

People from the Old Testament.

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Aaron	Esau	Jonathan	Samuel
Abel	Esther	Joseph	Sarah
Abraham	Eve	Joshua	Saul
Adam	Gideon	Leah	Solomon
Benjamin	Hannah	Lot	
Cain	Isaac	Moses	
Caleb	Ishmael	Nehemiah	
Daniel	Isiah	Noah	
David	Jacob	Rachel	
Elijah	Jeremiah	Rebekah	
Elisha	Job	Ruth	
Enoch	Jonah	Samson	

OFFERINGS DETAILS

Weekly Budget: \$2,823

Last 4 weeks: \$2397; \$2,566; \$1,552; \$2,352.

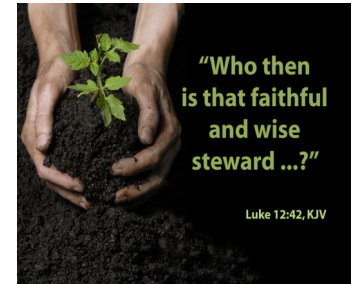
Average (Last 4 weeks) - \$2,216

Online Offerings

Acc Name: Wentworthville Baptist Church

BSB No: 704922 Acc No: 100007520

The bag offering is increased by \$400 each week – allowing for average weekly transfers and I-Give offerings.



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 now home but is still in need of much prayer. Pray also for her husband Don as well.

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



An important outreach is HOPE STREET. 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: NEXT SUNDAY 26th JULY

Tears shed for self are tears of weakness, but tears shed for others are a sign of strength.

BILLY GRAHAM



PRAYER & PRAISE

- Pray for Andy and Wanda who will be travelling within Victoria raising partnership support this month in order to return to South East Asia in early August. Remember their children as they prepare to start the new school term. Pray for an abundance of faithful giving and that the churches are blessed and encouraged by their visit.
- Heather along with several Australian Baptist leaders are visiting Baptist World Aid Australia projects and our cross-cultural workers in Malawi. The Mozambique Team will be travelling to spend time with them. Following these visits she will attend the Baptist World Alliance Congress in Durban, South Africa. Pray for safe travels and for continued growth of productive relationships within the extended Baptist community.
- Paul and Lydia are anticipating the safe arrival of their second baby, little girl affectionately known as Blueberry. Pray for a healthy and complication-free delivery and for a smooth adjustment especially for Isaac as he becomes a big brother. Pray that their family of four will be witnesses to Jesus' transforming love within their community.
- Praise God for the recent developments in Mozambique in regards to the team's registration renewal. Pray that the provincial Government approval will lead to the successful completion of the necessary visa documents in the capital next week. Pray for strength and patience for the team as they continue to share the Gospel to their Yao friends.



STUDY HUB

Study Hub will resume tomorrow at 4.15pm

If you want any information regarding this venture, or can help in any way, see

DAVID or KYLIE STROUD.



"I have told you these things, so that in me you may have peace. In this world you will have trouble. But take heart! I have overcome the world." - John 16:33

Palestinian Territories

At the end of June, as Ramadan commenced, threatening leaflets were distributed to Christians by those claiming to be from the self-proclaimed Islamic State. On the leaflet is written, "We tell the heretic Christians, you must clear out immediately or we'll massacre you on Eid al-Fitr, marking the end of Ramadan." Another section of the leaflet encourages Muslims to pass on the details of any Christians they know.

These leaflets come at a time of increased violence toward Christians living in the Palestinian Territories, but this is the first threat potentially made by the Islamic State itself. The leaflets have been accompanied by similar threats on social media but some Christians did not receive a leaflet, and some areas have been targeted more with the material.

Questions are now being asked if the leaflets are in fact from the Islamic State. One person has pointed out that some of the rhetoric used is out of date and no longer matches other Islamic State publications. Others have suggested that this might be a scare campaign orchestrated by another group to create fear and achieve other political outcomes.

Regardless of who is behind these leaflets, it has certainly caused fear and anxiety in the community of believers. While many have showed defiance in the face of this and refused to stop meeting together, it has generated valid concern for the safety of Christians living in the Palestinian Territories.

Pray with us:

- Pray that these leaflets, no matter how frightening, would simply be empty threats and this would not become a reality in Jerusalem.
- Pray for wisdom for the body of believers who are currently feeling pressed on all sides in the Middle East.
- Pray for the people who handed out these materials, whether or not they are from the Islamic State, that they would see the pain and uncertainty this has caused and repent.