

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

Isaiah - The Vision We All Need

13.05.12 - Judah's hope, guilt, hope 2.1-4.6

20.05.12 - Judah's sins condemned 5.1-30

27.05.12 - Pentecost - The Birth of the/our Church

Community Prayer - 27th May

“just mention Jesus”

Isaiah: Judah's sins confronted (Ch 1)

Can God produce evil children? It would seem impossible, but God himself raises the question in the first chapter of Isaiah book. In this chapter we see the major themes that will be expanded upon in the rest of the book: sinful arrogance, judgement, redemption, forgiveness, salvation.

During this series we will be focusing on the first 27 chapters of Isaiah. Please be encouraged to read through this section, particularly the section to be dealt with on the following Sunday.

Isaiah will present to us a vision of God which is so vast and great, that it cannot be adequately communicated. The best that we can hope is to glimpse something of the vision that Isaiah saw, which we now know can be found in the person of Jesus Christ.

Family News and Prayers

Today we welcome into our formal membership Colin and Geraldine (Pudge) Constance and JJ and Soona Bomford. We do thank God for all who join us and like to acknowledge in a special way those who seek formal membership.

Clarice continues to recover but still needs to gain strength. Allan has regular visits to the doctor for dressing changes and can't be here today. Continue to pay for Helen and David during a difficult time.

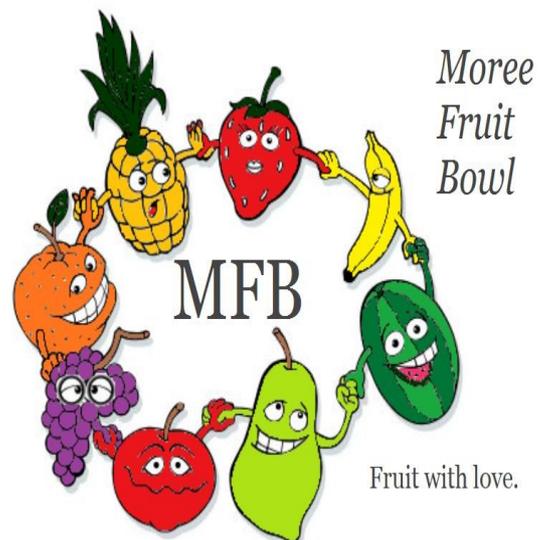
Bill and Es are on their way to Queensland today to visit Es' brother and his wife who was recently diagnosed with an aggressive cancer. Please keep them in your prayers over the next week as it may prove to be a very emotional time for all.

If anyone would like a good organ in working condition, please see Lin or Keith Low who knows someone willing to give it away.

We thank God for the opportunity to hear from Matt and Becky last week. Anyone who did not receive their prayer card will find one at the back table. Please consider whether your circumstances will allow for you to give financial support to their ministry of the next few years.

Men's Outreach Dinner

Advance warning for an opportunity to take a non-Christian friend to hear John Smith, President of the motorbike group "God Squad". The dinner will be held at the Richmond Club on Tuesday 19th of June. The cost of the night will be about \$35.00 per person (waiting for some details before finalising).



Church Membership Target Group

The target group has recommended changes to the constitution to allow for any believer who wishes to enter into a covenant relationship with us to join us in formal membership. The recommendations have been previously published and comment has been invited and only affirmation has been given

to move forward. This will require a change in the wording of our constitution. The following changes are being recommended:

- Delete “3.1.2. and renumber the following paragraph
- 3.3.1. Delete the words “AND HAVING BEEN BAPTIZED AS MEMBERS OF HIS CHURCH”
- 3.6 Change this to “Everyone within the congregation is encouraged to share as fully as they can in all aspects of the life of the church.”
- Delete 3.6.1

If you would like to discuss this further or have any concerns, please talk to any member of the Target Group - Tony, Bob, David, Lee, Allan, Bill or Wendy.

Voice of the Martyrs

The persecution of Christians in Vietnam continues to happen. It was reported that a young girl 14 years old (Rachel) was arrested and painfully interrogated for her faith. It is also reported that authorities have been cutting down crosses from church buildings. Authorities are using tactics like this to intimidate Christians so that they will stop serving the Lord. Rachel is asking us to pray that they would remain strong in their faith. For more information please go to <http://thirteenthree.org.au/blog/> where you will also see a message from David Low. If anyone would like to contribute to fundraising to send young Christians to Vietnam, money can be given to Keith or Lin or placed in a specially marked box at the back of the church.

FGB Dinner

The next meeting is on the 14th May. Information will be found on the back table or you could talk to John S directly.

Isaiah: Judah's sins confronted (Ch 1)

A life-changing event

Isaiah had a vision

How would one use words to describe God?

Can God produce evil children? 1.1-9

God's view of their religion 1.10 -17

Glimmer of hope 1.18-20

“Willing” for what? 1.21-26

Two options: 1. 1.27

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