



11 April 2010

Welcome *A warm welcome to all who join us today in giving worship and praise to our great God and Saviour. May this be a time of growing in grace and strengthening our relationship with the Lord and with each other. Please join us for a cuppa after the service. If you are visiting today, please sign our visitor's Book. We have an information leaflet explaining our church's ministries and activities, feel free to take one or ask for one.*

WORSHIP TODAY

9:30 AM Rev. Roshan Mendis
Message: "God's cure for anxiety"
Reading: Philippians 4: 2 – 9

6:00 PM Br Yke Laverman
Message: "Prayerfully Resisting Temptation"
Readings: Psalm 141, Hebrews 12: 1 – 3

Duty Elder: Peter Noorbergen

Duty Deacon: Gerry Smedes

WORSHIP NEXT WEEK

9:30 AM Pastor Jim de Witte
6:00 PM Pastor Jim de Witte

Duty Elder: Yke Laverman

Duty Deacon: Aafke Span

OFFERINGS

THIS WEEK

1 – Local Church
2 – KRUPA Children's Home

NEXT WEEK

1 – Local Church
2 – CCES/RE – Council for Christian Education in Schools

LAST WEEK

Good Friday WDR World Hunger	\$1,062.35
Freewill/Pledges Sunday 4/04/2010	\$2,972.35
The Bible League	\$562.30

ROSTERS

COFFEE SERVING :

Today: A & Y. Pleiter, J. van Neutegem

Next Week: G. Huinink, F.& H. Piening,

PA & VIDEO :

Today: Phillip & Paul Ellings

Next Week: Matthew Noorbergen, Dave Barrot

DATA PROJECTOR

Today: Glen de Jong

Next Week: Dave Barrot

GREETERS

Today: Nan van der Kruk

Next week: Vera Steendam, Con Daniels

Church Op Shop

We open Thursdays 11.30am-4.30pm and Fridays 10am- 4.30pm. Donations can be dropped off during these times. Please remember we cannot accept electrical items. If you would like to volunteer some time to help us either for set up on Thursdays at 10am, pack up on Fridays at 4.30pm, or general help sorting donations and sharing cuppas with customers, please speak to Anneke Laverman or Anita de Witte. We would love some extra help!

Eternity

Eternity is a new national newspaper for Christians that contains news of from around the nation, testimonies, opinions, feature articles, justice issues and so much more. Pick up your free *Eternity*

Newspaper from the hall after church. Read it, share it.

Men's Convention

Now the women's convention is over we men have an opportunity to attend a Men's convention to be held at Belgrave Heights Convention Centre (22-24th May). I would love for a group of men to join me at that convention (just the Friday night and Saturday). Because of its proximity to home we do not need overnight accommodation but can sleep in our own beds. The theme for the weekend is The Gospel: know it and live it. I will be putting notices in your pigeon holes in the weeks ahead, so you can respond.

FELLOWSHIP GROUPS

THE GRACE GROW GROUP (Triple G)

Meet in the Prayer room at church on the 2nd and 4th Wednesdays from 2.00-3.30 pm. Everyone is welcome. For further information contact Maurice Eleveld (8740 2397)

OASIS GROWTH GROUP: Meets from 7.15pm – 9.15 pm. New members are welcome.

Contact Harry Burggraaf on Ph: 9791 2601.

COFFEE BREAK LADIES BIBLE STUDY,

Meet at the church at 10am. All ladies are welcome to join us for a coffee, as we have fellowship and study God's Word every Tuesday morning.

RUMPUS ROOM

(young adults bible study)

All those 18+ are welcome, we meet fortnightly on a Sunday from 4-6. We look at the bible via talks, dvds, and study books to see what God's call for

Our life is in His world.

If you would like to come and join please see David

Barrot or ring him on 0401 073 954.

WEDNESDAY NIGHT BIBLE STUDY

This week we are meeting at Mark and Nyomie Meenks: 7 Meldrum Crt Narre Warren South, at 8pm. For further information about our group contact Mark Meenks on 97045516.

Leprosy Mission

**April is Leprosy month
could all those with a savings box
please hand them in to me asap
Thank you Corry Blik**

Pastoral and Prayer Points

John van Neutegem was readmitted to the Valley Hospital and is in the intensive care unit.

He is suffering from septicemia. He has very low blood pressure and is extremely tired but is high in spirit.

Please keep John and family in your prayers at this time.

Accommodation

A family from the Gosnells CRC (WA) are asking if there is accommodation available for a nephew (Tristan) who is coming to study political science in Monash University for one year. Tristan is from France and knows no one in Australia except the family in Perth. He is looking for a place to stay and the family would love for that to be a Christian family, or flatmate. If you might be able to help out, or know someone who might, then please see Pastor Jim for more details.

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Newsletter compiled by Adrian de Vos. Email newsletter@dcrc.org.au Phone 9547 6878 News items dead line is 5 PM Wednesday.		

Notice is hereby given that the Board of Directors of the Reformed Theological College has scheduled the Annual General Meeting of the RTC to be held on Friday 23 April 2010 at 7.30pm at the College, 125 Pigdons Road, Waurn Ponds, Geelong, Victoria.

