



18 August 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 Richard Schoenmaker  
Message: Spiritual Rebirth.  
Reading: Titus 3: 1 - 8

6:00 PM Rev Harry Berends  
Message: Talking to Father.  
Reading: Luke 11: 1 - 3

## WORSHIP NEXT WEEK

9:30 AM Rev Harry Berends  
6:00 PM Herman Linde

## OFFERINGS

### THIS WEEK

1 – Local Church  
2 – Ministry Formation Workgroup

### NEXT WEEK

1 – Local Church  
2 – COM (India Children's Home)

### LAST WEEK

Freewill/Pledges	\$1,766.70
Middle East Reformed Fellowship	\$525.05
Jubilator Choir Donation	\$500.00



## ROSTERS

### COFFEE SERVING :

Today: T & R. Ratjes, M & T. Eleveld  
J. Bruinewoud

Next Week: D & P. Ellings, B. Elfring, H.  
Elfring

September 1 J & K. Esselbrugge, A & O. Pleiter  
Y. Pleiter

September 8 H. Zwaal, G. de Groot, C. Daniels

### PA & VIDEO :

Today: Evert & Marnice Marjee

Next Week: David Cameron, Glenn de Jong

### GREETERS

Today: Yke & Anneke Laverman

Next week: Corry Blik

## Our Worship Today

Today we welcome **Richard Schoenmaker** who will lead us in worship this morning and **Rev Harry Berends** for the evening service. May God's Word comfort and inspire us, as we seek to live for God in the week ahead.

## Pastoral and Prayer Points

- Thankfully, Church council has found a rental property for **Pastor Garry and Lis de Vries**. We pray that as they move in there, in the

coming week, that both Garry and Lis will find a sense of 'home' in this new place, from which to minister and serve among us. Let us give thanks to God for their coming, and pray for His grace to sustain them through out this settling-in process.

- We heard that **Mrs Jenny Piening** has become a great, great grandmother for the first time... celebrating family in 5 generations! What a blessing of God's to see your children's children's children having their children! Congratulations Jenny!
- We welcome **Mrs Wilma Van Vrede** into our worshipping community. Wilma has been worshipping with us for some time (since the death of her husband Les) and has indicated that she would like to make this her church home. She comes to us from the Anglican church, and would like to take up guest membership with us. It is good to have you joining us, Wilma, welcome!
- **John Blik** writes to keep us up-dated about **Corry's** treatment: *Corry's second round of chemo commenced last week. It will be the same type and cycle as the first. The first week requires her to remain in hospital overnight. After last Tuesday's (6<sup>th</sup>) treatment, she required two blood transfusions before being allowed to go home. The second session (was due 13<sup>th</sup>) is given sitting in a special chair. This takes about 2-3 hours after which Corry is able to return home. She then has 2 weeks rest after which the cycle is repeated again. The course will take 9 weeks to complete. A blood sample is taken before each session. This week her blood count was deemed too low for chemo therapy to go ahead. The oncologist suggested to delay treatment for a week to allow her blood cells to regenerate. The MRI scan will still go ahead for Friday 16<sup>th</sup>. Pray that Corry's immune system can recuperate sufficiently between each session.*
- Pray for those among us who struggle with health at the moment. Pray for **Mimi Lacroix** after an accident in which she tore muscles and tendons in her shoulder; for the **Zaphiris** family with flu and

bronchitis.

**Dear Congregation,**

In order that new or visiting members can identify those who are making them welcome and to enable our new pastor and his wife to learn our names when they arrive, it has been suggested to remind members to wear their name tags again. If you do not have a name tag and would like one please contact Julie de Jong or one of the greeters at the door.

Church Council.

**Installation Service: Date change**

There has been a change of date for the installation service for Rev Garry deVries in our Dandenong church . Church Council has moved the date to the 8th September at 3pm. We have asked Rev. Leo Douma to conduct the official part of the service and also to act as Classis representative.

