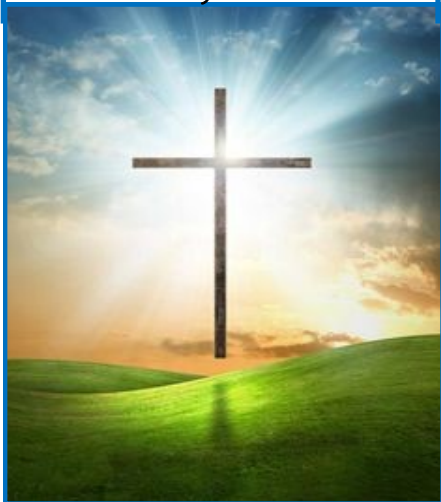


A Community of People who Worship,  
Love, Serve and Discover Jesus  
Together



## JUNE 2019 Newsletter



### Winter: what do you see?

I like winter! Now some of you might be thinking he must be joking. Others might be even more upfront and say or think there is nothing I like about winter. But wait, wouldn't you like to know why I like winter? The deciduous trees are leafless but the buds are swelling and the promise of blossom and fruit is just around the corner. Spring bulbs are starting their journey as roots grow and shoots begin

For Pastoral Care and  
Prayer Support  
please contact Pastor  
Stewart on 0402 287 720.

For Church Family Prayer  
Support contact Peter or  
Fiona McLeod on  
5967 2755 (AH) or  
Fiona 0427 682 301 (BH)

For Email Prayer Chain  
requests, please email  
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3pm, Sat 10am—1pm



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to emerge. Its wonderful to hear the rain and sit by the fire and look out on the garden with rhododendron buds breaking open, early camellias, daphne and so much more. Truth be known, I like spring, summer and autumn for different reasons. Seasons are part of the world we live in and as such are part of God's intended rhythms. Rather than baulk at the seasons (not to say you shouldn't or won't have your favourite season) I would encourage you to see the good in each moment and enjoy the beauty of each season.

The writer of Ecclesiastes (3:1-8) acknowledges there is a time, a season for everything. Some of the most difficult seasons in life are associated with grief and loss. So often the case in the difficult moments of life, faith and hope in God can fade. Psalm 9:9-10 tells us that God is our refuge in times of trouble as do many other parts of scripture. Community is also important in the ups and downs of life. We can be carried and we carry others.

So if the season of winter gives me hope for spring what does the season of life (with all its complexities) give me hope for? Paul puts it like this, (Philippians 3:14), : "So I run straight toward the goal in order to win the prize, which is God's call through Christ Jesus to the life above." In the midst of difficulties, joy, hardship, pain, loneliness, beatings and health concerns Paul focussed on the season to come.

Pastor Stewart

## Church Family June Eve



- The next BLinGG Craft is on Thurs 6th
- Men's Breakfast 1st June
- Men's Bowling Night 8th June
- Save the date: BLinGG Movie Night July 13th
- June 15th Macca's & Rollerskating 5.30-8.30pm Youth&Young Adults

### **COMMUNITY TABLE—NEEDS YOU!!!!**

*Each Tuesday during School term at the Mustard Tree we have our Community lunch. There are usually around 30-40 people. These people are from our local community and from all walks of life, who meet to enjoy a meal and have conversation together. At the moment we are in need of cooks from our congregation to join our team. If you feel led in this way please contact Gordon Taylor. Also, you are most welcome to come down and join us at 12.00 for lunch and fellowship.*

**Volunteers!**





GET YOUR SKATES READY!

# MACCAS + ROLLERSKATING

Join us for Maccas dinner, then  
rollerskating!

For Youth (including gr.6) and  
Young Adults

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**June 15 | 5:30-8:30 PM**



*Study of the Old Testament*  
Saturday 8am 1st June  
**in the Fellowship Hall**

This Breakfast/Bible Study is part of a series of informal, interactive studies for men in the historical books of the Old Testament. BYO Bible and a healthy appetite for breakfast. RSVP for breakfast to Bruce - 0419 501 528 or Gordon - 0412 349 886

## **BLinGg Craft**

Thursday 6th June 7.30pm at the church.  
***All ladies welcome.***

## **BLinGg Ladies Movie Night**

**Date:** Saturday 13th July

**BRING**

**Time:** 7pm

**A FRIEND**

**Presenting:** "Let There Be Light"

**Cost:** \$5.00 including movie, popcorn, drinks & supper



If you are interested in joining a group please speak with Pastor Stewart.

