

WEEKLY ACTIVITIES

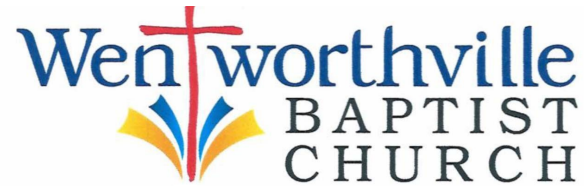
- Sunday** **K4C (Kids for Christ): 9.30am**
Morning Worship Service: 9.30am
Ph: Pastor: Rick Mumford – 0412 873 604
Arabic Baptist Fellowship: 11.30am
Ph: Pastor Albert Haddad – 9679 9442
- Monday** **Boronia Seniors - (over 55's)**
10.00-12.00 noon
(2nd Monday of each month)
Ph: Cynthia Hale – 9635 5785
Study Hub: 4.15-5.00 pm
Ph: David Stroud – 0416 208 486
- Tuesday** **Craft Group: 9.30-11.30am**
Ph: Marilyn Turner – 9631 9483
- Wednesday** **KYB - (Know your Bible)**
Ladies' Bible Study
10.00am -11.30am. (Church Foyer)
Ph: Glennis Mills – 9636 1723
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
Friday Night Hub Group:
7.30pm-9.30pm
Ph: Pastor: Rick Mumford – 0412 873 604

Pastoral Team

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"Calling, Building, Challenging followers of Jesus"

Sunday 17th July 2016
More Than We Work For -
Matthew 13:1-9
Next Week:
Getting In Proportion
to What We Give
2 Corinthians 8:3-8

Welcome to Wentworthville Baptist Church.

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

From the Pastors Desk:

Playing in the park with the kids, I couldn't help but notice how disconnected many of the parents were to their children at play. Either on their phones or media device, reading a book or newspaper or just sitting with coffee in hand staring off into the distance. None of these activities were bad but I couldn't help wondering if this is what they do at a park, how connected were they in their homes? As I've sat with youth around my dinner table, many of them show an awkwardness because of the close proximity of people and conversations. When I've sat in coffee shops, kids, youths and adults alike can be seen sitting across the table from one another busily engaged in social media on their phones. All this caused me to stop and wonder what part this lack of personal interaction has in the subtle slide of morality, loneliness and uncertainty felt in our culture today. If the wise are to teach the immature how life is to be lived, disconnection removes a great tool of learning necessary for people to grow into maturity. This begs the question then; how is the church meant to respond to this disconnectedness? To be certain, I'm all for technology, I only just spoke face to face with my brother and his family in Canada this week. I also think time out for parents is required, along with keeping up on the news. I'm also aware that workaholic parents are just as disconnected from their kids, that it's not just a disengagement caused by social media. I also don't think there's a simple solution, but here's what I do think. Jesus hung out with people. He ate, sat, walked and talked with people. In fact His life brought Him ridicule because of who and how He spent time with people. In an age where isolation causes despondency and disconnectedness results in immaturity and uncertainty, followers are called to be Jesus' hands and feet to a disconnected world. The church has the awesome mission of connecting people with the family of God and God Himself. Therefore, how am I connecting with people, is a question we all need to ask? Better still, How are we connecting with our community as a church? If you feel there are ways and means we can better connect with individuals or our community at large, can I invite you to email, call or speak to our leadership.

Attempting to Walk Where Jesus Walked — **Rick**

In him [Jesus our Lord] and through faith in him we may approach God with freedom and confidence. — Ephesians 3:12



An important outreach is HOPE STREET. We supply breakfast every second month to the needy in Woolloomooloo. Malcolm would welcome anyone young or old to help serving breakfast on a Sunday morning. (4th Sunday every second month).

Next visit is: NEXT SUNDAY 24th JULY

PRAYER and PRAISE POINTS

OUR 'SHUT INS'

Johanna Boland, Bill Horswell, Elaine Bowey, Gwen Phillips & Val Williams.

Continue to pray for:

Maisie Horswell, Dot Blackman, Carmen Strudwick, Ivy Bornefeldt, Edna Norman, Lyn Davis, Marie Smith.

We can give thanks that Carmen Strudwick came home from hospital last week.

OFFERING DETAILS

Monthly Budget: \$12,232

Average / month (year to date) - **\$9,294**

Last quarter: **APR: \$7,935, MAY: \$9,848,**

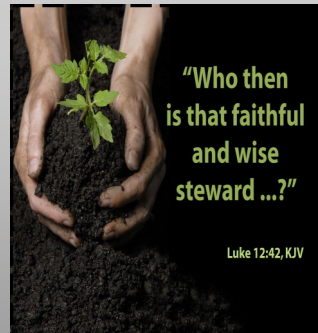
JUNE: \$8,080.

Online Offerings

Act Name: Wentworthville Baptist Church

BSB No: 704922 Act No: 100007520

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



DON'T FORGET:

GLOCAL MISSION to the PHILLIPINES in January next year.

See notice on notice board for information regarding this.



