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GENERAL INFORMATION









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WELCOME

Welcome to a new edition of our monthly newsletter now called CONNECT NEWS.

Our newsletter has been updated to reflect how we are now one church made up of three congregations, Adelaide Christian Centre, Tennant Creek Christian Family Church and Jordan Outreach Ministries. We have modified our newsletter to incorporate the activities in each church and our shared ministries: World Missions, Adelaide City Care, Adelaide Christian Schools and Equip Training College.

I encourage you to familiarise yourself with all the latest news, in particular with Tennant Creek Christian Family Church (p. 12-13) and our indigenous church, The Jordan Outreach Ministries (p. 14-15).

I also encourage you to read an update from Sunrise Bethel in PNG (p. 23-24) about their new buildings and classroom activities. We also have two reports from the Vakacegu Family serving in PNG (p. 36-37) and Pr Warwick Hughes from Faith Center Church in South Carolina, USA on (p. 38-39).

Blessings, **Pr Mike Groom**

ABOUT US

We are a Pentecostal church made up of three congregations in three states of Australia: Adelaide Christian Centre in Adelaide, SA; The Jordan Outreach Ministries in Orange, NSW; and Tennant Creek Christian Family Church in Tennant Creek. NT.

We gather every Sunday in our three locations, as people of all ages and from all walks of life, to celebrate God and to experience a powerful message, and we enjoy a time of worship together.

Our gatherings are relaxed with friendly people, modern music and media presentations. You are more than welcome to join us at any of our Sunday gatherings.

Adelaide Christian Centre 27 Sturt Street, Adelaide 10:00am and 5:30pm

Tennant Creek Christian Family Church 190 Paterson Street, Tennant Creek 10:15am and 7:00pm

The Jordan Outreach Ministries 42 Dalton Street, Orange 10:30am







OUR TEAM AND CONTACT DETAILS

Adelaide Christian Centre

OUR TEAM

Lead Pastor: Pr Mike Groom
Associate Pastor: Pr Gregg Manego

Children: ACC Kids Team
Youth: Empower Team
Young Adults: Engage Team
Seniors: Peter Chigwidden
Finance: Kelly Groom

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

CONTACT DETAILS

Office: 33 Sturt Street, Adelaide SA 5000

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Phone: (08) 8212 2322

Web: www.adelaidechristiancentre.com.au

Tennant Creek Christian Family Church

OUR TEAM

Local Church Pastor: Pr Mike Baker

Elders Team: Pr Mike Baker, Morris

Saunyama, Richard Baker

Elliot Outreach: Pr Edward and Josephine

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Indigenous Ministry: Andrew Williams, Miriam Williams and Lionel James

Ladies: Lorraine Baker

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Office: 190 Paterson Street, Tennant Creek

NT 0860

Monday-Friday, 9am-5pm

Email: pastormike@outbackchurch.com.au

Phone: 0428 621 333 (Pr Mike Baker) 0467 025 292 (Pr Edward Kami)

Jordan Outreach Ministries

OUR TEAM

Ministry Team: Shane Reid, Donna Reid, Darren Sutherland, Sharon Sutherland and Jacob Sutherland

CONTACT DETAILS

Email: shane-donnareid@hotmail.com
Phone: 0403 313 461 (Shane Reid)
0487 568 692 (Donna Reid)

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.

Although we are able to meet together physically again, we still encourage people to give electronically.

Please see the electronic giving information below and in the following column for each of our church locations, as well as our additional ministries.

ADELAIDE CHRISTIAN CENTRE

Option One: Online Giving

Visit the giving page on our church website: www.adelaidechristiancentre.com.au/give/. Press the 'Give' button under the first option and follow the steps.

Option Two: Bank Transfer

Deposit your funds directly into the church account from your bank account.

Account Name: Adelaide Christian Centre

BSB: 065 005

Account Number: 0090 3471

Option Three: SMS Giving

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- 2. Fill out the giving information
- 3. Once your first gift is made a gift receipt will be received
- 4. After you have given for the first time, you can now give anytime by texting the amount and hitting send.

