

February 2020 | Monthly Newsletter of Lilydale Baptist Church  
*the church*

# Messenger

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



## **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

## **For Email Prayer Chain requests**

please email

[prayer@lb.org.au](mailto:prayer@lb.org.au)



## **Church Information...**

### **Church Office**

2/28 John Street Lilydale. 9735 2233

Email: [office@lb.org.au](mailto:office@lb.org.au)

Mon-Thurs: 9am-4pm

### **The Mustard Tree Shop & Café**

3/28 John Street Lilydale. 9735 3500

Mon-Fri 10am-3pm Sat 10am-1pm

### **Online Giving**

Lilydale Baptist Church General Fund

BSB: 704 922 Account: 100007931



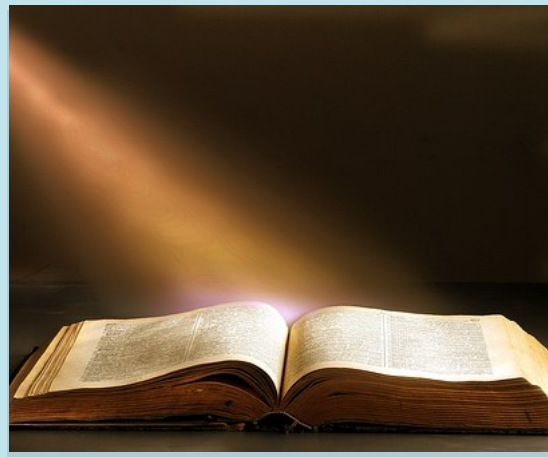
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**The Lord is my shepherd  
I have all that I need  
He lets me rest in green  
meadows  
He leads me beside  
peaceful streams  
He renews my strength  
He guides me along right  
paths bringing honor to  
his name,**

**Psalms 23 : 1-3**



**1 Chronicles 16:24**

**“Declare his glory  
among the nations,  
his marvelous  
deeds among all  
peoples.”**

May the words of my mouth and the  
meditation of my heart be pleasing  
in your sight, Lord, my Rock and my  
Redeemer. Psalm 19:14



## **Church Family Events for your Diary...**

**Thursday 6th Feb BLinGG Ladies Craft night  
7.30pm**

**8th Feb BLinGG Ladies Brunch 10am**

**16th Feb Lunch on The Lawn (free sausage sizzle)**

**All welcome to stay for lunch after the morning  
Service.**

# LBC Ministries...



*Study of the Old Testament*

Saturday 8am

**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



## **BLinGG Craft**

First Thursday of the month 7.30pm

in the fellowship room.

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## **LBC Gardening Group**

The LBC Gardening Group is a team of people who are interested in helping with the care and upkeep of our church property. We meet on the second Saturday of the month 9.00-12.00. Morning tea is provided and lots of fun guaranteed.

Please speak with either Vicki or Jenny if you are interested or just come 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.



You can listen to past sermons on either our church website ([www.lb.org.au](http://www.lb.org.au)) or via the link shared on Facebook

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## **In Action – Prayer on the move for God!**

### ***Every second Monday night***

@ 7.30pm there is a prayer group in the home of Luke and Bec Williams. This group is for the express purpose of praying for the needs of our Church family and the direction and vision of the Church. If you are interested please see Luke or Bec or contact the church office for details.

### ***Every Sunday Morning***

from 9.15am @ prayer chapel. Join in prayer for the Sunday Service and the needs of our church family. All welcome

“Be anxious for nothing, **but in everything by prayer and supplication**, with thanksgiving, let your requests be made known to God.” Philippians 4:6.



# BLINGG Brunch

Saturday, February 8<sup>th</sup> 2020

Lilydale Baptist Church

305 Swansea Road, Lilydale

10am - 12 noon

\$10 - Pay on Arrival

RSVP: Sign up sheet





# 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.



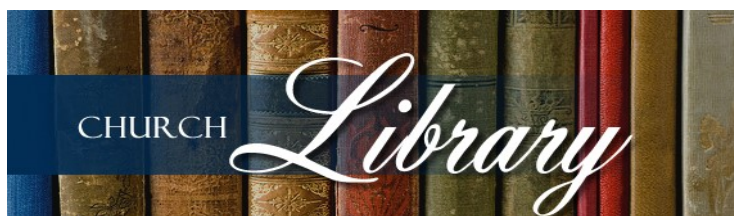
Keep these dates free: - Weather permitting.

