



14 July 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 Harry Berends
Message: Walking in the Light
Reading: 1 John 1:5 - 2:6.

6:00 PM Keith Vethaak
Message: Practical Forgiveness
Reading: Matthew 6: 5 – 15.

WORSHIP NEXT WEEK

9:30 AM Rev Crosbie de Krester
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 \$1935.20
Local Church Offering: \$ 203.05
Special Offering (Solomon Islands): \$409.05



ROSTERS

COFFEE SERVING :

Today: J. Gully, J & S. Lepema, E. Oinonen

Next Week: F & A. Berman, J. Joseph,
D & J. Schubert

July 28 J & M. Austrums, M. La Croix,
H & J. Burggraaf

Aug 4 S & G. Zaphiris,
J & D. van den Bosch,
M & S. Kimmer / Wang

PA & VIDEO :

Today: David Cameron, Glenn de Jong

Next Week: David & Phillip Ellings

GREETERS

Today: Rita Piening

Next week: Vera Steendam, Con Daniels

Our Worship Today

Today we welcome **Rev Harry Berends** who will lead us in worship for the morning service and bring us God's word. The evening service will see **Rev Keith Vethaak** leading the service. May God's Word be a comfort and inspire us, as we seek to live for God in the week ahead.

Pastoral and Prayer Points

- Continue to pray for **Garry and Liz de Vries** as they do their leave taking in Newcastle. A farewell service for them is planned for the 28th. They will then spend time with their children in NSW before coming down to us.
- We are thankful with **Corry Blik** who has again, had no nausea this week and been able to maintain her eating. Her visit to the oncologist has reassured both John and Corry that there are still other options if this treatment should not produce the desired results. Continue to pray for them.
- **Katie de Jong** was still in hospital for a chest infection at the time of writing, but should be able to come home for the week-end.
- **Herman Blenk** was able to return home to the hostel from hospital, on Tuesday after treatment for a chest infection.
- **Welcome back to Janny Appel** who has safely returned from Uganda. **Klaas** is thankful to have Janny home and for life to return to its normal routine! Also to **Martin and Coby van Rossen** who are back from overseas.
- Keep **Kath and Colin Harrison** in prayer with the imminent arrival of their new baby due any day – hopefully we will have that good news this week.
- Many of our senior members are becoming frailer and feeling their physical limits in these colder winter days.
We pray they will experience God's enabling grace and strength each day.

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.

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!



Hope Builders

For those who want to follow the daily adventures of **Corey and Helen Van Garderen** as they work in Jinja, Uganda with Hope Builders, there is place where you can read about what is happening if you google: Hope Builders Village of Hope Uganda.blogspot.com.au There you will find a daily diary with photos.

Church Council notes - meeting 4th July '13

Our chairman Harry VanderJagt welcomed all present, with a special welcome to Henni Burggraaf. Cor Span read Psalm 46 and a devotion from the "Today" booklet, highlighting our busy lives, threatening of loosing our focus

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on God. The Psalmist reminds us "Be still and know that I am God" , teaching us to take time out and be still, so that we may experience His presence in our lives, through the Holy Spirit.

Cor then led in opening prayer.

Council faced a rather full agenda, but we managed to finish by 10.30 p.m.

Calling committee has now been discharged after fulfilling their mandate.

Pastor Garry, in consultation with church council will commence his ministry on September 1st; the installation service is planned at 3.00 p.m. on that day.

Garry & Liz communicated their recommendations as to housing etc., which means that council will look for a suitable rental property in our area. Further details as to their move etc. were discussed.

Henni Burggraaf, indicated that she would continue as pastoral care worker for one (1) day a week and would look after the pastoral notes and prayer points in our weekly newsletter. This arrangement will be reassessed at the end of this year.

Council gratefully accepted this proposal.

Preaching roster, has been adjusted, as from September 1st. A huge thank you to **Colin Pretorius** who has faithfully provided ministers/preachers for every Sunday since we have been vacant.

Reports on various ministries were tabled i.e. :

Worship services, Youth & Children programmes, Shawlands and pastoral care. Thank you to **John Van Breen & Yke Laverman**, who do a marvellous job in visiting, thus relieving the pressure on the elders, who certainly are available should the need be there.

Prayer. Once the ministry side of the agenda was dealt with, we spent time in prayer, after which we had a coffee/tea break.

NYMC training conference for youth leaders in October 2013 at Tweed Heads -Qld.

Jesse, with 3 other youth leaders has requested for them to attend. At this stage the financial consequences are being assessed, however council is most supportive in the young people attending.

Pastoral care/ Leaders training, led by **Rev. Leo Douma**, will be held at Tecoma, commencing on July 11th. Council will approach several of our young members to attend.

60th Anniversary DCRC, we are planning to celebrate/commemorate this event on Sunday July 21st. **Pastor Crosbie** will lead the service and we intend to show a short Power point presentation, showing a snapshot of the history of DCRC. This presentation can be repeated after the service. A special morning tea/light lunch will be provided.