JORDAN OUTREACH MINISTRIES

Account Name: Jordan Outreach Ministries

BSB: 065 005

Account Number: 1076 8520

TENNANT CREEK CHRISTIAN FAMILY CHURCH

Account Name: Tennant Creek Christian

Family Church BSB: 065 005

Account Number: 1076 8547

EQUIP TRAINING COLLEGE

Account Name: Equip Training College

BSB: 065 005

Account Number: 1076 8555

ADELAIDE CITY CARE

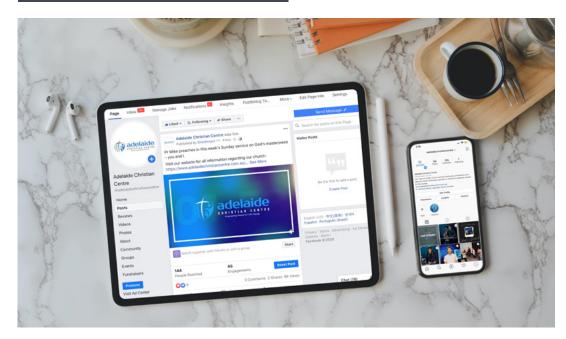
Tax Deductible Donations

Account Name: Adelaide City Care

BSB: 065 000

Account Number: 1254 9544

For further giving options for Adelaide City Care, please go to page 20 of this Sturt Street News.



ONLINE PRESENCE

YouTube Channel: Each Sunday Adelaide Christian Centre is streaming their live church services through their YouTube channel.

 Feel free to subscribe to the channel: www.youtube.com/c/ AdelaideChristianCentre

Adelaide Christian Centre Facebook:

Adelaide Christian Centre has a private Facebook group for members of their church, along with a Facebook page for the general public.

- Private church group: www.facebook.com/groups/SturtStreet/
- Public church page: <u>www.facebook.</u> com/adelaidechristiancentre/

Adelaide Christian Centre Instagram:

We post information and creative content throughout the week. Follow *@adelaidechristiancentre* today!

Jordan Outreach Ministries Facebook:

Jordan Outreach Ministries has a private Facebook group for members of their church.

Private church group: www.facebook.com/groups/392000771631114

Tennant Creek Christian Family Church Facebook:

Tennant Creek Christian Family Church has a Facebook page for members of their church and the general public.

Private church group: www.facebook.com/Tennant-Creek-Christian-Family-Church-474057526106690

WHAT KIND OF FATHER IS GOD?

Jesus qualified the term 'Father' when He said, "Our Father in heaven..." (Matthew 6:9). He is our heavenly Father as opposed to our earthly father – there is a huge difference!

We can view God through the lens of the behaviour and relationship, or lack of relationship, with our natural fathers which results in four misunderstandings:

- 1. God is Unreasonable
- God is Unreliable
- 3. God is Unconcerned
- 4. God is Unpleasable

What does the Bible say about God? What kind of Father is He?

God is CARING

God is compassionate, loving, and gracious and He cares about us (Psalm 104:13).

Does God really care about my problems, my hurts and what really happens to me? The answer is yes (1 Peter 5:7).

We have a heavenly Father that cares about all the details of our life.

God does not want us to worry about our needs either (Matthew 6:31-32).

God is DEPENDABLE

God is consistent and worthy of our trust (James 1:17).

God isn't moody and He does not have a bad day.

Imagine if God said, "I feel a angry today. Who can I take it out on?"

God's consistency does not depend on my consistency.

Even if we are faithless, He remains faithful, for He cannot disown Himself (2 Timothy 2:13). God always keeps His promises.

He is always consistent (Romans 11:29, Psalm 59:10)

God is CLOSE to us

God is available all the time.

He is not distant or far off - He is there when we need Him (Acts 17:27).

God, our heavenly Father, is not detached from us:

- Psalm 145:18 God is never too BUSY for us
- Psalm 34:18 God is sensitive to our HURTS

God is CAPABLE

God can handle any problem we give Him. Nothing is beyond His ability and resources (Luke 1:37).

Our heavenly Father really can do anything. He is able to do far more than we would ever dare to ask for or even dream of – infinitely beyond our highest prayers, desires, thoughts, or hopes (Ephesians 3:20).

