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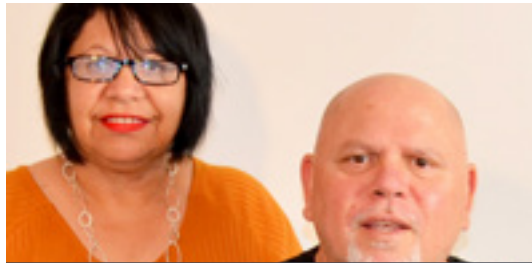
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WELCOME

Welcome to our May edition of Sturt Street News.

We are still unable to meet together physically, but we can still connect online and through electronic means. For more information about our online services, please look on page 4.

Included in this issue are a couple of articles to do with our indigenous outreach. One article has been written by Pr Elijah Umeume who is currently serving in Tennant Creek, as well as one from our folk in Orange. I encourage everyone to read these to familiarise yourself with all that is going on.

Blessings,
Pr Mike Groom

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Youth: Empower Team

Young Adults: Engage Team

Seniors: Peter Chigwidden

Finance: Kelly Groom

Administrator: Marita Mabulac

Adelaide City Care: Pr Gregg Manego

Elders Team: Pr Mike Groom, Pr Gregg Manego, Pr Neil Milne, Hew Barnard Brown, Lin Andrews and Ian Wood

ABOUT US

We are a city-based Pentecostal church. We gather every Sunday, as people of all ages from all walks of life, to celebrate God and to experience a powerful message, teaching truths from the Bible. Our gatherings are relaxed with friendly people, modern music and media presentations. You are more than welcome to join us any Sunday at our 10am gathering.

Vision

To be a Christ-centred community of believers who obey the Great Commission

Mission

Empowering people for life change

Strategy

Engage people with Jesus
Establish people into faith
Equip people for service
Empower people to serve

Generous Giving

Tithes and Offerings

Adelaide Christian Centre
BSB: 065005 Acc: 0090 3471

Missions Offerings

Adelaide Christian Centre
BSB: 065005 Acc: 0090 3471

Adelaide City Care Donations

Tax Deductible Donations
BSB: 065005 Acc: 1009 3025





ACC ONLINE AND ON TV

Adelaide Christian Centre's online presence is going strong! Due to the COVID-19 outbreak we have had to put our Sunday services, and all of our physical church gatherings, on hold for a season. Although it is sometimes a challenge preparing all of our videos and online content, we have developed a steady rhythm and are continually developing ideas to make things even better.

YouTube Channel

If you haven't looked at our YouTube channel yet, please follow the link in the following column. Not only are we reaching our church, but we can easily reach our folk in Tennant Creek, Orange and beyond!

Each Sunday we are streaming our prerecorded church services through our YouTube channel. We are also uploading videos for our connect groups and regular updates for our church.

Feel free to subscribe to our channel so you do not miss out on our live streams and these regular uploads: www.youtube.com/c/AdelaideChristianCentre

Channel 44

We have also been continuing on with our broadcasts on Community TV Station Adelaide 44. We play our 30 minute pre-recorded messages on Saturday mornings from 10:00-10:30am.

This has opened up a way for those who cannot watch online to be involved in our services, and creates another opportunity to reach the lost.



ELECTRONIC GIVING

Giving is an act of worship. We give because God first gave to us. Your generosity helps spread the message of God's love to change lives. Thank you for your generosity.

During this time we cannot take up our physical tithes, missions and other offerings as we normally would in our Sunday services. The only way we can give is through electronic avenues.

If you would like to give to Adelaide City Care, please follow the details on page 17 as they differ from the information on this page.

Option One: Online Giving

Visit the giving page on our church website: www.adelaidechristiancentre.com.au/give/.

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Option Two: Bank Transfer

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Account Number: 0090 3471

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GENERAL INFORMATION

THE STANDOUT QUALITIES OF A MOTHER

This month we celebrate Mother's Day. Although we cannot meet physically as a church, we are still dedicating our service on Sunday 10th May to our mothers. Be sure to tune in and celebrate with us. The link to our YouTube channel can be found on page 4.

We are greatly affected by our mothers. They say that mothers are the most active person in the first seven years of a child's life, more so than fathers.

Abraham Lincoln said, "No man is poor who has had a godly mother."

George Washington said, "The greatest teacher I ever had was my mother."

Proverbs 1:8 says, 'Listen, my son, to your father's instruction and do not forsake your mother's teaching'.

Proverbs 6:20 says, 'My son, keep your father's commands and do not forsake your mother's teaching'.

Four Qualities of a Great Mother

1. The Quality of SACRIFICE

Mothers have the ability to lay down their own ambitions and needs for the sake of their child.

They intuitively decide to go without to see that their child is taken care of.

"There is nothing too great if my child needs

me." This is a mother's attitude.

2. The Quality of LOYALTY

Loyalty means 'An enduring commitment to a person over a long period of time and a remaining commitment in the face of obstacles'.

Loyalty is faithfulness with love. The opposite is betrayal and division!

3. The Quality of LOVE

Ephesians 4:32 says, 'Be completely humble and gentle; be patient, bearing with one another in love'.

