

WEEKLY ACTIVITIES

- Sunday** **K4C (Kids for Christ): 9.30am**
Morning Worship Service: 9.30am
 Ph: Pastor: Rick Mumford – 0412 873 604
Arabic Baptist Fellowship: 11.30am
 Ph: Pastor Albert Haddad – 9679 9442
- Monday** **Girls' Brigade: 6.30pm-8.30pm**
 Church Hall - (5-18 age)
 Ph: Michelle Terry – 9885 0912
Boronia Seniors - (over 55's) 10.00-12.00 noon
(2nd Monday of each month)
 Ph: Elaine Gough – 9632 2246
Study Hub: 4.15-5.00 pm — 5.00-5.45pm
 Ph: David Stroud – 0416 208 486
- Tuesday** **Craft Group: 9.30-11.30am**
 Ph: Marilyn Turner – 9631 9483
Boys' Brigade: 7.00pm-9.30pm
 Church Hall – (7-12 School years)
 Ph: Graham Terry – 9885 0912
- Wednesday** **KYB - (Know your Bible) Ladies' Bible Study**
10.00am -11.30am. (Church Foyer)
 Ph: Glennis Mills – 9636 1723
Boys' Brigade : 7.00-8.30pm
 Church Hall (2-6 School years)
 Ph: Graham Terry – 9885 0912
Arabic Baptist Fellowship: 7.00pm
 Ph: Pastor Albert Haddad – 9679 9442
Ladies' Bible Study
 Ph: Jo Mumford – 0412 876 923
- Friday** **Playtime: 10.00am-12.00 NOON**
 (Every Friday of school term for parents and carers of pre-school children)
 Ph: Lesley Warren – 9920 6030
WHY (Wenty Youth Group): 7.30pm-9.30pm
 Ph: Pastor: Rick Mumford – 0412 873 604

Pastoral Team

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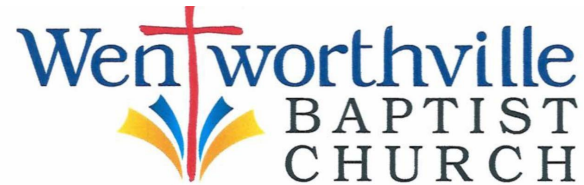
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WEEKLY ROSTERS 27th SEPTEMBER

WELCOME: **GARLICK FAMILY**
 CLEANING: —
 MORNING TEA: **KYLIE & DAVID STROUD**
 MOWING: **CHESTER KIDD**



"Winning, Building, Challenging followers of Jesus"

Sunday 20th September 2015

Celebrating the oneness of Christ.

John 16: 13-15

Next Week:

Sunday 27th September, 2015

Celebrating strength in Oneness

Ecclesiastes 4: 8-12

Welcome to Wentworthville Baptist Church.

Please feel free to join everyone in the Hall after the Service for morning tea and fellowship.

8 weeks for 1

In the book of John in the 17th Chapter we discover this prayer from the mouth of Jesus, **"My prayer is not for them alone. I pray also for those who will believe in me through their message, that all of them may be one, Father, just as you are in me and I am in you. May they also be in us so that the world may believe that you have sent me. I have given them the glory that you gave me, that they may be one as we are one— I in them and you in me—so that they may be brought to complete unity. Then the world will know that you sent me and have loved them even as you have loved me."**

Church unity, church family is often discussed but is for some reason often found wanting within the church. Wentworthville Baptist Church is a church made up of people, who in many ways are very different, so how are we to be "one" with such variety?

Over the next 8 weeks we will be celebrating what it means to be "one" together. This will include our regular Sunday teaching, perhaps with a bit of a twist, a weekly devotion and an action for us to embrace to help solidify a particular aspect of unity. The leadership will also be engaging each weeks teaching and asking each other what this means for our service to the church.

I covet your prayers over these next 2 months as we search the Scriptures to find how we might apply true unity...oneness...to our family life as God's children in Wentworthville.