Pr Mike Groom

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ADELAIDE (ACC)









CRÈCHE

0-3 Years

Our crèche is open every Sunday morning during the service for all those aged 0-3 years. No sign in is required for the crèche as parents are expected to stay and supervise their children when they are in there.

Our crèche consists of an open space where children have access to a variety of fun toys, craft materials, books and more. Children also have the opportunity to enjoy our indoor playground!

Attached to our crèche is a feeding room for breast feeding mothers and babies. An audio link and TV allows mothers to see and hear what is going on in the service; this is also available in the crèche.

If any parents, whose children frequently use the crèche, are interested in volunteering to help out in the crèche and supervise children during the church service, please contact the church office (contact details found on page 4). We are also looking for volunteers to help us in the crèche during our new Sunday night services.

GROW

3-6 Years

This month we are focusing on Endurance. Our key Bible verse is Isaiah 41:10: Do not fear, for I am with you, do not be dismayed, for I am your God. I will strengthen you and help you.

We will kick off the month with special activities for Father's Day. Then we will spend the rest of the month drawing from Isaiah 41:10 and Ephesians 6:10-17; we will learn about our shield, sword and helmet!

Recently one of our children was telling me a story about her weekend and how she was watching a movie that was a bit scary but she knew she would be okay because she knew God had her back!

My challenge for September is to find your favourite Bible verse, write down why it is your favourite and share it with someone! If you do not have someone to share it with, send it to me! I would love to hear!

I hope everyone is staying safe and healthy.

God bless,

Cassie Beattie

ELEVATE

7-11 Years

In August Elevate focused on the topic of 'COURAGE - Having the guts to do the right thing'.

The lessons that we learnt within this topic were: 1) God will give you courage to stand up for what is right; 2) Be brave and remember that God is with you; 3) Trusting God gives you courage to do big things; and 4) Be brave and stand up for others.

In September we are moving onto a new topic: 'FRIENDSHIP - Treating others the way you want to be treated'.

The lessons that we will focus on within this topic are: 1) Be a friend to everyone; 2) Good friends put others first; 3) Good friends forgive; and 4) Good friends are important.

We ask all parents to join our Facebook group for all need-to-know information and important updates: www.facebook.com/groups/elevateacc

God bless, Kelly and Mikaela Groom

EMPOWER

12-17 Years

We are the youth of Adelaide Christian Centre! We believe in the potential of every young person to be someone who can impact their world for good and for God.

We come together as a community of young people in the heart of our city to do life together, grow, encourage and to seek the truths of life and God

We greatly encourage those of youth age to join our Facebook group to be in touch with all updated information, especially during this time when plans change: www.facebook.com/groups/cityempower/

Our Friday night events for September include: 1) Pyjama Night - Friday 4th September; 2) Trivia Night - Friday 11th September; 3) Car Park Party - Friday 18th September; and 4) Empower Sleepover - Friday 25th to Saturday 26th September.

Our Tuesday night connect group will continue every Tuesday night until 22nd September. The joint Empower and Engage connect group runs from 7-8:30pm in the youth room at church.

ADELAIDE (ACC)









ENGAGE

18-25 Years

Engage Young Adults is aimed at all of those aged 18-25 years. The aim of our group is to create a sense of unity and friendship amongst all who attend.

In August we held an Engage dinner in Crusade Hall at church. Everyone brought food to share and we enjoyed a great time of fellowship with one another. The night was a great success!

We have another dinner planned for Saturday 19th September at Paolo and Ester's house. The dinner will begin at 5:30pm and everyone is encouraged to bring a plate (dinner or dessert) to share amongst the group.

Our Tuesday night connect group will continue every Tuesday night until 22nd September. The joint Empower and Engage connect group runs from 7-8:30pm in the youth room at church.

We greatly encouraged everyone to join our Facebook group to be in touch with all updated information: www.facebook.com/groups/engagesturtstreet/

SENIORS

50+ Years

Welcome to the seniors ministry of Adelaide Christian Centre! Our seniors ministry aims to provide the senior members of our church with an inspiring and encouraging support network.

September Event Details

Thursday 17th September Fellowship and Lunch

Meet at church at 10am for a time of fellowship and 'Ministry Around the World'.

Everyone is then invited to gather together for lunch at Morphett Arms around 12:30pm.

