

FEBRUARY 2024

THE BEACON

NOT CONFORMED BUT TRANSFORMED



SERVICES

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04 | 10am PREPARING TO SAY

GOODBYE

Acts 20:25-38 | Duncan Becsi

6pm CONSIDER MY LAMENT

Psalm 5 | Rod Thearle

11 10am LEAVE EVERYTHING,

FOLLOW HIM

Luke 5:1-11 | Rod Thearle

6pm PRAYER'S PERSISTENCE

Psalm 6 | Duncan Becsi

18 | 10am GO FROM YOUR CHURCH

Genesis 12:1-5 | Duncan Becsi

6pm EAGER TO DO GOOD

1 Peter 3:8-18 | Rod Thearle

25 10am NOT CONFORMED BUT

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Romans 12:1-2 | Lin Rauber (church) / Duncan Becsi (camp)

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NEW TO CHURCH?

We here at Beaconsfield Baptist are a group of ordinary people.
We come from all sorts of different backgrounds. But what we have in common is a love of Jesus.

Week by week we meet to enjoy worship together and to be part of a church family that is warm, caring and accepting. We would love to have you join us.

Email the office at info@beaconsfieldbaptist.com.au to get connected!

MAKE BEACY HOME

We run a number of ministries designed to help people from all walks of life grow in faith and connect with one another.

If you're interested in making Beacy your home, and serving in the life of our church, there are a number of ways in which to do so.

Please get in touch with a member of our Leadership Team to discuss opportunities to serve and get more involved.



Rod ThearlePastor

It's been eight years since Mez and I packed up our lives and moved from Sydney to Beaconsfield.

It's been a privilege, a joy and a challenge to lead and serve this church. We've learnt so much, shared cherished moments, listened to God's voice, walked through dark valleys, and enjoyed the blessing of God's goodness and faithfulness.

It is my hope and prayer that in and through that we've all been changed to be more like Jesus transformed into his image.

Back in October last year, the Leadership Team chose this phrase, "Not Conformed But Transformed," as our theme for 2024. Taken from Romans 12, it expresses the desire for God (not the world) to shape us, guide us and lead us.

That's our prayer for this church and for our family as we continue to follow Jesus' call.

SERVICE TIMES

Morning Worship | 10am

Each Sunday we gather together to worship authentically, grow intentionally, pray expectantly and love sacrificially.

Join us online at 10am

Night Church | 6pm

Night Church at BBC has cultivated a vibrant community of youth, young adults, young families and the young-at-heart.

GIVING

We give as an act of worship, entrusting God with our money and partnering in ministry and mission.

Please consider these secure online options for your regular giving.

Give online with Tithely

Direct Bank Transfer

Beaconsfield Baptist Church BSB: 704 922 ACC: 100 007 477

CHILDREN'S HOSPITAL ACTIVITY PACKS

It is that time of the year when we will need to start packing again.

For the new people in the church we provide and pack approximately 1800 activity packs throughout the year.

These are for the sick children in both Casey and St John of God Hospitals in Berwick. If you would like to come and help these are the dates for this year.

7th February

10th April

5th June

7th August

9th October

27th November

The packers meet in the church foyer at 9:30 and are usually finished by 11am.

Thank you all for your support.

Speak to Cheryl Reid if you have any questions.

THEARLE FAREWELL DINNER

Come along to farewell the Thearles and give thanks for all that God has done these past eight years. There will be dinner and dessert, music and sharing, and a final message from Rod.

Please RSVP for catering purposes by 5th February at the Life Desk or <u>via the</u> online form.



PRAYER FOR VCE STUDENTS PROGRAMME

As the 2024 resumption of schooling approaches, it is time to remind you of this programme.

For some years, a group of prayer warriors has been upholding in prayer our young people completing year 12 of their VCE. This year we want to make sure we do not miss any student in this category. We'll be praying for students in Years 11 and 12 of their VCE.

