

OFFERINGS DETAILS

Weekly Budget: \$2,823

Last 4 weeks: \$2,066; \$1,552; \$2,352; \$1,712.

Average (Last 4 weeks) - \$1,920

Online Offerings

Acc Name: Wentworthville Baptist Church

BSB No: 704922 Acc No: 100007520



PRAYER and PRAISE POINTS

OUR 'SHUT INS'

Johanna Boland, Bill Horswell, Elaine Bowey, Peggy Palmer, Keith Davis, Gwen Phillips, Bruce McNally & Val Williams.

Continue to pray for:


Maisie Horswell, Morgan Bishop, Elaine Gough, Bruce Gough & Marie Smith.

Prayer is still needed for the right for SRE to be in all our schools.

Carmen Strudwick is still in hospital but is now able to walk.

Pray for those in our church family who are suffering from winter ills.

Please in be in prayer for the leaders of departments who resume this term – Girls' and Boys' Brigades, Craft, Playtime, Bible Studies, K4C, Youth Group, Study Hub.



An important outreach is HOPESTREET. We supply breakfast every second month to the needy in Woolloomooloo. Malcolm would welcome anyone young or old to help serving breakfast on a Sunday morning. (4th Sunday every second month).

Next visit is: SUNDAY 26th JULY

PLEASE NOTE:

Rick will be away this coming week and will not be contactable. Any pastoral matters please contact **Ron Syme**. For anything else please contact **Greg Williams**.



"Listen to me, you who pursue righteousness, you who seek the Lord: Look to the rock from which you were hewn, and to the quarry from which you were dug." - Isaiah 51:1

Nigeria

Excerpt from our blog - [Life with Boko Haram](#)

Recently Isaac*, an Open Doors worker in Nigeria, travelled to meet some of the women freed from Boko Haram. Taking a local pastor from the area with him, Isaac was initially denied access to the camp as security was on high alert. Returning on the second day however, the Lord used a prominent government official to gain access, enabling Isaac and the pastor to step into the world of the escapees.

All of the women had difficulty expressing the intensity of their ordeal. One woman, who did not want us to publish her name, told Isaac, "I really don't want to recall the gory incidents I witnessed in my seven months with the insurgents."

The general atmosphere in the camp was very tense. A total of 276 women have been brought to this camp in Yola, Western Nigeria. At the time of Isaac's visit, four of the women were pregnant, thirty were critically sick. Some had been injured in the rescue attempt. Many of the victims were aggressive —angry over the ordeal they had been through - the pain, hunger, trauma, fear, and aggression they had faced on a daily basis.

However many are relieved that the situation is now over, if at least for themselves. 25 year old Waliya Samiyu shared, "God never disowns his people. He never let me down. My friends lost their lives in my presence. I went through hardship. I was raped. I saw hell. But I clung to God who knows me. I cried to Him day and night. At night, when everyone was dealing with their trauma, I gazed at the stars in heaven and constantly reminded God of His promises in times like these. He kept his promises. I survived it. Now I am free. To God be the glory."

**Name has been changed for security purposes*

For stories of the women who have been freed from Boko Haram, read our blog: [Life with Boko Haram](#).

Pray with us:

- Praise God for the women who have been set free and that He has brought them through it.
- Pray for the women still imprisoned by Boko Haram as they face the same ongoing ordeal.
- Pray for the soldiers of Boko Haram, that God would open their eyes and they would lay aside their weapons seeking His forgiveness.