

Sunday 3rd May

- 9.00 am Nature & Grace in Action
Wherever the Billings Ovulation
Method™ is Taught (2)
Selected Delegates
- 10.30 Morning Tea
- 11.00 am Nature & Grace Channelled
Through the Billings Ovulation
Method™ Teacher
Professor Pilar Vigil
- 12.30 Lunch
- 2.00 pm Nature & Grace in
John Paul II's
"Theology of the Body"
Dr Lek-Lim Chan
- 3.00 pm Conference Mass
- 4.00 Afternoon Tea
- 4.30 pm Meeting of WOOMB Directors
with International Associates

The Conference will be followed by
Teacher Training/Upskilling Programs
for new/experienced Teachers of the
Billings Ovulation Method™
Monday 4th - Thursday 7th May at
Rydges Bell City

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Rydges Bell City
205 Bell Street
Preston 3072

Conveniently located 20 minutes from the CBD and just
15 minutes from Melbourne's International Airport.
Within walking distance to Tram, Rail and Bus networks.

Conference

Full Conference
(incl. Conference dinner) \$ 220.00
Early Bird Rate
(due by 31/1/2009) \$ 200.00

Friday \$ 10.00
Saturday \$ 80.00
Sunday \$ 80.00
Conference Dinner \$ 50.00

(All days of Conference include morning &
afternoon tea and lunch. Dinner Friday and
Sunday NOT included.)

Accommodation

Twin share room -
per person per night \$ 60.00
Full buffet breakfast \$ 15.00
(tea/coffee making facilities and bar
fridge available in all rooms)

Teacher Training Program

Mon- Thurs per day \$ 60.00
(All days of TTP include morning & afternoon
tea and lunch. Dinner Monday to Thursday
NOT included.)

Accommodation - as for Conference

Registration

Please register on separate form

billings LIFE
Leaders In Fertility Education

OMR&RCA Biennial Conference 1-3 May 2009

Inaugural John J Billings Memorial Lecture



"Nature and Grace and the Billings Ovulation Method™"

Most Rev Peter J Elliott
Auxiliary Bishop of Melbourne
Director of John Paul II Institute for
Marriage and Family

Friday 1st May

7.30 pm Registrations
8.00 pm Memorial Lecture

Rydges Bell City, 205 Bell St, Preston

Saturday 2nd May

- 9.00 am Nature & Grace in
Half a Century of the
Billings Ovulation Method™
Dr E L Billings
Paper presented by
Marian Corkill and Marie Marshall
- 9.30 am Nature & Grace - Spreading the
Good News of the
Billings Ovulation Method™
World Youth Day - *Angela Cannone*
Correspondence Training - *Pauline Feehan*
Internet Teaching - *Bernadette Davies*
Medical Students - *Lynne Anderson*
- 10.30 Morning Tea
- 11.00 am Nature & Grace in
Women's Reproductive Health
Professor Pilar Vigil
- 12.30 Lunch
- 2.00 pm Nature & Grace in Action
Wherever the Billings Ovulation
Method™ is Taught
Alice Wong
Grace Chan
Dr On Lien
- 3.00 pm Nature & Grace - Promoting the
Billings Ovulation Method™
Robyn Fahy
- 3.30 Afternoon Tea
- 6.30 pm **Conference Dinner**
Rydges Bell City

Faculty

Most Rev Peter J Elliott

MA (OXON), MA (MELB), STD (JOHN PAUL INSTITUTE ROME)

VG, EV. Auxiliary Bishop of Melbourne

Director, John Paul II Institute, Melbourne, Australia

The son of an Anglican Priest, Peter John Elliott was received into the Catholic Church while a student at Oxford University. He returned to Melbourne to commence studies for the priesthood at Corpus Christi College and was ordained in 1974. In 1984 he commenced doctoral research at the Lateran University, Rome, John Paul II Institute for Studies on Marriage and the Family. He gained a Doctorate in Sacred Theology in 1986 with a thesis on the sacramentality of marriage. In 1987 he became an Official of the Pontifical Council for the Family in the Roman Curia. In 1992 he was named a Chaplain of His Holiness with the title Monsignor. During ten years of Vatican service he travelled extensively and was involved in international courses and conferences on the family and marriage on all continents. In December 1997 he returned to Australia to become Episcopal Vicar for Religious Education in the Archdiocese of Melbourne. On April 30, 2007, Pope Benedict XVI appointed him Titular Bishop of Manaccenser and Auxiliary Bishop of Melbourne. He was ordained Bishop on June 15, 2007. Bishop Elliott is well known as a speaker and as the author of books and articles in the fields of theology, Church history, catechetics, liturgy, marriage and the family, apologetics and demography.

