



3 March 2013

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 Rev Bill Berends
Message: Palm Sunday
Readings: Psalm 118, Matthew 21: 1 - 11; 33 - 46

6:00 PM Rev. Harry Berends
Message: Who....suffered under Pontius Pilate.
Reading: John 18: 28 - 19: 16

WORSHIP NEXT WEEK

9:30 AM Br Luke Scheepers
6:00 PM Rev Lourens Nel (Afrikaans)

OFFERINGS

THIS WEEK

1 – Local Church
2 – Music Ministry

NEXT WEEK

1 – Local Church
2 – Solomon Islands Workgroup

LAST WEEK

Freewill/Pledges	\$2,039.30
C.O.M. India	\$584.60



ROSTERS

COFFEE SERVING :

Today: J. Appel, H. Zwaal, J & C. Blik

Next Week: V & M. Plas, S & C. Johnson,
E & I. Poppenbeck

March 17 J & A. van Breen, C. Yong,
G & L. Zomerdyk

March 24 T & R. Raatjes, P & A. Bruinewoud,
J. Bruinewoud

PA & VIDEO :

Today: David & Phillip Ellings

Next Week: Everet Marjee

GREETERS

Today: Rita Piening

Next week: Vera Steendam, Con Daniels

Our Worship Today

This morning we welcome **Rev Bill Berends** who will lead us in worship and bring us God's word, then this evening **Rev Harry Berends** will lead our worship time. We thank both these men as they help fill our preaching void. May God's Word comfort and inspire us, as we seek to live for God in the week ahead.

Pastoral and Prayer Points

Last week we heard that Vera Steendam's son Robert suffered a heart attack. Praise our loving Father that He has heard our prayers and that Robert is now in a stable condition, although he might need to travel to Adelaide for an operation. Continue to keep this family in your prayers, and also uphold Vera in prayer during this time of uncertainty, especially as she has also not been well and is still awaiting some test results.

Pray also for Gerrie de Haan, who will need to undergo a shoulder operation to repair some damage. As she awaits confirmation of a date for the operation, let us not only encourage her by praying for her, but also by walking alongside her. Continue praying for Persis Ferdinands who is still in hospital, and for Ulbe Siegersma who also spent some time in hospital this week.

Pray also for Peter Bruinewoud who is experiencing pain in his back. Let us also uphold before our wonderful Shepherd all those who are facing chronic or ongoing illness or long-term treatment, and pray that they might experience the comfort of His loving presence in a difficult time. Pray also for those who care for them.

Let us also give thanks to the Lord for Henk van der Kruk's continued improvement. He is out of rehab, and is spending some time with his daughter Ingrid. Keep him in your prayers as he works through this time of adjustment and recovery.

Many of our families are away or on the verge of going on holidays. Please pray for their safe return to their families and to us as a church family. As we

Pray also for the various ministries of our church. Pray especially for our small groups, where quite a bit of the pastoral care of this congregation is done. Pray for the leaders of these small groups, that they will have the strength and wisdom to continue leading in this important ministry.

Outlook Gardens Aged Care Facility.

Are you energetic and fit?

We need volunteers to assist on Bus Trips and Shopping Trips.

These are on Tuesdays either 9am to 12 noon or from 1pm to 4pm.

Please contact Rosemary Crouch on 9795 7566 Activities Co-ordinator if you are interested.

BIRTHDAYS THIS WEEK

Alison Berman March	Today	[60]	3
Truus Mans March	Today		3
John Blik March			4
Jannette Van Der Jagt March			7

After a certain number of birthdays, we begin to see the spontaneous beauty of the life God gives us each day, and we appreciate its unique pattern...

After a certain number of birthdays, we marvel at our own original design. May this year of your life be blessed by knowing in every moment, in every day, He is shaping you in His loving and perfect design.

Financial Giving- Freewill Offering and Pledges

I have recently completed the financial results for the period from July 2012 to January 2013 (seven months). The various giving too date is \$78,062.00, but the budget is \$89,250.00, so we

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News items dead line is 5 PM Wednesday.

are **\$11,188.00 behind budget**. We realise that we are a “vacant” congregation but our ongoing expenses continue.

Please consider your **giving** to the work of His kingdom in the months ahead.