Christ's Servant and Yours
Rick

I will praise you, O LORD, with all my heart; I will tell of all your wonders. — Psalm 9:1

Devotional:

Over the next 8 weeks we will have a short passage to listen and seek God in for a greater understanding of **Oneness**. If this isn't something you're used to doing, please make a special effort over these weeks to seek what God is saying to you and us as the church. For your help, I suggest you read the whole passage each day beginning with prayer, it could be as simple as, "speak God, your servant is listening". After reading the passage ask yourself what questions you have, and if it helps write them down. Then you might write down what is most highlighted for you in the passage, or at least think on what stands out the most. Lastly, you might ask how the passage challenges a particular thought, action or belief you might have and what you might see changed because of the challenge from the passage of Scripture. If there is a genuine desire for change to take place in your heart, I suggest you finish by asking God to guide you into a process of change. You might like to write down your prayers and you may even find discussing your thoughts with someone a very helpful part of the process. As the pastor I'm always willing to be a person you might contact but I understand this may be difficult, so another Christian friend may be a place you can go. If during your reading you feel a strong sense that God is saying something particular to you (perhaps prophetic) make sure you note it down as He may want you to speak this out at some point. If there is a particular Word for the church that you sense God is asking you to share, please come and see me or one of the elders to discuss...test the spirit.

God Bless us all as we seek Him.
Rick

This week's passage for devotion: 1 John Chapter 4

Some Starter Questions:

What does it mean to test the spirits? How might we do this?
Why is it so important to believe that Christ, God, came in flesh?
Who is the "He in us"? What does that mean for the Christian and how they see their place in the World?
Having received the Spirit of God, what changes should be evident in the follower of Jesus?

Announcements:

School holidays begin this week. Could anyone willing to take a children's program for the following 2 Sundays please see Rick or Malcolm.

Soul Prayer: Sunday 27th September 5:30pm. Please bring a plate of food to share.

Today Rick will be preaching Romans 7:1-6 at the Ethiopian Evangelical Alliance Church in Merrylands. If you wish to come along, the service begins at 4:30pm and the address is 195 Woodville Road on the corner of Farnell Street in Merrylands.

Last Saturday Greg and Carol Williams celebrated 51 years of marriage. Praise God for them and their marriage together and the family this relationship has produced.

**** Study Hub ****

Can you spare an hour or so each week to assist in the supervision of children doing their homework. This is a vital ministry, please give it prayerful thought. If you can, please contact David or Kylie Stroud.

Hoia Stone 5c coins Appeal

Bruce McNally many years ago introduced to the Senior's group a metal box for the purpose of collecting all those loose five cent pieces that rattle around in the bottom of your purse or pocket. As a result, that simple metal box has been the source of over \$3000 in five cents pieces, which have been sent to Vietnam to support an orphanage for disabled children. Why not look into your purse or pocket and pass on your five cent pieces to the metal box available at morning tea on the front table in the hall.

The Lord has blessed Bruce's simple idea, let's keep it going.

Sermon Series for the next 8 weeks.

Sunday 20th September
Celebrating the Oneness of God
Passage: John 16:13-15

Sunday 27th September
Celebrating strength in Oneness
Passage: Ecclesiastes 4:8-12

Sunday 4th October
Celebrating diversity in oneness
Passage: 1 Corinthians 12

Sunday 11th October
Celebrating individuals in oneness
Passage: 1 Corinthians 3:1-15

Sunday 18th October
Celebrating healthy conflict in oneness
Passage: 2 Timothy 2:8-15

Sunday 25th October
Celebrating uncertainty in oneness
Passage: Acts 1:4-8

Sunday 1st November
Celebrating action in oneness
Passage: Ezra 3:7-11

Sunday 8th November
Celebrating the Spirit in oneness—
Passage: Ephesians 4:1-16



Good news and great joy come in a gift-filled shoebox for kids in poor countries. Operation Christmas Child is often the first step in reaching out to kids, families and communities with help, hope and the Good News of Jesus Christ.

*These boxes are available in the foyer. If you want any more information see **CORAL** or **ANNE**.*

Support the Eternity Newspaper Fundraiser next month:

In October Eternity Newspaper are asking readers to donate money equivalent to the cost of two cups of coffee. Producing and sending a National Christian Newspaper around the country is an expensive undertaking. A small donation will help Eternity meet their expenses and keep Australian Christians better informed.

