



## Matthew's Gospel

This Sunday we return to our series in Matthew which shows us how Jesus is the fulfillment and continuation of the whole of the biblical story of God and His people. The gospel demonstrates Jesus as the Messiah – the King, the New Moses, and Immanuel – God with

us. Matthew records Jesus' progressive revelation of himself which causes a crisis of faith for many. A "crisis of faith" is a period of intense doubt and internal conflict about one's beliefs and understanding when it does not seem to align with reality.

No one is beyond experiencing a crisis of faith and there are generally three ways we can respond: 1. Abandon Jesus as a lie; 2. Live in denial; or 3. Allow Jesus to lead us into a new and better understanding of himself. As we focus our attention on Chapter 11, we are going to consider how others have responded to Jesus to inform our own response to him in times of a "crisis of faith".

#### **REGULAR MEETINGS**

SUNDAY CHURCH	weekly at 9:30am
SUNDAY MORNING PRAYER8:15am on	1st Sunday of the month
WEDNESDAY FRIENDSHIP GROUP	weekly at 9:45am
WIGGLING WOMBAT PLAYGROUP	Thursday from 10am
THURSDAY CHURCH	weekly at 6:30pm
COMMUNITY PRAYER NIGHT7pm on 4	4 <sup>th</sup> Sunday of the month

# Welcome to Reuben Haddon Bomford

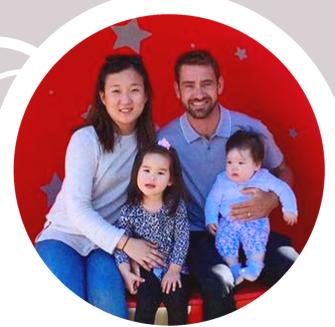


We want to welcome into our community Reuben who was born to JJ and Soona on the 7th February at 9:05am, weighing 3.7kg. We are thankful to God for a good delivery, and pray God's blessing upon this precious little family. JJ has been able to have a two week break to enjoy and support Soona through this time.

#### **PARTNERSHIP NEWS**

Last Wednesday Tim commenced at Bible College SA. The start of any new course is quite daunting, so please continue to pray for the adjustments the Derrington family will need to make to allow him to study.







#### **National Church Life Survey (NCLS)**

NCLS is a research project that has taken place every five years for twenty five years: 1991 to 2016. It is a survey designed for adult

and child church attenders, and local church leaders. It is a valuable tool for understanding who we are in relationship with our community. We would like to ask each person to take one survey

home, fill in the survey as best they can, and return it the following week. If you have someone at home who are not here today, please take one for them. The surveys will be anonymous and you can return the survey by placing it in an envelop we will make available near the door next week.



#### **DAILY DEVOTIONS: March - April**

We are now making available the next daily devotions for the following two months. Please get your book early rather than later

to ensure that we have enough for each person. If you have not been able to keep going, or you have not yet started, please take one and commence your daily devotions as you join with the rest of the church in considering God's Word for us each day. The two most significant things that we can do to further our faith and joy in God our Father is to pray and read his Word.



### WHAT'S COMING UP?





#### **WRAP Meeting New Date**

We considered it wise to postpone the WRAP Meeting last Sunday. We have rescheduled it for Sunday 26th February. If you would like to have any issue discussed on the day, please feel free to talk to Lee.



#### **Creating Safe Spaces**

Our desire as a church is to encourage the use of gifts to build up the body. If we are going to make ministry to children a priority, we need to have gifted and qualified people to serve our children.

This course is one such qualification that is needed. Dates can be found at www.nswactbaptists.org.au/events, CSS Awareness for those have not completed a course in the previous 3 years, or CSS Refresher for those who have. For more information, please talk to Lee.

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