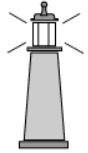


Sunday 12th November, 2017



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.



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 Tomorrow

At 7:30 p.m. **tomorrow** (Monday) 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 3rd 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 19th November at 4 p.m.

BAPTISM



Men's Life—Slot Cars & Kebabs

When: **This Saturday** (18th 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

Voting at the Special Church Meeting Tomorrow

According to the constitution voting at a Special Church Meeting is open to anyone who:

- Is over 18,
- has been a church member for at least six months, and
- has been to a communion service in the last six months.

(Since we don't keep a record of attendance at communion that will just be up to your conscience.)

Proxy voting is not allowed.

Voting for this issue will be done by secret ballot on paper. Ballots will be distributed to members as they sign in, not beforehand. Ballots will be collected at the end of the discussion of the motion.

For the motion to be passed it must get a 'yes' from two-thirds of the total votes received. This is not always the same as the number of members present as some members may not to return a ballot.

According to the BUV 'Guide for Churches holding a Special Church Meeting' invalid or blank papers do count towards the total votes received. For example: If we got 65 'yes', 1 'no', and 35 blanks, the motion would not be passed.

More information can be found at the BUV website, at <https://www.buv.com.au/documents/item/295>.

Mission Prayer Focus—"Just Prayer" (Global Interaction)

A large number of people (2,998,030,000)¹ in the world are estimated as never having had the opportunity to hear about Jesus. Please join with others this weekend to pray that this injustice is overturned.

1—The Joshua Project

Make Your Own Kind of Music

Melbourne Singers of Gospel present: *Make Your Own Kind of Music*, on Saturday 2nd December at 3 p.m. and 8 p.m., in the Alex Theatre, Level 1, 135 Fitzroy Street, St Kilda.

Celebrate music legends with the 100 voices of Melbourne Singers of Gospel and The Soul Train band, with crowd-pleasers from Stevie Wonder, Leonard Cohen, Michael Jackson, Aretha Franklin, Mama Cass, and Broadway Inspirational Voices. Book at Ticketek.com.au.

Making our Children and Families Pastor Full-time

Grant Lester, our Children and Families Pastor, is overseeing a growing work. We have more families than ever at Mainly Music and Playgroup, as well as more CHiPS mentors. This year we've also run our first Holiday Club and our first Family Fun Day too. It's exciting that most of these families are from the community, and some are now opening up for prayer and 'God-talk'.

Grant's original employment contract was full-time, but at his own request he wanted to work four days per week. Now that the ministry is rapidly growing, the deacons have initiated that Grant work full-time. Given that Grant's work is mostly outreach, the extra funding would come from the Outreach Account. Based on our current financial situation, the Outreach Account has enough in it to support this for over five years.

At our November general members' meeting tomorrow we'll be moving a motion that we implement the original terms of Grant's employment contract and employ him full-time. Given how much work Grant has been doing, we'd like to make this from 1st October.

Thanks

I would like to express my thanks for the care and prayer support given to me both before and during my pacemaker being fitted. It is great to be a member of Gods family. Where would we be with out our Lord?

—Christian Love, Rowen Crouch

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.

Today we are 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.

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.

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

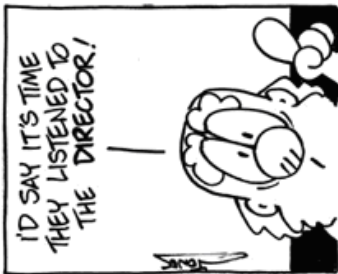
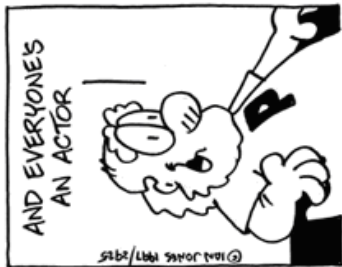
Addresses, Telephone Numbers, and Availability

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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?

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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.

Please leave **postage stamps for missions** in the box so

labelled on the bench in the lobby.

Hard Rubbish Collection

The Cardinia Council hard rubbish collection commences **tomorrow** (Monday 13th 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 **today**. Please pass on your contributions to Des Barker or Amedee Grif-fiths for adding to our collection.

THE REGULAR STUFF (continued)

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 st and 3 rd 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 nd & 4 th Tuesdays	Peter Brown

CHURCH CALENDAR

☞ See further information elsewhere in this Beacon

® See in the Regular Stuff section

TODAY	10:00 a.m.	Worship service —Graeme Dunkley: Luke 17 (Ashton Wynne-Yorke leading)—and nextgen including Beac-a-Boos creche
		☞ Christmas Child car wash
	6:00 p.m.	Night church —Rod Thearle: 1 John 4:1-6 (Shane Pritchard leading)

Mon. 13th 10:00 a.m. ® Mainly Music

7:30 p.m. ☞ Members' meetings.

Tue. 14th 10:30 a.m. ® Seniors L.I.F.E. Fellowship

10:00 a.m. ® Little Beacies playgroup

5:30 p.m. Tuesday music session

Wed. 15th 10:00 a.m. ® Make and Mingle

Fri. 17th 10:00 a.m. ® Ladies coffee

Youth Group

Sat. 18th 5:00 p.m. ☞ Men's Life: Slot Cars & Kebabs

Sun. 19th	10:00 a.m.	Worship service —Rod Thearle: Luke 18:1-8 <i>The persistent widow</i> —and nextgen including Beac-a-Boos creche
	6:00 p.m.	Night church —Zach Barker: 1 John 4:7-21

More Calendar Dates

Tue. 28th November 5:30 p.m. Tuesday music session

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

Fri. 1st December 10:00 a.m. ® Ladies coffee

Sun. 18th March 2:30 p.m. A Pleasant Sunday Afternoon

Rosters	This week	Next week
Counting the offering	Mark Benson and David Ronalds	Anne Joynson and Tim Moore-Coulson
Morning tea	Chris & Sue Packham and Lawrie & Diane West	Graeme & Ann Taylor and Bruce & Gillian Ward
Library monitor	Yvonne French	Sonya Harper
Stewards	Doug & Carol Langsford, Bob Morrison, Cheryl & Graeme Reid, Yvonne Ronalds, Peter Bakker, and Roger Porter	Colin & Suzanne Brewer, Peter Lyall, Robert Wreith, David Muir, Mal Taylor, Olga Massey, and Brian Ware