



8 July 2012

**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 Harry Berends  
Message: The parable of the two liars  
Reading: Matthew 21:23-46

6:00 PM Rev Thinus du Plessis  
Message: TBA  
Reading: TBA

### WORSHIP NEXT WEEK

9:30 AM Murry Capill  
6:00 PM Rev Harry Berends

### OFFERINGS

#### THIS WEEK

1 – Local Church  
2 – Gideons

#### NEXT WEEK

1 – Local Church  
2 – RTC

#### LAST WEEK

Freewill/Pledges	\$3,123.00
Solomon Islands Work Group	\$506.65



### ROSTERS

#### COFFEE SERVING :

Today: H & H. Burggraaf, C. Yong,  
G & L. Zomerdyk

Next Week: J. Appel, D & S. Barrot, J & C. Blik

22<sup>nd</sup> July F & A. Berman, C. Berman,  
J & W. Joseph, Kimmer / Wang

29<sup>th</sup> July T & R. Raatjes, P & A. Bruinewoud,  
J. Bruinewoud

#### PA & VIDEO :

Today: Kevin & Glenn de Jong

Next Week: David & Phillip Ellings

#### GREETERS

Today: Yke & Anneke Laverman

Next week: Corry Blik

### Our worship today

This morning we welcome, Rev. Harry Berends as he comes to bring us God's word; while this evening Rev. Thinus du Plessis from Wonga Park will lead us in worship. Thank you to both Harry and Thinus for your willingness to share God's Word with us today. May we experience God's grace and be encouraged in our faith as we gather to worship and praise our great God.

### Help is at hand

*"I will ask the Father, and he will give you another*

*helper to be with you forever – the Spirit of truth. The world cannot accept him, because it neither sees him nor knows him. But you know him for he lives with you and will be in you.” John 14:16, 17.*

Jesus is telling us and his disciples that help is at hand. As he speaks these words, Jesus knows that the time will come for him to leave his disciples. He comforts them that the Holy Spirit will be to them what Jesus was to them.. “another” literally means “another of the same kind”.

In this time of vacancy in our church, may we know that God in his grace and love has provided us with all the help we need – his Holy Spirit promises to live **with** us, and to live **in** us; to guide and lead us, to comfort us; as a counselor and helper. Let us be in prayer for the Spirit of God to be at work among us so that the work and word of God may continue to flourish in our church and in our community to bring about God’s kingdom values here and now. Let us encourage each other in the tasks of being the church here in this place.

### Op Shop

Our Church Op Shop opens on Thursdays from 11:30am – 4:30pm and Fridays from 11:00am – 4:30pm. We raise money for various local mission projects. Donations can be dropped off on those days only. Why don't you drop in sometime.

### Pastoral and Prayer Points

- **Ida Ekkel**, is now in rehab (West 2) at Dandenong hospital. They have discovered a new hairline fracture in her lumbar vertebrae that is causing the pain she is having. Pray for the healing she needs.
- Pray for **Gerrie de Haan** who spent further time in hospital last week having tests as they try to determine the cause of her health issues.

- Pray that God will guide **Church Council** and the Search Committee as they explore possible candidates for our vacancy.

### Brief notes of Church Council meeting July 2

Harry Vander Jagt chaired the meeting of Church Council. Cor Span opened the meeting with a devotion on Romans 5, reflecting on the theme of patience in suffering and the need for perseverance, character and hope, followed by prayer.

The Council reflected on the exit discussions we had with Jim in reviewing his eight years of ministry at Dandenong, and with Anita, and any lessons to be learnt from their ministry in our congregation.

Harry B reported on the work of the Search task group and an gave an update on the process of finding a part time Children’s and Youth worker and a pastor to replace Jim. Several ministers that have been approached have declined the invitation to preach and meet with the congregation as they preferred not to be available for call. We continue to explore various possible candidates and will come to the congregation with a proposal in due course.

There was an extensive discussion on the various ministries and programmes of the church and how these can be supported during the time of vacancy. Various Church Council members have taken on responsibility to support an area of ministry: URY – David Barrot; J-Team – Corey Van Garderen; Small Groups – Harry Burggraaf; Kid’s Hope and Kid’s Church – Henni Burggraaf; Shawlands and Op Shop – Cor and Aafke Span; Church plant – David Barrot; Sound and music – Harry Vander Jagt.

These people are available for support and help and should be consulted if there are any issues or

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concerns.

For pastoral needs and concerns please contact one of the elders, or Henni as our pastoral care worker.

Council decided to increase Henni's time allocation from 0.4 to 0.5 (2.5 days per week) during the time of the vacancy, to deal with extra administration and pastoral issues.

It was decided to allocate some funds to update the church website, as this is an important way of communicating information about our church. Colin Pretorius is our webmaster and any suggestions should be referred to him. It was noted that eCatalyst, the denominational digital news bulletin, that replaces Trowel and Sword, is now available and the site will be posted on our own church website for people to access.