Corey van Garderen

Treasurer

A Community Music Event.

A Pleasant Autumn Sunday Afternoon

AT: Beaconsfield Baptist Church

(Melways Ref: 214 A1)

ON: 17th March 2013

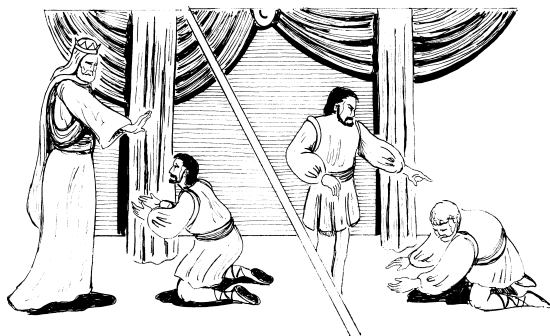
FROM: 2.30pm to 4.30pm

Featuring a male chorale "**MenSing**" from Sydal Baptist Church.

There are no admission charges and a complimentary afternoon tea is included at the conclusion of the programme.

Limited seating available. Enquiries to Peter Brown 0428 178 413

(For further information refer to the flyer on the notice board on the carpeted area).



Booking of the Church facilities

In the past we have had a number of issues with the booking of the Church facilities and are now asking members to follow this simple process when wanting to book for a function.

For people wanting to hire the church and its facilities the Booking Co-ordinator - Jean Joseph, must receive a written request stating the date, times and reason for

function (meetings/weddings/conferences etc) with contact details attached.

The co-ordinator will then discuss the availability and confirm in writing the recognition of your request.

Thank you

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 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

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.”

AFRIKAANS BIBLE STUDY

We meet every second Tuesday evening at the home of the Pretorius family. We have recently completed studies on Timothy and on the books of Samuel. If you'd like to be part of this group please see Colin or Maggie Pretorius.

We are still seeking volunteers to operate the data projector during the morning and evening worship services. Please come and see the person on today and find out just how easy it is to operate.

SHAWLANDS COMMITTEE NEWS.

The Shawlands Committee will be organising the Monthly BBQ for the Shawlands Park Community for **FRIDAY the 8th MARCH**. Please pray for us as we make our preparations for this day. Pray also that the Lord will enable us to touch the lives of the residents in the Park, as we meet with them and extend our Christian hospitality, understanding and support. May He bless our endeavours, all those involved and the Park residents.

On behalf of the Shawlands Committee – Monica Austrums.

News From the Churches

Hello everyone,
Yesterday by God's grace I was granted the strength to deliver a sermon on the very difficult subjects of miscarriage, still birth and infant death.

The 'What's New' summary on the WCF website reads:

PDF sermon outline and MP3 audio recording of sermon: ['When God Stops Knitting' - Psalm 139](#)

*Also available for this sermon, is the **order of worship** for the liturgy surrounding this exposition of God's Word.*

This sermon deals with the very difficult subject of miscarriage, still birth and infant death. It explores the questions 'Why did God allow this?' 'is He punishing us?'; 'Where was God when we and our child needed Him the most?'; 'Can I believe and trust in Him anymore?'

This is not a superficial sermon but out of 35 years of pastoral experience, the questions are faced head on

rather than glossed over. Yet by God's grace, the compassion, enduring love of God and His faithfulness to always be at our side, is also explored.

Immediately after this sermon was preached at CRC Perth on Sunday, February 24th, there were requests for copies so that others in need of this Word of God, could listen, and by God's grace, find peace in the midst of the despair and pain.

Monday February 25th 2013

If you think this could be of help to you or someone else, feel free to **follow the link below** – there are no conditions for the use of the material on offer.

<http://wheatbeltchristianfellowship.org/What's%20New.htm>

Blessings in Christ

Geoff van Schie

WHEATBELT CHRISTIAN FELLOWSHIP

Hi everyone,

For those not following on Facebook or Twitter

The first newsletter for the WCF mission has been posted on our website.

It is the first instalment and covers very strong and positive developments in Dalwallinu and the goals set for the year which by God's grace and blessing we hope to achieve.

<http://wheatbeltchristianfellowship.org/NewsLetter.htm>

We covet your prayers and thank you for your ongoing support

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