

### **UPCOMING EVENTS**

We have a number of events coming up in July. All of the necessary information can be found at the start of this Connect.

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### **INDIA REPORT**

Pr Mike and Kelly Groom went to India in June to visit our training schools. Kelly has written a report of their trip.

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### **PRESCHOOL UPDATE**

Bethel Christian Preschool Tokarara in Papua New Guinea had a class party to end term two. Photos can be found inside.

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# WELCOME TO ACC

Welcome to this month's edition of Connect News. We have a number of important events coming up this month so please familiarise yourself with all of the information below.

A number of us will be travelling to Papua New Guinea (PNG) this month to take part in the CRC's 52<sup>nd</sup> Anniversary in the nation. They were meant to hold a 50<sup>th</sup> celebration but it was postponed because of the COVID-19 pandemic. It has now turned into a 52<sup>nd</sup> celebration.

This will be Pr Barry Silverback's first time in PNG for five years. Rachelle Hardy will also be joining us along with a number of other pastors and members of the CRC from around Australia. Please keep us all in your prayers as we go.

Later this month, Kelly and I will be heading to Tennant Creek. It will be great to see Pr Jeremiah and Delia, as well as our Tennant Creek Christian Family Church congregation.

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 <a href="https://www.adelaidecitycare.com.au">www.adelaidecitycare.com.au</a> and <a href="https://www.adelaidecitycare.com.au">www.acschools.edu.au</a>.

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: <a href="www.adelaidechristiancentre.com.au/connect/connect-groups/">www.adelaidechristiancentre.com.au/connect/connect-groups/</a>

Grow Kids: <a href="https://www.facebook.com/">www.facebook.com/</a> groups/515902745980537

**Elevate Kids:** <u>www.facebook.com/groups/elevateacc</u>

**Empower Youth:** <u>www.facebook.com/</u> groups/empoweryouthacc

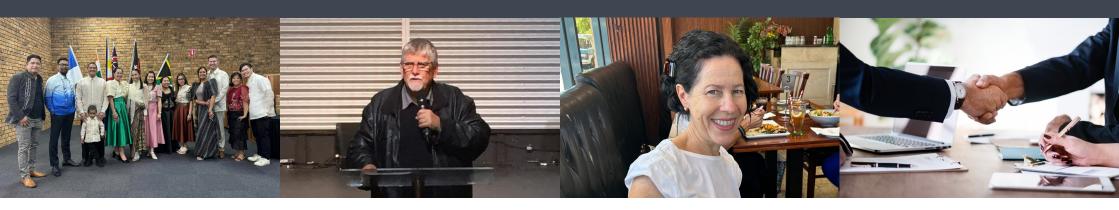
**Engage Young Adults:** <a href="https://www.facebook.com/groups/engagesturtstreet/">www.facebook.com/groups/engagesturtstreet/</a>

### **Missions Prayer Requests**

- Please pray for Benjamin and Asinate
  Wari as they continue their missionary
  service in Vanuatu. Pray over
  their church and Bethel Christian
  Preschool Banban both of which
  began in March.
- Please pray for Mikaela Geno as she continues her missionary service in Papua New Guinea. Pray over Bethel Sunday School and Mikaela's upcoming lecturing schedule with Bethel Bible School in July.

### **Church Prayer Requests**

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



### INTERNATIONAL FIESTA SUNDAY Sunday 14th July

Our first International Fiesta Sunday was a huge success and we are looking forward to making it a regular even on our church calendar! Our next International Fiesta Sunday will be held this month so be sure to mark the date in your diaries.

### **GUEST SPEAKER: PR HANS VOORTMAN**Sunday 21st July

Pr Hans Voortman is coming to minister with us in our morning service. Pr Hans is a long-serving CRC pastor and we are looking forward to hearing what he has to share with our church. Feel free to invite somebody along.

### FAREWELL FOR RACHELLE HARDY Sunday 21st July

Rachelle Hardy is moving to Melbourne. Since returning from Papua New Guinea where she served for many years as a missionary, Rachelle has been a part of our church. Join us in a special morning tea after church as we say farewell.

## **ADELAIDE CHRISTIAN CENTRE AGM** Sunday 28<sup>th</sup> July

Our AGM for 2024 will be held at the end of this month. All legal members of the church are required to attend. If you can't attend, please let our office know. Anyone who is not a legal member is still welcome to attend the meeting.

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### **INDIA REPORT**

At the beginning of June, Mike and I went to India to visit two of our six bases in India. At one base we run a full-time Bible school called Evangelos International Training Institute (EITI), and at another base we run a full-time missions school called World Missions Faith Training School (WMFTS).

