If road conditions are suitable, we may be able to make a short detour to Beltana, site of the very first centre served by Rev John Flynn.

Overnight: Leigh Creek Tavern

#### DAY 5 Friday 27th July, 2012 LEIGH CREEK – ROXBY DOWNS

**BLD**

We are now into the vast South Australian Outback. Leaving Leigh Creek we travel to Maree, stepping off point for the **Birdsville Track**, then we travel the Borefield Road to Roxby Downs.

Overnight: Roxby Downs Motor Inn

#### DAY 6 Saturday 28th July, 2012 ROXBY DOWNS – COOBER PEDY

**BLD**

**2 NIGHT STAY**

Our Outback adventure continues today as we drive back onto the **Oodnadatta Track**, pausing at **Lake Eyre South** and in William Creek before turning towards Coober Pedy, the famous Australian township where many homes were built underground – and many still are. Tonight you can elect to stay in an underground room (subject to availability).

Overnight: Desert Cave Motel, Coober Pedy

#### DAY 7 Sunday 29th July, 2012 WORSHIP – COOBER PEDY

**BD**

**WORSHIP**

Today we will visit the Catacomb Church for morning worship with local folk and learn of the unique form of ministry that this special community church has engaged in for many years in this region. Local sightseeing will include the various **opal mining** and cutting attractions in the township, and an afternoon treat is to visit the nearby **Breakaways for sunset**.

Overnight: Desert Cave Motel, Coober Pedy

#### DAY 8 Monday 30th July, 2012 COOBER PEDY - YULARA

**BLD**

**2 NIGHT STAY**

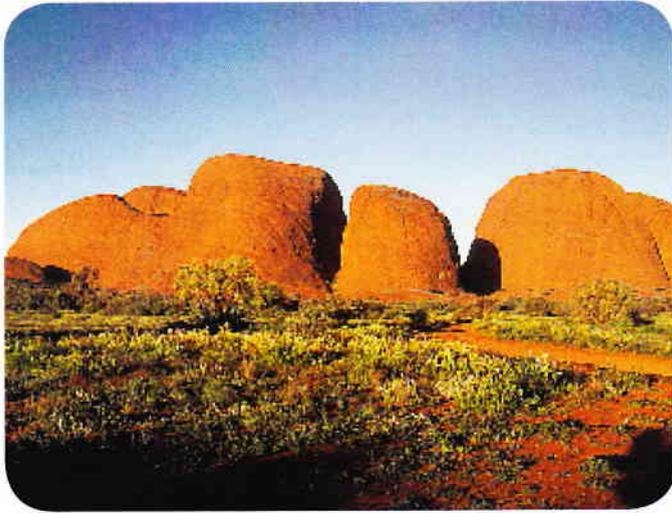
The drive North on the Stuart Highway still travels through many regions pock marked with opal mines. We enter the **Northern Territory** turning onto the Lasseter Highway at Erldunda, destination Yulara Village. Our arrival into Yulara will give you a short drive around the circuit to orientate you for any free time in the village before check in at our selected hotel, the Outback Pioneer.

Overnight: Outback Pioneer Hotel, Yulara

#### DAY 9 Tuesday 31st July, 2012 ULURU

**BD**

Up before dawn this morning for the drive into the area reserved for specialist **sunrise viewing** – wear plenty of warm clothes – and after the aura of sunrise we will return to our hotel for breakfast and some free time in the village. A free shuttle bus operates throughout the village, and today lunch will be at your own choice and cost. After lunch



our drive will take us to **Kata Tjuta (The Olgas)** where there is a chance to walk into a part of this amazing geological feature, returning to the sunset viewing spot for **sunset at Uluru**. A very special day.

Overnight: Outback Pioneer Hotel, Yulara.

OPTIONAL: Uluru Flight

### DAY 10 Wednesday 1st August, 2012 YULARA – KINGS CANYON

**B D**

A short drive today brings us into the magnificent **Kings Canyon** where you will have time to undertake the rim walk or the easier canyon walk, or just take in the majesty of the surroundings.

