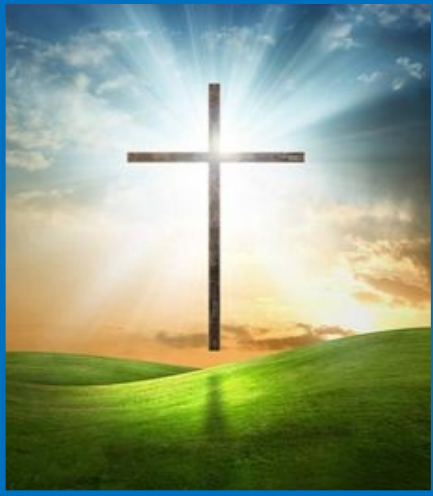


A Community of People who Worship,
Love, Serve and Discover Jesus
Together

September 2019



One Love One Community (part two)

At the end of last month's newsletter article, I wrote, "we say we are a community that loves. If we are a community, as we have been considering for some time, that has been called by God, transformed by God and empowered by God..." I then went on to assert that if this is true, then the kind of love that Paul describes in 1 Corinthians 13 should be evident in us and through us, toward one another and others. One way of seeing the outworking of love in us is the depth of relationships we have with one another. This isn't to say we will get along with

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everyone in perfect harmony. Nor does it mean that we will all like the same music, activities, hobbies and so on. After all we are still individuals, we have personalities of our own with likes and dislikes. But this diversity is no reason for division. In fact, the more diverse we are the richer the community will be, as we exercise our love and embrace one another as a brother or sister in Christ. As we rub shoulders (metaphorically speaking) we can embrace new ideas and experiences. Somethings we will welcome and other things we may not welcome. But it is the way we interact amid community that will be evidence of the love we advocate. In writing to the Colossians Paul wrote, "Get along with each other, and forgive each other. If someone does wrong to you, forgive that person because the Lord forgave you. Do all these things; but most important, love each other. Love is what holds you all together in perfect unity. Let the peace that Christ gives control your thinking, because you were all called together in one body to have peace. Always be thankful."

One important way of expressing our unity and love for each other is through hospitality. Hospitality is close to God's heart and is evident throughout Scripture. It commands us (God's people) to be hospitable. The kind of hospitality we are called to exhibit is not limited to the Christian community, but to all. But developing and growing our sense and practice of hospitality needs to start here in the immediate context of church community. We are commencing a monthly gathering for lunch in October (details elsewhere in newsletter). I urge you to participate in this and allow the depth of our relationships to grow, and in doing so strengthen and enable our vision of being a community of people who worship, grow, love, serve and discover Jesus together. Finally, a past Archbishop of Canterbury said this about hospitality. "Hospitality is about making people feel at home, when you wish they were at home". With this in mind, let us all work together as a community to embrace others so that their experience of church is welcoming, gracious and inviting.

Pastor Stewart.

LBC FAMILY MINISTRY INVITES YOU

COME TO GAME NIGHT!

Saturday September 7th - 6:30pm-8:30pm

BYO a plate to share

Teen/upper primary active games

Creche will be open

Tea and coffee available

RSVP TO STEPH ON 0408635539

FUN
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Church Family September Events.....

- Father's Day 1st September
- BLinGG craft night is 5th September
- Men's Breakfast 7th September
- LBC Garden Group 14th September 9am-12pm
- Save the date: Lunch on the Lawn 20th October



Samaritan's Purse

Make a difference in a
child's life. How?

See Will Armstrong for
details

Get Involved



Study of the Old Testament
Saturday 8am 7th September
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 5th September 7.30pm at the church.

LBC Gardening Group

We are putting together a team of people who are interested in helping with the care and upkeep of our church property. This would require one morning a month to work in the garden or perform small maintenance jobs. We are planning on making it the second Saturday of the month starting 14th September 9.00-12.00. Morning tea will be provided and lots of fun guaranteed.

Please speak with either Vicki or Jenny if you are interested or just coming along with some tools, gloves and a vision for a much improved property.



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

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Lunch on the Lawn



Family Fun at LBC

Free Sausage Sizzle, games, fun and fellowship. Sound good?

Stay after church and join us as we share lunch together and have some fun.

All you need is a willingness to be involved.

B.Y.O games and sports gear the rest will be provided.



Keep these dates free: - Weather permitting.