Vacancy secretary - council is still looking to have this position filled.

Classis will meet on July 27th. at "Hope in the Hills" Tecoma. Delegates are **Harry VanderJagt and Colin Pretorius**.

Pakenham, a progress report was filed. Great to see this devoted bunch of people showing their commitment in making a difference in that area.

Censura Morem, was conducted, prior to Lord Supper on August 4th.

All council members present expressed their desire to participate in this feast of grace.

Next meeting August 8th. Reporter - Cor Span



2 PRAYER POINTS AND 2 PRAISE ITEMS FROM GOSPEL.

The GOSPEL missionaries planted a church in Maharashtra. This church consists of 20 members all together. But non-Christians accuse them. Some years back, there was most terrible persecution. The church members still have that fear in their mind and they are afraid that this may happen again.

Please pray for boldness to overcome their fears.

GOSPEL missionary Suklal has his house stoned at night. The trouble makers are trying to make them scared and drive them away from the village. Please pray for the person, who troubles them. Pray for Suklal and his family as well. A believer named Ramdas was pressured by the people in his village to forsake Christianity. They succeeded for a time to lead him away from God. He has turned back to the Lord and started to attend the church again. Praise God. (It is a common issue that believers are strongly pressured and often threatened to return to Hinduism again.

Mr. Harish our evangelist who was beaten severely by Chikli village people in 2011 in Rajasthan, was

asked after two years to recommence evangelism work in that same village. Thank God for his intervention and pray for the ministry of Harish.

Bert Kuipers - for GOSPEL

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.

Afrikaans service at Langwarrin

Join us this coming Sunday for an Afrikaans Worship service and fellowship in the Langwarrin Christian Reformed Church @ 18:30.

For years now, Afrikaans services had been held in Dandenong CRC, but it is not possible anymore. It was requested and Langwarrin gladly accepted to host the Afrikaans services once a month, and to continue this precious ministry.

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Langwarrin
email : Lourens Nel - lasnel06@gmail.com
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www.lcrc.org.au

Good News

I returned from holidays to read in the Dandenong Newsletter that Rev. Garry de Vries has accepted the call to minister in Dandenong. This is wonderful news and a great answer to prayer. I know that you will warmly embrace Garry and Elizabeth into the church family as you did for us as a family. I will continue to uphold you in prayer through this time of transition. May God continue to bless and guide you in the years ahead.

Jim de Witte



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

Marianne Piening	[70]	July 16
Gerda Huinink		July 17
Siska Barrot		July 17

The Lord bless thee, and keep thee:
The Lord make his face shine upon thee,
and be gracious unto thee. NUMBERS 6:24-25



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 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.

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

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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You are invited to be part of our Thanksgiving Service

**Why: Dandenong Christian Reformed
Church is celebrating their 60th
Anniversary.**

When: Sunday July 21st 2013 at 9.30am.

**Where: 255 Outlook Drive, Dandenong North.
(Cnr Outlook Drive and Gladstone Road)**

**Please join us to look back, reflect and give thanks
on the blessings God has showered upon us over
the years to the present day. Stay after the service
to share some light refreshments which will be
served in the hall.**

**Could the congregation please bring food to share
(on a disposable plate), either savoury, sweet or
even something to heat up in the oven like party
pies, sausage rolls or similar.**

Australian Church Women (Victorian Unit)

Invite you to

FELLOWSHIP DAY

Venue: Dandenong North Uniting Church

Birch Avenue, Dandenong North

Date: Friday 26th July 2013

Time 10.00am for coffee - 10.30am service

Speaker: Mrs. Anne Connan,

President of the World Federation of Methodist
& Uniting Church Women.

Theme: "Love Never Fails"

There is a brochure on the glass doors as a reminder
for anyone interested

News from the Churches

Hi friends,

I wanted to let you know that over the month of June I preached a series of sermons here in Gateway entitled "*Enough... (Money & Wealth)*". This series looked at how God had chosen Israel to be distinct and different from all the nations around her. This came to expression in many ways. Obviously, this is where the 10 Commandments fit in. Another way Israel would be different was in her approach to money, possessions and wealth. The call the Lord gave his people in that day had implications for the NT church, and also has implications for us today.

I have decided to serialise this series on my web page, with a small chapter going up every few days - just one or two per week. I thought I would let you know. They may be of interest to you.

You can read them
here: <http://davidgroenenboom.com>

These are the posts which have been added thus far:

[Introduction](#)
[What is your treasure?](#)
[God and Treasure](#)

If you'd like to follow this series, you can sign up on the Email Subscription box, lower right hand margin.

If there is interest, I can also post the Home Group questions prepared for this series. Let me know...

Thanks friends, have a great day!

Grace and peace,

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