## Westview Baptist Church

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"people learning to live Jesus' way"

1st September, 2013

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

### Transformed by Enjoying Christ

Today our society remembers and celebrates the role of "fatherhood". It is a significant role established by God himself to work towards common good in our community. A special welcome to all the fathers amongst us today and we hope that any family celebrations will be warm and joyful.

#### Teaching Series - What we believe -How are we saved?

One of the most profound mysteries of scripture is how a holy and eternal God of power and glory can be united to a limited creature that was once his enemy. Yet that is the very question that we will be trying to get our mind around today.

The two statements we will be looking at number 7 and 8 within our constitution:

• Christ's atonement for His Church.

• Conversion is that work of the Holy Spirit by which He enables those who are dead in their trespasses and sins to repent, believe and live.

#### Love and Service

#### Family News and Prayers

Continue to pray for Nellie who has remained in hospital these last weeks. It is possible that she will be home by next weekend.

Keep Matt and Becky in your prayers for good health for both of them and good development of "lil Preece" growing and developing inside Becky.

A good use for the Church Directory is to pray for one another.

Make it a regular part of you day and pray through the church one page at a time.

# Living Faithfully in Our World Walk to Water

It's now less than 2 weeks to our Walk to Water-14th Sept, not to late to do the walk (see Wendy) or just as importantly, encourage the walkers by sponsoring an individual or the whole group online at <a href="http://walktowater.org.au/walk/89">http://walktowater.org.au/walk/89</a> or sponsor a walker in person over the coming weeks. A free sausage sizzle for the walkers will commence from 11am, please join us with your BYO lunch at the

Lorikeet picnic area at Nurragingy and perhaps a treat you'd like to share with the walkers on their return.

"We're so happy to have this borehole! because God has done this for us we believe that he can do bigger things and it really gives us hope." Rev Ndul

"The borehole is also frequently used by Muslims from nearby villages, and the Christians consider it an opportunity to show the love of Christ by welcoming them." Open Doors

# The Valley of Vision - A Puritan Prayer

Lord, high and holy, meek and lowly, Thou hast brought me to the valley of vision, where I live in the depths but see Thee in the heights; hemmed in by mountains of sin I behold Thy glory. Let me learn by paradox that the way down is the way up, that to be low is to be high, that the broken heart is the healed heart, that the contrite spirit is the rejoicing spirit, that the repenting soul is the victorious soul, that to have nothing is to possess all, that to bear the cross is to wear the crown, that to give is to receive, that the valley is the place of vision. Lord, in the daytime stars can be seen from deepest wells, and the deeper the wells the brighter Thy stars shine; let me find Thy light in my darkness, Thy life in my death, Thy joy in my sorrow, Thy grace in my sin, Thy riches in my poverty, Thy glory in my valley.

#### **Teaching Notes**

#### How Are We Saved?

The Difficulty In Talking About Deep Mysteries Christ's atonement for His Church.

- Romans 3:23-25
- Romans 5:8-10
- 2 Cor 5:18-19
- 1 John 4:9-10

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- John 3:5-8
- Eph 2:1-2
- Eph 2:8-9

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