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# MISSION



# matters

*How can they hear about Him (Jesus) unless someone tells them?* Romans 10:14

**Missionaries Financially and Prayerfully Supported by us**



## **JEWELS OF HOPE—Lesotho—Dawn Taylor— Australian Marketing Manager**

### **Praise that:**

- Dawn has been kept safe and in good health during her time in Lesotho; the training and strategic planning was worthwhile and challenging and some of the issues have been resolved



- there were satisfactory outcomes to the Mother's Day sales in both Australia and Lesotho; Dawn received an extension to her visa

### **Pray for:**

- quorum to be present for the second AGM of the Organisation 'Jewels of Hope' on Saturday 1 June;
- resolution of problems with the JoH computer
- a ride for Dawn to Johannesburg towards the end of the first week in June and for safety in flying on the return trip to Australia leaving South Africa on 11 June

## **MAF—MISSION AVIATION FELLOWSHIP**

### **Marcus and Julie Grey – Chief Pilot and Office Support**

- Marcus with students, Tali, Keith and David, and our new 'Instructor in training', Bridget (who is going along for the ride) all headed off to Arnhem Land today in 3 aircraft. This is the Remote Area Safari part of the course. Please pray for safety, good learning experiences, good health and a good time to be had by all. They are away until 30th May, so this might not make the newsletter in time, but we would appreciate prayer.
- We have been blessed to have many pilots coming through the Training Centre for training, upgrading and testing with us. MAF and others!
- Please pray for all the team here at Mareeba under heavy workloads, and for our witness in the community.
- We are thankful and praise God for our own family, our MAF family and our Church family and supporters.



## **WYCLIFFE BIBLE TRANSLATORS**

**Michael & Charlotte Corden**

**(Melora & Alexis)**

**-Torres Strait (based in Cairns)**



I made a comment to some Islander church leaders a few weeks ago and from that two of them, Fr Dalton Cowley and Fr Victor Blanco are wanting to commence some Old Testament translation. This is very exciting. Do pray that they will continue with this intention. They will be starting on Habakkuk and Zephaniah.

Simeon Harry was one of our key translators of the New Testament. He did an amazing job. I asked him if he too would like to do some OT books. He was very enthusiastic about it. He and his wife were in Townsville at Christmas when the big floods occurred in north Queensland. They had to return to Port Hedland by air as all the roads were cut. So Charlotte and I have offered to drive their Toyota Hilux the 4,600 km back to them. We left on May 26th and will be there until June 11th. We will be getting him started with some special translation software. We also aim to record some sections of Mark as well as a couple of short New Testament books.

Praise for this opportunity to do a lot of recording as well as getting Simeon started on the book of Daniel.

## **Solomon Islands—Eric and Jemima Mae-fonea (Josiah, Amos, Erima and Vicki) – Honiara, Solomon Islands...**



**Prayer points :** Praise God for providing us a house now to settle.

**Praise** God for the in-service training for pastors progressing very well and the provision of another teaching staff.

**Pray** for safe traveling and preparation to speak at a women's convention from 15<sup>th</sup> - 21<sup>st</sup> June, 2019.

**Pray** for Jemima's involvement in KYB in the country and traveling next week to Malaita KYB women's leads training.





## POWER TO CHANGE

**Dave & Judy Huddleston**  
(Tim, Liam, Caitlin)

**Deputy National Director &  
Member Service**

Give thanks for Dave's recent visit to Wollongong, the location for the biennial Power to Change ConneXion2020 Conference to be held in January. Dave is serving on the conference team. Initial planning is well under way.

-Praise God that we have celebrated several important family events during May. Caitlin looking quite stunning and really enjoyed her Year 11 Presentation Ball in the city. Scott graduated with a Bachelor of Education from Monash University. We continue to count our blessings.

-Pray for Dave's involvement as Coordinator for the annual Core Missionary Training event, hosted on Belgrave Heights from 17-20 June. We are expecting our largest cohort ever and would value prayer for God to direct, inspire and build community amongst those present. Judy is assisting with some catering.

-Pray for Dave as he completes edits and prepares to rollout several important policy documents across the organisation this month. Linked to this rollout is the ongoing preparation for National Crisis Management Training taking place in October in Melbourne – Dave coordinating.

