

Westview Baptist Church

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“people learning to live Jesus’ way”

22nd September - 6th October, 2013

Holiday Edition

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 Sessions

The focus for this morning will be the work of Baptist World Aid and their child sponsorship program. “Be Love Sunday” is an opportunity for churches around Australia to encourage each other to do good and be generous.

Next Sunday will be Question Box Sunday. Feel free to put questions into the “collection box” this week. They can be placed in the box anonymously. If you wish, questions can be emailed or given to Tony directly.

The following week some people may be away as it is a long weekend. For those of us who remain in Sydney, we will be looking at the wisdom literature of Proverbs. Proverbs are not rules, laws or promises

but principles to live by that make life work best. The focus will be on the first three chapters but we may look at others too.

Love and Service

Family News and Prayers

Matt and Becky in Arnhem Land -

Tony recently spoke to M&B. There seems to be a positive movement for Matt with the Chronic Fatigue. He has been able to do more and more and is working 3.5 days per week. Becky is going well and a recent ultrasound suggests the baby is growing well. For a photo of Becky and baby during the ultrasound, visit [their blog](#).



Community Prayer - Normally the fourth Sunday of the month will need to be postponed to the fifth Sunday 30th September.

Daylight Savings - Don't forget that daylight savings starts early Sunday morning, 6th October. Before you go to bed, put your clocks forward one hour to avoid any embarrassment in getting to church just before we finish.

Doonside Property Spring Clean - We all know it has to happen sometime. Come on Saturday 19th October to give the property its annual spring clean. If you have the following, please bring them along: steam cleaner for furniture, high pressure water cleaning unit, hedge trimmer, and general cleaning products.

Westview Review and Planning Meeting

(WRAP) - This will be held on 20th October after the morning service. Please see Lee if you wish to include something on the agenda. This meeting is open to anyone who considers Westview their church family.

Living Faithfully in Our World

Mission Aviation Fellowship MAF

You do not need to go to Arnhem Land NT like Matt and Becky to help out in the mission that MAF is undertaking. MAF are in need of a volunteer to develop and lead a *team* of volunteers in the National Office (Bella Vista). This position requires both a passion for MAF's mission and 16-24 hours per month. If you want to find out more [click here](#).

From the Sleimans

“It was great being in Australia for 10 weeks but it went super quick. We really enjoyed seeing you all and sharing with you in all the churches . We arrived safely in Lebanon on Wednesday and had our Bible study the next night which was attended by 30 people excited to see us come back. It was also great to see the church packed as I spoke on worship this Sunday. It was a real worship experience as we prayed, sang, heard the word, broke bread and fellowshiped. It was amazing and we felt greatly missed and loved by everyone. We are so privileged to have such a loving church.”

Danger for Egyptian Christians

The violence in Egypt is settling into a deadly cycle: (1) The Muslim Brotherhood (MB) challenges the military; (2) the military responds with force; (3) MB supporters react with violence against Coptic Christians (whom they blame for the coup). Then the cycle starts again. The military is exploiting sectarian violence for its own ends and cares nothing for Christians. With money coming from Saudi Arabia, it has no interest in protecting Christians but only in protecting itself. The military would kill Christians readily if it felt it were in its interests to do so. With the MB recruiting jihadis in Algeria and beyond, it has to be anticipated that terrorism against the State and genocidal violence against the Coptic Church will increase. Egypt and its Christians need our prayers. Source - [Religious Liberty Prayer Bulletin](#).

COBIS - Churches of Blacktown In Schools

Continue to pray for the 4 workers as they have a break from school over the next two weeks and for the committee members who are seeking to broaden the church support in Blacktown.

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