



13 June 2010

THE CHURCH UNDER THE CROSS

**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 Br. Colin Pretorius  
Message: Life without God is Death  
Readings: Ephesians 2:1-10

6:00 PM Pastor Jim de Witte  
Message: How to Worship God (LD 35)  
Reading: Deuteronomy 4:15-31

Duty Elder: Peter Noorbergen

Duty Deacon: Vera Steendam

### WORSHIP NEXT WEEK

9:30 AM Pastor Jim de Witte  
6:00 PM Pastor Jim de Witte  
Lord's Supper in both services

Duty Elder: Yke Laverman

Duty Deacon: Gerry Smedes

### OFFERINGS

#### THIS WEEK

1 – Local Church  
2 – GOSPEL

#### NEXT WEEK

1 – Local Church  
2 – Lord's Supper Diaconate

#### LAST WEEK

Freewill/Pledges	\$2233.55
WDR	\$474.35

### ROSTERS

#### COFFEE SERVING :

Today: K. de Jong, L. Barrot, D. Barrot.

Next Week: M. Cholelel, G. Zomerdyk, H. Zwaal

#### PA & VIDEO :

Today: Matthew Noorbergen, Dave Barrot

Next Week: Jennifer van Neutegem,  
David Cameron

#### DATA PROJECTOR

Today: Dave Barrot

Next Week: Glen de Jong

#### GREETERS

Today: Peter & Atie Bruinewoud

Next week: Martin & Coby van Rossen

### From the Pastor's Desk

With the cold June long weekend on us I am way in Warragul with the youth of our church and of the Wonga Park, Mt Evelyn and Hope in the Hills. Lord willing, I will be leading the evening service and report on the weekend. We pray that the Lord will bless the gathering of his people, whether in Warragul, Dandenong or across the state.

After the service last week a number of people asked about the poem I used in the service about the hidden impact our actions have on our children, so I have included it here today.

**When You Thought I Wasn't Looking: A Book of  
Thanks for Mom**

When you thought I wasn't looking,  
I saw you hang my first painting  
On the refrigerator ...  
And I wanted to paint another.

When you thought I wasn't looking,  
I saw you feed a stray cat ...  
And I thought it was good  
To be kind to animals.

When you thought I wasn't looking,  
I saw you bake a birthday cake just for me ...  
And I knew that little things  
Were special things.

When you thought I wasn't looking,  
I heard you say a prayer ...  
And I believed there was a God  
That I could talk to.

When you thought I wasn't looking,  
I felt you kiss me good-night ...  
And I felt loved.

When you thought I wasn't looking,  
I saw tears come from your eyes ...  
And I learned that sometimes things hurt  
But it's all right to cry.

When you thought I wasn't looking,  
I saw you smile ...  
And it made me want to look  
That pretty too.

When you thought I wasn't looking,  
I saw that you cared ...  
And I wanted to be everything I could be.

When you thought I wasn't looking,  
I looked ...  
And wanted to say "Thanks"  
For all the things I saw  
When you thought I wasn't looking,

~ Mary Rita Schilke Korzan ~

**BILD Course**

Next week, Tuesday to Thursday, Pastor Jim will be in Geelong at the RTC undertaking further training in being a facilitator of the BILD course as part of the Task3 ministry training scheme. If you have any pastoral issue please contact your elder or deacon.



Wantirna Christian Community Church is continuing to reach the lost, grow disciples and care for the hurting in the outer Eastern suburbs of Melbourne. In order to continue this work we are currently seeking two or more passionate kingdom workers with experience in youth, missions and children's work. We are currently seeking:

**Youth and Missions worker** – full time

**Children's worker** – 2 days per week

These roles are a combination of coordination of

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<p>Newsletter compiled by Adrian de Vos. Email <a href="mailto:newsletter@dcrc.org.au">newsletter@dcrc.org.au</a> Phone 9547 6878 News items dead line is 5 PM Wednesday.</p>		

ministry teams and hands on involvement in ministry. We seek people who have experience in leading teams, a passion for kingdom work in and outside the church and a love for young people. Both roles will include working with local state schools and the missions aspect will have emphasis on local, national and international missions.