Overnight: Kings Canyon Resort

### DAY 11 Thursday 2nd August, 2012 KINGS CANYON – ALICE SPRINGS

**B L D**

4 NIGHT STAY

Enjoy time in Kings Canyon before leaving, and on our way into Alice Springs you may like to try your hand at **camel**



**riding** to experience what it was like as an Afghan Cameleer! A short orientation tour on arrival in Alice Springs will help to give you your bearings for the next few days.

Overnight: All Seasons Oasis Motel, Alice Springs.

### DAY 12 Friday 3rd August, 2012 ALICE SPRINGS SIGHTSEEING

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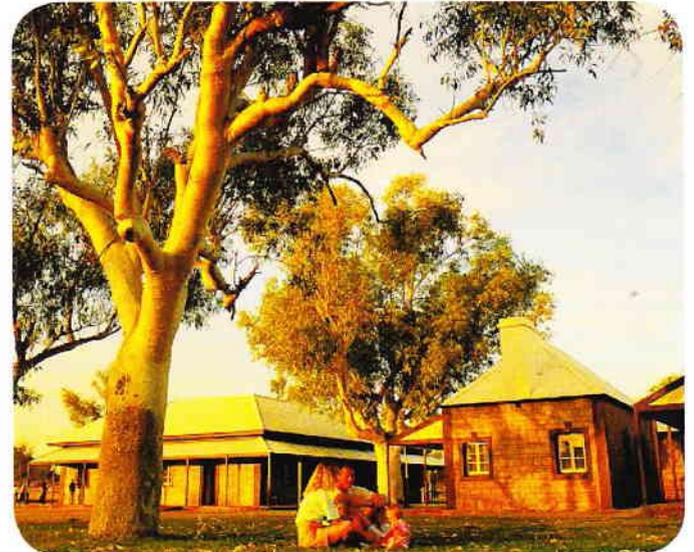
Today a leisurely pace as we enjoy the main attractions of this very special Central Australian township, and our itinerary will include the original **Overland Telegraph Station**, the **Royal Flying Doctor Service** and the **School of the Air**. You will have some free time for personal shopping, or relaxing by the pool at our motel. Lunch at own choice and cost.

Overnight: All Seasons Oasis Motel, Alice Springs.

### DAY 13 Saturday 4th August, 2012 ALICE SPRINGS AT LEISURE

**B D**

Today has been programmed as a day at leisure. You may opt to stay around the motel by the pool, catch up on any other shopping or undertake an optional tour to Palm





Valley by 4WD.

Overnight: All Seasons Oasis Motel, Alice Springs.

**OPTIONAL: Palm Valley 4WD Tour**

**DAY 14 Sunday 5th August, 2012  
WESTERN MACDONNELL RANGES**

**BLD** **WORSHIP**

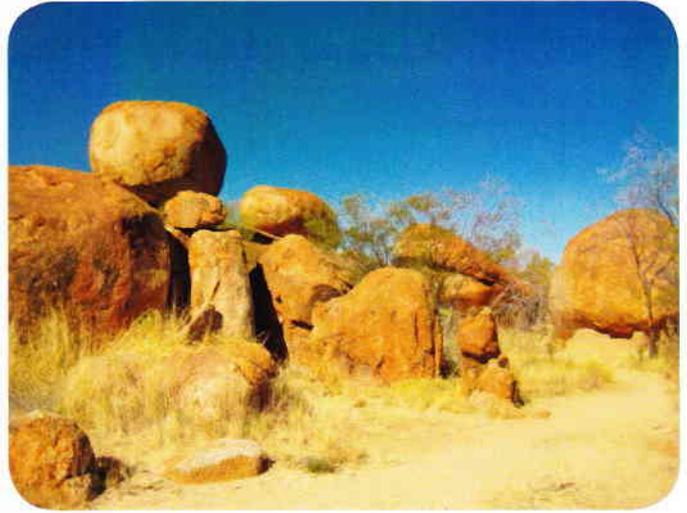
This morning we attend church in Alice Springs before enjoying the drive into the nearby Western Macdonnell Ranges of **Standley Chasm** and **Simpson's Gap**. A picnic lunch in the great Aussie Outdoors giving you time to enjoy the walk into the Chasm. On our return we stop at the **Alice Springs Desert Park** to take in the Birds of Prey Show, enjoy dinner and the evening Nocturnal tour. A great day!