Pastor Garry will start work in Dandenong the week before, but as that Sunday falls on Father's Day, we felt this would hinder many families in attending the installation service.

**Could all our church members please bring a plate of goodies, for a celebratory afternoon tea, to share with our visitors on that afternoon. Thank you in anticipation!**

**New Address:**

**Rev Garry and Lis de Vries** will be making their home at **4 Vista Crescent, Rowville**, and hope to be moving in there, in the coming week.



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<p>Newsletter compiled by Adrian de Vos. Email <a href="mailto:newsletter@dcrc.org.au">newsletter@dcrc.org.au</a> Phone 9547 6878 <span style="float: right;">News items dead line is 5 PM Wednesday.</span></p>		

### **Forty Hour Famine:**

Our URY young people and their leaders, together with our Youth Worker, will be participating in the forty hour famine to raise funds for World Visions work amongst the poor and hungry of our world. You can help, by sponsoring them as they participate over Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> -24<sup>th</sup> August.

### **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!

**The Coffee Break Bible Study group**, have taken up contact with The Women of Hope in Uganda, and have given money to help HIV positive ladies generate income through candle making. Our Bible study has a photo of this group and now we are sending this photo of us to them.



UGANDA HOPEBUILDERS INTERNATIONAL.  
Thank you for the interest shown after our ministry spot on the Village of Hope in Uganda last Sunday. If you would like to contribute towards the "Chicken Project", which will improve the children's diet and generate income for the village, you may put your gift into the offering bag, in an envelope marked Uganda, or give your gift to either of us.  
Corey and Helen van Garderen

## **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. Our next meeting will be on Friday the 23rd August at the home of Nel Steunenberg at 8pm. New members most welcome. Please contact 97031613 for details.

### **IGNITE**

(Young Adults)

Meet at the church office at 7pm every Sunday night (during school terms), this is a time for building community and relationships, while also looking at God's Word. For more information, contact Jesse Schram on 0425 863 810. We'd love to see you there!

### **Experienced Systems Manager / Receptionist needed for Outlook Gardens Aged Care**

The position requires a person who is experienced in minute taking, report-writing, answering phones and general receptionist duties. An advanced knowledge of Microsoft Office Suite is essential, including high level knowledge of Microsoft Access database software. Reporting directly to management, the Systems Manager/Receptionist must be able to maintain, manage, and adapt Access databases for the facility,

critically and logically analyse trends, plot and forecast data in Excel.

It is desirable that the applicant should also be able to manage, and solve where possible, any first-line IT troubleshooting queries and have experience with Aged Care accreditation documentation.

If you are ready for an exciting frontline role in a busy diverse Reception office, please send your application to

**The Hostel Manager**

**Outlook Gardens Aged Care**

**504 Police Rd Dandenong North 3175**

**03 9795 7566**

**or email your application to:**

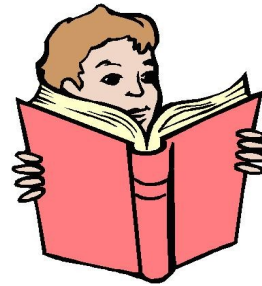
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**Applications close 23<sup>rd</sup> August, 2013**

- Cor Span closed the meeting with prayer
- Next meeting 12th Sept.

### **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.



### **Short report of Church Council 8th August**

..Chairman Harry van der Jagt welcomed members followed by a devotion led by Colin Pretorius.

- Recent worship services discussed, including unfortunate low attendance at 60th anniversary.
- Change of date to 8th September at 3pm for Installation Service for Rev. Garry DeVries noted.
- Invites to go out churches and congregation will be encouraged to bring plate of food for afternoon tea.
- Discussion around new Pastor's job description and search for temporary manse.
- Letters of thanks to be sent to visiting preachers who came to Dandenong over the period of vacancy.
- Fundraising to occur soon to raise funds for those attending NYMC
- Report on Ministry at Shawlands CP.
- Small group reports.
- Pastoral visits were reported including visits by J & A Van Breen and I & A Laverman.
- Prayer time was held for pastoral and ministry items.
- Finance report , plans to hold AGM 10th Oct. Audit underway.
- Clerk vacancy and possible replacements discussed.
- Need for people with computer skills with the impending Vicariate of Br. Colin Pretorius. Vote of thanks extended to Colin for his countless acts of service to the church.

