

Westview Baptist Church

“people learning to live Jesus' way”

www.westview-baptists.info

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Our purpose is to bring glory to God. We will do this as we:

1. are transformed by enjoying Christ;
2. love by serving others; and
3. proclaim Jesus by faithfully living in a fallen world.

Up & Coming

19.8 - SMS
From God 2

Peter 2

26.8 - 2 Peter 3

2.9 - 2 John

7.9 - 3 John

**Community
Prayer**

August 26

SMS From God - Exploring the Short Letters

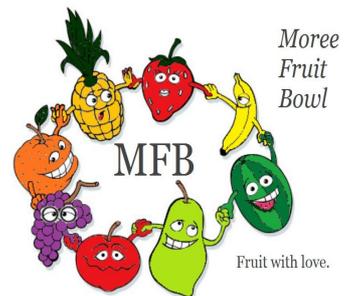
We come to today to Peter's second letter which helps us to consider true knowledge, exploring what it might mean to “know truth”. The clear truth of scripture is that we have available to us all that we need for life and godliness, so think about how that impacts our life. It is the truth which is our salvation, it brings us freedom.

Family News and Prayers

Joyce continues her stay in hospital after a fall. Her condition can vary from day to day and it is a difficult time for her. Please continue in your prayers.

Allan had a short trip to hospital too this week after an allergic reaction after a medical procedure. We can be thankful to God for a speedy recovery.

JJ and Soona are at Lidcome Baptist this morning as JJ preaches there this morning. This is the second time he has preached there as he helps the church out during a difficult time. They also had good news during the



week when Soona entered a competition by uploading a holiday photo to a radio station and she won a 7 night trip to Samoa! They will probably go early September. The photos can be found online [here](#).

John would like the church family to know that the FGB meeting will be held on 13th August. A notice can be found on the back table.

Matt has informed us that he had problems with his regular email lately and has set up a temporary one: mattgpreece@gmail.com. He said “The last time I received any emails was on Saturday (your Sunday in Australia). So I am sorry I haven’t replied to your emails. I should get them if I ever get access to my email account again. If you need a reply could you please resend your email.”

A new newsletter from Matt and Becky is available this morning. Please check the back table if you have not yet received it.

40 Hour Famine

This weekend, Hayley is once again doing without food, furniture and (the more difficult) technology for 40 hours to raise funds for people in need. If you would like to sponsor her, you can see her in person or give at www.40hf.com/hayley97

MAF Australia have just announced that all donations to their workers will be tax deductible from 1.7.12. That means anyone who gives support to Matt and Becky will receive a receipt to claim each year. Check out <http://www.maf.org.au/donate>

Baptist World Aid

A new website has been launched and can be found at www.baptistworldaid.org.au. In the next few weeks we will play a short video they have recently sent to the churches.

Titus 3:14 reminds us to “our people must learn to devote themselves to doing what is good”, being generous to those in need is one way to devote ourselves to good.

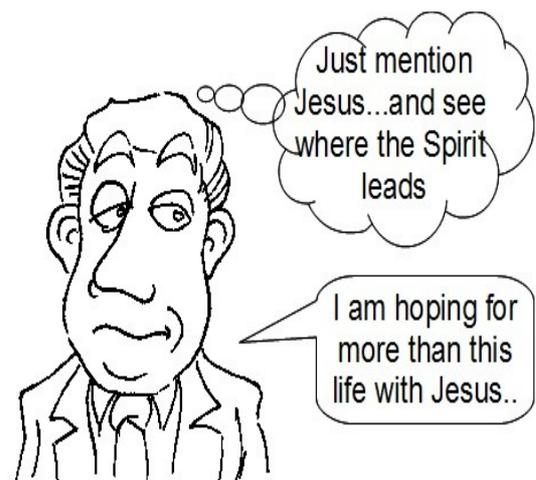
Mission Minded

Do you ever think about how you can further the kingdom of God within your network, whether it be friends, family, neighbourhood or work? Are you ready to share your story of faith with someone?

Do you believe that God is working in people's lives?

Why not take the risk and tell someone in your circle what Jesus means to you?

Paul was called to suffer to the point of chains. That would not happen to us, but if we are called to risk a possible awkward moment, surely that is not costly for us?



2 Tim 2:8 Remember Jesus Christ, raised from the dead, descended from David. This is my gospel, 9 for which I am suffering even to the point of being chained like a criminal. But God's word is not chained. 10 Therefore I endure everything for the sake of the elect, that they too may obtain the salvation that is in Christ Jesus, with eternal glory.

SMS from God: exploring the short letters

2 Peter 1:1 – 21 – True knowledge

What's the difference between knowing about and knowing of? 2 Peter 1: 1 – 3, 8

On the attack – we have all we need for life and godliness.
2 Peter 1:1 – 4

The value added life – but it will take effort. 2 Peter 1: 5 – 11

What is eternal life? John 17:1 – 3

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