Love is really alive when it is giving. Patience means I make allowances for the faults of another person. This really is a quality of a God-fearing mother.

"Before becoming a mother I had a hundred theories on how to bring up children. Now I have seven children and only one theory: love them, especially when they least deserve to be loved." - Anonymous

Authentic love is a sacrificial giving love that builds trust, commitment and acceptance in life.

4. The Quality of KINDNESS

Proverbs 31:26 says, 'She opens her mouth with wisdom, and on her tongue is the law of kindness'.

The mother has the ability to feel human emotion that results in loving action.

Be a blessing to your mum this Mother's Day.

Blessings,
Pr Mike Groom

GENERAL INFORMATION



FACILITY UPGRADE PROJECT

1st July 2019 - 30th June 2020

Over the last few years we have made a great effort in updating our Adelaide Christian Centre Facility. Our newest initiative is the Facility Upgrade Project.

The first phase of this project included refurbishments to the auditorium (painting and carpet) and the signs that have been installed inside and outside the building.

The second phase of this project included installing an accessible toilet and shower, creating a first aid room and building a lobby into both areas.

The project is now complete but we still need to raise funds for the money spent.

PROJECT COSTS

Total cost of the project:	\$68,200.00
Funds received to date:	\$56,433.04
Outstanding pledges:	\$ 3,713.30
Shortfall needed:	\$ 8,053.66

MAKING A PLEDGE

- One off donation
- Monthly contribution

Tax Deductible Donations

This is a tax deductible project. All tax deductible receipts for donations over \$2 will be issued by Adelaide City Care which is a Deductible Gift Recipient (DGR).

Account Name: Adelaide City Care
BSB: 065005

Account Number: 1009 3025

Reference: Upgrade Project



Connect Groups

CONNECT GROUPS



What is happening during the COVID-19 pandemic?

All of our connect groups are currently running via video call and other online means, as we are not able to meet physically for obvious reasons.

Each online connect group watches a 7-10 minute teaching video drawn from our most recent Sunday message, followed by an online group discussion.

Connect group leaders should be communicating details for each meeting to their connect group members. If you have not received any updates, please contact your connect group leader.

If you are not part of a connect group yet but are interested in joining one, please leave your contact details on the connect group page of our church website and we will be in contact with you as soon as possible.

CONNECT GROUP UPDATE

Adelaide Christian Centre loves connect groups! We have a great number of people throughout the life of our church who are attending a small group on a regular basis.

We believe that life change happens best in small groups, through accountability, a sense of belonging and knowing that others care.

Hebrews 10:24-25 says: *Let us consider how we may spur one another on to love and good deeds. Let us not give up meeting together. Let us encourage one another.*

If you have not joined a connect group yet we encourage you to get involved!

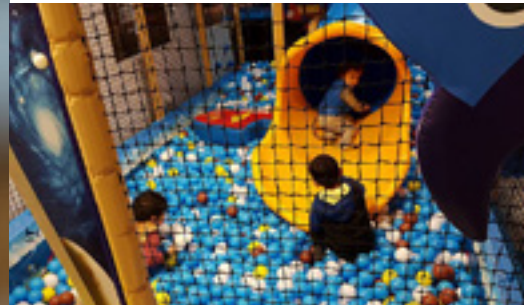
At the bottom of this page we also have contact information for our regular connect groups and the location in which they meet physically (which will recommence at the end of this pandemic).

If you are interested in joining an online connect group with people in your area, you can join by clicking on the relevant link and the connect group leader will be in contact with you.

Please follow this link for more information on our connect groups, connect group resources and further details on how you can join one of our connect groups: www.adelaidechristiancentre.com.au/connect/connect-groups/

Church Ministries

CHURCH MINISTRIES



UPDATE

All Ministries

Due to the COVID-19 pandemic, we have had to postpone all of our physical church gatherings. This means that all activities will now be using online and electronic means to communicate. Please take note that Giggle Patch Playgroup will not be running at all for the foreseeable future. When we are able to begin holding playgroup again we will let everybody know.

We encourage everyone to read through the information in the coming pages to become familiar with the new initiatives that are taking place to keep our various children's and young adult ministries connected during this time.

I would also like to make special mention of our Equip Training College. A general overview of Equip is included on pages 14 and 15. If you have some extra time on your hands during this pandemic, I strongly encourage you to consider enrolling in Equip. Email office@adelaidechristiancentre.com.au if you are interested in enrolling.

Blessings
Pr Mike Groom

GROW

3-6 Years

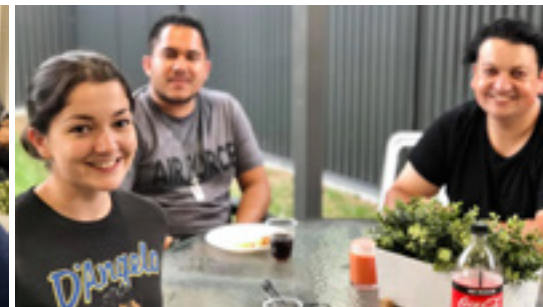
Obviously not a lot has been going on in Grow recently, but I wanted to let everyone know that we have created a Facebook group for all of our Grow families to help us stay connected during this uncertain time.