Overnight: All Seasons Oasis Motel, Alice Springs.

**DAY 15 Monday 6th August, 2012  
ALICE SPRINGS – TENNANT CREEK**

**BLD**

We continue northward, crossing the Tropic of Capricorn and retracing the route of the original Overland Telegraph



Line, with repeater stations such as Aileron, Barrow Creek and Wauchope, stopping at the **Devil's Marbles** before coming to Tennant Creek.

Overnight: Bluestone Motel, Tennant Creek.

**DAY 16 Tuesday 7th August, 2012  
TENNANT CREEK - KATHERINE**

**BLD**

Heading north once again, a short break will be made at Three Ways where we find a memorial (one of many) to Rev John Flynn, we will then continue to Renner Springs, Daly Waters, Mataranka and our destination Katherine.

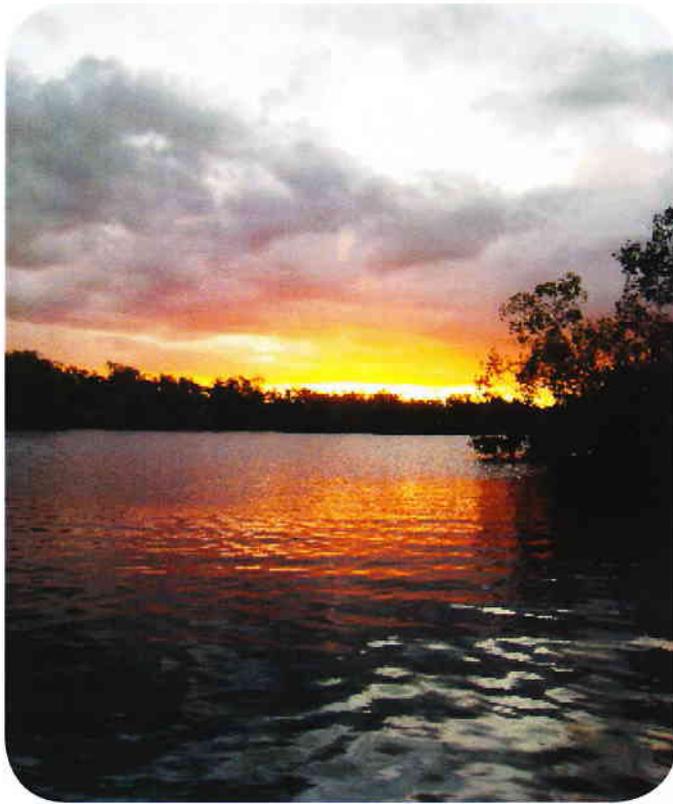
Overnight: Knotts Crossing Resort, Katherine.

**DAY 17 Wednesday 8th August, 2012  
NITMILUK GORGE - KAKADU**

**BLD**

Begin this morning with a spectacular **two gorge cruise** in the **Nitmuluk National Park**. This gorge cruise is probably one of the most awesome journeys on inland water you will ever experience, and as it involves walking over rocks, you are advised to prepare with good walking shoes. From





the cruise we then head north to Pine Creek where we turn towards the **Kakadu National Park**, with our destination Gagadju and the afternoon **Yellow Waters Cruise** on the Yellow Waters Billabong. An inspiring day!

Overnight: Gagadju Lodge, Cooida.

## DAY 18 Thursday 9th August, 2012 KAKADU - DARWIN

**B D**

**2 NIGHT STAY**

An easy walk around the Aboriginal art work of **Nourlangie Rock** starts today's adventures, and in Jabiru we will also be able to understand more of the aboriginal significance with a visit to the **Bowali Visitor Centre**. Lunch today will be in the Jabiru region at your own choice and cost, and if you wish to enjoy a flight over the National Park this may be taken during this time. Depart in the afternoon for the drive across the Marakai Plains towards Darwin.

