

Testimony of a Modeller

I have been modelling since Christmas 1955, when, as a six-year-old, I received my first train set. My first locomotive (a Tri-ang Princess Elizabeth) still runs in 2012, although she is very worn! My collection is now substantial and has been added to continuously from that time.

I learned about Jesus "at my mother's knee" and can still recall the Bible stories she told me from when I was aged about 4 onwards. I attended Sunday School from the age of 4 and I remember accepting Jesus as saviour during a Scripture class in primary school, much to the disgust of my classmates.

I continued to attend church, ISCF (in high school), Evangelical Union (at UNSW), but "dropped out" for a while in my 20's. During that "drop out" time, I felt there was something missing, until my son was born. I chose to have him baptised at St Lukes Church, and so joined the congregation. There, I found a group of like-minded people with similar life-issues to mine.

I found the teaching refreshing and the support of inestimable value, particularly during times of personal trial. My faith was renewed and I grew in my personal knowledge of God's plan for me and how I could serve Him more faithfully. This journey continues.

Along the way, I found there were several other modellers within our congregation. We started to display our collections to raise funds for the Sunday School (now known as "Kids' Church"). This developed into the St Lukes Model Railway Club, where we aimed to bring our Christian principles into a practical application where we could share our skills and values with others, particularly juniors, in a wholesome activity.

We would be happy to share more with any new recruit (young or old) to our group.

Robert Evans St Lukes Model Railway Club.

More Information:

St Lukes Church: 155 Galston Road, Hornsby Heights www.stlukeschurch.com.au

Sunday services:

8am (Prayer Book), 9.30 am (Family), 6.30 pm (Youth)

Model Railway Club:

Meetings (in Church Hall): 1st & 3rd Saturdays, from 3.00 pm