There was a time of general discussion, and prayer for the various ministries of the church.

### BIRTHDAYS THIS WEEK

Jennifer van Neutegem	July 10
David Barrot	July 11
Corey van Garderen	July 12

With many special thoughts of you and prayers that God will bless  
Your birthday and the year ahead with every happiness.

#### Marriage Enrichment Weekend

**Date:** 21<sup>st</sup>- 23<sup>rd</sup> September 2012

**Venue:** Belgrave Heights Convention Lodge is booked.

We'd like to hear from couples who are interested in growing in their relationship together and who can commit to attending this weekend.

If you are interested or would like more information please contact Betty or Herman Westendorp: Ph: 9796 8626

### Free to a Good Home

The Op Shop were recently donated a complete copy of the New International Holy Bible on 64 **Cassette Tapes**. So if you are interested in them please see Anneke or Krijna.

## 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. This week we meet at Regina's Unit 53 Outlook Gardens. Everyone is welcome. Contact on 97956252

### OASIS GROWTH GROUP

The **Oasis Growth Group** invites new members to attend. We meet the first and third Tuesday of each month but not during holidays. ( if you are dropping off kids at URY and want to join us we conclude at 9 – 9.30) At the Burggraaf's, 17 Edgewood Road, Dandenong – Tel 9791 2601 Mob 0408 120 159

### COFFEE BREAK LADIES BIBLE STUDY

Meets each Tuesday 10am, at the church, during the school terms.

Helen van Garderen.

### WEDNESDAY IN THE WORD SMALL GROUP

Our group will meet again on Wednesday 11th July at 8pm at the home of Nel Steunenberg: 18/ 237 Outlook Drive Nth Dandenong.

Anyone who is not currently in a group is welcome to come along and join or just check us out.

We have started to study Galatians. All welcome.

Any questions can be directed to Harry and Jannette Vanderjagt on 9703 1613 or 0438 872000.

### VENTURE BIBLE STUDY

(Young Adults) is on a Monday on a fortnightly basis starting at 7:30 and meeting in the resource room at church. If you want to be part of this group let David Barrot know on 0401 073 954, it would be great to see you there."

### Redlands Christian Reformed Church

is grateful to be able to introduce to you our new Pastor- Jim de Witte.

Jim will be installed as Pastor of the Redlands congregation on the 22<sup>nd</sup> July at 9am. Everyone is

cordially invited to attend.

Redlands Christian Reformed Church, Cnr Sturgeon  
& Delancey Streets, Ormiston, Qld, 4160

**Crossroad bible institute** newsletter is available on  
the table in the foyer.

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Someone has written these beautiful words. One  
must read and try to understand the deep meanings in  
them. They are like the Ten Commandments to  
follow in life all the time.

1] Prayer is not a "spare wheel" that you pull out  
when in trouble; it is a "steering wheel" that directs  
us in the right path throughout life.

2] Do you know why a car's WINDSHIELD is so  
large & the rear view mirror is so small? Because our  
PAST is not as important as our FUTURE. So, look  
ahead and move on.

3] Friendship is like a BOOK. It takes few seconds to  
burn, but it takes years to write.

4] All things in life are temporary. If going well  
enjoy it, they will not last forever. If going wrong  
don't worry, they can't last long either.

5] Old friends are like Gold! New friends are  
Diamonds! If you get a Diamond, don't forget the  
Gold! Because to hold a Diamond, you always need a  
base of Gold!

6] Often when we lose hope and think this is the  
end, GOD smiles from above and says, "Relax, it's  
just a bend, not the end!"

7] When GOD solves your problems, you have faith  
in HIS abilities; when GOD doesn't solve your  
problems HE has faith in your abilities.

8] A blind person asked: "Can there be anything  
worse than losing eye sight?" He replied: "Yes,  
losing your vision."

9] When you pray for others, God listens to you and  
blesses them; and sometimes, when you are safe and  
happy, remember that someone has prayed for you.

10] WORRYING does not take away tomorrow's  
TROUBLES; it takes away today's PEACE.

Dandenong Christian Reformed Church is seeking  
to appoint a part time

### **Children's and Youth Ministry Worker**

The worker will be responsible for leading our  
various children's, youth and outreach ministries,  
together with a team of dedicated volunteers.  
He/she will also be responsible for the support and  
training of emerging leaders.

This is a part time (0.4 equivalent to 2 days per  
week) position, commencing as soon as possible.

For further information, a job description, or to  
apply, contact: Mrs Helen Van Garderen  
5 Plymouth Crt, Dandenong; Tel. 9795 5999 email  
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**I was alarmed ...** to read that "Mormons have more  
Auckland (NZ) children attending heir programs than  
those of any orthodox denomination, Catholic or  
Protestant ..." ("Reality", March '97).

**Dr Jess Moody says ...**

"If Churches would expend as much energy winning  
folk to Christ as they do to raising money, they  
wouldn't have any monetary problems ..."