Roles will include:

Vision development - Growing leaders - Team leading - Hands on involvement

Applications close on June 30<sup>th</sup> 2010. More information or full Position Descriptions are available on request by emailing [admin@wccc.net.au](mailto:admin@wccc.net.au)

### **Crossroads Bible Institute**

To help raise funds for the Crossroads Bible Institute, which facilitates bible studies in prisons across Australia and the Solomon Islands they are selling a music CD 'White Picket Fences' by Heidi and Greg Walker. The CD is contemporary, family friendly music which encourages and promotes a true walk with God.

Each CD costs \$20 and orders can be placed through Jean in the office or by contacting Anne Bruinsma [awbrnsma@tpg.com.au](mailto:awbrnsma@tpg.com.au). If you want to sample the music before thinking of buying, then see Jean for the sample disc.



### **Lord's Supper**

Next Sunday we plan to celebrate the Lord's Supper in both services. God's Word calls us to examine ourselves before we eat of the bread and drink of the cup (1 Corinthians 11:28). In the light of that we are called to ask ourselves these questions:

1. Do I believe that my sins are forgiven only

because  
my Lord sacrificed himself for me on the cross?  
2. Is it my sincere desire to love God and my neighbour, and to serve them according to God's Word?

You could pray: "Almighty God, we pray for Your grace that in the coming days we might rightly examine ourselves. Comfort us as repentant sinners and give us assurance that we may look forward to a blessed celebration. And if any of us are not right with

You, give us grace and mercy, Lord, that in repentance

we may change our way of life, and join this coming Sunday in the celebration of this most glorious feast. Through Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen."

### **Pastoral and Prayer Points**

**Joan de Wever** continues to experience a decline in health. She is currently quite confused and disorientated. Joan will be moving into respite care for a period, till her condition can be assessed and decisions on her future can be made. Uphold Joan, Ari and Robyn in prayer at this time, that the right path can be determined and that her health will improve.

**John de Haan** is currently in respite care so that Gerry can be refreshed and strengthened in her carer role for John. Pray that it will go well.

Tomorrow **Wilma van Brussel** heads off to meet with Corey and Helen and visit family and friends in Holland. We pray that God will grant a safe and enriching time for her as she reconnects with family and friends.

It is the cold and flu season, with a number of the congregation being struck down. Pray for God healing touch in the lives of these people, that they will be able to quickly resume their regular activities.

### **Afrikaans Worship Services**

Starting in July, the Church Council is extending an invitation to South African families to attend

special worship services held in our church in the Afrikaans language. The services will be conducted by Rev. La'Mont Ferreria and Br. Colin Pretorius. This missional experiment is designed to help us reach out and connect with the many South African migrants in our area. We would like to meet with them and invite them to become connected with our regular church community. These services will be on the second Sunday of each month (July, August & September) at 6pm. We value the prayers of God's people as we build bridges that reach out to this group of people.



### **TARGET 21 BAKE SALE!**

To help raise funds for my upcoming Target 21 experience, i'll be selling home-baked cupcakes, chocolate cake and choc-chip cookies again on Sunday the 20th of June. Orders can also be taken for delivery during the week.

Please help support me,  
Amy Noorbergen.  
Contact: 97900722.

### **FELLOWSHIP GROUPS**

#### **THE GRACE GROW GROUP (Triple G)**

Meets on the 2nd and 4th Wednesdays from 2.00-3.30 pm. Leader is John Nicholson. Everyone is welcome. Contact Regina Gnanathurai on 9795 6252

**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, dvd's 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**

Wednesday night Bible Study For further information about our group contact Mark Meenks on 97045516.