Thank You so much.

John Sandeman

OFFERINGS DETAILS

Weekly Budget: \$2,823

Last 4 weeks: **\$1479.20, \$1703, \$2003.50, \$1733**

Average (Last 4 weeks) - **\$1729.68**

Online Offerings:

Acc Name: Wentworthville Baptist Church

BSB No: 704922 **Acc No:** 100007520

The offering figures includes \$400 which is the average weekly transfers and I-Give offerings.

I-Give details (credit card) – please ask Jeanette Kelly.



Boys' & Girls' Brigades

**** HELP WANTED ****

Graham and Michelle Terry are doing a great job as Captains of the Brigades and we appreciate their efforts.

BUT!

They desperately need helpers to assist in the running of the Brigades.

SO!

If you can spare a few hours on a night during the week to assist them, I'm sure you will be appreciated.

Please contact Graham or Michelle for further details.

PRAYER and PRAISE POINTS

OUR 'SHUT INS'

Johanna Boland, Bill Horswell, Elaine Bowey, Peggy Palmer, Keith Davis, Gwen Phillips, & Val Williams.

Continue to pray for:

Maisie Horswell, Morgan Bishop, Elaine Gough, Marie Smith and Carmen Strudwick

Prayer is still needed for the right for SRE to be in all our schools.

Brett Fletcher is still in hospital under assessment and still in need of our prayers. Continue also to pray for Vanetha as well.

Narell Lafo & Family Please keep them in your prayers following the passing of her dad Bruce McNally.

Pray for those in our church family who are suffering from winter ills.

PLEASE NOTE:

ANY INFORMATION FOR THE BULLETIN FOR NEXT WEEK

PLEASE ADVISE

ALLAN STREET



16 September 2015

PRAYER & PRAISE

- **KHMER:** Praise God with **Catherine** for the special time she spent caring for her mother recently in Australia. Pray for strength and peace as she continues her ministry in Cambodia and also supports her mum. Pray that as she experiences God's power in her life He will reveal himself to her Khmer friends. (p.20)
- **KHMER:** Pray for **Scott** as he works alongside Khmer coaches to teach tennis to local Khmer children. Praise God that they are also learning life lessons, being mentored by the Khmer coaches and that Scott is teaching the coaches about God's grace and Jesus' characteristics. Praise God with **Janelle** that her friend Channy has a new found faith in Jesus, her joy and peace are evident to all! Pray Channy can share about Jesus with her husband in ways that makes sense to him. (p.20)
- **B PEOPLE:** Join with the team in **South Asia** to pray for two believers who have decided to follow Jesus and are sharing the message within their community. Pray for wisdom as they respond to invitations to share with B people in different areas. Pray for God's message to spread and transform communities. (p.16)
- **K PEOPLE:** Pray for **Ken and Roz** as they connect with families in the community as they continue to teach English. Pray that trust will develop and the relationships will grow stronger. Praise God that **David and Eliza** and **Ben and Petra** will soon be joining the team to share their faith in Jesus. (p.12)
- **IB PEOPLE:** Pray with **Dave and Edwina** for the hearts of their local friends to be open to the work of the Holy Spirit and that they will have a revelation of the truth of Jesus the Messiah. Pray particularly for six IB families to be transformed by God to begin a faith community. Remember their house helper Mrs I who has been sharing with Edwina about family concerns and her father's death. Pray that Mrs I would come to know Jesus and for wisdom for Edwina as she seeks to offer support and encouragement to Mrs I. (p.22)
- **IB PEOPLE:** Remember the **South East Asia team** as they meet weekly with the staff of the Education Foundation. They read from Psalms at each staff meeting which is well received. Pray for the Holy Spirit to guide the team as they seek to open more discussions through these readings. Also, the English Language Reading Room has opened to the public. Please continue to pray with the team that this meeting place will allow deep relationships to form with neighbours and other community members. (p.22)