During our senior events we will still need to observe the Government's advise in social distancing. There will also be hand sanitising stations available so please use them when coming and going. Please bring a pen as you will need to sign in.

Please let Peter Chigwidden know if you are coming. You can contact him by calling 0407 398 988.

VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES

There are a number of areas within our church that are in need of more volunteers.

One of the greatest needs exists within our PA and Media Production Team.

The coronavirus pandemic has caused us to significantly invest in our media production team.

During the time that we were unable to meet together physically, investing in this ministry has allowed us to pre-record services and live stream every Sunday.

This exciting endeavour will not end just because our restrictions have eased and we are able to meet together again.

We are determined to continue our live streaming for each Sunday service, as we are reaching many people through this avenue beyond our church.

Up until this point, we have had a small group of people operating the equipment, editing our services, working on the sound and more.

These awesome volunteers have done a fantastic job and we are now looking at

recruiting more volunteers to help our church out.

If you are interested in any of the following roles, please contact Pr Mike or the church office (contact details found on page 4) as soon as possible as we are in urgent need of enlarging our PA and Media Production Team:

- PA Operator
- Sound engineering for live streams and for general Sunday activities
- Multimedia (operating the computer during live streams and Sunday services)
- Camera operations and directing (switching camera angles)

Additional Areas in Need:

- · Cleaning the church facility
- · Helping in the church cafe
- Guest Services Team (GST)
- Children's ministry

TENNANT CREEK (TCCFC)













TENNANT CREEK CHRISTIAN FAMILY CHURCH

In 2016, as an eldership we felt of the Lord to commence reaching out to Indigenous Australians with the Gospel. We started to set aside \$50 per week as a seed of faith offering whilst trusting the Lord to open up the right doors for us to step into.

In September 2018 the Tennant Creek Christian Family Church was referred in regard to their long-standing commitment to the Indigenous people of the Barkly Region in the Northern Territory.

Pr Mike Groom rang and spoke to Pr Mike Baker, incidentally he and his wife Lorraine attended Adelaide Christian Centre (ACC) in the late 1970s. They relocated from Adelaide to Port Augusta and then onto Tennant Creek a number of years later. They have been faithfully serving as leaders of the Tennant Creek Christian Family Church since May 1999.

In October 2018 Pr Mike and Pr Barry Silverback travelled to Tennant Creek to talk with the leadership team about their desire to join ACC and the CRC Churches in Australia. Since then Pr Mike has visited Tennant Creek on numerous occasions. Kelly, as well as Bruce and Tangi Walker and family also visited the folk at Tennant Creek in 2019.

As of July 2020, Tennant Creek Christian Family Church has officially become a part of the ACC family. Their two blocks of land in Tennant Creek, and also in Elliot, and assets have now been changed into the

ownership of ACC.

The church has quite a number of nationalities attending the church. A good number of Africans, Filipinos, Fijians, Papua New Guineans and many Indigenous Australians. The attendance in the Sunday morning service would average approximately 40-50 adults, as well as 15 or so children. In the evening Indigenous service there are up to 35 folk attending.

Pr Edward, his lovely wife Josephine and their daughter Esther, are missionaries from Papua New Guinea. They are a true blessing to the church and the community of Tennant Creek. They also oversee the small outreach in the town of Elliot, 250kms north of Tennant Creek, where we desire to commence regular meetings in the future.

The church has a wonderful ministry team

including Pr Mike and Lorraine Baker; elders Richard Baker and Morris Saunyama; and Andrew and Miriam Williams, along with Lionel James, oversea the Indigenous outreach and care ministry of the church. Pr Mike Groom is the senior pastor.

We welcome all the fantastic folk in the Tennant Creek Christian Family Church and the Elliot outreach into our ACC family and we look forward to a wonderful and fruitful partnership together.



Vision Christian Radio Tennant Creek / 104.5 FM

















JORDAN OUTREACH MINISTRIES

In May 2019, Pr Mike found out that two of his high school mates from Gilgandra in NSW, Shane Reid (aka Skip) and Darren Sutherland (aka Sutho), had started an Indigenous church in Orange, NSW in November 2018. Pr Mike had not been in contact with either of them for 36 years.

