

3ABN Australia Newsletter – Autumn 2021

God's Blessings Through A Duplicator

Greetings 3ABN Australia Family!

We are grateful for God's many blessings on this ministry and would love to tell you about our Epson DVD duplicator. In fact, there are two parts to this blessing so we must tell you the whole story to help you understand how much of a blessing the Epson duplicator has been and how good God is.

When we first started providing 3ABN DVDs to viewers we purchased two DVD stand-alone towers. For this we also had to buy a printer/copier that could print DVD labels. Unfortunately, after a while we found the towers to be unreliable and had to return them.

We then acquired a new duplicator that worked via a computer. It was much better and both duplicates the DVD and prints the label on the DVD with no extra handling. We had many problems with the software as it didn't work well on Mac computers, and the ink was expensive—with only one cartridge for all three colours. We used the duplicator for a few years before it started wearing out. At that time we had just built the studio and didn't have funds to replace it—at around \$3,500.00. What to do?

We persevered with it, knowing it could stop working at any time. Around this time, a 3ABN viewer came to visit. As soon as she walked in she asked if we needed a DVD duplicator. Well, of course we did, so I told her that.

She explained that, after her husband died, she had planned to start a DVD ministry and had purchased a duplicator. But, she had remarried and now didn't have time to do her ministry. Would we like her duplicator? It was still in its box, unused, and she would be happy to donate it to us if we wanted it. But, what type of duplicator did she have? Was it stand-alone towers, which we didn't want? Or was it a computer based one?

Because she had never used it, or even taken it out of its box, she couldn't tell me anything about it. So, she said she would bring it in the next time she came past. I had no idea whether it would be suitable, or something we couldn't use.

A few weeks later she arrived with a very large box. In it was a computer-based Epson DVD/CD duplicator. We opened the box and, to our delight, it was exactly what we were needing!

Not only that, it didn't have only three separate colour ink cartridges, but five of them! Even better, the software for the computer was extremely easy to use AND much more versatile than our old duplicator. It was a wonderful machine—AND a gift from God! I think He impressed this dear lady to buy one for herself, but it had 3ABN Australia written on it from the beginning! God is so good; He knows all our needs in advance.

This gifted duplicator produced DVDs and CDs for many years without any problems, serving us faithfully.

After a few years the duplicator was due for servicing as a part needed to be replaced (It was the inkpad, which has a lifespan of approximately 30,000 discs.) We were told by Epson that there was only one of the replacement parts left in Australia and we could have it. Praise the Lord! What a wonderful blessing!

In Sept 2019 the duplicator began sometimes to print the wrong label on the DVDs. So John Malkiewicz phoned Epson. They asked, "What model do you have?" He told them the model and they said, "That's not possible. That machine is really old. Does the



model have any other numbers after it?” John reassured the Epson representative that he had given the correct information. They could hardly believe it! When John told the representative that the machine was otherwise still working well, the representative was shocked. John told them we are a Christian ministry, so God must have had His hand over this machine and given it an extra-long lifespan.

Just recently the Epson duplicator exhibited another major issue, so we retired it. When James Hope checked the percentage of life used up for the machine’s two burners, one was listed at 116% and the other at 105%. Between them they had duplicated 2,524 DVDs since the ink pad was replaced.

We are grateful to God for His blessings and to be able to so clearly see His workings in our own lives!

Current 3ABN Australia Projects

- INTERLESS for the Islands
- Keeping 3ABN on VAST 603
- Upgrading outdated studio cameras

Testimonies from Our Viewers and Listeners

“We love your radio programs.” - *Rhonda and Philip*

“I am emailing you all the way from the Caribbean Island of St Vincent, and I want to let you guys know I enjoy the programs so much. It's surely a blessing—keeping the fire burning. GOD bless.” - *Tianna*

“We always look for Australian 3ABN programs, and have enjoyed repeats of Homecomings and the health ones!” - *Ave*

3ABN APP

Download our FREE 3ABN APP for iOS and Android smartphones and tablets, and enjoy our TV and radio programming wherever you go. It's also the perfect way to introduce someone to 3ABN!

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To view our online store go to our website and click the *Shop* button. Orders can be placed online (Australia only) or by phone (02) 4973 3456.

INTERLESS Box

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No monthly fees. *PLUS:* Streaming of Adventist TV & Radio Channels when connected to high speed Internet. (M20-INT) **\$385.00**

God’s Last Message – DVD set

Join Dr Allan Lindsay as he clearly and simply explains prophecies for our time. Eight one-hour presentations on four DVDs. Individual DVDs and downloads are also available.

(GLM-DSET) **\$40.00**

3ABN Virtual Homecoming 2020 – Turn Up The Light

3ABN’s 2020 Virtual Fall Camp Meeting sermons presented by Pr John Lomacang, Pr Kenny Shelton, Shelley Quinn, Pr Ryan Day, Jill Morikone, and Danny Shelton.

Set includes 9 DVD sermons in paper sleeves, but does not include Music hours, Sabbath School Panel or 3ABN Report sessions.

(Individual DVDs and downloads also available). (20HC-SET) **\$65.00**

Pray On – CD

Marleta Fong’s latest CD has 12 vocal tracks plus a bonus instrumental track.

(CD-PO) **\$20.00**



The Law and the Covenants – booklet

From the first gospel promise to the present time, there has been a gradual unfolding of the purposes of God in the plan of redemption. The Saviour that is typified in the rites and ceremonies of the Jewish law is the very same Saviour that is revealed in the gospel and Jesus—the world’s Redeemer.

(A53) **\$2.00**



The Story Book – children’s book

Seventeen character building stories for children by well known storyteller Arthur Maxwell.

(BTSB) **\$7.70**