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

16th Feb 15th Mar 119th Apr



## Church Library & Resource Room



**The Church Library is open Sundays after  
the 10am service.**

Our church library has many great titles for you to enjoy. Just complete the sign in/out book on the trolley to borrow.

Do you own DVD's that you know others would enjoy? We have a list in the church library that you can add DVD's to that you would be happy to share. Please place your name and contact number beside the DVD Title so that anyone wishing to loan your DVD can contact you. Please note that borrowing/returning/chasing up loaned DVD's is the responsibility of the two parties involved. Please keep your own record of any DVD's you loan out and/or borrow so that you can keep track of them.



## Make & Mingle

It's about fellowship and support. Its a great time of sharing and talking. So if your just wanting to sit, talk and share come to the church on Thursday morning, 9.30 - 12.00, and "mingle". ***You can of course also bring along your craft!!***



**For You are my rock  
and my fortress;**

**Therefore, for Your  
name's sake,**

**Lead me and guide me.**

# All things Mustard Tree...

Things have been very busy at The Mustard Tree during January. Donations have been flooding in and our volunteers have been kept very busy sorting, pricing and displaying items. The shop is full of stock and we encourage you to come down and visit and pick up a bargain or two. When you are visiting please take a look at the Community Garden. With all the rain we have had recently the garden is flourishing.

The Mustard Tree is always a busy place. If you would like to get involved in this important ministry, please see Judy Huddleston.

**Community Table:** Now that school has returned, Community Table will be starting again each Tuesday from 12pm. This free meal is open to anyone from the community. If you would like to get involved, please see Gordon Taylor.



**Alpha:** Next Tuesday 11th February, an Alpha Course will be starting at the Mustard Tree. This will be held in the Boardroom following Community Table (approx. 1pm). Please be praying for all those involved, particularly Gordon Taylor as he leads the course.



**Alpha is coming to The Mustard Tree  
(Tuesday's after Community Table)**

**February 2020**

**Everyone is welcome!**

**Contact Gordon Taylor: 0412 349 886**

**Food**

**Talk**

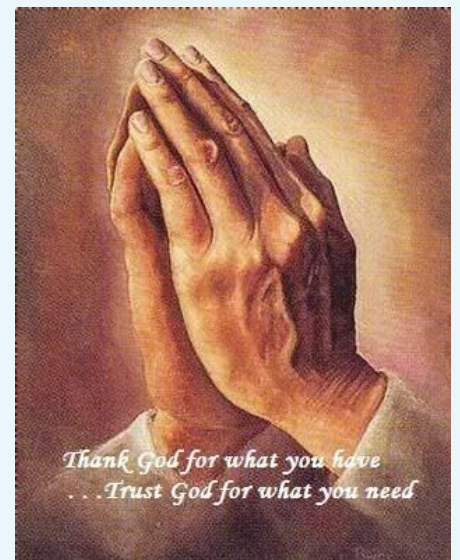
**Discussion**

[alpha.org.au](http://alpha.org.au)

## Getting Motivated for Missions



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



### Praise that:

- the Christmas party to conclude the year at 'Jewels of Hope' (JoH) was enjoyed by all with much appreciation shown for the food - parcels given as gifts and that the cost of this was covered by a donation from Australia
- Daniel has been able to bring the financial records up to date

### Pray for:

- a parcel of jewellery that was posted in Lesotho on 10 December to be located and delivered
- the project as it begins the program this year that more children will be able to be sourced to join JoH and that all will settle back well.
- safety in travel as Dawn and Graeme along with their son, Andrew, and his wife, Steph, travel to Johannesburg on 23 February

Thank you,

Dawn



**SOLOMON ISLANDS Eric and Jemima Maefonea (Josiah, Amos, Erima & Vicki)**

Keep praying for Eric & Jemima as they minister to the Solomon Island people and fulfill all Their commitments.

