

Westview Baptist Church

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“people learning to live Jesus’ way”

15th June 2014

We aim to be thankful, humble & enthusiastic disciples of Jesus in harmony with one another appreciating his ministry to enable us to be Christlike in serving others selflessly for his name’s sake.

Transformed by Enjoying Christ

Today in Genesis

The history of our salvation continues in this our second last session in Genesis. God uses the most unlikely people and Jacob proves this more than anyone else. Fortunately it is the story of the gospel, God’s grace to undeserving people.

Love and Service

Westview Review And Planning Meeting

At the conclusion of our meeting today we will proceed into the other hall for a WRAP meeting which is open to anyone who would like to attend. At this meeting we discuss various issues about church life, and seek to find discernment in the way that God might be leading us forward. The meeting normally concludes by noon. There are some important decisions to be addressed today. One which has been publicised over some months is: "That Westview support JJ and Soona at the conclusion of JJ's college course up until the end of 2015 to provide an opportunity for practical experience in pastoral leadership."

Men’s Breakfast

On Saturday 19th July a Men’s Breakfast will be held at YWAM’s Island Breeze base. It will be a good opportunity for the

men to eat breakfast together, see YWAM's base, learn about their work, and hear from our special guest speaker for the morning (JJ). Keep the date free. More information to come.

Community Prayer

A time to meet together for community prayer. Sunday, 25th June at 7pm at the Doonside Centre.

Doonside Festival

Another date to keep free is the 12th July for the Doonside Festival which we understand will go ahead this year despite attempts to end the festival. It will be just an information stand where we meet people and invite them to come along. It is a good opportunity for local mission into our community.

Family News and Prayers

Upendra's brother Ashok is presently in Singapore undergoing treatment. He is able to stay at a hotel near the hospital with his wife and go for medical appointments.

Clarice continues to be in hospital. She is looking frail and lacks strength in her body. She is trying to stay positive and is most appreciative of the care that she is receiving. Her grandson who cared for her at home is in the same hospital with pneumonia.

Some will remember Rhonda and Tony Lever (formerly of Westview) and their family. Sad news that little 7 year old granddaughter Abi, has cystic Angiomatosis, a rare bone disorder. She needs to have a bone biopsy and begin medication in the hope of shrinking her tumors. Prayer for the whole family as they



Snapshot of Westview

Recently we have tried to expand the way that we communicate. We have always had our printed bulletin which has been an important way to share news among the church community. Over recent years people have been able to receive their bulletin by email or via our website. This allows for people to receive it straight to their computer. This also is a ways for a reduction of printing cost. Recently we have commenced a

Facebook page which is available to the general public and a private group for members of Westview to communicate. This is just another way for information to be shared within the community that might capture more people. For more information about the Facebook page, please talk to JJ.

Living Faithfully in Our World

Praying for the Persecuted

From the Open Doors' [World Watch List](#) we seek to pray for the persecuted church.

#24 Persecuted Country: Colombia

Three persecution engines are prevalent in Colombia: 'Organized corruption', 'Tribal antagonism' and 'Aggressive secularism'. All types of Christianity can become victims of 'Organized corruption', though it affects mostly the more outspoken Christians who play prominent roles in social or public life. Converts to Christianity within indigenous communities – Tribal antagonism – are seen as a threat to the power of local fiefs and indigenous ancestral traditions. Signs of repeated expressions of intolerance for the participation of Christians in the public sphere – Aggressive secularism –, particularly in public universities have also been observed. Levels of plain violence in Colombia, attributable to both 'Organized corruption' and 'Tribal antagonism' are high. Numerous Christians are displaced from their lands, gender-based violence targeting Christians is on the increase, sermons are monitored and churches intervened. In areas where the government has lost control of public security, drug cartels and illegal armed groups still continue to operate with impunity. This means that Christians will continue to be targeted for persecution because of their presence as an alternative pillar of society and their witness through their involvement in social and political activities.

MAF Advocacy Information Night

Come and hear how you can "Be Part of Something Bigger".

This will be an information night only, so even if you are not sure you want to be involved, come along to get a bigger picture and learn more about the exciting work of MAF globally. DATE: Monday 30th June 2014 TIME: 7.00pm - 9.00pm WHERE: MAF Australia offices. Unit 203, 14-16 Lexington Dr, Bella Vista 2153. A light supper will be provided so please let us know if you are coming. RSVP chris.patten@maf.org.au

Newsletter from the Sleimans

Please look out for the latest newsletter from Milard and Joyce in Lebanon.

Teaching

Genesis: Creation, Sin, & Re-creation
Covenant of Grace to Every Generation
Gen 28.10-22, 32.22-32 (25.19-36.43)

God's Covenant Gen 12:1-3

Fleeing from Esau Gen 28:10-22

Small Minds, Big God

Meeting God/Meeting Man Gen 32:22-32

The Lesson of the Lamb Roast

God's Plan, Our Plan

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