Follow this link to join the group: www.facebook.com/groups/515902745980537/?ref=share

If you do not have Facebook, but you would still like to keep in touch, please feel free to email me at cassie@beattie.com.au and I will email you the resources that I am posting in the Facebook group. I have been super busy with work but I will try to get something new up each week.

In these strange and uncertain times, it is really important to stay in touch, to stay positive and to remind our children that God is always there for them. My challenge for May is to pick up the phone and remind someone that you care and that they are not alone; maybe prayer with them too.

God bless,
Cassie Beattie



ELEVATE

7-11 Years

We are running Zoom calls after our Sunday services. Details are posted in the Elevate parents chat. If you are not in this chat, please contact Kelly Groom. We also ask all parents to join our Facebook group: www.facebook.com/groups/elevateacc

May Program

Sunday 3rd May

Big Idea: Service

Bible Verse: Mark 10:45

Bible Story: Israelites Win the Battle – Exodus 17:8–13

Bottom Line: Look for ways to help others.

Sunday 10th May

Big Idea: Service

Bible Verse: Mark 10:43

Bible Story: How To Be Great – Mark 10:43

Bottom Line: Serving others makes you GREAT.

Sunday 17th May

Big Idea: Uniqueness

Bible Verse: Psalm 139:16

Bible Story: Fearfully and Wonderfully Made – Psalm 139:14

Bottom Line: God made you and he knows you.

Sunday 24th May

Big Idea: Uniqueness

Bible Verse: John 3:16

Bible Story: 1 Peter 4:10

Bottom Line: God made you to do great things.

Sunday 31st May

Big Idea: Uniqueness

Bible Verse: John 14:12

Bible Story: Gideon – Judges 6:12–16; 7:1–22

Bottom Line: God wants to use you to do great things.

Thank you for your continued support.

EMPOWER

12-17 Years

Although COVID-19 has stopped our youth from meeting physically, it has actually encouraged us to stay a whole lot more connected online!

In March and April we were able to develop multiple online ways to carry on our connect groups, and be particularly creative with our Friday night youth events.

We have found that our 'events' have lasted late into the night as nobody seems to want to stop talking and having fun.

Although we miss seeing each other in person, and we cannot wait for the day that we can all be together again, our online communication is working wonders and has enabled us to build even deeper connections.

For connect groups during this pandemic, we are using Zoom. This has worked out very well so far so we will continue using it. Please remember that our connect group begins at 7pm each Tuesday night. The details for our Zoom meetings are posted in our Facebook group.

For our Friday night youth events we will be hosting Netflix parties, house parties using the House Party application, playing online games whilst calling on Zoom, and more! If you have any creative ways that we can stay connected and have fun together during this time, please let us know!

Due to our Empower and Engage groups being involved in pretty much the same activities, we have created a new Facebook group for this COVID-19 pandemic so we do not have to post the same things in two different groups.

We greatly encouraged everyone who is involved in Empower and Engage to join our new group; parents are of course welcome to join as well: www.facebook.com/groups/empowerandengagegroup

If you do not know how to download and install any of the programs just mentioned, please feel free to contact one of our youth leaders and they will talk you through it.

We have also posted instructions for Zoom and Netflix Party in the Empower and Engage Facebook group so please have a look through there as well.

We will see you all online this month! Stay connected everybody.



ENGAGE

18-25 Years

During this COVID-19 pandemic, our Engage Young Adults are unable to hold events or connect group in person. This means that we have had to engage in various online playforms to run events and connect groups.

Our Tuesday night connect group has been running on Zoom at 7pm. Prior to the meeting we have been posting our Zoom meeting details in our joint Empower and Engage Lockdown Group: www.facebook.com/groups/empowerandengagegroup

Please join the above group if you are not part of it already. This is where we post all of our need-to-know information, and is especially important during this time to help us stay connected.

In addition to connect group, we have been organising various ways to stay connected on Friday nights for Empower Youth. Our Engage Young Adults are more than welcome to join in on these events. Once again, details for all of these events will also be posted in the combined Facebook group.



EQUIP

Equip Training College (ETC)

ETC is intentional about equipping Christ followers to be effective ministers and leaders, who serve God by serving others.

ETC places a high importance on identifying, equipping and releasing people into Christian service and leadership within the local church, community and throughout the world.

ETC endeavours to teach the fundamentals of the faith to people in a way that will transform their life and character, whilst preparing them to fulfil the call of God.

The curriculum has been designed to help local church leaders fulfil the Biblical mandate stated in Ephesians 4:11-12:

Christ Himself gave the apostles, the prophets, the evangelists, the pastors and teachers, to EQUIP HIS PEOPLE FOR WORKS OF SERVICE, so that the Body of Christ may be built up.

We encourage you to consider enrolling into one of our courses so we can journey together on the great adventure the Lord has for you.

Certificate in Biblical Studies and Ministry

Dynamic Christian Foundations: Presents doctrines of Christian faith, to build a solid theological basis to form spiritual life on.