He made contact with Skip via a mutual friend. In August 2019, Skip, Sutho, Nucka (real name Robert Bloomfield) and Josh Reid travelled across to Adelaide for a weekend and stayed with the Groom family. It was a wonderful weekend catching up and sharing stories. The guys

also attended the Adelaide Christian Centre (ACC) Sunday morning service.

Since then Pr Mike has been in regular contact with Skip and his wife Donna who are the leaders of the Jordan Outreach Ministries church. After a number of discussions it was decided that they would become part of the ACC family, which has now been formalised.

Skip and his lovely wife Donna have a tremendous dedicated group of people who share their heart and passion for God. The Great Commission fuels them to reach their own people with the love of Christ, motivated by the power of the Holy Spirit.

Wonderfully supported by Sutho and his lovely wife Sharon (aka Min), as well as their very talented son Jacob Sutherland, who has a real call upon his life in music,

worship and song writing. Skip, Donna, Sutho, Sharon and Jacob make up the Ministry Team at the Jordan Outreach Ministries church

They have a Sunday morning service with an average of 30 - 40 people, a Wednesday night prayer meeting and a small group Bible study on Thursday nights. They have a very talented and anointed worship ministry which will in time be reaching out beyond the city of Orange through their own songs and evangelistic ministry.

Adelaide City Care has become a member of Foodbank NSW and is now joining forces with Jordan Outreach Ministries. We are now actively negotiating with a local Indigenous non-for-profit in Orange to collaborate together to run a food relief programme for the Indigenous community in Orange. This in time will progress into a

food pantry which will be a fantastic blessing and outreach into the local community. We are all very excited about this; please pray that the Indigenous organisation will partner with Jordan Outreach Ministries and Adelaide City Care in this new and exciting initiative.

As mentioned in the Tennant Creek article, the \$50 seed set aside weekly back in 2016 by the ACC eldership for Indigenous ministry has really grown. To now have two Indigenous church's a part of the ACC family is exciting and a wonderful blessing; a testimony of the Lord's faithfulness.

God is about to do many wonderful and amazing things through the Tennant Creek Christian Family Church in NT and the Jordan Outreach Ministries in NSW as we join together to reach many Indigenous folk for the Lord. Watch this space!

INFORMATION

Adelaide Christian Centre

FORTNIGHTLY GROUPS

Location:Adelaide CityLeader:Ram LumabaoPhone:0498 136 446

Location: Modbury Heights **Leader:** Brian Mortimer **Phone:** 0434 360 257

Leader: Mount Barker Nohn Cubio Phone: 0439 921 890

MONTHLY GROUPS

Group: Seniors (3rd Thurs of month) **Location:** Adelaide Christian Centre

Leader: Peter Chigwidden Phone: 0407 398 988

EVENING GROUPS

Group: Youth and Young Adults **Location:** Adelaide Christian Centre **When:** Tuesdays, 7:00pm-8:30pm

Phone: 0490 249 263

Group: Enable

Location: Location varies

Leader: Vinnie and Margaux Miranda

Phone: 0430 333 370

Location: Hallet Cove
Leader: Don Datu
Phone: 0451 151 509

Location: Ingle Farm

Leader: Angelito and Marycel

Gatdula

Phone: 0402 644 117

Location:MarionLeader:Emil SagunPhone:0438 277 990

Location: Northfield

Leader: Orbille and Jessica Piol

Phone: 0430 618 489

Location: Pennington
Leader: Pr Gregg Mañego
Phone: 0404 899 815

Location:Seacombe GardensLeader:Rommel VerainPhone:0435 747 343

Location:UnderdaleLeader:Pr Mike GroomPhone:0400 560 501

Location: Largs Bay
Leader: Nick Kuiper
Phone: 0400 560 501

Tennant Creek Christian Family Church

Meeting: Mid-week Meeting

Day: Wednesday nights

Time: 7:00pm

Location: 190 Paterson Street, Tennant

Creek, NT 0860

The Jordan Outreach Ministry

Meeting:Prayer MeetingDay:Wednesday nightsTime:6:00pm-7:30pm

Meeting:Bible StudyDay:Thursday nightsTime:6:00pm-7:30pm

Location: 42 Dalton Street, Orange

NSW 2800



CONNECT GROUP ARTICLE

God never intended for us to walk through life alone but connected with others because life is better connected!

