Westview Baptist Church

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"people learning to live Jesus' way"
30th November 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.

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Transformed by Enjoying Christ

Today we are joining together with JJ and Soona's family and friends to celebrate the completion of three years of biblical study at SMBC. This represents many trips to Burwood, many assignments, and a lot of food for morning tea and lunch!

It is important for our community to celebrate this milestone and as we do we thank God for the Bomfords and look forward to whatever God's plans are for our community. We would like to invite everyone to join us for an early lunch after our service together.

Our teaching continues with our regular series but it could not be more appropriate. Paul's last words to Timothy gives an insight into the characteristics of "an approved worker" by God, but also gives our community an understanding of how we are to respond to those God raises up to lead us.

Please note that there will be no Sunday School today to allow for everyone to be together.

Love and Service
Deck Building

The first stage of the deck should now be completed. The door, stairs and cover over the top will come next year when Tim returns from India. The building standards do allow the deck to be built without stairs and railing, but care will need to be taken by all. Thanks to the many people who could help in the building project. It was great that we could work together in such a way to allow the development of our property for community use.

Family News and Prayers

Freddie remains in ICU. It has been 4 weeks now. Please continue to keep him, Juliet, and the family in your prayers.

Hayley will be returning from Vanuatu this morning and we hope she will be with us during the lunch today.

Come and celebrate with us Tony's 50 years on Saturday 13th December. Openhouse between 4-9pm at 23 Mountview Av, Doonside. Arrive & leave when it suits you, finger food will be served throughout, birthday cake at 7pm. If you'd like to give a gift please consider contributing to COBIS - www.givenow.com.au/supportcobis Cheques can be sent to PO Box 25, Doonside NSW 2767.

Living Faithfully in Our World

Little Book of Gift Ideas

We will have a stall at church for the next few Sundays where you can get catalogues and purchase the gift cards from Baptist World Aid Australia. This years 'gifts' range in price from \$10 and various higher prices up to \$300 with the money being used in a range of BWAA projects. For more information look at biggifts.org.au. 'The bigger picture is whole communities transformed.'

Praying for the Persecuted

From the Open Doors' <u>World Watch List</u> we seek to pray for the persecuted church.

#45 Persecuted Country: Tajikistan (North-East of Afghanistan)

The persecution of Christians in Persian-speaking Tajikistan is mainly driven by the government. The ruling elite will do anything to stay in power, organised corruption is rampant and the authorities focus their attention on Christians. Church registration is obligatory and can only be obtained after a long, cumbersome and often arbitrary process. In July 2012, Tajik citizens were prohibited from going abroad in order to receive religious education, preach and teach religious doctrines, or establish ties with foreign religious organisations.

YWAM Fundraising Luau

December 6th, 280 Power Street, Plumpton. \$45 Adult, \$15 Kids (5-18 years o



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Teaching

Preparing Timothy for What is Ahead 2 Tim 2:14-3:9

Approved workers correctly handles the truth well / God's people develop an

appetite for truth 2:14-19

Quarrelling Words 2:14

Handling the truth 2:15

Godless chatter 2:16

Two examples of such people 2:17-19

Approved workers pursue godliness / God's people must value character over gifts 2:20-22

Illustration of the house 2:20

Pursue noble purposes 2:21-21

Approved workers are not quarrelsome / God's people are to be lead in truth 2:23-26

Approved workers must read the signs / God's people must read the signs 3:1-

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