Introduction to Bible Study: Presents basic principles and methods of Bible study.

Christian Life: Presents a pattern for gracious living, and the manner in which Christians should relate to themselves, to other believers, to their society and to their God.

The Church: Examines the church with particular attention given to its origin, purpose, government, ordinances, offices and ministry gift identification.

Spiritual Development: Presents biblical perspectives on God's plan/purpose for man and how God develops a believer's personality through spiritual development.

The Holy Spirit: Presents a balanced interpretation of Holy Spirit baptism that Christians should desire to experience.

Intentional Community: The importance of small group ministry within the context of the local church primarily for discipleship, care and evangelism purposes is taught.

World Missions: Theology and history of world missions, understanding cross-cultural ministry and missionary service.

Practicum (A): Student Study Guides include the Practical Competencies for each Certificate subject.

Practicum (B): Students are to be in an active serving role within their local church.

Diploma in Ministry and Leadership

Great Words of the Gospel: Doctrine of Salvation is clearly defined and expanded.

The Cross and the Crown: Deals with work of Christ. Especially, the historical work of Christ, and the circumstances surrounding His crucifixion and the resurrection.

The Book of Ephesians: Captures themes of Paul's letter to the church in Ephesus: the believer's identity, position and authority in Christ, ministry gifts, and relationships.

The Gifts of the Spirit: Presents a clear and deeper understanding of the purpose and operation of the nine gifts of the Holy Spirit in the believer and within the church.

Marriage and Family Life: Explores modern problems inherent in marital and family relationships. Counselling resources and practical advice provided.

Introduction to Christian Counselling: Helps students discover basic concepts of Christian counselling and increases skills in counselling situations.

The Book of Galatians: Captures themes of Paul's letter to church in Galatia: the contrast between law and grace, faith and works, the flesh and the fruit of the Spirit, and between the world and the cross.

Leadership Dynamics: Presents dynamics of leadership as it applies to the individual, teams and local church: platform ministry, communication, ministry ethics, church administration, policies, government etc.

Practicum (A) and (B): Same as adjacent column.



Adelaide City Care

ADELAIDE CITY CARE

ABOUT US

Adelaide City Care is a not-for-profit organisation. The mission of Adelaide City Care is: *Empowering people for life change.*

As an arm of Adelaide Christian Centre, we are committed to supporting those who are new arrivals to South Australia. In 2006 this group was recognised as a potentially disadvantaged group. Our initiatives assist new arrivals to combat social isolation, foster social inclusion and increase their employability.

Through our programs we aim to help new migrants ease into their settlement in Australia, assimilate into the broader community, and improve their family lifestyle. Information is provided about assistance that is available including social welfare services, employment, housing, accommodation, banking and finance.

Give to Adelaide City Care

Our primary means of resources come from those who generously contribute to this part of our work. If you would like to help us please donate online by EFT:

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GIVING

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Due to COVID-19 we have had to pause all of our Adelaide City Care programs and activities. We are also unable to take up our normal offerings during Sunday services. This causes a problem for anybody who gives to Adelaide City Care this way.

Please note that during this time the only way we can give is through electronic avenues.

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Adelaide Christian Schools

ADELAIDE CHRISTIAN SCHOOLS



ABOUT US

A significant part of the mandate of our church is Christian Education. Leo Harris had a vision for Christian Education and plans were developed in 1976 and 1977 for a Christian School. Sunrise Christian School was founded in 1978 in Fullarton. A few years later Temple Christian College was founded as a sister organisation for high school students.

Adelaide Christian Schools (ACS) is an organisation that aims to oversee and support its schools ranging from Reception to Year 12 in co-educational settings and other training establishments. ACS is called to educate and train children in all aspects of life in such a way that God is seen to be the centre of everything - to be an extension of the Christian home, fulfilling the God-given mandate for parents to bring up their children in His ways.

The schools are governed by a Board with membership comprising individuals with vast experience and expertise from a variety of industry sectors. The Board works closely with Committees and Advisory Groups that have been established in each school community to engage with local leadership at a grass roots level, providing an opportunity for local input and expression.

OUR SCHOOLS

ACS governs and supports 11 schools. These schools comprise of approximately 2300 students and in excess of 250 staff. Each school offers its own distinctive qualities that focuses on the role of the family in education, character development and excellence in academics.