Romans 12:5b (NLT): Since we are all one body in Christ, we belong to each other and each of us needs all the others.

Hebrews 10:25a (TEV): Let us not give up the habit, of meeting together, instead let us encourage one another.

God desires us to 'do' life together, so we can grow and support one another.

Ephesians 4:16 (NLT): As each part does its work, it helps the other parts grow. So Christ's whole body, is healthy and growing

and full of love.

Galatians 6:10 (MSG): Every time we get the chance, let us work for the benefit of all, starting with the people closest to us in the community of faith.

Ecclesiastes 4:12 (NIV): A person standing alone can be attacked and defeated, but two can stand back-to-back and conquer. Three are even better, for a triple-braided cord is not easily broken.

Genuine relationships provide the care and support we need to stay on course and to withstand the pressures that life throws at us. Being committed into a church family is where we can and should experience supporting relationships.

Small Group Ministry (Connect Groups) is a great way to experience the benefits of supporting relationships within a church family.

Across our three churches our primary areas of focus for Connect Groups are:

- Sense of Belonging: When we have a sense of belonging we feel accepted, connected and comfortable within a small group of people.
- Caring Community: When we are accountable to one another and are experiencing a sense of belonging we then naturally care for those we are connected to.
- Spiritual Growth: Spiritual Growth is defined around three vital relationships: intimacy with God, community with believers, and influence with non-believers.

EQUIP TRAINING COLLEGE



OVERVIEW

Equip Training College (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 offers the following courses:

- Certificate in Christian Ministry and Theology
- Diploma in Christian Ministry and Leadership

Our expectation is that each of our students will be taught the fundamentals of the faith

in a way that will transform their life and character, and truly prepare them to fulfil the call of God in their lives.

The unique curriculum and desired outcomes is tailor made to fulfil the Biblical mandate as clearly stated in:

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.

Ephesians 4:11-12

We encourage you to consider enrolling into one of our courses - please contact the church office if you are interested.

Office: 33 Sturt Street, Adelaide SA 5000 Tuesday-Friday, 9am-5pm

Email: office@adelaidechristiancentre.com.au

Phone: (08) 8212 2322

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.

ABOUT US

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

Adelaide City Care is committed to supporting those who are new arrivals to South Australia. In 2006 this group was recognised as a 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.

Our Contact Details

Office: 33 Sturt Street, Adelaide SA 5000

Tuesday-Friday, 9am-5pm

Email: info@adelaidecitycare.com.au

Phone: (08) 8212 2322

Web: www.adelaidecitycare.com.au

COVID-19 Food Relief

The COVID-19 pandemic has caused many international students, new migrants and temporary visa holders to lose their jobs and they are struggling to pay for food, rent, fees and bills. With this in mind, Adelaide City Care have initiated Food Relief efforts to help lessen the impact of the pandemic. If you would like to provide financial assistance please see the giving details in the next column. Photos on opposite page.

GIVING

"You have not lived today until you have done something for someone who can never repay you". **John Bunyan**

Due to COVID-19 we have had to pause a majority of programs and activities. The only program we are currently running is our Food Relief. If you would like to give towards this initiative, please follow the directions below.

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ADELAIDE CHRISTIAN SCHOOLS







ABOUT US

A 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. Some time 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 ELCs 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 12 schools. 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

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

Discovery Christian College

- Agnes Water, QLD 3-10 Est. 2015

International Schools

Sunrise Bethel Christian School

- Port Moresby, Papua New Guinea
- Edai Town, Papua New Guinea

Faith Christian School

- Walhalla, South Carolina, USA

SUNRISE BETHEL CHRISTIAN SCHOOL

I am sure that you are as excited as I am to see our buildings getting closer to completion [these buildings will be used for the new year ten classrooms and more].

The main structures are up – and are looking wonderful. There are a number of things that need to happen to complete them on the inside, but they are looking fantastic and we are beginning to imagine them full of students.

We would like to thank those who have made this happen, especially Mr Mark Nokes in Australia, who along with Pastor Gwaibo Badira has worked with our builder and his team.