PRAYER & PRAISE

- **ETHNIC THAI:** Pray with the team in Thailand as they move towards the busiest time of year for the community, ministry and fellowship groups. Give thanks with Petina that God remains faithful and is continuing to strengthen and develop the leaders and believers. Pray for all the Ethnic Thai leaders within the faith communities. Pray that their knowledge and understanding of the Bible will be strengthened and that they will be bold in their faith as they encounter pressures from within their culture, unbelieving family members and work colleagues. Praise God for the way He has used our workers to build up Ethnic Thai believers and leaders and pray that more will hear and believe.
- **KHMER:** Pray with candidates Tristan and Megan as they prepare to serve among the Khmer of Cambodia. Pray for their partnership team to grow. Tristan has recently completed a ministry qualification at Bible College. Thank God for the opportunity to learn and study His word, and pray that these studies will be applicable to their future cross-cultural ministry. Praise God for recent Transition Training the family attended together, and pray for all the ways they continue to prepare spiritually, practically and emotionally.
- **KHMER:** Thank God with candidates Paul and Lydia for the encouragement of visiting and partnering with churches and pray that more churches and individuals will commit to prayerfully and financially supporting them as they prepare for cross-cultural service. Pray for times of rest and spiritual rejuvenation in amongst the busyness of speaking at churches and groups, during study, training, parenting young children and other practical preparations.
- **KHMER:** Pray for energy and clarity as candidates Craig and Kim continue their Bible College studies and continue to prepare spiritually and practically for their life in Cambodia. Most weekends, of recent months, they have been visiting churches and sharing the journey they are on. Thank God for the encouragement they have felt in seeing the different ways people worship God and fellowship together. Thank God for the churches that have committed to partner with them. Pray also that their partnership team will continue to strengthen.
- **YAO:** Give thanks for the opportunities Cam and Kath continue to have to be involved in community life, including the allotment of land they have been offered to farm. Pray that this will provide the opportunity to meet and communicate with people, be more in tune with the lives of the Yao community and potentially be used to help with agricultural development. A significant focus for Cam and Kath at the moment, is learning to speak Ciyawo well and more fully understand Yao culture. Please pray that they will be courageous and diligent, that God would bless them with opportunities to learn, and the ability to speak and understand well so that they can effectively share about Jesus.



BASECAMP CITY 2016.

KCC Men's conference.

Saturday 6th August.

Speak to David Stroud for details:

0416 208 486

~~Crawl. Walk.~~

Run across the finish line.

Stay strong. Finish well. Renew your strength at

ROSTERS FOR NEXT SUNDAY – JULY 24th

WELCOME: **WARREN FAMILY**

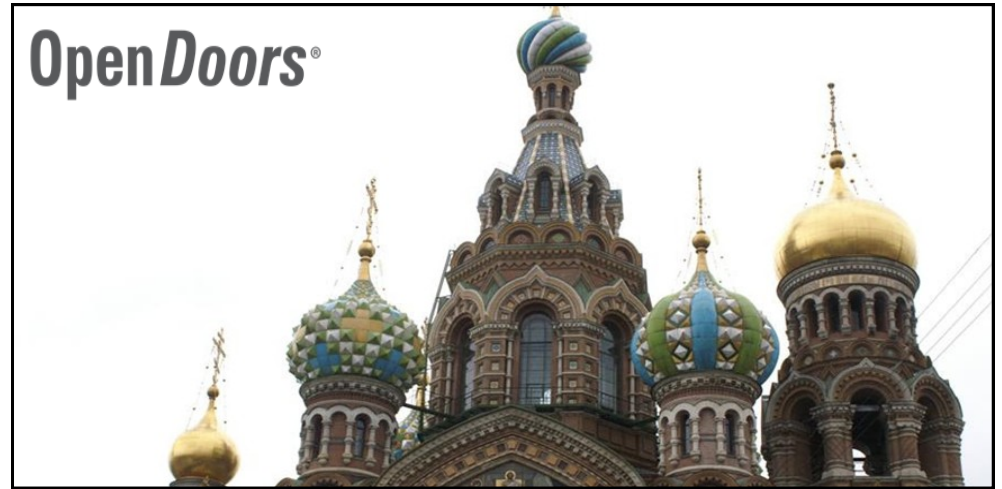
CLEANING: —

MORNING TEA: **KYLIE & DAVID STROUD**

MOWING: —

Lord
of the
Harvest
"And You ask, who will go for me?"

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*"For I am convinced that neither death nor life, neither angels nor demons, neither the present nor the future, nor any powers, neither height nor depth, nor anything else in all creation, will be able to separate us from the love of God that is in Christ Jesus our Lord."
- Romans 8:38-39*

RUSSIA | Is persecution returning for Russian Christians?

A new law will come into effect on 20 July, described to parliament as an anti-terrorism law. In reality, it's a series of measures that will limit individual freedoms to an extent not seen since the communist era.

No longer will Christians be allowed to evangelise outside of churches, hold prayer events, or legally have house churches. In addition, missionaries will be restricted to working for registered organisations with correct documentation.

GOD AT WORK

Christians in Russia have previously endured heavy persecution, but the church remains. An Open Doors expert for the region said, "[we are] not surprised about the move of Russia, we saw it already happening in Central Asian countries. We want to look with eyes of faith and with hands of prayer to this new situation in Russia... God is building His church in Russia and Central Asia. Is anything too hard for the Lord?"

PRAY WITH US

- Pray for Christian Russians who feel they are being marginalised by their government.
- Pray for a change in direction for leadership so churches are not targeted.
- Praise God for the time Christians have had to share the gospel in Russia