Australian Schools

Sunrise Christian School

- Fullarton, SA	ELC - 7	Est. 1978
- Paradise, SA	ELC - 7	Est. 1989
- Morphett Vale, SA	ELC - 7	Est. 1994
- Marion, SA	R - 10	Est. 2002
- Naracoorte, SA	R - 7	Est. 2005
- Whyalla, SA	ELC - 7	Est. 2009

Temple Christian College

- Mile End, SA	7 - 12	Est. 1983
- Paralowie, SA	7 - 12	Est. 2001

Discovery Christian College

- Agnes Water, QLD	3 - 10	Est. 2015
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International Schools

Sunrise Bethel Christian School

- Port Moresby, Papua New Guinea

Faith Christian School




- Walhalla, South Carolina, USA



MISSIONS

MONTHLY MISSIONS GIVING



Christian Education

	Fiji Islands	<i>Bethel Crusade Preschools</i>	\$300.00
	Papua New Guinea	<i>Bethel Sunrise School</i>	\$300.00
	U.S.A.	<i>Faith Christian School</i>	\$500.00
	Sri Lanka	<i>Door of Hope Preschool</i>	\$400.00


Helping the Needy

	Sri Lanka	<i>Bethel Children's Homes & Farm</i>	\$400.00
	Philippines	<i>Children's Feeding Programs</i>	\$100.00


Missionary Service

	Papua New Guinea	<i>Rachelle Hardy</i>	\$200.00
	U.S.A.	<i>Warwick and Omega Hughes</i>	\$600.00
	World	<i>Pastor Barry Silverback</i>	\$1,000.00

Ministry Training

	Papua New Guinea	<i>Bethel Bible College</i>	\$300.00
	Papua New Guinea	<i>Student Sponsorship Program</i>	\$500.00
	India	<i>Missions Training School</i>	\$500.00
	India	<i>Evangelos Training Institute</i>	\$250.00

Other

	Sri Lanka	<i>Colombo Building Project</i>	\$100.00
	Australia	<i>Indigenous Outreach</i>	\$250.00

COMBINED TOTAL

\$5,700.00



Bethel Crusade Preschools

Fiji: \$300 per month

Tax Deductible Project Code: J352N

Bethel Crusade Preschools began in Suva in 1994 with nine children. Since then approximately 3,000 children have graduated from the preschools. Bethel Crusade Preschools have expanded to reach a total of eight preschools located throughout Fiji in Sigatoka, Suva, Lakena, Savusavu, Nacavanadi, Labasa, Daku and on Koro Island.

Prayer Points:

- Pray for our staff, children and their families as they navigate through this uncertain time. There are numerous confirmed cases of COVID-19 in Fiji.
- Pray for great things to be accomplished when this pandemic is over.

Sunrise Bethel Christian School

PNG: \$300 per month

Tax Deductible Project Code: J573N

Based in Port Moresby, Sunrise Bethel Christian School is a non-denominational, co-educational school. It is part of Adelaide Christian Schools, a ministry of Adelaide Christian Centre. The school is located on the grounds of Bethel Tabernacle of Praise Church and currently has approximately 250 students. This is an excellent ministry that we are involved in!

Prayer Points:

- Pray for our staff, children and their families as they navigate through this uncertain time.
- Pray for the successful development of the new school buildings and facilities after this pandemic is over.

Faith Christian School

U.S.A: \$500 per month

Faith Christian School is located in Walhalla, South Carolina. It is part of Adelaide Christian Schools, a ministry of Adelaide Christian Centre. It is associated with Faith Christian Center, our national CRC centre in the United States. The school offers a Christ-centered innovative learning experience, where character development and the role of the parent is paramount.

Prayer Points:

- Pray more enrolments and for existing school fees to be paid by parents.
- Pray for promotional ideas and for the school and for people to help promote.
- Pray for good health for all of those involved in the school.

Door of Hope Preschool

Sri Lanka: \$400 per month

Door of Hope Preschool has been running for a few years now and is located in Vavuniya in the north of Sri Lanka. It is predominantly made up of Tamil speaking children. We currently have one employed teacher and a lady who volunteers her time to come and assist with teaching the children. Our support for Door of Hope Preschool is allocated to the running of the preschool.

Prayer Points:

- Pray for our staff, children and their families as they navigate through this uncertain time. Believe that the preschool will come back strong.
- Pray for any challenges faced at the hand of the local government.



Bethel Children's Homes

Sri Lanka: \$400 per month

Tax Deductible Project Code: J982N

Bethel Children's Homes have been in operation since 1998 when the first home opened with 11 girls. Since then two new homes have been built to house more girls on the same property. A property was also purchased to build a new home for boys. All of the children in the homes have been affected in some way by the war and civil unrest in Sri Lanka. This has resulted in them being displaced, physiologically affected and discriminated against.

The homes have government permission to care for up to 40 children. They maintain a family-like environment by ensuring a high level of individual care. The homes ensure all children are sent to primary and secondary schools within the community,

assures all medical and healthcare needs are met, provides all subsistence needs (i.e. food, clothing, shelter, water, sanitation, recreation etc.), and commits to continually support their overall physical, emotional, mental and intellectual development.

Our church provides financial and management support for the children and staff within the homes. As a church we sponsor four children - Angel, Sharon, Jonathan and George.

Prayer Points:

- Pray for all of our children during this uncertain time. Believe for all our new children to settle in effectively.
- Pray for our dedicated staff who take care of the children day-to-day, especially at this time as Sri Lanka has been placed under lockdown.

Children's Feeding Programs

Philippines: \$100 per month

Thousands of children have been ministered to throughout the Philippines by our feeding programs. Our children's feeding programs use strict attendance and monitoring records and are run for children in three age groups - 3 to 6 year olds (Level 1), 7 to 10 year olds (Level 2) and 11 to 14 year olds (Level 3).