**David and Jen Pett**  
(Graham and Jonathan)  
**MAF Pilot and home support!**



Pray for the Petts as they continue their home leave with many meetings in the UK in June and as they will have shared in the funeral of Jen's dad on May 30th.



## OVERSEAS MISSION FELLOWSHIP

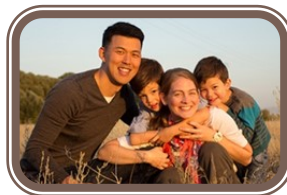
**Simon and Meg Crittle (Melanie)**  
**Japanese Diaspora Ministry,**  
**Melbourne OMF International**



- **Praise:** for a very fruitful 25-day ministry trip to Japan in April/May. Thank God that we were able to take several Japanese families to church, and have significant spiritual discussions with others. Praise God for clear indications of spiritual hunger and seeking from these Japanese friends, and the opportunity to point them firmly towards Christ, and share the gospel.
- **Prayer:** for effective ongoing follow-up of these families: by local church members in Japan, by us (long-distance via Skype), and most of all by the Holy Spirit.
- **Praise:** for new financial supporters (both large amounts and small amounts) over the past several weeks, taking our financial support level up to 73% of our total "life and ministry" budget.

### K People

**David & Eliza**  
**Ben & Petra**



#### For Prayer:

- That God will sustain David and Eliza as they travel, speak and make final preparations over the coming weeks
- For David and Eliza to be sensitive to the Spirit's leading as they connect with supporters and people considering cross-cultural work
- For peace as they prepare to say goodbye to family and friends and look towards their next term among the K people.
- **David and Eliza** are in Australia for Home Assignment before they return to the Silk Road Area for their second term. Over the past months, they have travelled to many churches and groups of supporters. It's been so humbling for them to meet people who faithfully pray for them, sacrificially give and advocate for their ministry, especially those they had never previously met. They have booked flights to return to the Silk Road Area in mid-June. However, before then they have many more speaking engagements, including trips to Geelong, Ballarat and three trips to Melbourne.

## **CROSS CULTURAL WORKERS**



### **Matt Inglis—In Japan**

Praise God for various recent ministry/service opportunities! I thank God also for vastly improved overall health and fitness levels. Please pray for ongoing sensitivity to the Holy Spirit's leading and for God's Name to be glorified as His sovereign will and plan unfold in various ways around me.

Thanks Matt.

### **Melissa van Leeuwin—**

**Centre for Disease Control in the NT  
Department of Health in Alice Springs**



Greetings from Alice Springs.

My Dad has been visiting for a few days, which is lovely. He leaves tomorrow (he's driving as I sold him my 4WD and bought a new car)

Some prayer and praise points from me:

Pray for Irianna, who is a 1 year old who is currently very unwell in the Women's and Children's Hospital in Adelaide. Irianna has a bacterial infection in her blood. It is very uncertain if she will survive this. Her parents are local Indigenous people who are regular attenders at Alice Springs Baptist. Pray also for her only sibling, 5 year old Isaac, who has a genetic regressive developmental disease that will shorten his life. He is now wheel-chair bound and has issues with feeding.

Praise God for the opportunity to travel to Victoria for some family time in June. I am really looking forward to seeing my family again and having a break. Pray for safe travel as well.

Melissa



## The Mustard Tree Community Shop etc

We recently received this poem from a customer who had visited The Mustard Tree and eaten in the café;

*The coffee delish  
The soup was divine,  
And no greater comfort  
Than this house of Thine!  
The Mustard Seed has sprouted  
And grown to a Tree,  
God's blessings are dwelling  
On you & on me.*



**Word is Getting Around:** The Mustard Tree was featured in a recent edition of the Leader Newspaper with a particular focus on the work that goes on in Foodbank. From this article Judy Huddleston was interviewed by Dennis Walter on 3AW. This has been great publicity for The Mustard Tree and Lilydale Baptist Church. God is continuing to bless The Mustard Tree and the ministry that takes place every day within the Op Shop and Café and through Foodbank.

**Donations Wanted:** We have been so blessed with donated goods this year but things have started to slow down. Please be encouraged to clean out your wardrobes and cupboards and bring any unwanted items to The Mustard Tree.

# SERMON NOTES

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## SERMON NOTES continued