



3 October 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 Pastor Jim de Witte  
Message: Renewed Hope (Isaiah 40:28-31)  
Reading: 1 Peter 1:1-9

6:00 PM Pastor Jim de Witte  
Message: Do Not Steal (Lord's Day 42)  
Readings: Exodus 20:15; Ephesians 4:17-28

### WORSHIP NEXT WEEK

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

### OFFERINGS

#### THIS WEEK

1 – Local Church  
2 – KRUPA Childrens Home

#### NEXT WEEK

1 – Local Church  
2 – RCYA- Youth Connections

#### LAST WEEK

Freewill/Pledges	\$2,611.65
Vicariate	\$431.60
COM India "Radios"	\$657.95
Donation Hall Usage	\$885.00



### ROSTERS

#### COFFEE SERVING :

Today: K. de Jong, L & D. Barrot.  
Next Week: G. Huinink, F&H. Piening, K. Knol

#### PA & VIDEO :

Today: Matthew Noorbergen, Dave Barrot  
Next Week: Jennifer van Neutegem,  
David Cameron

#### GREETERS

Today: Corry Blik  
Next week: Nan van der Kruk

### From the Pastor's Desk

Today is a special day in the life of our church and for the family and friends of Ian Meenks. It is a unique moment in Ian's life as he publicly professes his faith in the Lord Jesus Christ. It is great that we too can witness this declaration of commitment and assure Ian of our continued love and support in the years to come. His life is a testimony to the grace and goodness of God, who has reached down and taken hold of Ian's heart and life. We also welcome all of you to meet Ian and share some light refreshments in the hall after church.

## Warburton WA SWIM Team

Anyone interested in being part of the team to Warburton in Jan 2011, should contact Pastor Jim or Peter Abetz ([pabetz@crca.org.au](mailto:pabetz@crca.org.au)) to express your interest.

Peter has been in touch with Sue Clark in Warburton, and she suggests we come the week of Sunday 9<sup>th</sup> to Sat 15<sup>th</sup> Jan, or the week after.

## Volunteers needed at Outlook Gardens

Outlook Gardens is currently in need of volunteers to assist our activity and nursing staff with our residents' social and medical appointments.

Please call 9795-7566 and speak to Hilda or Maggie if you could possibly help us.

A big thank you to all members of the congregation for their continued support and hard work.

## Afrikaans Service

Next Sunday (10<sup>th</sup> October) at 6pm we will be holding our Afrikaans Service. Through this service we are extending an invitation to South African families to attend a special worship service in the Afrikaans language. We value your continued prayers for this missional activity that gives us the wonderful opportunity to reach a section of our community with the gospel so they might say 'we hear them declaring the wonders of God in our own tongues!' (Acts 2:11). We hope and pray too that those who attend might consider making Dandenong their spiritual home.

## 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!

## FREE DESKS!

We have 2 desks at the Op Shop we have not been able to sell. Would anyone like them? Please see Anita de Witte if you are interested. Also we are low on queen sized linen at the moment- donations are always welcome!

## BIRTHDAYS THIS WEEK

Carina Spangenberg	October 4
Anne van Breen	October 6

May God look down and bless you Now when your birthday's here  
And keep you in His loving care Each day throughout the year,  
And may He grant you happiness In everything you do--  
Today, tomorrow, always, Every day your whole life through!

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## INVITATION

The Church Council and Congregation of the Christian Reformed Church of Geelong have pleasure in inviting you to the installation service of the Reverend Ron Nauta, minister of the Word and Sacraments. The service will be led by Prof. Henk De Waard on October 3, 2010 at 3:00pm in the Hall at Covenant College, Creamery Road, Bell Post Hill, *Mellways Ref. Page 441, C1*. We are grateful to the Lord that He has provided a minister to serve in this congregation.

## World Vision 40hr Famine

A huge thank you to all the wonderful people who supported the young people who took part in the 40hr famine. The URY young people managed to raise over \$1500 from family, friends and the church community in sponsorship as they sacrificed something that really mattered to them for 40 hours. The money raised will be used by World Vision in overcoming the Global Food Crisis in Nepal, Kenya, Laos and Cambodia, where people are at risk of starvation.

Did you know that every \$40 raised will help 6 children for one month! The money goes to projects which are designed to increase reliable access to food and clean water; reduce the effects of climate change; development, education and training in microenterprise arrangements. The 40hr famine was also a fantastic opportunity to raise awareness about poverty in the young people and giving them an opportunity to make a difference for the world's poor.

Thank you for your support.

## 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 97956252

### OASIS GROWTH GROUP:

meets on the first and third Tuesday of each month (but not during school holidays) at the Burggraaf's: 7:15 – 9:15 pm. New members welcome to attend. Ph: 9791 2601

**COFFEE BREAK LADIES BIBLE STUDY,**  
Meet at the church at 10am. All ladies are welcome we have fellowship and study God's Word every Tuesday morning.

### VENTURE BIBLE STUDY

(young adults bible study)

Venture Bible Study meets this Sunday at 4 at the Noorbergens.

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.

### A peaceful witness to life

For those who may be interested on Saturday 9<sup>th</sup> October at 2pm there will be a March for Babies held in the city in remembrance of the day the Victorian government passed the Abortion Law Reform Act in 2008. It is for the more than 20,000 babies aborted each year in Victoria (1 in 3).