20th Oct 17th Nov 15th Dec 19th Jan

16th Feb 15th Mar 119th Apr

Lunch on the Lawn

Starting next month 20th October we are beginning a new initiative called 'Lunch on the Lawn.' This is an opportunity for us as a church family to spend time together in fellowship after the church service once a month for lunch, conversation, fun and games. We will have a free sausage sizzle to start us off and some sporting equipment for the kids (and adults) to have some games. Even if you don't eat lunch just stay for a chat! We will have chairs and shade for those who require a little comfort and if the weather is bad we will just postpone until next month. The plan is to be flexible and stress free. We would love for you to join with us.

MISSION



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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: A monetary gift has been received for 'Jewels of Hope' in Lesotho to buy the needed camera Meetings Dawn took last month brought forth encouraging results

Pray for: The six boys yet to be sourced to join the project

Daniel as he has been offered a place at the University of Lesotho to do a Bachelor of Commerce degree but for this to happen a number of things need to fall in place including sponsorship and accommodation as well as consideration as to how this will affect his work with JoH. Please pray for wisdom for Daniel and for God's will to be done in this situation.



MAF—MISSION AVIATION FELLOWSHIP

Marcus and Julie Grey – Chief Pilot and Office Support

Praise God that Marcus was able to 'check-in' the relief pilot for the Timor Leste program over the last few weeks. This will help the team as they each have turns at taking leave over the next 12 months.

Pray for Marcus in Timor and as he flies the replaced GA8 back over to Arnhem Land from Timor Leste sometime this week.

Pray for the Assessment Centre planned for later this month, where we evaluate prospective students for the Diploma courses (PNG & other)

Pray also for the Mini Staff Conference that will happen for MAF Mareeba and Cairns staff (6-8 Sept), that it will be an encouraging and blessed time.



WYCLIFFE BIBLE TRANSLATORS

Michael & Charlotte Corden (Melora & Alexis) Torres Strait (based in Cairns)

Praise: -- that Alexis's surgery for cataracts is now successfully behind us. He is very pleased with the results. We can now look to having his eyes tested for glasses for that final bit of improvement.



Pray: -- Following a visit to Charlotte's doctor and an emergency ultrasound, it has been found that Charlotte has a very substantial Deep Vein Thrombosis in her right leg. She is now on full bed rest and blood thinners have been commenced. A final comment from the doctor was that if we note any changes to the leg or if she becomes short of breathe, then full speed to the Emergency Department at the hospital. Her leg is swollen and she is finding it difficult to walk. So please be in prayer for her during these next weeks.

Praise: -- that we had a successful trip to Port Hedland to record more Scripture with Simeon and Gingin. Over a three-day period we were able to record: the section headings for Gospel of Mark, along with 2 Thessalonians, Titus, Philemon, 2 Peter, Jude and The Lord's Prayer.

Pray as we now go through the editing process.

Praise: -- Occasionally Michael is involved as an interpreter at the Cairns Courthouse assisting Islanders who come before the court. Last month after assisting a young man during his sentencing hearing I was able to chat with his 40 year old mother, Audrey. She asked where I had learned the language and I explained my involvement in the Bible translation. She said she had been trying find where she could get a copy. Before she returned to Thursday Island she said she wanted to buy 5 copies. These I could provide to her. Praise the Lord for opportunities such as this. Continue to uphold Melora in your prayers.

SOLOMON ISLANDS

Eric and Jemima Maefonea (Josiah, Amos, Erima and Vicki)

Praise God for a successful week , Jemima has been away to conduct a KYB leaders training on Malaita.



Praise God I took a series of studies through the letter of Galatians which went for 1 month and finished yesterday. People have been so blessed and challenged by the one true Gospel of Jesus.

Pray for a one week Crusade coming up for me to speak from 29th September to 6th October 2019.

Prayer for the 6th-7th September where I am speaking at a men's convention.

OVERSEAS MISSION FELLOWSHIP

Simon and Meg Crittle (Melanie)

Japanese Diaspora Ministry

Melbourne OMF International



Thank God that a new Japanese family has attended Sunday church at Clayton 3 out of 4 weeks in August, and that church folk are reaching out with friendly reception. Pray that the combination of God's Word, God's Spirit, and God's people will lead to a saving encounter with the Lord Jesus Christ for this family.

Thank God that the church in Nagoya we visited in May is continuing to follow up the Japanese family who recently returned from Melbourne, with positive results so far. Pray that the family will commit to regular church attendance, even in the midst of busy Japanese life. (We first met this family through our weekly event at Clayton church, the Japanese Mums English Class.)