### **Shawlands** (Short notes from last meeting.)

The Shawlands Workgroup reported on good attendances at our last two monthly barbeques in the park. We commented on the friendly environment created by the park management, who put up the tarp, placed the outdoor settings and the heater to provide a warm sheltered area in which to gather.

At present, we are looking at erecting a large shed on site (7m x 6m) so that we have a more permanent place to gather, protected from the elements both in winter and summer. This would also allow for multiple uses by other groups, helping to create a socially active community. Several quotes are being considered. We agreed the total cost to remain under \$7000, and to go ahead with this project, seeking Howards direction regarding a suitable location. We hope to do some fund – raising for this, and set the date - 9<sup>th</sup> November at church – booked.

We were pleased with the outcome of a meeting with representatives from Casey CRC deacons, who are willing to join with us in this work in the park where they can offer assistance both pastorally or practically. The workgroup was asked to present a profile of the Shawlands ministry at Casey CRC sometime in the future.

Sue and Monica have commenced a bi-weekly craft morning. While attendance is low, the need for interaction, conversation, emotional support is great, and the craft provides this forum, for women to download and debrief. We are getting some valuable insights and can then suggest appropriate referrals to other service providers as needed.

Our Christmas dinner celebration is booked for 14<sup>th</sup> of December. Marquee, caterers, music ministry, entertainment are booked, or being finalized.

Aafke was able to attend a recent forum at GD City Council on homelessness and boarding houses - exploring the issues related to that. She also shared her experiences of a recent day in the park, as a new resident came, and being able to provide the help that was needed. Suggestion of a welcome pack for new residents, for next meeting.

Op Shop will celebrate their 5<sup>th</sup> anniversary soon. We celebrate all the work and effort done by the faithful volunteer workers there. They enable us financially, to keep doing this community work of caring. Meeting was closed with prayer.

Next meeting Sept. 9<sup>th</sup>.

### BIRTHDAYS THIS WEEK

Janet De Jong	August 19
Ria Raatjes	August 19
Atie Bruinewoud	August 19
Pam Cox	August 22
Marijka De Haan	August 24

Before the first star twinkled, God saw the twinkle in your eye, heard the sound of your voice, and called you by name. You're one of His favourite creations, and He still rejoices over you.

Have a Beautiful Birthday

### News from the Churches

Hi all,

Please join us for Box Hill Reformed Church's upcoming youth service on Sunday 1st September, 6pm at our church - 28 watts st, Box Hill.

Pastor Albert will be looking at the theme of 'Purity with Passion', from Colossians 3:5-8.

Feel free to invite friends, and stay afterwards for some refreshments.


Hope to see you there!

In Christ,

BHRC youth and young adults fellowship

**SPECIAL EVENT!!!**  
**6pm ~ Sunday 18 Aug**  
 Mt Evelyn Christian Reformed Church  
 45-47 Birmingham Rd, Mt Evelyn

We celebrate with *Family Voice Australia* in their 40th year of Family Voice ministry as they present a national tour by international Bible teacher ~  
**Vishal Mangalwadi**



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**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 Hindu, Buddhist and Islamic cultures. But 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.

We are honored to have Vishal as a guest on Sunday evening 18 August, at Mt Evelyn Christian Reformed Church and invite you, your friends & family to come along – all welcome!

### Smile:

The pastor was growing concerned about sparse attendance, so he published this item in the church bulletin:

"This . . . is . . . the . . . way . . . the . . . church . . . sometimes . . . looks . . . to . . . the . . . pastor . . . when . . . he . . . goes . . . into . . . the . . . pulpit.

"It would look like this if everybody brought somebody else to church."