WEEKLY ACTIVITIES

SUNDAY

Morning Worship Service: 9.30am

Ph: Pastor: Rick Mumford -

0412 873 604

K4C (Kids for Christ) — (During Service)

Arabic Baptist Fellowship: 11.30am Ph: Pastor Albert Haddad – 9679 9442

MONDAY

Boronia Seniors - (over 55's)

10.00-12.00 noon

(2nd Monday of each month)

Ph: Cynthia Hale – 9635 5785

TUESDAY

Craft Group: 9.30-11.30am Ph: Marilyn Turner – 9631 9483

WEDNESDAY

KYB - (Know your Bible) Ladies' Bible Study 10.00-11.30am

Ph: Glennis Mills - 9636 1723

Ladies' Evening Bible Study

Contact: Anne Kidd

Mens' Evening Bible Study

Contact: Peter Smith

Arabic Baptist Fellowship: 7.00pm Ph: Pastor Albert Haddad – 9679 9442

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

Friday Night Hub Group:

7.30pm-9.30pm

Ph: Pastor: Rick Mumford - 0412 873 604

Pastoral Team

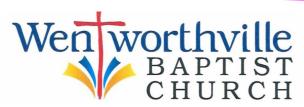
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May the God of hope fill you with all joy and peace as you trust in him, so that you may overflow with hope by the power of the Holy Spirit — Romans 15:13



"Calling, Building, Challenging followers of Jesus"

Sunday 19th February 2017

"Living as Light" -Matthew 5:14-16

Next Week: New Series: Advancing Against Adversity: A study through Daniel

Welcome to Wentworthville Baptist Church.

Please feel free to join everyone in the Hall after the Service for

morning tea and fellowship.

"Our World can always feel like a confusing and difficult place to live in. Many things compete for our attention and as such, while we can feel like we're succeeding in one area of life another area can seem like it's falling apart.

Enter Jesus: Jesus not only came to rescue us from the relationally broken lives we formed apart from our Creator God, but to also join up our disjointed and fragmented lives in this world. It's the reason Jesus said in John 8, "I am the light of the world. If you follow me, you won't have to walk in darkness, because you will have the light that leads to life." Our lives can seemingly fall apart in any number of areas: Spiritually, Physically, Emotionally, Mentally, Relationally, Financially and even our working lives. However, as a follower of Jesus, we live under the promise that if we follow Him, we would walk in light, living under the promise that God is for us and His plans are for our good. This leads me to ask am I, are you, walking in the light in every area so that we might receive all God has promised to those who follow Jesus.

As the leadership of this church, we're inviting you to join us in term 2, starting Sunday April 30 for 8 weeks of understanding how Jesus Transforms life, as we do a series called **TRANSFORMED**. We will be diving into the 7 key areas of life God changes in people, as they grow in understanding of and love for Jesus. Over the 8 weeks (1 week introduction) we will look at how God changes our , spiritual life, physical life, relational life, mental life, emotional life, financial life & vocational life. We will be covering these topics each Sunday and at each small group. Available to everyone is a daily journal to work through over the 8 weeks and these are available for adults, youth and children, targeted to each demographic. These journals will BE available at a cost \$15 each and will be well worth the investment for each individual. We recommend each person have there own.

This will also be a great time to connect Jesus to real life challenges for those who have yet to discover Jesus as Saviour. It will also be a great enhancement for individual families to really connect over issues that matter. As a church, we're are sure it will be a fantastic experience as we grow in Jesus together.

If you're leading a small group, running a bible study or mentoring individuals, this is a great resource to have. As a leadership we are encouraging EVERYONE to participate in one form or another.

Whether we start or attend a small gathering for these 8 weeks or continue in our personal devotions and attend the service, this will have most benefit if we travel together.

Please sign up for your devotional book today. Numbers will need to be finalised by close of service next Sunday.

For further inquiries please see Rick or email him on pastor.wentybaps@gmail.com With Anticipation
The Leadership

PRE-SERVICE PRAYER MEETING

Meeting for prayer in the Pastor's office every Sunday morning from <u>9:00am to 9:25am</u>. You may join us by dropping in or leaving at anytime.

This morning's service is one of special significance.

Marilyn Turner is professing her faith in Christ by being baptised during the service.

PRAYER and PRAISE POINTS

Continue to pray for:

Johanna Boland, Val Williams, Maisie Horswell, Dot Blackman, Carmen Strudwick, Ivy Bornefeldt, Edna Norman, Lyn Davis, Marie Smith, Cynthia Hale, Ron Turner, Ray Paterson.

Bruce Gough after his surgery.

Greg Williams enters hospital tomorrow for hip surgery.



WOMEN'S WORLD DAY OF PRAYER

To be held on

Friday 3rd March at 10.30am at St Stephens Presbyterian Church, Merrylands Cnr Monitor & Merrylands Roads, Merrylands

For further information contact CYNTHIA HALE

BORONIA SENIORS

MONDAY 13th MARCH — 10.00am -12 Noon



Speaker:

Jennifer Philps

Children's Medical Research Institute (Genetic Disease, Chromosomes, DNA etc latest new research)



Prayers

ETHNIC THAI

Flights have been booked for **Glenn and Liz** and they will be leaving for Thailand at the end of this month. As they take this next step, they are so grateful to the many people and churches in Australia that are partnering with them and upholding them in prayer. They are in the process of receiving their visas.

