



7 July 2013

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: Ambassadors for Christ
Reading: 2 Corinthians 5: 11 - 21

6:00 PM Rev Harry Berends
Message: As we Forgive.
Readings: Matth 18: 21 - 35; Eph 4: 17 - 32

WORSHIP NEXT WEEK

9:30 AM Rev Harry Berends
6:00 PM Br Phillip Scheepers

OFFERINGS

THIS WEEK

1 – Local Church
2 – Solomon Islands

NEXT WEEK

1 – Local Church
2 – Gideons

LAST WEEK

Freewill/Pledges	\$1798.40
Transit:	\$434.55
Donation:	\$500.00



ROSTERS

COFFEE SERVING :

Today: M & E. Marjee, J. Schram,
G & R. Eybers, T. Scram

Next Week: J. Gully, J & S. Lepema, E. Oinonen

July 21 S & G. Saphiris, C. Berman,
H & J. Burggraaf

July 28 J & M. Austrums, M. La Croix,
C. Poulter

PA & VIDEO :

Today: Evert & Marnice Marjee

Next Week: David Cameron, Glenn de Jong

GREETERS

Today: Corry Blik

Next week: Rita Piening

Our Worship Today

Today we welcome **Rev Harry Berends** who will lead us in worship and bring us God's word at both services. May God's Word comfort and inspire us, as we seek to live for God in the week ahead.

Pastoral and Prayer Points

Update on **Corry Blik**.

It was thought Corry had suffered a TIA (Trans Ischemic Aneurism) during the week but after an MRI it was deemed not a TIA but a mild stroke. Her doctor suggested to go ahead with the chemo

therapy. Another MRI is will be taken two to three months into the future to determine if any change to these lesions has occurred.

Corry came home today, Friday 28 June.at 3.00 pm. At the moment she feels quite well and attended to basic household chores e.g. washing.

We are grateful for the fact that she seems to have recovered well from the mild stroke. She is receiving medication for this condition.

Once again we wish to thank everyone for expressing their concern, well wishes via phone calls, cards, flowers etc and we do value your prayers.

All our love to you all, Corry and John (Jan).

Pieter van den Berg is settling in well at Homewood Transitional Aged Care Centre.

Please pray for Pieter and his family as they make decisions about his future.

Please uphold **John Nicholson** who has been unwell this past week.

Pray for **Kath Harrison** as she completes the last two weeks of her pregnancy.

We are thankful that Julie de Jong's father **Norm Berndt** that he was able to celebrate his 85th birthday on Thursday 4th July.

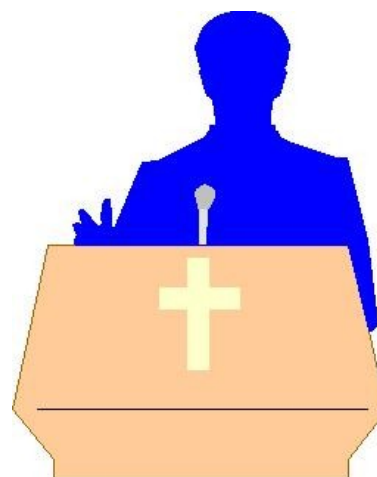
We had visitors **Rev. Doeke Land** and his wife **Dettie Land-van Lune**, in our midst last Sunday and they left a card, sending us their greetings of peace to our church from the joint Churches in the village Burgum, as they travel around.

The verry latest on **Corry Blick** “Corry was able to complete her chemo on Wednesday, without any nausea, for which she is very thankful, as it means she is able to continue to eat well. The treatment does make her tired and affects her ability to concentrate, but she is glad she is as well as she is, and able to be at home. Continue to uphold both **John and Corry** in your prayers”

We also remember **Colin and Maggie Pretorius** as they wait for the outcome of the Vicariate committee’s decision, for the next stage in their desire to serve in ministry in our churches. May they know God’s loving presence and assurance as they wait.

Continue too uphold **Garry and Lis de Vries** as they wind up their work at the Newcastle congregation and finalise their ministry there over these next months.

And pray that the Newcastle congregation may be able to quickly find a replacement.



Wanted

Due to the unfortunate retirement of our current Church Council secretary at the end of June, Church Council are keen to hear from any Church members who would be willing to fill this important role. Ideally the willing applicant would need basic computer skills for recording and producing minutes etc. Access to a computer or laptop is desirable for sending and receiving documents. Church Council meets every month on a Thursday evening.

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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.		

If you feel you could use your gifts in this role please contact a Church Council member for details. This will save us having to approach you!

Please Note:

Copies for **CBI** newsletter are on the carpeted area cupboard.

And here are a limited number of **Catalyst** copies on the table in the foyer.

Please take note!

Could you please change our e-mail address to jlvanwelie@outlook.com as requested earlier.

Apparently we are still getting mail addressed to our old tpg address, which is frustrating because we cannot use it anymore. Thanking you, J&L Van Welie.