BIRTHDAYS THIS WEEK

Kristy Noorbergen	Today	April 11
Barbara Bence		April 12
Coby van Rossen		April 12
Yke Laverman		April 12
Peter Kaka		April 14
Lynette Pretorious		April 14
David Cameron		April 14
Benjamin Hamilton		April 15
Amy Noorbergen		April 17

You treat each moment as a gift from God – live life to the hilt. Love those around you. And others see it, feel it ...pick up on it. You spread good vibes. Live your truth.

Burmese New Year. A SPECIFIC CALL FOR A DAY OF PRAYER.

We would like to suggest that all our churches pray to the Lord for Burma **THIS** Sunday as it is the day that the Burmese people celebrate the start of their New Year.

Please pray:

That the New Year for the people of Myanmar might herald a new year of political freedom for the people of that land. Pray that there might be good governance and justice for the nation. The present government is harsh and repressive.

Also pray that the light of the Gospel message may be kindled again in this predominantly Buddhist land. Pray for many Christian ministries in that land such as:

Child care, leprosy mission, blind mission.

Many 'reformed' denominations are there too. Pray for unity in reaching out with the Gospel.

Bert Kuipers

THIS IS FABULOUS!!!

It was written by an 8-year-old named Danny Dutton, who lives in Chula Vista, CA . He wrote it for his third grade homework assignment, to 'explain God.' I wonder if any of us could have done as well?

EXPLANATION OF GOD:

'One of God's main jobs is making people. He makes them to replace the ones that die, so there will be enough people to take care of things on earth. He doesn't make grownups, just babies. I think because they are smaller and easier to make. That way he doesn't have to take up his valuable time teaching them to talk and walk. He can just leave that to mothers and fathers.'

'God's second most important job is listening to prayers. An awful lot of this goes on, since some people, like preachers and things, pray at times beside bedtime. God doesn't have time to listen to the radio or TV because of this. Because he hears everything, there must be a terrible lot of noise in his ears, unless he has thought of a way to turn it off.'

'God sees everything and hears everything and is everywhere which keeps Him pretty busy. So you shouldn't go wasting his time by going over your mom and dad's head asking for something they said you couldn't have.'

'Atheists are people who don't believe in God. I don't think there are any in Chula Vista... At least there aren't any who come to our church.'

'Jesus is God's Son. He used to do all the hard work, like walking on water and performing miracles and trying to teach the people who didn't want to learn about God.. They finally got tired of him preaching to them and they crucified him But he was good and kind, like his father, and he told his father that they didn't know what they were doing and to forgive them and God said O.K.'

'His dad (God) appreciated everything that he had done and all his hard work on earth so he told him he didn't have to go out on the road anymore. He could stay in heaven. So he did. And now he helps his dad out by listening to prayers and seeing things which are important for God to take care of and which ones he can take care of himself without having to bother God. Like a secretary, only more important.'

'You can pray anytime you want and they are sure to help you because they got it worked out so one of them is on duty all the time.'

'You should always go to church on Sunday because it makes God happy, and if there's anybody you want to make happy, it's God!

Don't skip church to do something you think will be more fun like going to the beach. This is wrong. And besides the sun doesn't come out at the beach until noon anyway.'

'If you don't believe in God, besides being an atheist, you will be very lonely, because your parents can't go everywhere with you, like to camp, but God can. It is good to know He's around you when you're scared, in the dark or when you can't swim and you get thrown into real deep water by big kids.'

'But...you shouldn't just always think of what God can do for you. I figure God put me here and he can take me back anytime he pleases.

And...that's why I believe in God.'

I asked for strength and God gave me difficulties to make me strong.

I asked for wisdom and God gave me problems to learn to solve.

I asked for prosperity and God gave me brain and brawn to work.

I asked for courage and God gave me dangers to overcome.

I asked for love and God gave me troubled people to help.

I asked for favours and God gave me opportunities.

I received nothing I wanted, I received everything I needed

My prayer has been answered.

A Christian is often the only "Bible" the world will read. In your case is a "Revised" Version' needed?

TICKLE YOUR FUNNY BONE

Aunt Aggie was on an Amtrak train a few months ago. She searched through her purse and pockets for her ticket while the conductor waited patiently. Finally she said, "This is terrible. I know I had a ticket, but for the life of me I can't remember what I did with it."

The conductor said, "All is not lost, ma'am. You can pay me directly. Then when you find the ticket you can return it and get your money back."

"But that's not the point," said Aunt Aggie in bewilderment. "I don't remember where it is I'm going."

My parents live in Cape Coral, Florida, a haven for the elderly. My folks are a mere eighty-two years old each. Once my dad went to a local service club meeting. I asked him the age of the members.

"They were pretty old," he said. "In fact," he added after a moment's thought, "I would say that their average age was deceased."

Chubby girls are more fun than skinny girls. You go to a skinny girl's house, you're lucky to get mineral water and sprouts. You go to a chubby girl's house, you know there's food there.

And chubby girls give the best directions. If you want to know how to get somewhere, ask a chubby girl. "OK. You go up the street till you see the big Wendy's. Turn right and go past the McDonalds. There's a Burger King. Make a left. . . ."

--Jason Chase