For Prayer:

- Thankfulness for God's provision of housing and volunteers who will be teaching their children, allowing Glenn
 and Liz to focus on their own Culture and Language learning so that they will be able to communicate with the
 Ethnic Thai they meet.
- Receiving the necessary visas will be smooth and timely
- God's peace as the family experiences a time of change and transition

KHMER

It's been encouraging for **Scott and Janelle** to see how **Rob and Deb** are settling into life in Cambodia and have enthusiastically begun their culture and language lessons with their nurturer. Every day they are practicing the words they are learning with Khmer people in the streets and at the markets. Even with their limited language skills, they are engaging with the locals around them and intentionally seeking to build friendships. Rob and Deb have appreciated having the opportunity to visit some rural places with Scott and Janelle and are looking forward to the time when their language skills allow them to communicate more with the people in these areas.

For Prayer:

- Rob and Deb's relationship with their language nurturer will deepen and there will be opportunities to share about Jesus
- Spirit will guide them towards making connections with people who are open to hearing about Jesus
- Churches and individuals will partner with the many candidates preparing to join the team in Cambodia.

B.I PEOPLE

Mick and Tara are thankful to be back home in the B.I region now that they have received their visas. This year, along with their culture and language studies, Mick will begin to work with the Education Foundation and Tara will continue home-schooling.

For Prayer:

- Trust will grow and conversations deepen as their B.I friends now understand Mick and Tara will be living among them long-term
- · Wisdom as the family negotiates new activities and responsibilities

S.I PEOPLE

Daz and Bee recently returned home from visiting South East Asia, where they will be living and serving among the S.I people in the future. They appreciated connecting with the team, getting a first-hand understanding of the work the team is involved in and how they might fit in. The trip was a positive experience and confirmed their sense of call to serve among this people group.

For Prayer:

- Continued enthusiasm as they prepare to serve in South East Asia long-term
- Many people and churches will partner with them and commit to prayerful and financial support God to be preparing the hearts of the S.I people they will meet

YAWO

lan is in Malawi for a short trip to work on the Ciyawo-English Dictionary project as well as visiting villages to reconnect with Yawo friends and believers. He will meet with Mr M, a Yawo faith community leader. At the end of last year when Ian was in Malawi, he and Mr M had some challenging spiritual and cultural conversations.

- Sensitivity to the Spirit's guidance as Ian and Mr M continue their conversation and grapple with what it means to be a Yawo follower of Jesus
- Good progress to be made on the dictionary project while lan is there

FROM THE SECRETARY

Our Annual SRE commissioning service is on <u>6pm Sunday 26th February</u>. This year the service is being hosted by Holroyd New Life Church which meets at 734 Merrylands road, Greystanes. We would love all to come along to help celebrate and pray for the SRE ministry this year.

MEMBER'S MEETING

Our next Members meeting will be held on <u>Sunday 5th March</u> after morning worship. The draft agenda will be issued next week and draft minutes of the last meeting are on the notice board, available from Malcolm and will be emailed out prior to the meeting.

WORK FOR THE DOLE

Work for the dole update. The work for the dole scheme being held at our church during the week is continuing for the first half of this year. The scheme is managed by Pastor Aris. In the beginning of this year the workers will continue to maintain the yards (hot and inclement weather permitting) as well as build a shelter and barbeque next to the garage (behind the manse garage / over the old sandpit). This should prove a useful addition for both the use of the church and the community through hiring arrangements. If you have any questions or concerns please see Malcolm or one of the other

FINANCIAL UPDATE

ACTUAL:	OCT(5wk)	NOV (4wk)	DEC (4wk)	JAN (5wk)	YTD (7 months)
INCOME*	\$10,254	\$8,355	\$8,285	\$9,076	\$59,287
EXPENSES	\$10,680	\$8,546	\$15,569	\$6,065	\$68,261
NET	-\$426	-\$190	-\$7,284	\$3,011	-\$8,975

Online Offerings

Act Name: Wentworthville Baptist Church BSB No: 704922 Act No: 100007520

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

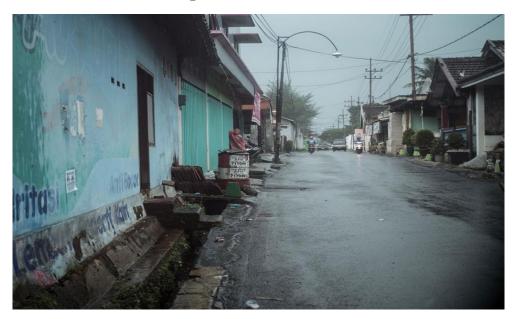
ROSTERS FOR NEXT SUNDAY — 26th FEBRUARY

WELCOME: SMITH FAMILY

CLEANING: -

MORNING TEA: VEGESANA FAMILY

Open Doors



"And let us consider how we may spur one another on toward love and good deeds, not giving up meeting together, as some are in the habit of doing, but encouraging one another—and all the more as you see the Day approaching." - Hebrews 10:24-25

INDONESIA | Mosque To Open In Church Grounds

In 2010 the gates of GKI Yasmin church in Bogor were padlocked by the city governor. Since then the church has had several courts rule in their favour to reopen. But because of local pressure, they haven't been able to. In the most recent development, the church was told it could reopen if a mosque is built in the same compound.

GOD AT WORK

Despite opposition, the church and its pastor have hope. The church has continued meeting outside the building ever since it was closed. They have also held monthly services outside the presidential palace. While the local government has opposed the church, the congregation has continued to meet together and worship God.

PLEASE PRAY:

- Praise God that the members of the church have remained faithful and continued to meet together.
- Pray for God to provide wisdom to the leadership in reaching a solution.
- Pray that all involved would remain a positive witness of Jesus' love to those who
 oppose them.