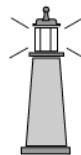


Sunday 5<sup>th</sup> November, 2017



# The Beacon

BEACONSFIELD BAPTIST CHURCH



We are a people moving through cycles of **servicing** our community, **telling** others what Jesus has done, and **planting** new communities of faith with joy.

**VISITORS** 

**We are glad to have you with us.** We invite you to read the “Visitors” information on page 4 of this newsletter.

**PRAYER:** Following each service there are caring people waiting to pray with you, about *anything* that God may have placed on your heart.

They will be at the front of the auditorium on the left hand side.

## Members Meeting and Special Members Meeting

On Monday 13<sup>th</sup> November at 7:30 p.m. we will be having our regular quarterly business meeting. This will be followed by a special member’s meeting to vote on a motion to change the church constitution. The motion to be presented is “That the Constitution of Beaconsfield Baptist Church be gender neutral.” There is information on the Life Desk with the wording of the proposed changes.

## Baptism Service

**6 p.m. Sunday 3<sup>rd</sup> December**

We love to celebrate the new life that Jesus brings.

If you are thinking about taking this exciting step, please speak to Rod Thearle. We will be holding an information session for all who are interested on Sunday 19<sup>th</sup> November at 4 p.m.

**BAPTISM** 

## Men’s Life—Slot Cars & Kebabs

When: Saturday 18<sup>th</sup> November, from 5 p.m. to 7 p.m.

Where: Mr Slotcar, 3/42-46 Hallam South Road, Hallam

Cost: \$10 for two-hour slot car session

Who: Males 16 and over

Afterwards going for kebabs (extra cost)

Sign up at the Life Desk

## **Social-Lights**

Join Social-Lights **this Thursday** (9<sup>th</sup> November) at 12.30 pm for lunch at Cardinia Park Hotel, 200 Beaconsfield-Emerald Road.

The luncheon menu has a wide range of choices, with special seniors meals, starters, mains, and desserts.

**RSVP by tomorrow** (6<sup>th</sup> November) for confirmation of attendance.

Contact: Geoff Dunn 9796 6070 or 0448 962 673.

## **Mission Prayer Focus**

The number one request from leaders under persecution for the past 30 years is: 'Can you pray for us?'

Open Doors is asking groups and churches to unite in prayer across the world for the persecuted church today (Sunday 5<sup>th</sup> November). It wants to see God strengthen His church in the most dangerous countries on the planet. Its prayer is to see those who are being persecuted supported, and to see nations transformed for Christ from the inside out. Approximately 215 million Christians in the World Watch List 2017 top 50 countries experience 'high' levels of persecution for their faith. (Source: Open Doors).

"Remember those in prison as if you were their fellow prisoners, and those who are mistreated as if you yourselves were suffering." (Hebrews 13:3).

## **Mission Concert 2017 DVDs Now Available**

For those who would like to re-experience this year's mission concert, or view it for the first time, the DVDs are available at the Life Desk (\$15). Proceeds are directed to missionaries supported by Beaconsfield and Follow Baptist Churches. This could be the perfect gift for someone.

## **A Note Of Thanks**

Lucy and I just wanted to say a huge 'thank you' to those members of the Congregation who have sent cards and messages of support and encouragement during my present health condition. It has been a tiring and debilitation two months and while I am being well cared for, the overall prognosis is not encouraging. There is a long road ahead.

We deeply appreciate being a part of the Family of God and bless you for your love and care.

—Ken Harris

## **Make and Mingle Craft Fair      This Saturday 9 a.m. to 2 p.m.**

Make and Mingle's craft Fair is this Saturday (11<sup>th</sup> November), from 9 a.m. until 2 p.m. Come along for a variety of stalls all under one roof with light refreshments, Devonshire tea, sandwiches, cakes, slices, etc. Entry is free.

There will be cards, cushions, quilts, children's wear, baby wear, knitted toys, jewellery and many other items, produce, flowers, and a huge plant stall. Also there will be craft supplies, beads, egg decorating, paper tole, card making, scrapbooking, and patchwork.

(All money taken by the church on the day will be donated to nominated charities)



Relax and have a cuppa  
and a bite to eat.

## **Operation Christmas Child Annual Car Wash**

A number of boxes across the state that are donated do not have a donation to cover the cost of delivering the box overseas.

**Next Sunday** (12<sup>th</sup> November) we will be washing cars for a donation of \$10 (cost to send one box to a child overseas) per car to assist in covering these costs. This will be before and after the morning service, i.e. from 9 a.m. to 10 a.m. and again from 11:15 a.m. Please hand in your keys at the table outside on the day as cars are washed in the order the keys are received.