The march will gather at Treasury Gardens and move peacefully to Parliament house, where there will be singing, speeches and prayer. For more information visit their website:

[www.marchforbabies.org.au](http://www.marchforbabies.org.au)

### CAR BOOT SALE

Set aside Saturday **23rd October** in your diaries for our annual Car Boot Sale. Please think about how you can help out this year. We need people to man the BBQs from 7.30am for bacon and eggs until about 1.30pm for the sausage sizzle. If you can help with advertising please let us know. Any enquiries to Nel Steunenberg or Anita de Witte.



# Ladies Day

Saturday 9<sup>th</sup> October 2010

10am – 3pm

Christian Reformed Church of Langwarrin

Speaker: **Michelle Dempsey**

Topic: **Changing Times –**

**“How come young people aren’t like I was when I was young?”**

Refreshments will be provided.

Bring a cut lunch and something to sell at the trading table.

## About the Speaker - **Michelle Dempsey**

*Michelle is a wife to Mic and a mother to Max and Meg and has had a lengthy career in Christian Education both as a teacher and leader. She is passionate about young people and for many years has been involved in youth groups or running small groups for young people. She is keen for young people to be better understood in our culture and is excited when young people come alive for Christ! Michelle loves a good laugh with people and delights in the joys that her young children bring to her each day. Michelle is currently working for Christian Education National (formerly Christian Parent Controlled Schools) as the State Executive Officer for Victoria.*

## **ChildSafe Training**

ChildSafe is a program designed and promoted by Scripture Union to assist organisation in providing an environment that is child safe and friendly. Because we have a duty of care when working with children, ChildSafe has developed a range of standards, guidelines and training material.

A number of years ago we, as a church signed up for

the ChildSafe program. At that time most people undertook the initial training module, but we haven’t kept that up-to-date. We have been using ChildSafe material with our enrolment forms and registration of children in our programs. Since then the denomination has registered with ChildSafe and is a recognised training provider.

On Saturday 6<sup>th</sup> November Ray Rus (Denominational Children’s Ministry Co-ordinator) will be holding a training day in our church for a number of CRCA churches. We need all people that are involved in our children’s and youth programs to attend this day. That is people involved in Kidz Church, Creche Church, J-Team, Kids Hope and URY.

On the day we will undertake the training modules and do the ‘test’ on-line to be registered as a ChildSafe team member. The training is from 8.30-11.30am for team members and 8.30-2.30 for team leaders.

Further information will come out in the weeks ahead.

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## **Leprosy boxes**

**It is time once again to hand in your savings to Corry Blik asap.**

**Thank you.**

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## **Elder/Deacon Nominations**

The Church Council is seeking nominations from the congregation of suitable people to be considered for the ministry of Elder or Deacon in the church. We have three Elders who are finishing their terms (Yke Laverman, Peter Noorbergen and John van Breen) and one Deacon (Kevin de Jong). Please prayerfully consider whom you might nominate or even whether you might be able to stand yourself. Nominations must be received before our next meeting on the 7<sup>th</sup> October.

## Pastoral and Prayer Points

With the school holidays coming to a close we pray that our teachers and students are refreshed for the term ahead. We pray especially for those. Like **Cameron de Witte**, who are undertaking their VCE exams. We pray that they will give a good account of all that they have learned in during the year.

**John de Haan** has been struggling with a chronic chest infection that, thankfully, is not pneumonia but does require medication and rest as it is very difficult for him to breathe.

**John Blik** is presently in hospital with a skin/blood infection and needs to be on an antibiotic drip to combat the infection.

Please continue to bring **Susan (daughter of Lorna Dixon)** in prayer before the Lord. She is still very unwell and tests are still inconclusive.

Continue to hold in prayer all those who are struggling with chronic health issues, that they may experience God's daily strength and grace, and also for their carers.

A number of our more senior members are becoming increasingly frail both physically and cognitively. Continue to hold in prayer all of them, especially those who are in residential care and in high care, and who depend on others for all their needs.

## Shawlands Workgroup

PLEASE NOTE CHANGES:

Our next meeting has been changed to **Monday 4<sup>th</sup> October** at Jim's place

in preparation for the next BBQ at Shawlands on **Sunday 10<sup>th</sup> October**.

## Christmas Child Appeal

Some of the J-Team families have packed shoeboxes with gifts for young children in other countries, to be distributed for Christmas. This is the Samaritan's Purse Christmas Child Appeal.

We have a number of shoeboxes left if anyone is interested in filling a box with love and gifts that will put a smile on a child in distant places like Vietnam and Africa. The boxes need to be filled soon and returned so that they can be packed and freighted overseas in the next few weeks. See Emily or Zoe if you are interested in taking a box. They also have a flyer with information on what can and can't go in the boxes.

## Church Council

The Church Council meets again this Thursday at 7.30pm in the church.

## J-Team Leaders Meeting

On Wednesday 13<sup>th</sup> October at 4pm in the church there will be a meeting of J-Team leaders and helpers.

## URY Leaders

There will be a meeting of URY leaders at 8pm on Tuesday 5<sup>th</sup> October in the church.

## CRCA Women's Convention

will be on

Friday 24 – Monday 27 February 2012

At Camp Clayton, Ulverstone, Tasmania

[www.campclayton.org.au](http://www.campclayton.org.au)

Bedding and towels will be supplied  
and no need to use high bunk beds!

So start planning to be there...

Only 17 months to go!

