

Westview Baptist Church

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“people learning to live Jesus’ way”

21st September - 5th October 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 we conclude our series on 1 Corinthians. It might be a good opportunity to read over the whole letter again and reflect upon the journey we have been on together over the last few months. The conclusion focuses on generosity of God's people for God’s people, Paul’s future plans, some dangers of authority in the church and Paul’s final greeting.

Next week we will have an opportunity to put generosity into action as we focus on the work of Baptist World Aid and their ministry of serving the poor and disadvantaged people of the world.

The following week will be Q-Box Sunday. If you have any questions you would like answered, please place them in the collection box or email them to Tony directly.

Love and Service

News from Matt, Becky, and Jonathan...

Matt and Becky are expected to return on the 16th October and hope to join is on the 18th. YWAM again worked on the flat during the week. If you have good furniture that you believe might be useful, please talk to Tony. Some baby items such as baby bath, cot, high chair might be needed for Jonathan. Thanks to all who are active in their thinking as we consider how to welcome them home well.



Family News and Prayers

Sandra continues to recover. Pray for Robyn R. who is scheduled for hip surgery on the 24th and Val will be having critical surgery on her spine on the 26th September. Pray God's peace for them, that all will go well, and that the assurance of God's presence will always be with them.

If you could use a large, 2 bar Kambrook electric heater, in good working order, then please talk to John and Trish.

The community prayer will need to be postponed till the following month as Tony and Wendy will be away next week.

Morning Tea Opportunities - See the noticeboard to volunteer.

Future Dates

Westview Review and Planning (WRAP) meeting is the time to discuss the life of the church together. The next WRAP meeting is on 19th October.

Es will be providing a special morning tea raising funds for Pink Ribbon Day on 26th October.

Living Faithfully in Our World

The Middle East Crisis

BWAid have launched a [website](#) with a variety of resources and an opportunity to respond to the crises in the Middle Eastern region. It seeks to encourage people to 'Learn, Give and Act' over the coming weeks and months. It includes a very simple way to email the Prime Minister, entreating him to supply further aid to those in need.

Praying for the Persecuted

#37 Persecuted Country: China

The communist government continues to impose control on all religious activities. In recent years, they have chosen not to strictly control Christian activities in most regions in China, but still keep a close watch on them. The authorities have learned to invite pastors 'to have tea' in order to clarify the guidelines and limits. These are: (1) report to the authority about recent activities; (2) no participation of foreign Christians or receiving foreign funds; (3) no high-profile activities; (4) only conduct "regular" Christian activities during

sensitive periods. The government tightly controls religious activities in inhabited areas of minority ethnic groups, in particular for those ethnic groups strongly influenced by their traditional religions. The most restricted regions in terms of religious activities – also for the Christian minority – are Muslim and Tibetan regions, specifically inside Xinjiang and Tibet. Christian converts from a Muslim Background (MBBs) have to deal as well with persecution from their own family, neighbourhood and friends. What has just been said on Islamic extremism also applies to the even smaller group of Tibetan Background Believers in Western China (Tibet).

Mission Project 2014

We are working with MAF to provide Android based tablets for the Christian Aboriginal leaders in remote areas. With the Word of God and other digital teaching resources loaded (including material in their indigenous language) onto the tablets our hope is that it might better equip Christian leaders. Each tablet would cost \$160 each.



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