Multiple activities are included within the feeding programs - feeding, Bible teaching, Gospel preaching, prayers for the children and their families, prayers for the communities, world missions orientation, games, memory verses, praise and worship, and assignments on the Bible. These programs may also go further to include children camps, family visits and Christmas gift giving.

CRC children's feeding programs differ from other feeding programs in the Philippines. They do not simply seek to provide food to children to fill their stomachs on a short term basis. They aim to provide education on nutrition and to provide nutritious meals so the health of children and their families may improve long term.

Prayer Points:

- Pray for all of the children and workers involved in the feeding programs that they will stay safe during this time.
- Pray that after this pandemic, that the feeding programs will experience a new wave of enthusiasm and blessing.
- Pray for guidance over our leaders as they navigate the future of the feeding programs



Rachelle Hardy

PNG: \$200 per month

Rachelle Hardy is a long-serving CRC missionary. She is primarily based in Port Moresby and oversees the World Missions Faith Training School. Rachelle travels regularly to India to provide leadership to the World Missions Faith Training School located there. She is an extremely faithful and hard working woman and we are very pleased to be supporting her as a church.

Prayer Points:

- Pray that Rachelle will be refreshed and kept in good health during this time as she is staying in Adelaide during the pandemic.
- Pray for God's ongoing sense of peace, guidance and protection over Rachelle's life.



Pr Barry Silverback

World: \$1,000 per month

Pr Barry Silverback is the CRC International Missions Director and is one of the longest serving members of Adelaide Christian Centre. He travels extensively to many nations teaching, preaching and mentoring many. He truly is a 'father in the faith' to hundreds of people around the globe.

Prayer Points:

- Pray for God's continued hand of protection over Pr Barry's life
- Pray for God's guidance and wisdom in all of the decisions Pr Barry is involved in making for various nations and ministries.
- Pray for fruitful ministry in all that he sets out to do.



Warwick and Omega Hughes

USA: \$600 per month

Pr Warwick is originally from New Zealand and was a missionary in Papua New Guinea (PNG) for many years. In PNG he was heavily involved in training students through the World Missions Faith Training School. He met his wife Omega in PNG and together they have two children - Jethro and Warwick Jr.

After a long process acquiring visas, in August 2018 Pr Warwick and his family relocated to Walhalla, South Carolina in the United States. Pr Warwick is currently serving as our senior pastor at Faith Christian Center. The family has been well received by the local congregation and Pr Warwick is doing a fantastic job as senior pastor.

The Adelaide Christian Centre eldership,



primarily through Pr Mike, provide guidance and support where necessary to Pr Warwick and the local leadership at Faith Center Church. Pr Mike visits Walhalla twice a year.

Prayer Points:

- Pray for the congregation to trust in Jesus and the promises of God's Word.
- Pray for God's wisdom for those who are leading the work in Walhalla.
- Pray for good health for the Hughes family and those in the church.
- Pray for congregation members to witness to others so they can experience Jesus and His love; pray for these opportunities to open up amongst all that is happening.
- Pray for a new awakening to the reality of Jesus and revival.



Bethel Bible College

PNG: \$300 per month

Bethel Bible College is a two year live-in program. The first year follows the World Missions Faith Training School (WMFTS) curriculum. This College provides a unique opportunity for specialised study and preparation for ministry. Students are from many countries. The environment of cross-cultural relationships provides an ideal setting for an active discipleship school.

Prayer Points:

- Pray for all of the staff and students involved in the college.
- Pray for the successful redevelopment of the college in the coming months.
- Pray for all new students who will begin at the college in 2020.

Student Sponsorship

PNG: \$500 per month

Dipen is a graduate of WMFTS in India. He is traveling to Fiji in September to serve there for some time. Ilisoni and his family are from Fiji. His wife Viema runs the Preschool Teacher Training at Bethel Centre and he is enrolled in Bethel Bible College.

Prayer Points:

- Pray for God's continued guidance, direction and protection for both Dipen and Ilisoni.
- Pray for Ilisoni and his family in Papua New Guinea as Bethel Centre is under lockdown.
- Pray for Dipen, who is now in India, that he will enjoy good health during this time.

Missions Training School

India: \$500 per month

WMFTS exposes men and women to the missionary mandate, informing, training, preparing and inspiring them to become missionaries around the world. The school is located in West Bengal in the North East of India and is looked after by a group of faithful staff.

Prayer Points:

- Pray for all of the staff involved in the school during this pandemic, that they will remain in good health and positive spirits.
- Pray that God will begin to speak to people during this time when everything is on lockdown, so they will be encouraged to join the school when it begins again.

Evangelos Training Institute

India: \$250 per month

Purnima is a graduate of WMFTS India. She has served in Papua New Guinea and Fiji. She is now back in India. We have supported Purnima for a number of years and we now support her through her ministry at the Evangelos Training Institute. Her team are doing an excellent job running the school and we are happy to support them!

Prayer Points:

- Pray for the staff involved in the school during this time, that they will remain in good health and positive spirits.
- Pray that God will begin to speak to people during this time when everything is on lockdown, so they will be encouraged to join the school when it begins again.