### **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!

### **BIRTHDAYS THIS WEEK**

Judith Ellings	Today	June 13
Eleanor Gauder	Today	June 13
Hennie Zwaal	Today	June 13
Dianella Mut		June 16

**ON YOUR BIRTHDAY** It's time to celebrate... ..the day God blessed the world with you!

### **Teach Me Thy Way**

In the late 60's and early 70's this book was fruitfully used in some churches in Australia. It was prepared by the committee on Education of the Christian Reformed Church in the USA. With the reported revival in Indonesia (TIME Magazine 26 April) this book could be an ideal tool for instruction in the Bahasa Indonesia. While our friends in Jakarta are busy with the translation of Marian Schoolland's

“Leading Little Ones To God”, this book could be an ideal follow-up. So it’s with this thought in mind that we’re asking around the churches and its members in Australia for donation of any copies of this publication that may be gathering dust on shelves. The intention being to forward these on to Jakarta so that they can be used to teach English at Christian schools. Our friend who is busy with the translation of Marian Schoolland’s books is also chairman of an Association of 27 Christian schools in the Jakarta area, which has a population of 10 million people. If you should have a copy of “Teach Me Thy Way” on your shelf, would be willing to make to available for this wonderful cause? You can mail it to me PO Box 78 Glenbrook NSW 2773. Thanks a million!! Gerald Hanscamp.

### ***Eternity***

The latest *Eternity* newspaper is available from the hall. *Eternity* is a 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.

### **Book Review**

Title: The Visitor's Book of Texts

Author: Andrew A. Bonar

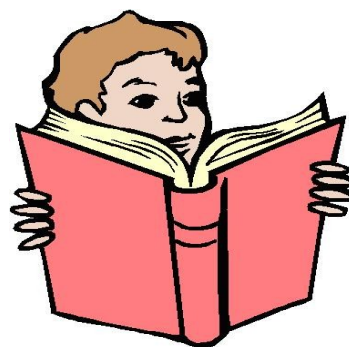
Publisher: Banner of Truth Trust

ISBN: 978 84871 071 9

(This book was published only last March. I have spoken to Word Book Store and they tell me that although this book is not presently on their shelves it can be ordered in at a price of \$20.95. It will take a few weeks to come in. Be sure to quote all of the above information. Charley Nash)

The pastoral visitation of the sick and sorrowful is a spiritual exercise. Its purpose is to bring God's Word to those in need in the prayerful hope of the Spirit's blessing upon it. Such visitation is not the preserve of pastors only; it is the duty of the whole church, as our Lord reminded his disciples with the words, 'I was sick, and ye visited me' (Matt. 25:36).

How we should visit the sick, and what we should say on our visits to them are the important matters addressed in this most useful book. Written by a spiritual giant of the nineteenth century church, the book contains much-needed advice and clear guidance. Bonar gathers together a great number of Bible verses that will prove eminently suitable for a wide range of individual cases. These selected scriptures are interspersed with the author's own brief, spiritual, and helpful comments. Here then is a book that should be in the hands of every Christian visitor. It ought to be consulted prayerfully before embarking with God's Word to the sick and sorrowful.



### **Everyone Counts**

A young monk once spent months at a Belgian monastery helping to weave a tapestry. One day, he rose from his bench in disgust: "I can't do this any longer!" he exclaimed. "My directions make no sense. I have been working with a bright-yellow thread, and suddenly I'm to knot and cut it short, for no reason. What a waste."

"My son," said an older monk, "you are not seeing this tapestry correctly. You are sitting at the back, working on only one spot."

He led the young man to the front of the tapestry, hanging stretched in the huge workroom, and the novice gasped. He had been weaving a beautiful picture—the three kings paying homage to the Christ child— his yellow thread was part of the gleaming halo around the baby's head. What had seemed wasteful and senseless was magnificent.

We are *all* part of a larger pattern, the full beauty of which we may never see.

Catherine Lower O'Shea