

Westview Baptist Church

“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.

Up & Coming

Matthew Shows the King

12.2 Opposition

Arises 11:1-12:50

19.2 Mysteries

Revealed 13:1-53

26.2 Identity

Revealed 13:54-16:20

“just mention Jesus”

Barry Higgins and Fiona Morgan

Today we welcome Barry Higgins, along with his wife Fiona Morgan, who have been cross-cultural team members with Global Interaction in Cambodia since 2001. Barry has focused on establishing ‘Peace Bridges’, a local organisation working for peace within churches, families and communities.

Next Week

We continue our series on Matthew Shows the King next week

Family News

Bob's latest cancer treatment has commence and will continue over the next few weeks. Keep him in your prayers over that time. Helen returned to palliative care during the week. It is a difficult time for the whole family, so we ask for your prayers at this time.

Westview Review And Planning (WRAP) Meeting 19.2

An opportunity for us to gather and discuss issues that relate to the life of the church. Held straight after church, please see Lee to raise any issues. One issue to be discussed will be the mission project for 2012. As yet there hasn't been any suggestion for a new project, the Moree Fruit Bowl could be continued if remains the case.

Homegroups 2012

Homegroups are one of the best opportunities we have to intentionally honour Jesus Christ our Lord and put into practice the "... one another's" of the Bible. *"Be devoted to one another... Honour one another above yourselves.... Live in harmony with one another.... the continuing debt to love one another.... Accept one another... Greet one another with a holy kiss.... agree with one another... serve one another in love.... bearing with one another in love.... Be kind and compassionate to one another, forgiving each other.... Speak to one another with psalms, hymns and spiritual songs.... Submit to one another.... encourage one another and build each other up... But encourage one another daily.... spur one another on toward love and good deeds.... do not slander one another.....love one another deeply, from the heart..... Offer hospitality to one another without grumbling.... clothe yourselves with humility toward one another.... have fellowship with one another... We should love one another..... love one another as he commanded us."* You might note that these commands are impossible to do by yourself!

Several of the homegroups will continue to meet together but there are opportunities for others to form and meet. If you are not presently in a homegroup but would like to be in one, please talk to Tony.

Learning Opportunity From Morling

Encore: (Formerly known as Morning Retirees Mornings)
Encore is an initiative of Morling College, held on Friday mornings, that is designed for people who are retired or no longer working full-time to continue learning about God with like minded people. There are no academic assessments or requirements for Encore.

Guest speakers for Semester 1 include Rev Dr Vic Eldridge, Rev Dr Graeme Chatfield, Rev Neil Dawson, Mrs Lyn Scott, Rev Dr Ross Clifford, Mrs Gayle Kent, Rev Dr John Reid & Mr Bruce Burgess. Encore Block 1A commences on Friday 2nd March and runs till Friday 30th March. Encore Block 1B commences on Friday 27th April and runs till Friday 1st June. The cost for each block is \$40 (single) \$60 (couple). Single day attendance is welcome and costs \$10 per person. Morning tea is included in your registration fee. Everyone is welcome to stay for lunch and costs \$7 per person. Encore is held at the Morling College campus located at 120 Herring Road, Macquarie Park.

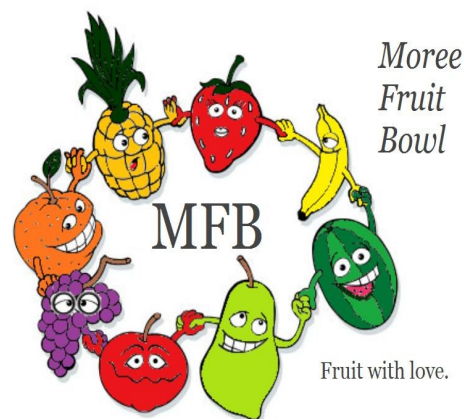
Moree Fruit Bowl

Keep in your prayers Paul and Erin who are returning from visiting family in NZ. They will go back to much damaged caused by the floods. They recently wrote

“It has been an encouraging and refreshing time away from home these last 9-10 weeks. We have been able to refocus, talk through some important areas that we needed to focus on. Please pray for us as we return home, settle back into life and look at implementing some new ideas.”

Christmas Appeal

A note from ABWaid *“Please thank everyone at Westview for supporting our Christmas appeal. So far we have raised*



\$436,000, with our goal being \$1.1m! Just to let you know our Christmas Gift Opps catalogue has reached \$350k of our \$500k target – the awesome outback dunnies have sold fast. We've also now seen 784 new SAO child sponsorships taken up this year. Our goal to June 30 2012 is 1,800 so we're almost halfway. Thanks for praying with us and encouraging anyone you know who is looking to sponsor a child to help us reach this goal. On November 30 we closed our East Africa famine appeal and we're delighted to have raised \$950,000. With the matching government funds, that will take us to \$1.2 million – praise God! We really appreciate our Baptist churches, like Westview, promoting these appeals through the year.

New Year blessings and thanks again. Kim

PS Follow us @BaptistWorldAid and like us on Facebook''

Prayer for the Nation

Many Christian leaders and churches are joining together for a national day of prayer and fasting on the 19th February. Even though you may not be directly be involved, it would be good to focus your prayers on our nation that day.

www.nationaldayofprayer.com.au The following week, another program of 40 days of prayer and fasting during the period known as Lent is happening. If you would like more information, go to www.40daysofprayer.com.au

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