For further information please speak to Jenni or Steve Hunt.

## **Hard Rubbish Collection**

The Cardinia Council hard rubbish collection commences on Monday 13<sup>th</sup> November. If you have a ministry storage area within the church, could you please check for things you need to dispose of. The waste will be put out after church **next Sunday** (12<sup>th</sup> November). Please pass on your contributions to Des Barker or Amedee Griffiths for adding to our collection.

## **Property Assistance**

We are looking for small number of people to assist with church maintenance jobs and coordinating contractors when works are done around the church. For more information see Colin Brewer (0407 554 366) or email [church\\_property@beaconsfieldbaptist.com.au](mailto:church_property@beaconsfieldbaptist.com.au).

## VISITORS

### Welcome Pack

On your way into church this morning you should have received a Welcome Pack. These packs contain lots of important information to help you learn more about our church. Also in the pack are some gifts for you, as well as a visitors form. Filling in the form will allow us to be aware of your visit, and if you are looking to make Beaconsfield Baptist your home it will help us connect with you. Please place your completed cards in the blue box on the Life Desk.



### Welcome Lounge

Our Welcome Lounge is open immediately after our morning services and is a great place to visit. You will meet some of our friendly people, have an opportunity to ask any questions.

We run events for newcomers at intervals, so we encourage you, when you are ready, to provide your contact details if you would like to be invited to an event.

### Life Desk

The Life Desk has all the information you need about all that is happening in the life of Beaconsfield Baptist. You will be greeted by a friendly person and can find information regarding upcoming events, ministries, and term planners.

## THE REGULAR STUFF

### Addresses, Telephone Numbers, and Availability

Street:	7 Desmond Court, Beaconsfield	Senior pastor	Graeme Dunkley, 0401 654 408				
Postal:	P.O. Box 42, Beaconsfield, 3807	Associate pastor	Grant Lester, 0421 603 394				
e-mail:	info@beaconsfieldbaptist.com.au	Associate pastor	Rod Thearle 0423 498 019				
Web:	www.BeaconsfieldBaptist.com.au	Secretary:	Leola Moore-Coulson				
Graeme Dunkley:	graeme@beaconsfieldbaptist.com.au	Church:	9707 0777				
Grant Lester	grant@beaconsfieldbaptist.com.au		Mon.	Tue.	Wed.	Thu.	Fri.
Rod Thearle	rod@beaconsfieldbaptist.com.au						
Leola Moore-Coulson	secretary@beaconsfieldbaptist.com.au	Rod	✓	✓	✓	✗	✓
		Grant	✓	until 12	until 12	✓	✗
		Graeme	✓	✓	✓	✗	✓
		Office	10-3	10-1	10-1	10-2	✗

Concerns and ideas about **church property** can be emailed to church\_property@beaconsfieldbaptist.com.au, with 'maintenance' in the subject if it's a maintenance issue, or a note placed in the office pigeon hole.

Suggestions and feedback about **church services** can be emailed to sunday\_operations@beaconsfieldbaptist.com.au or a note placed in the office pigeon hole.

# Pearly Gates



Name \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

Phone \_\_\_\_\_ 10am  6pm

Which service do you attend?

I'm visiting the area

I'm looking for a church home

I would appreciate a call from the pastoral care team

I'm interested in being baptised

I want to join a Life Group

I'm interested in serving in the church

I want to know more about Jesus

PTO



# Communication Card

Prayer Request / Comments

Can we help you?

PTO

## THE REGULAR STUFF (continued)

Send copy for the **Beacon** to PJRayment@Yahoo.com.au. Please include "Beacon" in the subject.

All copy for the Beacon should be given to Philip Rayment by one of the following means.

- ◆ E-mail to address above or call 5941 4292, in either case by 8 p.m. the previous Thursday.
- ◆ Typed or written in Philip Rayment's pigeon hole in the church foyer by the previous Sunday morning.

Copy by e-mail is preferred. Otherwise please type or neatly write the copy. By telephone should be a last resort. If you miss these deadlines it may still get in, but no promises. (24 hours later will usually be okay, except for the pigeon hole.)

Unless requested otherwise, copy will be run as follows: Notices (e.g. births) will be run once. Requests will be run twice. Announcements of future church activities will be run twice, then as space permits.

Beacon **Inserts** for church or ministry activities should be arranged with Alan and Louise MacDonald, who print and collate the Beacon.

All notices for the News or Events sections of the Church's **web site** should be emailed to Peter Joynson at pwjoynson@hotmail.com, and for

### **in-church on-screen**

**announcements** to Matthew Inman at matthew.inman97@gmail.com.

### **Church Banking Details**

for tithes and offerings: BSB: 704-922; Account No: 100007477; Account Name: Beaconsfield Baptist Church.