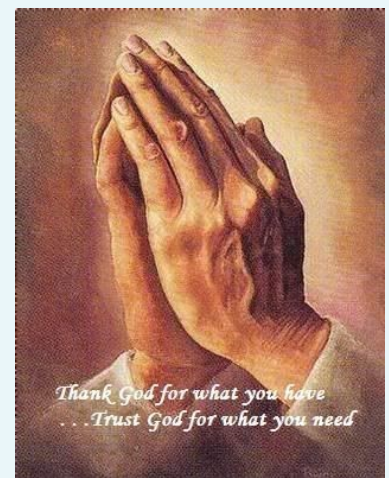
## Isaiah 6:8-9

**“Then I heard the voice of the Lord saying, “Whom shall I send? And who will go for us?” And I said, “Here am I. Send me!”**

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



### Huddleston praise & prayer points – Feb 2020

**Give thanks** that Dave, Judy, Liam and Caitlin could each provide meaningful contributions to the PTC ConneXion Conference in Wollongong in January. We're thankful to have played our part and praise God we get to do this as a family. We also praise God that the Conference could proceed, with all 250 adults and children kept safe, considering **travel** and air quality concerns associated with bushfires. Give thanks that Scott and Steph could have a safe and refreshing New Zealand holiday before a new year of commitments begins for them.

**Pray for** God's favour and guidance to be upon Tim (Ridley College), Liam (Monash Uni) and Caitlin (Yr 12 Lilydale High) as they begin their 2020 study commitments. Pray for Dave's upcoming involvement with National Leadership Team meeting in February and team retreat in early March.

*Dave & Judy*



**MAF—MISSION AVIATION  
FELLOWSHIP**  
Marcus and Julie Grey – Chief Pilot  
and Office Support

It's lovely to be back in Melbourne and we appreciate the welcome we have received.

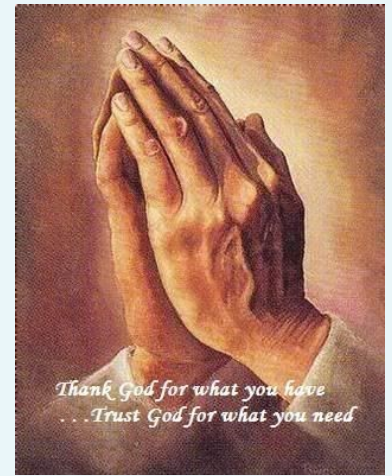
- Praise God for continuing to help us in the transition to our new routines.....Marcus as he travels and works in various MAF branches, has just passed his Pilot's medical for another 12 months and for Julie as she finds her niche and ministries.
- We are thankful for our family and friends who are helping us to adjust
- Please continue to pray for Marcus as he tries to meet all the demands of his MAF roles and be a blessing wherever needed.

Please also pray that his CPAP machine will work consistently through the night.... despite being sent away to Sydney to be 'fixed', it continues to stop working intermittently. His Pilot medical is dependent on use of the CPAP machine every night.

Thanks everyone, we value your support and prayers

Marcus and Julie

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## OVERSEAS MISSION FELLOWSHIP

Simon and Meg Crittle (Melanie)

Japanese Diaspora Ministry

Melbourne OMF International



- As various ministries recommence for 2020, please pray especially for the regular Thursday morning English class for Japanese mothers at Clayton church. This year too, many new Japanese families will move to Melbourne for 1 to 5 years for work or university postings -- pray that God will direct these families into our path, especially those with open and seeking hearts. Thank God that the English classes enable us to meet many such families. Pray that we can effectively represent and communicate Jesus Christ to these Japanese families in 2020.
- We thank God for local Christians who assisted and partnered with us in reaching out to Japanese families in 2019. The opportunities for effective outreach are much greater when we involve others. Pray that we will do a good job of mobilising, equipping, and supporting volunteer partners in 2020. Current need: pray that God will provide childcare helpers for the Thursday morning English class for Japanese mothers. Pray also that we can help find ministry opportunities here for local Christians who have returned from short-term mission trips to Japan



MAF PILOT AND HOME SUPPORT  
David and Jen Pett (Jonathon)

- We are celebrating the very recent engagement of Jonathan to Johanna, a student teacher and member of our church in Cairns. Please pray for them as they plan their marriage and future life together.
- We also give thanks that Jen's mum is settling well into her new home and church, and that we remained in good health in the UK and on our return to Cairns.
- Please pray for Graham who continues to battle fatigue and illness, and that test results will provide a diagnosis so that a treatment plan can begin.