There have been many, many international conversations to make these buildings grow and we are very thankful. In 2021 we will be able to make great use of these spaces.

Recently I have been able to visit a number of schools in Australia and observe teaching practices in classrooms across a variety of year levels and classes. What I have seen is great skills and good strategies for increased learning.

What I have also noted, is that this is exactly

what our teachers do too! We have outstanding teaching staff at our schools, and they use the tools and strategies that are best for the learning of our students (see examples on following page).

Earlier this year we looked at how Jesus taught his disciples and those around him. We saw some things that Jesus did that directly relate to our practice of teaching today.

It wasn't just about the words Jesus used, but also about the way he used his environment and his skills to share learning. Jesus presented things in order and built on the learning of his disciples, he gave clear and specific examples to follow and he used the environment around him to help put learning in context.

It is our goal to teach as Jesus did and see lives changed as a consequence. Over this last week [final week of August] we had exciting news that 10 of our students gave their lives to Christ. Lives are being changed! How exciting it is to be a part of this journey together.

Mrs Rebekah Cook

Principal of Sunrise Bethel Christian School

MISSIONS

When teachers model the correct way to do things students are helped to see value in the learning process – not just the final task.



Examples on the board are important in the learning process. Students need examples and direction for successful learning.



When the students are working, the teaching staff move around the room to help with any misconceptions that may be occurring and to assist with general questions. Learning time is maximised.





It is important for the students to be good listeners when the teacher is speaking. The teacher is standing and engaged in the learning process, speaking with clear instructions.

Left: The teacher uses the things on the board and on display around the room to help students find what they need to be successful learners.

The learning environment in the classroom is created deliberately – so that what is on the board and walls assists the learning process.

Here the students are being directed to use what is on the board to help them with their learning.

MONTHLY MISSIONS GIVING

Christian Education				
Fiji Islands	Bethel Crusade Preschools	\$300.00		
Papua New Guinea	Bethel Sunrise School	\$300.00		
U.S.A.	Faith Christian School	\$500.00		
Sri Lanka	Door of Hope Preschool	\$400.00		
Helping the Needy				
Sri Lanka	Bethel Children's Homes & Farm	\$400.00		
Philippines	Children's Feeding Programs	\$100.00		
Missionary Service				
Papua New Guinea	Rachelle Hardy	\$200.00		
U.S.A.	Warwick and Omega Hughes	\$600.00		
World	Pastor Barry Silverback	\$1,000.00		
Ministry Training				
Papua New Guinea	Bethel Bible College	\$300.00		
Papua New Guinea	Student Sponsorship Program	\$500.00		
India	Missions Training School	\$500.00		
India	Evangelos Training Institute	\$250.00		
Other				
Sri Lanka	Colombo Building Project	\$100.00		
Australia	Indigenous Outreach	\$250.00		
	COMBINED TOTAL	\$5,700.00		

CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

















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.
- Pray for great things to be accomplished within our preschools 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 Center Church, 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 for a new principal to be employed.
- Pray for new children to be enrolled and that the school will stay strong.
- Pray for the staff who are carrying the school during this time.

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.

- 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.

HELPING THE NEEDY















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-today, especially during this time with COVID-19.

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.

- 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 and Rosalie 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 continual hand of protection over Pr Barry's and Rosalie's lives
- Pray for God's guidance and wisdom in all of the decisions Pr Barry is making for various nations and ministries.
- Pray for fruitful ministry in all that they set 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 Center Church. 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.

- 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.

MINISTRY TRAINING

















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 crosscultural 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 good health for all staff and students during this time of COVID-19.
- Pray for the development of the college as new programs are written.

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 continual guidance, direction and protection for both Dipen and Ilisoni.
- Pray for good health for Ilisoni and his family during this time in Papua New Guinea at Bethel Centre.
- 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 speak to people during this time when everything is on lockdown, so that 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!

- 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 speak to people during this time when everything is on lockdown, so that 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.















THE VAKACEGU FAMILY IN PAPUA NEW GUINEA

The idea of coming to Papua New Guinea (PNG) was birthed way back in 2009 after the leaders conference in Australia. After Pr Alipate Yagomate returned home to Fiji he shared with us about his time being trained in PNG

In 2010, Soni joined the Fiji School of Discipleship training. He began to discover more about the work of missions and how we can further support missions.