TAX DEDUCTIBLE DEVELOPMENT PROJECTS

Two of our CRC children's ministries have tax deductible projects running from 2018-2020. This is an exciting development and we are looking forward to seeing all that will be achieved within our preschools in Fiji and children's homes in Sri Lanka throughout these projects.

A general overview of each project is included within the following columns. We have also included information for those of you who are looking to give tax deductible donations to the projects.

We appreciate all of your generous and ongoing support for our preschools and children's homes.

Fiji Preschools Development Project

Tax Deductible Project Code: J352N

From 2018-2020 we are working on a project to improve Bethel Crusade Preschools for students, teachers and the local communities where our preschools are located.

The major objective of the new project is: *To have eight fully functioning preschools complete with facilities that meet government and OHS standards, trained and certified teachers, and sewing courses to empower mothers and other women in the preschool communities.*

If you would like any further information on the project please pick up a project booklet from the info desk or the table at the back of the auditorium.

Sri Lanka Displaced Children Development Project

Tax Deductible Project Code: J982N

We launched a three year project for our children's homes in January 2018 for ongoing development and sustainability.

The major objective for this project is: *To support and empower displaced children and young people through quality education (primary, secondary and tertiary), improved healthcare, adequate subsistence (food, clothing, accommodation, water, sanitation and recreation), a safe family-like living environment, and ongoing developmental support (physical, emotional, mental and intellectual).*

To discover more about the project please pick up a project booklet from the info desk or the table at the back of the auditorium.

Step 1: Direct Bank Deposit (online)

Direct Deposit tax deductible donations can be made using the following details.

Account Name: Global Development Group
BSB: 064118

Account Number: 10200094

Reference: e.g. J. Smith J352N/J982N

Please make sure you include your initials (e.g. J. Smith), followed by the code for the project you wish to donate to (**J352N** for Fiji Preschools or **J982N** for Sri Lanka Children's Homes) in the reference section so GDG can trace your deposit.

Step 2: Email GDG your donation details

Email info@globaldevelopment.org.au with the following details.

- a) Your name and address
- b) Amount and date of donation
- c) Project code - **J352N** or **J982N**

GDG will send you a receipt for your tax deductible donation. If you would like to contribute to the project on a regular basis you will need to set this up with your bank and then let GDG know in your initial email.

For more information or to donate online:

- Fiji Preschools
www.gdg.org.au/InfoJ352N
- Sri Lanka Children's Homes
www.gdg.org.au/InfoJ982N

Bethel Crusade Preschools and Door of Hope International are partners for J352N and J982N with Global Development Group (ABN 57 102 400 993), an Australian NGO approved by the Minister of Foreign Affairs.



MISSIONARY SERVICE IN TENNANT CREEK

On Wednesday 15th January I travelled to Cairns from Papua New Guinea. I spent the night with the Steel family and the next day I travelled to Alice Springs. I was picked up by one of the Tennant Creek church members and we travelled to Tennant Creek together.

In the beginning I was scheduled to carry out certain responsibilities and these eventually became part of my regular program.

Prior to coming to Tennant Creek, I was prepared in my heart to do whatever task was required of me to do. I was also

prepared to fit into any environment or setting that I found myself in.

Meals On Wheels

Meals On Wheels was an exciting thing for me to be involved in because it was an opportunity for me to serve people who need to be served. It was new to me so I have found it exciting meeting elderly people and getting to know them. It has been so great.

Some of these people are the same age as me, but because of their condition, it makes them look younger than me. Yes, you can laugh.

Teach In Night Bible Studies

Teaching in the night Bible studies is good for the people. People who are working and those who are not working all come together every Wednesday night for the studies. The people are excited because they are learning new things. Every Wednesday night they are learning new subjects.

But one night was not enough for them, so they requested for additional nights. They suggested to keep the Wednesday night, and to also include Friday and Saturday nights. These are the nights I have been taking the Bible studies.

I have seen people's lives and attitudes changed. I believe Bible studies are the way forward for the transformation of people's lives here in Tennant Creek.

Personal Evangelism

Evangelising to Indigenous Australians in a public place is not comfortable for them.

They prefer private places where they are relaxed and where it is comfortable for them to listen. I tried twice to minister to some people in public, but they walked away from me. I thought they did not want to listen to the Word of God.

However, on another day we talked to two boys in two different locations which were more private. These boys responded and they gave their hearts to the Lord. This indicates to me that when evangelising to Indigenous Australia, this is the way to go. That is what I see.

Follow Up Visitation

Follow up and visitation seems to be something new that has started. When we started following up people at their homes it was hard going. People are not familiar with foreigners visiting them in their homes. They see you stop outside but they do not come out to check if you want to come in or see someone.

Eventually, our persistence in visiting people is paying off and they began opening up. Now if we were to go, they would come out to greet us and talk to us. Christians are the same.

Sometimes it is discouraging, however, persistence, perseverance and patience are the ingredients needed to get along smoothly in rough places.