Please pray that we will be wise in our planning and commitments for 2020, and that we can be effective in our various roles.

Thank you,

David and Jen

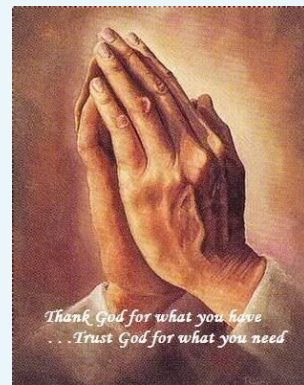
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Dickson & Jennifer Chilele BAPTIST  
UNION Zambia



## ZAMBIA

Dickson Chilele has moved from The Kanki bible College to the Central Africa Baptist College and Seminary (CABCO). We understand that the teaching at the new college is more suited to the work Dickson will be doing when he completes his studies. Pray for him and his wife, Jennifer, as they adjust to this change



## K PEOPLE

David and Eliza are praising God for the answer to prayer they received as God revealed to them more of what He is already doing in their community. Out of the blue, Eliza received a text from a local woman, Anna who wanted to talk to her about Jesus. They met up and Anna shared some of her story with Eliza, explaining that her Dad began following Jesus 20 years ago and that she is also a believer. Along with her family, Anna meets with a group of believers in a home each Sunday. What an exciting revelation! The team is praying that God will give them wisdom in knowing how to come alongside these believers and encourage them in sharing their faith with their neighbours and families.



Ben & Petra are now back with the K people. Please pray for them as they settle back into life with the K People once again.

## For Prayer

That as the team connects with this group of believers, mutual trust and understanding will grow.

For the team to be sensitive to the Spirit's leading as they build relationships with these believers and seek to journey with them.

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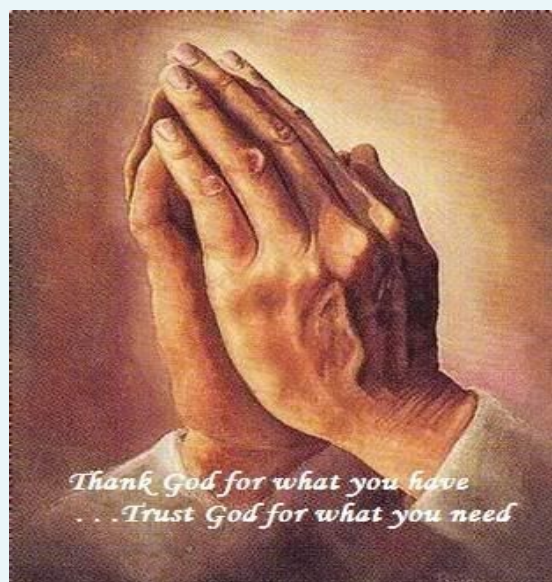
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**Melissa van Leeuwin**

Centre for Disease Control in the NT

Department of Health in Alice Springs



Praise God for a lovely Christmas break in Victoria and for the opportunity to catch up with my family.  
Praise God that I passed all my university subjects last year, particularly the last one which I found very challenging.

Please pray for the work of the Rheumatic Heart Disease Program in the Northern Territory. In February we are expecting that new guidelines for the diagnosis and care of our patients will be released. These guidelines are significantly different from the 2012 and as the changes are retrospective we will have a lot of work to do recategorizing patients and reorganising care plans over the next few months.

Pray for Caitlin who had valve surgery in January and for Mirelda, Marilyn, and Kiara who are planned for valve surgery in Adelaide in February.

Thanks again Melissa



**Matt Inglis Japan**

My prayer /praise points:

Please pray that my annual (and complex) immigration procedures (and everything associated with them) will go smoothly and that I will finally be given more than the one year which they keep giving me. I have been facing some severe (and complex) spiritual warfare lately, so please pray for God's powerful protection and for His sovereign will to ultimately be done. Praise God for the various ways He has been growing my faith. Praise God also for the powerful reassurance He has been giving me regarding his assured victory in this still-ongoing spiritual warfare.