You can read about these schools in our missions booklet. If you haven't read this booklet, please grab one and have a read. It is so informative and inspiring.

All of our staff at EITI have trained at the school and are now in leadership roles there. We were able to sit with them and encourage them, asking how they're

going with the program and anything else they wanted to talk about. I find these men and women very inspiring. They are dedicated, passionate for God, and willing to serve God with their whole life. It was an honour to be with them and spend time with them.

We also spent time Pr Daimai and his wife, Achong. In 2017, Pr Daimai came to our CRC National Conference in Australia where he met Pr Barry. Shortly after that, Pr Barry went to India and spent time with Pr Daimai and his church there. Pr Barry then started EITI and all the students and staff attend Pr Daimai's church. Pr Daimai provides some support and pastoral care to the staff and students at EITI.

It was so good being with everyone at EITI, taking time to encourage them,

share the Word and discuss many things. On our last night we bought everyone KFC for dinner. Two of them had never eaten KFC. It was awesome!

After EITI, we travelled to WMFTS in another state. We had a beautiful welcome dinner with the students and staff. It was great being with Pr Dipen, the other staff and the students.

We went to a local church on the Sunday. The pastor of the church is a man that Pr Barry has known for many years. We had some fellowship with him over the breakfast table on the Monday morning which we really enjoyed.

It was great spending time with the students and staff of WMFTS. They are a great group of people, eager to learn and serve God. They are inspiring and it will be exciting to see how they grow and develop and where God will lead them.

Purnima, her husband and daughter came to visit us while we were at WMFTS. Purnima was a student at WMFTS quite a few years ago. She served in Papua New Guinea and Fiji, and then went back to India. She was in leadership at EITI for a while before she met her husband, and they are now serving in Nepal. It was awesome. I absolutely loved seeing them, especially their very cute daughter!

We were in India for a short time, but it was so good. We enjoyed being with everyone, sharing meals together, sharing the Word and encouraging each other.

### **Kelly Groom**

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# PRESCHOOL CLASS PARTY

Bethel Christian Preschool Tokarara is located in Port Moresby, Papua New Guinea (PNG) on the property of Bethel Christian Centre (BCC). BCC is home to our ministry training centre in Port Moresby - Bethel International Training Centre (BITC).

The preschool began at the end of April this year. There are 26 children enrolled in the preschool. We have received positive feedback from parents so far. Our staff are doing a fantastic job running the school.

Our preschool teachers are graduates of Bethel Preschool Teacher Training College (BPTTC), one of the courses offered through BITC.

Serah is our head teacher. She was part of our first batch of students under BPTTC. She graduated in 2020 and went on to teach for two years preschool in Gaire village. She returned to Port Moresvy, got married and is now teaching in our new preschool.

Peggy is our other teacher. She was part of the second batch of students under BPTTC. She graduated in 2023 and stayed at BCC to serve.

On Wednesday 26<sup>th</sup> June, Serah and Peggy sat with parents one-by-one to update them on their children's progress. They also held a class party to celebrate the end of their first term as a preschool.

Photos from their end-of-term party can be seen on the following page.



### ONLINE PRESENCE

Web: www.adelaidechristiancentre.com.au

YouTube Channel: <a href="www.youtube.com/c/AdelaideChristianCentre">www.youtube.com/c/AdelaideChristianCentre</a>
Private Facebook Group: <a href="www.facebook.com/groups/SturtStreet/">www.facebook.com/groups/SturtStreet/</a>
Public Facebook Page: <a href="www.facebook.com/adelaidechristiancentre/">www.facebook.com/adelaidechristiancentre/</a>

Instagram: @adelaidechristiancentre

### **CONTACT DETAILS**

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

Email: office@adelaidechristiancentre.com.au

**Phone:** (08) 8212 2322

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

### **GIVING DETAILS**

**Option One: Online Giving** 

Visit the giving page on our website: <a href="www.adelaidechristiancentre.com.au/give/">www.adelaidechristiancentre.com.au/give/</a>.

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: <u>www.newlifeonline.org.au</u> Service Times: 10:00am and 5:30pm

### **Tennant Creek Christian Family Church**

Address: 190 Paterson Street, Tennant Creek, NT 0860

Web: <a href="https://www.tccf.com.au">www.tccf.com.au</a>
Service Times: 10:00am and 6:30pm

#### **Faith Center Church**

Address: 115 Worley Lane, Walhalla SC 29691, United States Facebook: <a href="https://www.facebook.com/faithcenterchurchwalhalla">www.facebook.com/faithcenterchurchwalhalla</a>

Service Time: 10:00am