

WEEKLY ACTIVITIES

SUNDAY

Morning Worship Service: 9.30am

Evening Service: 5.30pm

2nd & 4th Sunday of the month

Ph: Pastor: Rick Mumford – 0412 873 604

K4C (Kids for Christ) — (During Service)

Arabic Baptist Fellowship: 11.30am

Ph: Pastor Albert Haddad – 9679 9442

MONDAY

Boronia Seniors - (over 55's)

10.00-12.00 noon

(2nd Monday of each month)

Ph: Cynthia Hale – 9635 5785

TUESDAY

Craft Group: 9.30-11.30am

Ph: Marilyn Turner – 9631 9483

WEDNESDAY

KYB - (Know your Bible)

Ladies' Bible Study

10.00-11.30am

Ph: Glennis Mills – 9636 1723

Ladies' Evening Bible Study

Contact: Anne Kidd

Mens' Evening Bible Study

Contact: Peter Smith

Arabic Baptist Fellowship: 7.00pm

Ph: Pastor Albert Haddad – 9679 9442

FRIDAY

Playtime: 10.00am-12.00 NOON

(Every Friday of school term for parents and carers of pre-school children)

Ph: Lesley Warren – 9920 6030

Friday Night Hub Group:

7.30pm-9.30pm

Ph: Pastor: Rick Mumford – 0412 873 604

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Sunday
11th February 2018

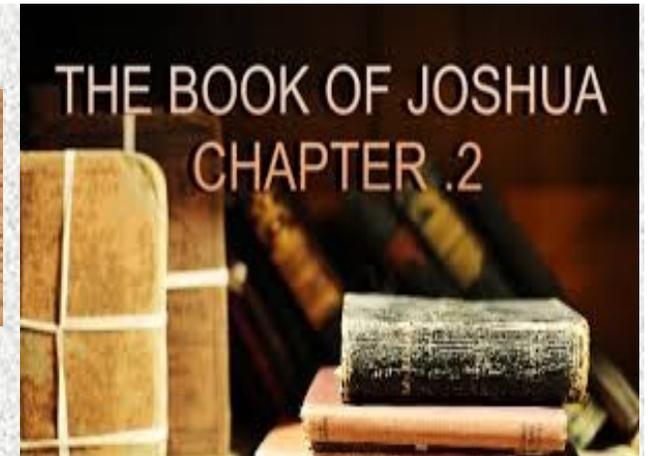
NEW SERIES
JOSHUA

Welcome to Wentworthville Baptist Church.

Please feel free to join everyone in the Hall after the Service for morning tea and fellowship.

RESPONSES OF
FAITH
"hearing of god"

THE BOOK OF JOSHUA
CHAPTER 2



February 11
JESUS IS _____

OUR ADVOCATE

John 8:1-11

NIGHT
SUNDAY

TONIGHT

Upstairs at 5.30

"God gave you a gift of 86,400 seconds today. Have you used one to say 'thank you?'" — William A. Ward

YAWO

Recently **Cam and Kath** attended the wedding of two good Yawo friends. They were excited to gather with the Yawo community for a celebration, rather than a funeral, and build relationships in a time of joy. After Kath spent the day working with a Yawo friend on her farm, Kath's friend spoke about how hard her life is. She shared that maintaining the farm is constant, exhausting but necessary work for survival. She told Kath that the suffering around her made it seem as though God had forgotten about her and the people in her community. Later that week, Kath was prompted by God to visit this friend again and found her in need to support. On that day, Kath recognised that God hadn't sent her to fix all her friend's problems, but to demonstrate to her that He hadn't forgotten about her or the Yawo.

For Prayer:

- Kath and Cam to be sensitive to the promptings of God's Spirit as they journey with Yawo friends
- Through their words and actions, Yawo people would experience God's love and find hope in Him
- Continued progress in their language skills and cultural understanding so they can share the message of Jesus in a way that makes sense to their Yawo friends

H PEOPLE

Last week **Pete and Nomes** arrived in Central Asia, joining **Kevin** to serve among the H people. In the midst of settling in practically, Pete had the opportunity to have a meal with Kevin and some of his friends from the university. He is hopeful this might be the beginning of growing friendships. They are grateful for the preliminary culture and language lessons they began in Australia, which mean they enter Central Asia with some ability to communicate. Their first years will focus on developing their communication skills, so they can form meaningful friendships with H people and share the Gospel in culturally relevant ways.

For Prayer:

- They will receive a 12 month visa without complications
- God will give them peace and patience as they experience the expected challenges of settling into another country
- Even in their first weeks of cross-cultural ministry, God would be guiding them to develop friendships with H people whom He is preparing to respond to the Good News

KHMER

Since **Rob and Deb** relocated to a village outside of Siem Reap, Deb has begun culture and language lessons with a new language nurturer. As part of a recent festival, Deb and her language nurturer learnt, side-by-side, how to create lotus petals out of paper. More than learning a new skill, this was about building her relationship with her nurturer and actively demonstrating an her interest in Khmer culture. Deb has begun volunteering as a midwife and nurse at the local health clinic which is stretching her language skills and increasing her connections within the community. This has also given her a platform to receive a 12 month visa. Rob is currently investigating how he may receive a visa, potentially through agriculture.

