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CHRISTIAN CENTRE

CONNECT

DECEMBER 2023 AND JANUARY 2024

UPCOMING EVENTS

In December and January we have some key dates for you to remember. Please familiarise yourself with all that's coming up.

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MISSIONS PRAYER

We have a few missions prayer points included in this edition. Please keep our missionaries and ministries in prayer.

Prayer points on page 3

HUGHES UPDATE

Pr Warwick Hughes has written an update about his family and their life in Walhalla, South Carolina, United States of America.

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WELCOME TO ACC

Welcome to our December and January edition of Connect News.

In December, a number of us are travelling to Papua New Guinea for Mikaela's wedding. Mikaela is mine and Kelly's eldest child and she is currently serving as a missionary at Bethel Centre in Port Moresby.

Most of the people going for her wedding will be travelling home on Monday 18th December. Kelly, Joel, Zoe and I will be staying on a little longer and will return to Australia on Wednesday 3rd January.

Please keep us in your prayers, especially Mikaela and Chrioni as they enter into married life.

Please refer to our website for all information relating to our church ministries, including Equip Training College, children and youth ministry, global missions and more.

You can also look online for all the activities and information relating to Adelaide City Care and Adelaide Christian Schools at www.adelaidecitycare.com.au and www.acschools.edu.au.

I would like to wish everyone a very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year. Thank you for a great year here at ACC. I look forward to all that will take place in 2024.

Blessings,
Pr Mike Groom

MINISTRIES PRAYER

For all details regarding our church ministries, please refer to our church website and Facebook groups.

If you would like to join a mid-week connect group, please contact the church office or visit our website: www.adelaidechristiancentre.com.au/connect/connect-groups/

Grow Kids: www.facebook.com/groups/515902745980537

Elevate Kids: www.facebook.com/groups/elevateacc

Empower Youth: www.facebook.com/groups/empoweryouthacc

Engage Young Adults: www.facebook.com/groups/engagesturtstreet/

Missions Prayer Requests

- Please pray for Benjamin and Asinate Wari as they are now in Vanuatu. Pray that they continue to settle in smoothly and for doors to open in their ministry.
- Please pray for Mikaela Groom as she continues her missionary service in Papua New Guinea. Pray for Bethel Sunday School, specifically for the development of 2024's curriculum. Also pray for Mikaela's wedding on Saturday 16th December, 2023.

Church Prayer Requests

- Please contact the church office if you have any prayer requests.



EVENING SERVICES ON BREAK Recommencing Sunday 4th February

Please remember that our Sunday evening church services are taking a break over the Christmas and New Year period. Our evening services will recommence in 2024 at the start of February.



CHURCH OFFICE CLOSED Reopening Tuesday January

Our church office will be closed during the Christmas and New Year period. The office will close on Friday 22nd December and it will reopen in 2024 on Tuesday 9th January. Please keep these two dates in mind.



BEYOND BANK INFO NIGHT Wednesday 24th January

We will be holding an information night at Adelaide Christian Centre for all those interested in banking and finance. Please contact the church office for further details leading up to the event. Please also contact the office to register.



COMMISSIONING SERVICE Sunday 28th January

At the end of our morning church service, we will pray for all of the children, youth and young adults who are starting the school and university year. We will also pray for all of our children and youth workers.

HUGHES FAMILY UPDATE

Firstly, it was great to have Pr Mike and Kelly Groom and Shekinah Sagun visit us in October. This released our family to go on a vacation which we enjoyed very much as a family, we are thankful and appreciative of them being able to do that.

We visited three cities that we had chosen and we really enjoyed our time as a family. It was great.

They also blessed the family of God here with their visit and ministry of the Word of God and other practical ministry they did while here.

For November myself and Omega started the month off at a three day 40th Anniversary Conference with a ministry called Evangel Fellowship International.

Faith Center Church has had connections with this ministry and its global influence for many years. It was a good conference, we got to meet a lot of new people and receive great encouragement from the preaching that was given.

Jethro and Warwick Jr stayed home and took care of themselves for those three days. They did well.

Straight after the conference I went to a men's summit meeting near a city called Greenwood almost two hours away from us. 30 of us men meet at a State Park called Hickory; a very nice place with a great golf course.

It was a great time of fellowship, meeting with others and receiving encouragement through the preaching of the word relating to destiny and being destined in the purposes of God for our lives.

I was asked to minister. I ministered from my journey and how as I obeyed God stepping out in faith, He confirmed it as I journeyed along to where I am with my family today. I came away very encouraged and refreshed.

We have seen a number of our congregation going through various back and hip problems for sometime now and one or two having gout and diabetic issues. Please pray and believe with us for healing in these people's lives.