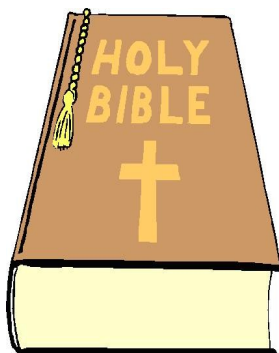
Mrs **Sandra Curtis** full address is Unit 28/ 237 Outlook Drive, Dandenong North. 3175
Phone Number 9701 0368

Hi all,
I am seeking some articles on Pastoral Care for the next issue of **Catalyst**. Grace and peace,
Dave Groenenboom

Volunteer Bible Readers,

We are looking at increasing our list of volunteers to participate on a regular roster of reading the scriptures during either service held on a Sunday.

We are desperately needing more readers for the evening services as it's left to just a FEW very dedicated readers to read each Sunday evening. Please consider and speak to Julie about becoming a regular reader.



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 will meet on the first and third Tuesday of the month, at the Burggraaf's from 7.30- 9.30 pm. Check with John and Sue Van Garderen - Ph: 8376 6556, if there are any changes.

COFFEE BREAK LADIES BIBLE STUDY

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

Helen van Garderen.

FRIDAY FELLOWSHIP

We meet every second Friday. We are studying The Story, an exciting new Bible study /video series. If you are looking for a small group home you are most welcome to join our group. Please contact Harry or Jannette van der Jagt on 97031613 for details

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 are currently busy with a study of the book of James. If you'd like to be part of this group please see Colin or Maggie Pretorius.



This event is put on by Geneva Push in conjunction with the RTC.

Register on line here:
<http://gospeldrivenchurchesgeelong.eventbrite.com.au/>

BIRTHDAYS THIS WEEK

John Van Garderen	July 9
Jennifer Van Neutegem	July 10
David Barrot	July 11
Corry Van Garderen	July 12

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.

To all CRCA church members,

Please note that the email address for **Rev Gerald Hanscamp is now ghanscamp@m2data.com.au** and **NOT** the email address given in the latest on-line June Catalyst (page 4 & 5) – that’s an old one and should no longer be used.

Supporting Churches of the RTC:

The RTC is offering three subjects next semester for students to undertake via Distance mode; the units are accredited for awards granted by the Australian College of Theology.

Enrolments are now open and ‘classes’ will begin during the week commencing Monday 29 July 2013.

Look for the posters in the foyer area:

For further information or enrolments, please visit the

RTC’s distance education site (www.refstudy.org) or email registrar@rtc.edu.au

What Good Is Christianity?

What would our nation look like without the Bible?

Dr Vishal Mangalwadi knows the difference the Bible can bring to everyday life – blessing the lives of individuals and communities, even nations.

Vishal grew up in India, surrounded by Christian, Hindu, Buddhist and Islamic influences. In his teens he became a Christian, attracted to the life and teachings of Jesus. After studying philosophy at university and spending time living in a Hindu ashram, he began to recognise the enormous benefits that God’s Word has given to Western nations.

Vishal and his wife Ruth turned down attractive US job offers. Instead they chose to minister among disadvantaged communities in rural India. They battled infanticide, corruption and entrenched poverty. Vishal even spent time in jail because of his efforts to help the people.

He constantly asked himself: *Why are some nations more successful than others?* The evidence was overwhelming. It led to the publication two years ago of his best-seller “*The Book That Made Your World*”.

What has shaped Australia into the nation it is today? Has Christianity done any good in our culture?

Come and hear Vishal’s unique story and inspiring insights.

Date: Friday 16 August 2013.

Time: 7:30pm.

Place: Melbourne School of Theology, 5 Burwood Highway, Wantirna.

Cost: \$25 for registrations before 26 July, \$30 thereafter.



News from the Churches

Latest Wheatbelt Christian fellowship news

G'day everyone,

After a very busy and challenging two weeks of full time study for the command instrument rating for my pilot's license, I have had time to update the front page and news section of the WCF site.

For those interested in following this ministry and supporting it in prayer, you will find some encouraging information to assist your prayer support.

Thank you to those bulletin editors who have been pointing people to the site and keeping this work before you readers.

For the latest news just follow this link:

<http://wheatbeltchristianfellowship.org/>

Blessings in Christ Geoff van Schie



Have a Laugh

Bill Watson, a longtime sales representative became dissatisfied with his career and decided to become a police officer. Several months later, a friend asked him how he liked his new job. "Well," he replied, "the pay isn't great and the hours are long, but one thing I really like is that the customer is always wrong."

Not long ago, a young immigrant disembarked in New York Harbor from Ireland. Newly arrived, he started across one of those busy city streets-against the light.

One of New York's finest, a big police officer, grabbed him and asked, "And where d'you think you're going?"

He said, "I'm only trying t' get to the other side of the street there!"

When that New York police officer, Irish himself, heard that brogue, he said, "Now, lad, wait. You stay here until the light turns green, and then you go to the other side of the street."

"Ah," the young fellow said, "the light turns green."

The opposing light turned orange for just a few seconds, as it does, and then the light in question turned green, and he started out across the street. He got about fifteen feet out, then turned around and shouted, "They don't give them Protestants much time, do they?"

CRCA

SHORT TERM MISSION Summit

You are invited to participate in a strategic gathering of CRCA members who have experience and expertise in short term missions.

Over the weekend we aim to develop a much needed 'code of best practice' to guide future mission work.

AUG 30 – SEPT 1, 2013

**CRCA RESOURCE CENTRE,
MT EVELYN, VICTORIA**

Enrolment details and program outline at:

www.resourcecentre.crca.org.au



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