

Westview Baptist Church

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“people learning to live Jesus’ way”

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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
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Transformed by Enjoying Christ

Teaching Series - What we believe

Today we are continuing our series looking at the core beliefs which we hold. Today’s focus is on the Holy Spirit which we need to consider with great humility and submission to the scriptures, for Paul himself says in Roman 11:33

Oh, the depth of the riches of the wisdom and knowledge of God! How unsearchable his judgments, and his paths beyond tracing out! 34 “Who has known the mind of the Lord? Or who has been his counselor?”

Love and Service

Family News and Prayers

We have just discovered that Margaret Eggers’ brother Warren died and the funeral was last week. Margaret expresses her thanks for the prayers. He drew comfort knowing that we had been praying for him. Continue to pray for Margaret as she deals with her loss.

Nellie remains in hospital awaiting the results of an X-ray of her hip to see how it is mending. Keep her in your prayers.

Bob has commenced on the new drug abiraterone (trade name is Zytiga). This is the drug that many lobbied the Federal Government to include on the PBS and the reason why Bob found himself on national news. This means his planned chemo has been cancelled. Bob says, "Thanks, dear church family, for all your love and care and prayers; I just feel I'm the most blessed man on the earth to have such an encouraging community around me, reflecting so clearly the love of our Saviour King Jesus!"

Community Prayer Night, next Sunday at 7pm at the Doonside Centre.

Living Faithfully in Our World

Men Meeting

Last Thursday night a few from Westview went to hear the Police Commissioner of NSW, Andrew Scipione speak. It was a very encouraging night with a large crowd. Head of the fourth biggest police force in the Western world, with 20,000 staff and \$3.2billion dollar budget, the humble and self effacing Christian spoke of how he was not a Commissioner who just so happens to be a Christian, he was a Christian who just so happens to be Commissioner. His message was to live out the gospel message with great integrity knowing that people watch you and base the weight of your words by your actions previously observed. It would be good to keep him in your prayers as he does this highly political and high pressure job. He is married to Joy, two sons also officers, and a daughter just finishing teacher training.

Evans High

Tomorrow, Tony and JJ will be partnering with Bernie, Bay, Kate and Bruce to present a scripture program to the students at Evans High. The focus is to store up treasure in heaven, which is a difficult concept to communicate, especially to young people. Prayer for good behaviour and attitudes from the students that the message might be clearly heard and received, so that lives might be transformed by the Spirit's work in their lives.

Walk to Water

We are seeking to raise money to [sink deep water boreholes](#) for Northern Nigerian Christian communities through Open Doors by walking 9.5km along Western Sydney Parklands & M7 walking trails on Saturday 14th September at 9am. Meeting at the Lorikeet area at Nurragingy. If you can't make the walk join us at 11am to welcome the walkers with a sausage sizzle. **(Sign up today for the walk by putting your details on the sheet at the back)**

To sponsor an individual or the whole group online please visit <http://walktowater.org.au/walk/89> or sponsor a walker in person over the coming weeks.

Praying for Egypt

The latest events in Egypt indicate much violence and civil unrest. Indications are that Christian people are continuing to be targeted. A call to pray that there would be no more outbreaks of violence; God's protection over all in Egypt; God's healing mercy upon all those injured in the attacks; that the LORD would comfort families mourning the loss of loved ones.

Teaching Notes

Glimpses in the Old Testament - Judges 14:6; Psalm 51:11; Isaiah 61:1; Joel 2:28-32

Stronger NT Evidence - Matt 1:18; Matt 3:16; 4:1; 12:32; 28:19; Luke 11:13; 12:12; 24:49

Jesus Would Send His Spirit John 15:26; 16:7-11

Empowering Spirit - Acts 1:8; Acts 2:1-4

The Spirit's Blessing to Us

- The Spirit Gives Life - Romans 8:9-11
- The Spirit is the Way God Lives in Us - John 14:16-17
- The Spirit Marks Us as God's Children - Eph 1:13-14

Evidence of the Spirit - Gal 5:22 -23

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