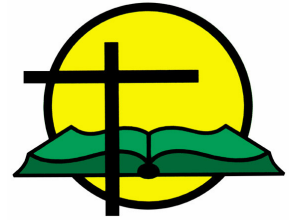


Westview Baptist Church

Sunday April 19th 2015



Special Dedication Service for: **Tabitha Derrington**

We would like to welcome all today, especially to Tim and Sujin's extended family who join us today for Tabitha's dedication. A "baby dedication" is a ceremony in which believing parents make a commitment before the Lord to submit a child to God's will and to raise that child according to God's Word and God's ways.



The ceremony also recognises the role of the church in supporting the parents and encouraging the child to grow in the knowledge of God. Christian parents who dedicate a child are making a promise to the Lord to do everything within their power to raise the child in a godly way, prayerfully until he or she can make a decision on his or her own to follow God.

Today we have the joy of seeing Tim and Sujin commit themselves to this, and with their extended family and church family's support and encouragement, our desire is that Tabitha will grow up always saying "yes" to Jesus.

"For you created my inmost being; you knit me together in my mother's womb. I praise you because I am fearfully and wonderfully made; your works are wonderful, I know that full well. My frame was not hidden from you when I was made in the secret place, when I was woven together in the depths of the earth. Your eyes saw my unformed body; all the days ordained for me were written in your book before one of them came to be. How precious to me are your thoughts, God! How vast is the sum of them! Were I to count them, they would outnumber the grains of sand— when I awake, I am still with you."
Psalm 139:13-18

Family News

Lee's Reflection After Sabbatical

Westview has always encourage people to take a sabbatical from responsibility from church to have rest, refreshment, and an opportunity to focus on their relationship with God our Creator. The Old Testament principle of having the seventh year off has been our guide now for many years.

It has been Lee's first sabbatical from his role as Elder and we are looking forward to hearing today his thoughts and reflections over that 12 months. Some months into his sabbatical the Elders agreed that it would be profitable for Lee to focus on the topic of pray, and so over the next few weeks Lee will be presenting the outcome of that focus

April Birthdays!

These are the folk celebrating birthdays this month. Ryan Harvey (05/04) who have turned 13! His grandfather Bill (07/04), Riok Dau (09/04), Dippi Burmon (15/04), Linda Bonney (20/04), Angela Misra (22/04), Steve Kwan (26/04) It is his 60th birthday! Sandra Sonter (27/04), and of course Tabitha's 1st birthday today! (19/04). Happy birthday to you all, we are thankful to God for each of you.

Wanna bring something extra special for a morning tea?

For anyone who would like to bring something extra special for one morning tea please rip one of the dates off the Morning tea sheet on the board at the front of the building as you come in. Thanks to all those who do serve us with something extra delicious!

What's happening at Westview?

Soccer Today! 2pm!

There will be soccer on today at 2pm Charlie Bali Reserve Doonside. All are welcome. Please feel free to invite others along too. Speak to JJ if you have any questions.

The Next Special Target Group Meeting Tonight!

The aim of the Target Group is to consider if we should recognise JJ as an Elder of Westview. Meeting tonight at the Doonside centre at 7pm, the Group will report back any feedback from the notes from the last meeting [online](#) or on the back table. If you would like to feed any further information back before the meeting, please see one of the group members.

Morling Mission are coming to Westview!

We will be having a small team from Morling Baptist Bible College join our church for a few days in May. The team will be coming on Sunday 3rd of May where they will be running our service and joining Tony and JJ during the week at Scripture, letter box drop, and other community activities during the week, as well as joining some of our Homegroups during the week.

David Starling, one of the Morling College lecturers will be speaking on the 3rd. All who might be able to join us for a lunch after the service are welcome to come. Please bring enough to share with others including our Morling College students. After lunch will be another soccer in the park where the students will join us (perhaps a Morling vs Westview game?).

We are looking forward to this time. Please speak to Tony or JJ for any further questions or details.

The door has been completed!

Thanks to those who have continued to do further work on the door, led by our great Property Care Facilitator Tony K. The last stage of that work will be to add stairs around the three sides of the deck. No date has yet been determined for that work.

Community Prayer for April

The usual community prayer for April will be delayed a week to that night to allow the Morling College students to be with us and lead us in prayer. They will also lead the 6am Thursday morning prayer group and we will be having a special breakfast with them afterwards. Even if you don't normally attend you might like to come along for that event. Please let Tony know for catering purposes. The morning will be concluded by 7.30am to allow people to get to work.

Scripture in Schools

If you're keen to support SRE [Scripture in Schools] during the review process this year here are 2 things that you could do: Sign a quick statement of support at www.caseforsre.com and share that link. Also you can fill out a longer survey for 'interested parties' direct to the independent reviewers at <http://artd.com.au/sre-see-review> and share that link with those who you think might like to fill it out too.

Any Maintenance/Property Issues?

For any questions or issues related to the church property please speak to our property care co-ordinator Tony Kenning.

Pray for our Persecuted brothers and sisters

Country: Sauda Arabia

Leader: King Salman bin Abdulaziz Al Saud

Population: 29.9 million

Main Religion: Islam

Government: Monarchy

Main Source of Persecution: Islamic Extremism

The situation in Saudi Arabia

This year Saudi Arabia is, for the first time, outside the World Watch List Top Ten, although this is due to the considerable increase of persecution in other countries, rather than an improvement for Christians in Saudi Arabia.

Saudi Arabia is a breeding ground for radical Islamists and a major source of funding for terrorism abroad. The open practice of any religion other than Islam is forbidden, and conversion to another faith is punishable by death. Proselytism of Muslims, and publishing or importing Christian materials in Arabic, is illegal.

The Christian population is made up of ex-pat communities and Muslim converts. Muslim Background Believers (MBBs) face the most severe persecution: they run the risk of being physically abused and even killed by their families. Christian migrant workers, often very poor, are often treated as slaves, due to their ethnicity and faith. They are also vulnerable to physical abuse, including rape and sexual harassment.

There are no church buildings allowed, leaving Christians to worship in compounds or at home and police and religious police occasionally raid house churches.

Several worshippers have been detained and deported. Anti-Christian violence is likely to increase as local Christians are growing bolder in expressing their faith.

Please pray for our brothers and sisters in Saudi Arabia.

For more info see: <http://www.worldwatchlist.org.au/>

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