For Prayer:

- Discernment for Rob in applying for a longer term visa in order to remain among the community God has placed them
- Spirit to be guiding Deb in her interactions with staff and patients at the clinic, pray she be attentive to where God is already working
- Relationships with their language nurturers to be growing and deepening as their language skills and cultural understanding develops
- Candidates preparing to serve among the Khmer will receive their full support, enabling them to join the team soon

KHMER

Candidates **Paul and Lydia** are extremely encouraged by the number of individuals and churches who have recently joined their partnership team and they are hopeful to be serving in Cambodia this year. In Luke 5 Jesus tells Simon, after a discouraging night of fishing, to put the nets out again. The catch is miraculously large, Simon becomes overwhelmed with his sin and after Jesus speaks to him with love, decides to leave everything and follow Him. Paul has been reflecting deeply on this passage, acknowledging his own fears for the transition ahead, encouraged by Simon's faith and obedience and trusting in God's desire and ability to abundantly care for His children.

For Prayer:

- Paul and Lydia's partnership support team to continue to grow, enabling them to join the team in Cambodia soon
- God's Spirit to be strengthening their faith in God and trust in His timing
- The whole family will be well equipped for the time of transition ahead

NEWS

We thank God for the safe arrival of Belle and Luke's second child, Judah. He is a little brother to their three year old son Salem. Luke and Belle are cross-cultural workers serving among the Ethnic Thai.

FROM THE SECRETARY

A short members meeting will be held **2 Sunday's from today (18th February)**. The purpose of said meeting is to consider one item, that being consider and accept the independent valuation for the second easement over our property. This easement runs from 16 Chelmsford Road through the boundary to 15 Boronia Street. This easement is different from the one we voted on last year- that was from 20 Chelmsford to 17 Boronia. Malcolm will speak to the issue and distribute a paper this week and the next.

ROSTERS FOR 18th FEBRUARY

WELCOME:	VEGESANA FAMILY
CLEANING:	NICOLE GARLICK
MORNING TEA:	ANN KIDD & CORAL OVERALL



Image: A Nepalese church service.

NEPAL | A Jump In Persecution

Nepal didn't feature on the World Watch List in 2017. However, this year the country ranked #25. And the number of Christians in Nepal is growing at a breath-taking rate.

In the last year, many churches have been targeted. Christians were jailed, and other believers had to flee their homes. Christians have also been attacked by local Hindu priests, radical groups and even their own communities.

Last Easter, a Christian worker, Khadka, was shot in Kathmandu as he was leaving an Easter church service.

"I was just riding my bike. And I thought that street children were playing with crackers and they threw it on me. I ignored it, and kept on riding." Khadka said.

"I reached [another] church service nearby my house. I was feeling a little bit of pain in my left waist. I felt something wet on my waist, so I [asked] my friend to look. When he did, he was shocked. It was blood..."

Prayer Points

- Pray for Christians like Khadka, pray that they will be protected when attending church.
- Pray for radical Hindu groups and persecutors in Nepal, that they may come to know Jesus.

1. Help for our K4C kids group on Sunday's is needed. If you're passionate for children and their growth in Jesus, we will offer both the resources and training to anyone willing to serve the church during the Sunday service in this way. Please see one of our leaders to inform them of your willing participation.
2. This year Rick is hoping to allocate his year 5 & 6 SRE (Special Religious Education) class; on a Wednesday at Beresford Road Public School, to someone else willing to take this on. Compulsory training is necessary, which the church will pay for to anyone willing to take on SRE in any of our local schools. If you have time during the day, love kids and are passionate about them understanding who Jesus is, please see any of our leadership to register your interest.
3. Easter Friday and Sunday we will be hosting a meal after each of the services. Please put this in your calendar as a great way to connect with each other and any of our visitors. If you are also keen to help out at these two events, please see any of our leaders..
4. Every Sunday service takes a number of people to work together in creating both an atmosphere and space for worshipping God together. If you have any thoughts, talents or skills to offer, making our Sunday services a great time of community worship, please make yourself known to Rick, Peter or Chester. They'd love to hear from you.
5. Sunday March 4th, a meeting will be held for everyone on the welcoming roster for our Sunday Services. The meeting will take place directly after the morning service, lunch is included. Please register your intention of coming by emailing Rick. pastor.wentybaps@gmail.com



Peter Smith is looking for a website and Facebook coordinator to help out. He will provide training and it's really simple. If you think you are the person for this, contact Peter.