This programme covers young people who are part of our fellowship, but we also have room for any student related to, or known to, anyone who is part of this church, whether member or not. The important issue is that these young people are prayed for throughout their final years of secondary school. We need to have the name and email address, to send encouragement via email throughout the year. We also need a list of their subjects which will allow us to pray intelligently.

For more information, contact Geoff Dunn on 0448 9632 673 or at anngeoff11@gmail.com.

SSHHH! LIBRARY NEWS

New books available in the library include interesting reads from the non-fiction collection.

250CAN **CANN, Graeme**—
Now that is the church! (Graeme is a local pastor and author.)

248MCA **MCALPINE**, **Stephen**—Being the bad guys; how to live for Jesus in a world that says you shouldn't.

Those are two little books but both good reads.

248JER **JEREMIAH**, **David**— *Prayer*; *the great adventure*.

920SUN **SUNDAY**, **Billy**—*Billy* Sunday; the man and his message.

227PAT **PATZIA, A**— *Ephesians, Colossians, Philemon*

227SCO **SCOTT**, **J**—
Corinthians

GENESIS books and a booklist are still on display too.

BARBARA MOUNTAIN

We give God glory for the life and faith of Barbara Mountain, who was a pivotal member of BBC for over 50 years and served in a multitude of ways in that time. God has called her home and so in sadness and thankfulness we stand in prayer with Robin and the family.





ELEVEN88 DANCE & WELLBEING CLASSES

Our mission partners, Eleven88, are kicking off their programs for 2024! There's something for everyone, with classes from prep to adults on a Thursday afternoon at the church.

For more information and the full program, head to eleven88dance.com/eleven88programs



CHURCH PRAYER MEETING

The monthly church prayer meeting (at the church) is on **Monday 19th February at 1:30 p.m.**

Everyone is welcome to join together to lift up hearts and voices to Almighty God our Creator and Heavenly Father, to thank Him for His blessings, to worship and praise Him, to pray for our pastors, elders, deacons, and the church activities and church families, especially praying for those going through health problems and difficult situations.

"If My people, who are called by My Name, will humble themselves and pray, and seek My face, and turn from their wicked ways, then will I hear from heaven and will forgive their sin, and heal their land."—2 Chronicles 7:14.

MINISTRIES

For more information about our ministries, visit beaconsfieldbaptist.com.au/connect

LIFE GROUPS

Our Life Groups meet weekly or fortnightly in Beaconsfield and surrounding areas.
We want everyone who calls Beacy home to be in a group.
Contact: The office

MENS LIFE

Weekly mens breakfast. Friday mornings from 8am. Contact: Peter Joynson

CARAVAN AND CABIN CLUB

Autumn and Spring rallies for people to make new friends and explore the countryside.

Contact: Ruth Denny

SOCIAL-LIGHTS

Second Thursday of each month. Designed for retirees, all welcome! Contact: Geoff Dunn

MAKE & MINGLE

Wednesdays, 10am - 12pm. For friendship and craft! Contact: Ann Taylor

NEXTGEN & CRÈCHE

During all Sunday morning services throughout the school term. For toddlers and children from kinder to grade 6. Contact: Zoe Russell

LITTLE BEACIES'

Wednesdays, 10am to 12pm. For pre-school aged children. Contact: The office

JUNIOR ACTIVITY GROUP

For students in grades 3 to 6. Last Friday of the month, 7-9pm Contact: Ken Agnew

PRAYER SUPPORT GROUP

We believe in the power of prayer and would love to pray for you! Requests can be made confidentially on our website.

Contact: Duncan Becsi

PRAYER MEETINGS

On the third Monday of the month, 1.30pm - 2.30pm at the church. Prayer for the church, the nation and all those in need. Contact: Duncan Becsi

BEACY YOUTH

For students in grades 7 to 12.
Friday nights from 7pm.
Contact: Rod Thearle

YOUNG ADULTS

For youngens' aged 18 to 30(ish). 6pm Sunday Nights as well as numerous Life Groups throughout the week. Contact: Rod Thearle

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