Our involvement in missions awareness, prayer meetings, fund drives and more, began to motivate us and created a desire to become missionaries one day.

In addition to this, the lives of our very own missionaries serving in the field and hearing about their experiences and the challenges that they face also increased our desire to become missionaries.

In 2018, we were approached by Pr Mike Groom and Pr Barry Silverback to move to PNG to run the new Preschool Teacher Training School. We believe this was what God had been working on and preparing us for all along.

In January 2019 the two of us, along with our children - Alisi (11 years old) and Soni Junior (9 years old) - set foot onto this beloved nation of Papua New Guinea.

I am currently working as a full-time course facilitator at our new training school here at Bethel Centre - Bethel Preschool Teacher Training College (BPTTC). Soni completed his training in the World Missions Faith Training School (WMFTS) last year and is now part of the training staff. He is currently helping Pr Paul Stanley with Bethel Bible College (BBC) and is also helping Pr Elijah and Beverly Umeume with Bethel Bible School (BBS).

From the time we arrived our greatest challenges have been struggling with the food, the hot weather, the language and freedom of movement. But as we have settled in we have changed our perspective in the way we see and do things, and have adjusted ourselves to all of these things. Now we are going with the flow and enjoying every moment of our lives here at Bethel.

My greatest moments as a missionary in PNG have been: 1) being the pioneering course facilitator at BPSTTC; 2) being the

first guest speaker for the first graduation of students of BPSTTC; and 3) successfully graduating nine lovely ladies with their Diploma in Early Childhood Education.

Soni's highlights have been: 1) being part of the work in Gaire village during his practical - helping out in the community and at the same time reaching lost souls for Christ; 2) graduating from WMFTS - this was a big reward for him personally; and 3) being given opportunities to lead praise and worship, preach, and lecture in WMFTS, BBC and BBS.

Our advice for anybody who feels the call to become more involved in missions, or to become a long-term missionary, is to get involved in the missions work in your local church, go on short-term mission trips, read missionary biographies, and get to know the world around you.















HUGHES FAMILY UPDATE FOR AUGUST

Dear pastors, leaders and family of God. Greetings to you in Jesus from us in South Carolina, United States of America (USA).

We have seen a number of people coming into church who were here some years ago and have been coming along for a few weeks now.

We have been receiving positive feedback from people that we have prayed for, seeing God heal them or help them divinely in the circumstances and situations they find themselves in.

We have finally managed to get a small

swimming pool for the church to be used for water baptisms. The boys tried it out to make sure it will work alright for future baptisms.

Just recently I had the lawn mower out of action for about a week before we could get it fixed. While waiting for it to get fixed, I used an old machine; you attach it to the back of the tractor to be used for cutting the grass.

It was going alright until the belts broke on it; this was because it had been sitting for a number of years and was not being used. Luckily the mower is all fixed now and is running well.

We would like to extend a big thank you to everyone who has joined with us in prayer for a new principal for Faith Christian School.

Unfortunately we have not been able to hire a new principal. This, in addition to the current isolation measures in place due to cases of COVID-19 spiking, has influenced our decision to change the direction of the school for 2020/21.

During this time we have offered a homeschooling alternative and 13 students have enrolled into the program. We plan to reopen the school in August 2021, which is the start of the new school year here.

With all that is has been going on around us - COVID-19, protesting - Jesus has been keeping us all safe and well.

We have had to get glasses for Jethro as he started having some trouble seeing things clearly in the distance.

As a family, we helped one of our church families have a bit of a clean up in their

backyard after an awesome evening meal.

We have started playing this sport called Disc Golf. It is a bit like golf but you use a frisbee type disc and throw it.

The goal of the sport is to get the disc in a chain type of holder. Awesome fun!

This month we have had a good harvest of tomatoes especially, as well as peppers out of our gardens.

Watermelon is growing well, cucumbers have been slow to grow as the rabbits and the deer have been chewing on them.

We are thankful for the hand of God upon our lives, and the church family here in Walhalla.

Thank you for your prayers and support, it is very much appreciated.