Dr Evelyn L Billings

AM, DCSG, MB BS(MELB), DCH (LOND)

A graduate in medicine from the University of Melbourne, Lyn studied paediatrics as a post-graduate student in London, afterwards undertaking paediatric practice in Melbourne. She later became a Senior Demonstrator in Embryology and Histology within the Department of Anatomy at the University of Melbourne, and Assistant Physician to the Department of Community Medicine, St Vincent's Hospital, Melbourne. She is Consultant Physician to Billings LIFE - Leaders in Fertility Education and a member of the Education Committee of WOOMB International Ltd (World Organisation, Ovulation Method, Billings). For the past 55 years Lyn and her late husband, John, who together founded the Billings Ovulation Method™ travelled the world to spread the good news in accordance with the plan of God for marriage and families.

Marian Corkill

Marian Corkill is a Senior Teacher of the Billings Ovulation Method™ and has extensive experience in the training of teachers in Australia and many other countries. She has undergone training through the RACGP QA&CPD Accredited Provider program enabling OMR&RCA to present RACGP

CPD activities. Marian is a Director of OMR&RCA and WOOMB International and a member of the Education Committee.

Marie Marshall

As the Coordinator of Training, Marie Marshall has extensive experience of teaching the Billings Ovulation Method™ and the training of teachers. She was the Senior Teacher who accompanied Drs John and Evelyn Billings during their many visits to China to conduct Teacher Training. Marie is currently Study Leader for the Study on The Efficacy of the Billings Ovulation Method™ and the Achievement of Pregnancy. Marie is a Director of WOOMB International and Chair of the Education Committee.

Angela Cannone

Angela is married to Vince and they have 3 grown-up children. Born in Italy and educated in Australia, Angela has been teaching the Billings Ovulation Method™ for 27 years. For the past two years she has been Centre Director and Coordinator for NSW of all Billings Ovulation Method™ teaching centres.

Pauline Feehan

Pauline has been married to Trevor for 45 years. She started teaching the Billings Ovulation Method™ in 1974, travelling to towns and indigenous settlements all over the Northern Territory and the north of Western Australia teaching and training teachers. Because of the huge distances to travel, Pauline instigated the Billings Ovulation Method™ Correspondence Teacher Training Course in 1987. She was one of the senior teachers to conduct training in China in 1999 and Timor Leste in 2003.

Bernadette Davies

Bernadette Davies has 20 years experience as a senior teacher of the Billings Ovulation Method™ and is the Area Administrator for all Billings Ovulation Method™ services in South Australia. In 1998 she completed a certificate in the "Biology of the Cervix" with Prof Eric Odeblad. For 10 years she has conducted Billings Ovulation Method™ teacher training programs in Adelaide and has assisted with programs in Melbourne and Hong Kong. She is a tutor of the Billings Ovulation Method™ Correspondence Teacher Training Course and an instructor of the Billings Ovulation Method™ via the internet teaching service. Bernadette has been trained by the RACGP for Accredited Provider Status for QA&CPD activities.

Lynne Anderson

Lynne Anderson is a Senior Teacher of the Billings Ovulation Method™ and a member of the Education Committee. Lynne has been involved in presenting Christian Sexuality Education to adolescents in Melbourne schools for many years and is the Chair of the OMR&RCA Christian Sexuality Program Committee. She teaches the Billings Ovulation Method™ to the Monash

Medical Students during their Community Based Practice Program placement with Billings LIFE.