Overnight: Mirambeena Lodge, Darwin

OPTIONAL: Kakadu Flight

## DAY 19 Friday 10th August, 2012 DARWIN SIGHTSEEING

**B D**

Sightseeing and some free time is planned in Darwin to enjoy what this tropical city has to offer, including the City CBD, the Darwin Museum and foreshores. Our tour ends with a celebratory **sunset cruise on Darwin Harbour**.

Overnight: Mirambeena Lodge, Darwin

## DAY 20 Saturday 11th August, 2012 DARWIN - HOME

**B D**

Depending on final flight arrangements, you will have some free time prior to being transferred to Darwin Airport for return flights home.

### GHAN RAIL OPTION

Departs Darwin 9.00am Saturday 11th Aug 2012  
Arrives Adelaide 12.30pm Monday 13th Aug 2012

Call **1300 635 358** to arrange your booking.



## TOUR FARES

Tour Code: ADL1253CFT

### From Sydney

Departs: Sydney Airport 12.30pm Mon 23 Jul  
Returns: Sydney Airport 8.10pm Thur 11 Aug

Twin Share: \$6,950 per person  
Single: \$8,770 per person

### From Melbourne

Departs: Melbourne Airport 12.10pm Mon 23 Jul  
Returns: Melbourne Airport 5.15pm Thur 11 Aug

Twin Share: \$6,950 per person  
Single: \$8,770 per person

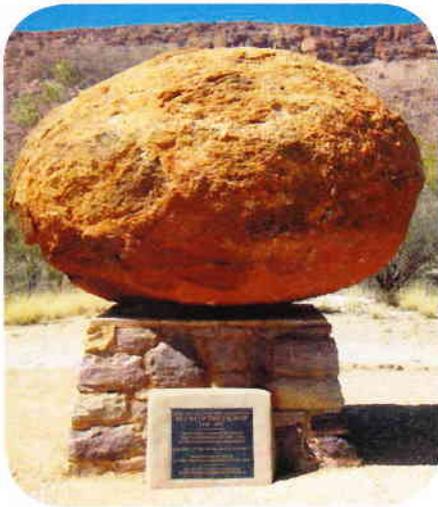
### From Brisbane

Departs: Brisbane Airport 11.55am Mon 23 Jul  
Returns: Brisbane Airport 5.50pm Thur 11 Aug

Twin Share: \$6,950 per person  
Single: \$8,770 per person

For prices from other cities please contact the CFT office on 1300 635 358.

# More about P.I.M.



The Presbyterian Inland Mission (PIM) is the successor ministry in the Presbyterian Church of Australia to the Australian Inland Mission founded in 1912 with the Rev. Dr John Flynn as its first Superintendent.

2012 is the centenary celebration year of Rev Dr John Flynn and Christian Fellowship Tours is proud to be associated with PIM to offer some exciting tours around Australia during this centenary year.

PIM is a ministry of the Presbyterian

Church of Australia and has an expanding network of patrol ministries in Western Australia, South Australia, New South Wales, Queensland, Victoria, Tasmania & the Northern Territory.

The special tours offered by Christian Fellowship Tours during 2012 combine regular sightseeing with what are normal added features when travelling with CFT: such as the chance to worship on Sundays; daily devotions, as well as where possible joining local celebrations around Australia for the Flynn centenary.

# More about Wycliffe



Wycliffe, founded in 1942, is a global organisation involved in the translation of the Bible in more than 90 countries.

The majority of the remaining translation needs represent minority languages and relatively small people groups, many of which struggle to maintain their identity in the shadow of majority culture. Often these groups have no written language of their own, and many struggle to

gain the literacy skills they need to prosper.

Wycliffe Australia is made up of ordinary Australians who have the deepest commitment to people of all cultures and to the uncompleted task of Bible translations by bringing God's Word to life while simultaneously serving people's needs holistically. This includes specific translation projects of indigenous languages within Australia.



This tour has been designed to visit some of the Wycliffe missionaries operating within the Northern Territory.