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**1998 Good Citizens Award Presented to  
Warwick Marsh  
for  
Australian Father of the Year  
and Evangelistic Outreach to the Nation**

We are proud to salute Warwick Marsh, a family man who loves to worship God. He was born in Sydney in 1954. Warwick and his wife Alison, live in Wollongong, NSW, Australia, with their five children. Nominated for "Australian Father of the Year" by the Festival of Light, this award has delighted Warwick as he believes families should have priority in ministry. Warwick lives by faith and ministers full-time in worship and evangelism both in Australia and overseas. He preaches the Word of God and ministers in music. He is a preacher, singer and songwriter. Warwick travels on his own, with his band or with his family, and they have ministered in schools, gaols, concerts, seminars, tent missions, pubs, crusades, conferences and churches of every denomination.

In 1989, Warwick founded Australian Heart Music as a ministry including other Aussie artists with a strong commitment to Christian Aboriginal singers and Songwriters. He has produced and written music for Christian film soundtracks and has performed and recorded with some of Australia's best know gospel singers such as Steve Grace, Australia's #1 Gospel singer, Robyn Green, Australia's #1 Aboriginal Gospel singer and Darlene Zschech, who is known all over the world. Warwick has released six albums in the last ten years. His latest album called "Straight from the Heart" featuring his musical family, has gained wide radio airplay in Australia and he and his family have appeared on national television.

The Marsh Family line-up is Warwick: guitars and vocals; Alison: keyboards and vocals; Nathaniel (17 years) drums; Jonathon 16 years, bass guitar; Levi 14 years, saxophone and didgeridoo; Israel 11 years, guitar; and Melodie 6 years, vocals and distractions. Nathaniel has been sponsored by Premier Drums and UFIP Cymbals and Jonathan has been sponsored by Yamaha and Marshall Amplifiers. They have also formed their own band Unusual Addiction and had national airplay in secular radio stations in Australia with their first CD.

Warwick has worked in churches of all denominations, preaching, teaching and leading worship. Warwick has ministered overseas in crusades, worship breakthrough seminars, concerts and church services in PNG, Singapore, New Zealand, South Africa, USA, UK, Germany, and undertaking with his family a World African Missionary Tour throughout USA, UK and Africa in late 1998/99. He is known as a man of the Spirit with a passionate prophetic cry in his heart. His great love is to see the Church released in praise and worship to God. For the last 25 years, Warwick has been a member of the Lighthouse Christian Centre, the largest Charismatic church in Wollongong.



From 1991 - 1994, Warwick was the convener of the Australian National Conference on Praise and Worship. From 1995 - 1998 Warwick was the National Coordinator for the Praise Corroboree and pioneered this cross cultural prayer movement led by Aboriginal Christians. The Praise Corroboree has held two national gatherings with 72 hours of cross cultural prayer, praise and worship to God at Australia's National Parliament in Canberra in 1996 and 97 and November 1998. Warwick, along with Aboriginal Leaders, has met with the Prime Minister, John Howard and the Governor General, Sir William Deane, to call for a National Day of Prayer and Fasting on 6th November, 1998. Already this has gained wide support from churches of all denominations and politicians from all political parties. The Praise Corroboree is working towards a massive 21 day, 24 hour Praise Corroboree Celebration at the Sydney Olympic Games in AD 2000. The Praise Corroboree has impacted the nation of Australia in a significant way and has been recognised as having a key role in national reconciliation.

Warwick's heart cry is for revival. Revival that is birthed through united prayer according to 2 Chronicles 7:14. Revival that starts with each one of us when we begin to love God, and love each other. Warwick's desire is to love God, his wife and family. His work is to preach the Gospel, his consuming passion is to give great praise to God.

**Rev Fred Nile MLC  
(Hon National Director)**

**Dr Kevin Hume  
(Hon Chairman)**