

WEEKLY ACTIVITIES

- Sunday** **K4C (Kids for Christ): 9.30am**
Morning Worship Service: 9.30am
Ph: Pastor: Rick Mumford – 0412 873 604
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
Study Hub: 4.15-5.00 pm
Ph: David Stroud – 0416 208 486
- Tuesday** **Craft Group: 9.30-11.30am**
Ph: Marilyn Turner – 9631 9483
- Wednesday** **KYB - (Know your Bible)**
Ladies' Bible Study
10.00am -11.30am. (Church Foyer)
Ph: Glennis Mills – 9636 1723
Arabic Baptist Fellowship: 7.00pm
Ph: Pastor Albert Haddad – 9679 9442
Ladies' Bible Study
Ph: Jo Mumford – 0412 876 923
- 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

Pastoral Team

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NEITHER HEIGHT NOR DEPTH, NOR
ANYTHING ELSE IN ALL CREATION, WILL
BE ABLE TO SEPARATE US FROM THE
LOVE OF GOD THAT IS IN CHRIST JESUS
OUR LORD. — ROMANS 8:39



"Calling, Building, Challenging followers of Jesus"

Sunday 24th July 2016
Getting In Proportion to
What We Give -
2 Corinthians 8:3-8
Next Week:
GUEST SPEAKER:
Joeboy Vegara

Welcome to Wentworthville Baptist Church.

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

From the Pastors Desk:

This week I asked my two older boys this question: What was the first thing the disciples did when Jesus asked them to follow Him? What's the first thing that comes to your mind? Matthew's account in chapter 4 says, *"They left their nets...and followed Him"*. I've been reminded recently that following Jesus is more than only a belief in His nature as God to save but is also a giving up of all our, my thinking I can save myself. It's a giving up on MY desires, MY dreams and MY expectations, a handing over of MY will for HIS Will. I often wonder if this is where Christianity has failed to show what genuine faith in Jesus is. In our best efforts to speak of a Saviour we have inadvertently missed the point of His Lordship, His authority as King over everything. Christ as Lord and Saviour gives us more than a scapegoat, He more than takes our sin on Himself and the punishment due for our sin, He also wrestles back our self control and seeks to apply God's good pleasing and perfect will into our lives. Unlike good nature, God nature doesn't just become an add on to our lives, it in fact becomes who we are. In the first disciple's act of leaving their nets, they gave up on all their expectations, and the expectation of their families and community, and picked up a life of commitment to following Jesus as their King. They were confused at times in their decision and they failed to follow in given situations along the way. In fact, after Jesus' death, they forgot much of what they'd learned and seen and tried to go back to fishing. However, the risen Jesus came to them and reminded them of their decision to lay down their nets and follow Him. Friends lets be reminded, if we have laid down our nets to follow Jesus that not only is our salvation secured, we have been given a King whose way is the only way. It cannot be an add on to our lives, His life must now be our life. If you are struggling to follow Jesus, perhaps you are still trying to hold on to your net (your will)...lay it down and the promise is His purpose will be far more satisfying and of eternal value. If you would like prayer or encouragement in this way, myself or any of our leaders would love to listen, pray and speak with you in your desire to follow the Lord and Saviour, Jesus Christ.

Laying Down My Net

— Rick

I am not ashamed of the gospel, because it is the power of God for the salvation of everyone who believes — Romans 1:16

SOUL FOOD

PRAYER & DOT LUCK DINNER

NEXT SUNDAY JULY 31st

5.30 PM START

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We will have a guest speaker. **Joeboy Vegara** will be with us and also an amazing couple I knew from college **Karl & Caroline Hochstetter** from **Sydney Refuge Team** also coming to share some of their journey in ministry with us. Please be ready to hear and respond to what God is doing through both Joeboy and Karl and Caroline.

We as a church supported financially the investment of laptops in a school mission Joeboy supports in the Philippines. The school is called **Lead Christian School**.



PRAYER and PRAISE POINTS

OUR 'SHUT INS'

Johanna Boland, Bill Horswell, Elaine Bowey, Gwen Phillips & Val Williams.

Continue to pray for:

Maisie Horswell, Dot Blackman, Carmen Strudwick, Ivy Bornefeldt, Edna Norman, Lyn Davis, Marie Smith.

Ken Boland's son-in-law **Doug** is having part of his leg amputated following a bike accident a few years ago. Pray for Melanie and the family during this time of concern for Doug.



PRAYER & PRAISE

- **IB PEOPLE:** Pray for Mick and Tara as they prepare to transition to living in the IB region of South East Asia. Pray that they will settle into the community well, establish good connections and be in tune with the Spirit's leading as they meet many new people. Thank God for the culture and language learning they have been involved in and pray that they continue to learn well so they can effectively communicate the message of Jesus.
- **ETHNIC THAI:** Luke and Belle, along with Dema and Carolyn, were involved in some cultural national holiday events. Thank God for this opportunity and pray that the team will continue to grow in their understanding of the culture so they can even more effectively share the message of Jesus with the Ethnic Thai people. Pray for Dema and Carolyn as they have moved to new ministry location. Thank God for the way He has used them to help establish faith communities and pray that they will continue to seek His guidance as they transition into serving in this new location. Remember the team members and believers as they also adjust to not having them close by.
- **OUTBACK AUSTRALIA:** Remember Bill and Pauline as they travel many kilometres to visit and support churches in Indigenous communities. Praise God for the passion of these churches to reach out to their communities and be a witness to the change God has brought about in their lives. Thank God for the encouragement this is to Bill and Pauline. Pray for wisdom to know how to support the communities effectively in the time they have at each place and that a Cross-Cultural Worker can be appointed for the southern region.
- **KHMER:** As Scott and Janelle prepare to return to Cambodia in the next month, thank God with them for the support and encouragement they received while on Home Assignment from individuals and churches. Pray for the family as they prepare emotionally and practically. Pray also that God would continue to prepare their hearts to return and, at the same time, soften the hearts of the Khmer people to be open to learn more about Him.
- **KHMER:** Thank God, with candidates Rob and Deb, for the opportunities they have had recently to connect with many Christian communities including churches in the Northern Territory. In Darwin they met a Khmer couple who shared their powerful testimony of becoming followers of Jesus. Thank God that He has given Rob and Deb a heart for the Khmer and for this encouraging meeting. Pray that more individuals and churches will join them as they prepare to serve among least-reached people in Cambodia.
- **YAO:** Pray for the team in Mozambique as they navigate the complicated details of visas with officials following the transition to be under the Baptist Convention in Mozambique. Pray that a solution can be found that is stable and not costly. Thank God that He has always opened a way for the team to remain in Mozambique despite many complications and periods of uncertainty over the years. Pray for this to continue.