## THE REGULAR STUFF (continued)

Please leave **postage stamps for missions** in the box so labelled on the bench in the lobby.

The **Prayer Chain** is for urgent prayer requests, such as any sort of emergency or serious illness. Prayer Chain members keep all “Prayer Chain” requests in the strictest confidence. The Convenor is Jan Ketcher, and she can be contacted on e-gran@bigpond.com or 9707 4512.



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### Groups and Activities

See the calendar for dates (except Life Groups).

Many groups and activities take a break during holidays

#### Life Groups

Life Groups are a vibrant part of life at Beaconsfield Baptist Church. We currently have groups running in most surrounding suburbs and for all different age and stages from youth through to Seniors. They are a great place to journey with people and explore the Word of God. If you are interested in being part of a group visit the Life Desk in the foyer. Most groups take a break in the school holidays but check with your group leader for specific details.

#### Other Groups

What	Where	When	Who
Youth (school years 7-12)	Church	7—9 p.m. Fridays	Rod Thearle
Make & Mingle	Church	10:00 a.m. Wednesdays	Ann Taylor
Social-Lights	Various	Second Thursdays	Geoff Dunn
Breakfast for men	Berwick McDonalds	7:00 a.m. Fridays	Peter Joynson
Missions Committee	Church	Third Tuesdays	
<i>nextgen</i> (kinder to grade 6)	Church	10:15—11:15 a.m. Sundays	Grant Lester
Library—morning	Church lobby	Sundays after services	Monitor or Ann Taylor
—evening		Sundays after services	Gillian Asquith
Little Beacies playgroup	Church	10 a.m. Tuesdays	Grant Lester
Beac-a-Boos crèche (walking age to kinder)	Church	10:15—11 a.m. Sundays	Grant Lester
Seniors L.I.F.E. Fellowship	Church	10:30 a.m. Tuesdays	Ken and Lucy Harris
Ladies' coffee	Old Cheese Factory	10 a.m. 1 <sup>st</sup> and 3 <sup>rd</sup> Fridays	Lucy Harris
Mainly Music	Church	10:00 a.m. Mondays	Allison Dunkley
Tuesday music sessions	Church	5:30 p.m. to 6:30 p.m. 2 <sup>nd</sup> & 4 <sup>th</sup> Tuesdays	Peter Brown

Rosters	This week	Next week
Counting the offering	Bruce Ward and Bob Morrison	Mark Benson and David Ronalds
Morning tea	Sue Mellords, John Smith, and Roger Porter	Chris & Sue Packham, Colin Brewer, and Lawrie & Diane West
Library monitor	Ann T aylor	Yvonne French

## CHURCH CALENDAR

☞ See further information elsewhere in this Beacon

® See in the Regular Stuff section

**TODAY** 10:00 a.m. **Worship service**—Rod Thearle: Luke 16 *The shrewd manager* (Susanne Bestenbreur leading)—and **nextgen** including Beac-a-Boos creche

☞ Christmas Child car wash

6:00 p.m. **Night church**—Mez Thearle: 1 John 3:11-24 (Elliott Minter and Natalie Pemberton leading)

Mon. 6<sup>th</sup> 10:00 a.m. ® Mainly Music

Tue. 7<sup>th</sup> 10:30 a.m. ® Seniors L.I.F.E. Fellowship

10:00 a.m. ® Little Beacies playgroup

Wed. 8<sup>th</sup> 10:00 a.m. ® Make and Mingle

Thu. 9<sup>th</sup> 12:30 p.m. ☞ Social-Lights luncheon

Fri. 10<sup>th</sup> Youth Group

Sat. 11<sup>th</sup> 9:00 a.m. ☞ Make and Mingle Craft Fair

**Sun. 12<sup>th</sup>** 10:00 a.m. **Worship service**—Graeme Dunkley: Luke 17—and **nextgen** including Beac-a-Boos creche

6:00 p.m. **Night church**—Rod Thearle: 1 John 4:1-6

### More Calendar Dates

Mon. 13<sup>th</sup> November 7:30 p.m. ☞ Members' meeting.

Tue. 14<sup>th</sup> November 5:30 p.m. Tuesday music session

Fri. 17<sup>th</sup> November 10:00 a.m. ® Ladies coffee

Sat. 18<sup>th</sup> November 5:00 p.m. ☞ Men's Life: Slot Cars & Kebabs

Wed. 29<sup>th</sup> November 9:30 a.m. Packing Children's Hospital Activity Packs

Sun. 18<sup>th</sup> March 2:30 p.m. A Pleasant Sunday Afternoon