Visiting Outreaches

We only have one outreach location and I enjoyed going there twice. That place is called Elliot. It is a nice place - beautiful! Elliot is an ideal place, there are lots of villages surrounding that little town. People

there know each other.

Elliot is different from Tennant Creek. People will welcome you when you go to their homes. We visited many homes and people were happy to see us. We shared, encouraged and prayed for them.

When we settle in Elliot permanently, something good will eventuate. Many strong Christians are there and they are waiting for a pastor to go.

Praying and Sharing with Leaders

It is wonderful to be able to meet with some of the leaders in Tennant Creek - particularly the Indigenous leaders - to share, pray and encourage them to be dedicated and committed to the roles that the Lord has placed them here to play.

Your people are looking up to you and they keep on coming to church because you are leading the way. A few times two of the leaders came on different times to visit me. These leaders need somebody who can come alongside them to work together with them.

Tennant Creek

Tennant Creek is a nice place and I have enjoyed myself here, apart from the flies and the heat. We have flies in Papua New Guinea, and in Port Moresby is just as hot as here sometimes, so these should not be a big concern. My main goal here is to at least have someone come closer to God and make Him the Lord and King over their lives, and to love, serve and worship Him.

Blessings,
Pr Elijah Umeume



THE JORDAN MINISTRY ORANGE

The Jordan Ministry is an Aboriginal church located in Orange, Central West New South Wales (NSW) and was founded by an Aboriginal couple, Shane and Donna Reid, originally from Gilgandra NSW. They believe God sent them to Orange to rebuild the altar and equip the saints for the work of ministry.

Shane, also known as Skip, and Donna have three children and 14 grandchildren. These two spiritual leaders are ordained by God, to lead others to discover their own purpose and identity in Christ.

Their qualities include a united front and a heart after God's own heart, they carry a fire for the broken and oppressed. They are a

a very unique couple who constantly move under the anointing and power of the Holy Spirit.

In obedience to the call of God on their lives, Orange became the birthplace of the Jordan Ministry. Meetings for the Jordan Ministry began in November 2018 and the church was birthed by the Holy Spirit's desire to see all people, predominately Aboriginal people, come to be empowered and live for Jesus.

Our weekly services start at 10:30am and end at 12:30pm. The Jordan Ministry Kids Church runs from 11:00am until 12:30pm. Our Tuesday evening youth Bible study is begins at 7:00pm and finishes at 8:00pm. Our Wednesday evening adult Bible study runs from 6:30pm until 7:30pm.

In addition to these programs, the Jordan Ministry also provides quality care and counselling to people outside and all church members.

When the doors of the Jordan Ministry first opened with only a handful of people, we were meeting in a small community hall owned by the Orange City Council. But by the power of the Holy Spirit, the church has grown and we have moved to larger premises.

Our local Aboriginal Lands Council support us and have allowed us to use their building for free, all they ask is that we keep it tidy and clean.

As the church continually grows with large Aboriginal families, we are firmly believing that God will accommodate us and meet all of our needs according to His riches in glory.

HUGHES FAMILY UPDATE

Faith Christian School was closed all of April and will not reopen until the first week of August. This is when all schools in the United States (USA) will start the new school year.

Our school children are doing their schoolwork at home under parental supervision. When the children finish their work, the parents bring it to our house where they leave it in a plastic container on our veranda. The teachers pick it up once a week to mark the work. They then put new work into the container for parents to pick up and take home.

This way of doing things is working well. We will do this until Friday 15th May when the Summer holidays here start.

It has been challenging and interesting doing church services live on our Faith Center Church Facebook page. Jethro and Warwick Jr have been helping Omega and I with this. Jethro operates all of the media from the sound booth in the church. Warwick Jr operates the laptop which we use to do the live broadcast.

We communicate with our church family by phone calls and text messages mostly. Everyone one is doing well and are in good spirit and health.

In March we received a very large water bill for a major leak that we had on one of our property's water supply lines. We had to have it paid by the first week of April. Well praise God because with the help of our congregation and a miracle, we were

able to pay the bill on time with the amount needed.

Omega has been doing up her flower gardens and helping me with the school vegetable gardens that are growing well.

The boys have been helping us mow the grass around the property and are also helping with small maintenance jobs. However, they are busy most days with their schoolwork. It has been a mind-bending time for Omega and I trying to help the boys with their schoolwork; a lot of it is new to us, but by God's grace we are getting there. We are also learning a lot with the boys.

We have been able to make use of the property to get out and walk around. We are also able to play some badminton. Warwick Jr and I managed to put up some poles for a volleyball net that we found for the school, so we have had a game or two.

We had a tornado go through a city only 15 minutes away from us. It did a lot of damage to companies and houses. We only had one or two strong gusts of wind where we are, no damage done.

Two of our congregation members live in the city that the tornado hit. For one of them the tornado went straight over their homes, but they are okay and no harm was done to them. Praise God. The other congregation member had the power supply line to his house ripped off and had to have a new power box put in. A tree also fell across his shed, but it was removed and the shed suffered minimal damage.

Blessings to you all,
Pr Warwick Hughes



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