Thank God for financial provision, through the generosity of financial supporters, and new Japanese students attending our English tutoring service (all funds are managed via the OMF finance system). Pray that we can effectively represent Jesus to our students through deed, and as opportunities arise, through word.

For many of our students, we are the first Christians with whom they have been in regular contact.

K PEOPLE

David & Eliza

Ben & Petra



David and Eliza and family on their way back to the K People after a refreshing time in Australia.

Most exciting news is that the block across the road from our house is available for purchase. Because supporters back home have so been generous, we have received all we need for David to get stuck into building the workshop. Thankyou friends and thankyou Father!

Please continue to uphold this Agricultural Innovation project, especially as we negotiate the purchase of the block. Pray for Ben and Petra as they have commenced their Home Assignment.



POWER TO CHANGE

Dave & Judy Huddleston (Tim, Liam & Caitlin) - Deputy National Director & Member Services Leader

Huddleston praise & prayer – September 2019

Give thanks for the recovery of Dave's Dad (Murray) in Adelaide, having recently returned home after several weeks in hospital with pneumonia and diabetes related issues. We're thankful Dave has been able make a flying visit to catch up with his parents just prior to Father's Day.

Give thanks for Dave's involvement with the Member Services team planning retreat 26-27 August. It was good to get away from the office to connect with God and each other and to prepare well for the remainder of this year – lots going on!

We praise God for the strategic appointment of Pam, the new Risk Management Officer in Power to Change, reporting to Dave. Pam brings with her significant knowledge and experience.

We'd value prayer for God to provide additional special gifts plus new ministry partners to address our total monthly needs budget shortfall, currently sitting at 80%. Pray for Dave's coordination of leadership assessment and crisis management training being hosted in Melbourne in September and October. Local, interstate and international participants involved.



MAF PILOT AND HOME SUPPORT

David and Jen Pett (Jonathon)

Please **give thanks** that Jen has been discharged from further hospital surveillance and for an uplifting CWCI conference.

Please pray that David's planned return to flying currency in September will be successful, and that he can finish compiling a Trauma Awareness course.

Please pray that a sale completion date can be agreed between all the parties so that we can book flights to the UK to help Jen's mum move house.

Please pray for good progress on the Lailenpi Airstrip earthworks in Myanmar, despite the monsoonal rains

CROSS CULTURAL WORKERS

Matt Inglis Japan

Praise God for a lovely time visiting family and friends in Australia recently!

Please pray for strength and wisdom as I get back into my regular ministry/routine back in Japan and for good health

Please also pray for increased work hours for me.



Melissa van Leeuwin

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

Praise God for the continued recovery for baby Irianna. Many months ago Irianna was sent to the children's hospital in Adelaide and was not expected to survive. She was transferred back to Alice in August. She will have life long issues with cerebral palsy as a result of the infection which was in her brain, however she is doing much better than the pediatric specialists could ever have hoped or imagined.

Pray for my work place as they continue to work on the process of transitioning to the Top End and Central Australia Health Services. There have been a number of staff changes at CDC, particularly in the senior leaders in Darwin.

Pray for one of my cats, Toby. He got very sick in late August and had to have emergency surgery. Pray that he will continue to heal and will have no further bladder obstructions. My other cat, Charlie, was very stressed when Toby was in the vet hospital



Dickson & Jennifer Chilele

Baptist Union Zambia

Continue to pray for Dickson Chiele as he studies at the Kaniki Bible College to become a Pastor.

Pray for Jennifer Chilele as she keeps things going at their home town some distance away.



Volunteers Needed:

Saturday Mornings:



We are looking for willing workers to help in the op shop and café on Saturday mornings. If you would like to join the Saturday Team and work from 10.00am to 1.00pm each week (or even just once a month)

Please see Kathy Mitchell.

Long Service Leave:

Judy Huddleston will be on Long Service Leave for the whole of September. In her absence, please refer any queries to Kathy Vincent or Lisa Vincent

Community Table—Needs You!

Each Tuesday during school terms we have our community lunch. From 12pm onwards around 30-40 people from the community come and enjoy a meal. ATM we are in desperate need of more volunteers to join the team. It may be cooking, serving, tidying up afterwards or simply enjoying a free meal and conversation. If you think this is something you may be able to be involved in please contact Gordon Taylor.

SERMON NOTES