Otherwise everyone else is doing well and are seeing God move in their lives through various challenges and daily living.

We had one man visit who was in the Marines some years ago (he is at a place where I go regularly and do some teaching). He came to church and gave his testimony of what he had been through, and how he then knew Jesus in his head, but not in his heart. He shared that after going through some bad situations in life after coming out of the Marines, he came to know Jesus in his heart, spirit, and what a real relationship with Jesus is.

What was so awesome about him giving his testimony, was that his wife who he had been estranged from for some time, was in church when he gave his testimony. It was the first time for her to hear it. She told him later that she liked the person he is now, compared to the

person she knew before. God is restoring their relationship and marriage. Praise God.

Please pray for this man as he has been told by doctors he has a major heart problem and only has five years to live

Our men's meetings and ladies' meetings are functioning well and it is great to see how everyone is encouraging each other.

One of the men has now taken on board the responsibility of following others up and reminding them of our men's meetings.

Omega follows up the ladies and coordinates the women's committee she put together.

Our children's church ministry is going along well. Mandy Wright is doing a good job with the children. We have mainly had four in attendance.

The three teenagers in the church continue to take a leadership role in the children's church. They have been putting together a Christmas video for us to watch in December at our Christmas party.

We mainly have five teenagers attending our youth nights. Two of them are not yet going to church regularly. I spoke to the father of the two teenagers and invited the family to church as he did say they were looking for a church but are at the moment having church at home. Pray that this family will come in. The wife is having some serious health issues at this time also.

We have a good number of interactive games and we minister the Word to the

teenagers. What's great at this time is that they want to be here. Praise God.

Mr Mizell, one of our congregation members, helps me with the youth night when he is able to do so. One other congregation member has been attending more and helping. He is a single dad with two sons, one a teenager and the other a six year old. At this stage the six year old has been enjoying interacting with the older boys as if they are his older brothers which is good.

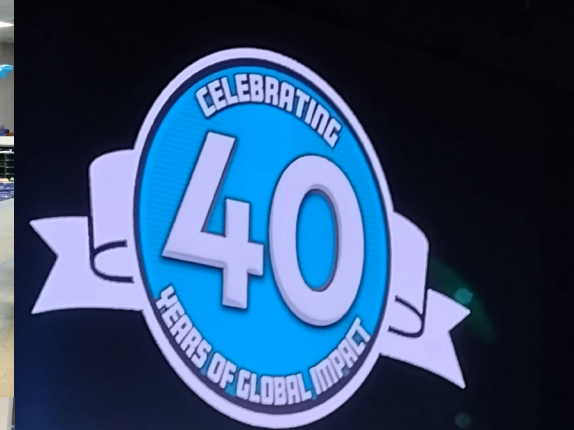
We played a game where I had the boys make shields with the noodles you use for floating in a swimming pool. We made swords and we had a competition where you had to touch the stomach, back or feet, but not the head or arms with the sword. It was so much fun. The youngest even got in with only his sword, not the shield but got out each time.

We shared how it's like being with only two of the parts of God's full armour and what can happen without the whole armour yet only having two parts. We emphasised the importance of having the whole armour and not just having two - the shield of faith and sword of the spirit. We also need the gospel shoes to protect our legs and feet, belt of truth, breastplate of righteousness, and the helmet of salvation.

There is much needed renovation work to be done downstairs at the church. Please do pray for this renovation work.

Thank you for your prayers and support as we together harvest these fields that are ripe unto harvest.

Pr Warwick Hughes



ONLINE PRESENCE

Web: www.adelaidechristiancentre.com.au

YouTube Channel: www.youtube.com/c/AdelaideChristianCentre

Private Facebook Group: www.facebook.com/groups/SturtStreet/

Public Facebook Page: www.facebook.com/adelaidechristiancentre/

Instagram: [@adelaidechristiancentre](https://www.instagram.com/adelaidechristiancentre)

CONTACT DETAILS

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GIVING DETAILS

Option One: Online Giving

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

Press the 'Give' button under the first option and follow the next steps.

Option Two: Bank Transfer

Account Name: Adelaide Christian Centre

BSB: 065 005

Account Number: 0090 3471

OTHER CHURCH LOCATIONS

New Life Christian Centre

Address: 105 Dyson Road, Christies Beach, SA 5165

Web: www.newlifeonline.org.au

Service Times: 10:00am and 5:30pm

Tennant Creek Christian Family Church

Address: 190 Paterson Street, Tennant Creek, NT 0860

Web: www.tccf.com.au

Service Times: 10:00am and 6:30pm

Faith Center Church

Address: 115 Worley Lane, Walhalla SC 29691, United States

Facebook: www.facebook.com/faithcenterchurchwalhalla

Service Time: 10:00am