Professor Pilar Vigil Portales

MD, PhD,

Married to Miguel with 4 children, Pilar specializes in Gynaecology and Obstetrics and holds a PhD in Biological Sciences with a major in Physiology for the Pontifical Catholic University of Chile. She attended postdoctoral training at the Texas Institute for Reproductive Medicine & Endocrinology, United States and has been working in this field to the present day, achieving renown both in Chile and abroad. Professor of the Faculty of Biological Sciences of the Pontificia Universidad Católica de Chile since 1982, she has lectured widely on Physiology of Reproduction, Affectivity and Sexuality. Pilar has been invited to over 20 countries in the five continents, where she has given lectures and taught graduate courses. Currently, she is a member of the Pontifical Academy for Life, International Director of TeenSTAR Programme and a member of the medical review panel of WOOMB International (World Organisation of the Ovulation Method, Billings). Having written more than sixty scientific articles and book chapters, Dr. Vigil has been awarded the Colegio Médico de Chile A.G. (Chile) prize, as well as the Editorial Los Andes Science and Technology prize for her scientific effort and commitment to the community. She also received public recognition from Revista Capital as the most remarkable female doctor in Chile. She is listed by the media among the leading women in Chile.

Alice Wong

Alice attained her Diploma in Social Work in 1980 and Bachelor of Social Work in 1985 at the Hong Kong Polytechnic University. She has worked for Caritas — Hong Kong as a social worker since 1980. In 1991, she finished the Advanced Programme for Social Worker at the Tavistock Clinic, London. In the same year, she was promoted as a social work supervisor of Caritas Family Service and has remained in that post. She was privileged to learn the Billings Ovulation Method™ from Drs. John & Lyn Billings by being one of their translators since 1992 while they were conducting Billings Ovulation Method™ training in China. In recent years, she also worked in teamwork with Grace Chan in conducting Billings Ovulation Method™ training in mainland China and in Hong Kong. In 2006-2008 she was appointed by the Bishop of Hong Kong as a member of the Diocesan Pastoral Commission on Marriage and Family.

Grace Chan

Grace graduated from the University of Hong Kong in 1982. Since graduation she has worked for Caritas — Hong Kong as a social worker in Family Service, in 1988 being promoted as a social work supervisor. She achieved her Master of Social

Sciences Degree (Social Work & Social Administration) in 1998. In 2003, Grace obtained a Diploma in Women's Health Studies and in 2005, she was accredited as a sex therapist by Florida Postgraduate Sex Therapy Training Institute. She was privileged to learn the Billings Ovulation Method™ from Drs. John & Lyn Billings by being one of their translators since 1995 while they were conducting Billings Ovulation Method™ training in China. In the last few years, she also worked in team work with Alice Wong in conducting Billings Ovulation Method™ training in mainland China and in Hong Kong.

Dr On Lien

MD (Saigon) 1974

On Lien arrived in Australia as a refugee in 1978. In 1985 she became an Accredited Teacher of the Billings Ovulation Method™, teaching the Method at the Pre-Marriage Education Program for the Vietnamese Catholic Community. In 2007 On helped to set up a program to take the Billings Ovulation Method™ to her home country, liaising with Bishops from Vietnamese Dioceses to have Teacher Training Programs for their people. She has accompanied the Australian teacher trainers who have conducted each of these programs, acting as their interpreter, liaison person and cultural advisor while in Vietnam.

Robyn Fahy

Robyn is a senior executive with extensive experience in leadership, project management, operational planning, diplomacy, public relations, intelligence, financial management, administrative law and human resource management mostly acquired in a military environment. Robyn now works primarily as a management consultant in the not-for-profit sector with a focus on strategic planning, public relations, marketing, community engagement and fundraising. She is studying for a Juris Doctorate at the Faculty of Law, Monash University.

Dr Chan Lek-Lim

MD(AM); DHMS; BForSc; MForSc; Dip.Rel.Stud & Catech.

Lek-Lim was born in 1955 in Kuching, Malaysia. He and his wife, Agnes, have two children. In 1994 he trained to be a natural family planning instructor in Penang, Malaysia and has been teaching the Billings Ovulation Method™ since 1995. He has attended every OMR&RCA Conference/Teacher Training Program since 2000. Lek-Lim has served as President or Vice-President of the Natural Fertility Awareness Service of Malaysia (NFASM) continuously since 1997. He is also the Education and Scientific Coordinator for the Billings Ovulation Method™ in Malaysia and has been instrumental in getting the Billings Ovulation Method™ into pre-marriage education programs in Dioceses in Malaysia. Lek-Lim has been training teachers of the Billings Ovulation Method™ since 1996.