

WEEKLY ACTIVITIES

SUNDAY

Morning Worship Service: 9.30am
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

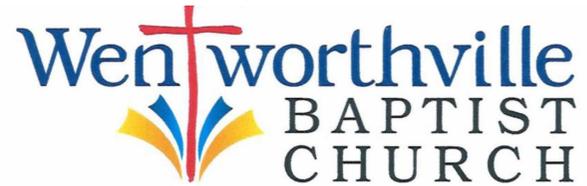
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**WHEN YOU'RE
TEMPTED TO
LOSE PATIENCE
WITH SOMEONE,
THINK HOW
PATIENT GOD
HAS BEEN
WITH YOU ALL
THE TIME.**



"Calling, Building, Challenging followers of Jesus"

Welcome to Wentworthville Baptist Church.

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

"Search for the LORD and his strength. Always seek his presence" (1 Chronicles 16:11 GW).
Just like you need physical food for physical strength, you need spiritual food for spiritual strength. The Bible describes itself as spiritual food — the water, milk, bread, and meat of our spiritual lives. It's everything you need for sustenance.
If you were a construction contractor, you wouldn't consider sending out a guy who hadn't eaten anything in two weeks. If you were a commander in the Army, you wouldn't send a person into battle who hadn't eaten in a month. Right? We need to feed ourselves to have the strength to accomplish the tasks ahead of us.
You're not going to have much success in winning the spiritual battles you face if you're starving yourself to death. That's why we need to feed on the Word of God.
Unlike eating physical food, whenever I feed on God's Word, I get even hungrier. The more I taste and see how good God is, the more I want.
The Bible says in Colossians 3:16a, *"Let the message of Christ dwell among you richly"*(NIV). Paul is telling us to let the Bible take up residence in our lives in a rich, profound, and life-giving way. So how do we feed ourselves on the Word of God and allow that to happen?

- **Receive the Word with your ears.** Commit yourself to go to church and listen to God's Word being preached.
- **Read the Word with your eyes.** Having a Bible in your house is not going to bless your life. You have to have the Bible in your heart.
- **Research the Word with your hands and mouth.** When studying the Word of God, keep a pencil in your hand. Write down what God teaches. Talk about what you're discovering with other believers in a small-group environment.
- **Reflect on the Word with your mind.** Think about and chew on God's Word.
- **Remember the Word with your heart.** You'll rarely have a Bible with you when you need it. Commit God's Word to memory.

Talk It Over

- What changes do you need to make in your life so that you are spiritually nourished?
- Do you write down what God teaches you? What you are memorizing from Scripture?
- What spiritual battle are you fighting today? Have you turned to God's Word for sustenance?

—Rick Warren

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



Prayers

KHMER

Rob and Deb are connecting with local Khmer people around their home as they seek to understand the culture, grow their language skills and build friendships. One couple that they are building a friendship with sells coffee from a small cart. Deb's background in midwifery is a good point of connection her to relate with the Khmer woman at the cart who is pregnant.

For Prayer:

- Energy, persistence and capacity as they learn how to communicate in Khmer
- God would open hearts of the Khmer people the team are building relationships with to receive His Good News

B PEOPLE

Phil is resuming formal language lessons as he seeks to effectively communicate with B people. He is also continuing his master's studies which relates to his work in South Asia. **Morris** is currently in South Asia, for a short visit, to participate in meetings with other staff members and visiting projects of our partner NGO.

For Prayer:

- Phil's studies will further equip him as he serves in South Asia
- Language lessons to grow Phil's ability to share the message of Jesus to B people in a way that makes sense to them
- Discussions Morris is involved in about projects and finances will be fruitful and Spirit-led
- Good health and safety for Morris as he travels

H PEOPLE

Pete and Nomes are continuing to build their partnership team and share their story with churches as they prepare to serve in Central Asia among the H people. They are so encouraged by the individuals and churches that are already partnering with them. To develop basic conversational language skills before they begin living in Central Asia, Pete and Nomes will begin their language studies in Australia.

For Prayer:

- Suitable language nurturers will be found in Australia for Pete and Nomes to begin their studies
- As Pete and Nomes share their story, God would stir in the hearts of listeners and many would partner with them
- Others to respond to God's call and consider joining the team in Central Asia

YAWO

Ian continues the editing of the English-Ciyawo side of the dictionary, which is now very close to completion. While in Malawi recently, Ian, **Tim** and Yawo leaders were in a conversation with Mr M which Ian found to be encouraging. Ian travels to Mozambique this week to take part in the team strategic workshop with the team serving among the Yawo.

For Prayer:

- The team would continue to have encouraging conversations with Mr M as they journey with him
- Steady progress of the dictionary project
- Good conversations as the team discuss their ministry and seek God's leading

MAY MISSION MONTH

Since the early days of ABMS (now Global Interaction) May has been a particular time of mission focus within the Australian Baptist community. As we move towards this May, the National Office and State Offices are preparing May Mission Month resources and events.

For Prayer:

- God to go before all preparations and the resources created will inspire a missional response
- This time of mission focus will impact communities in Australia and within the least-reached people groups we serve
- Individuals and churches to prayerfully consider their involvement in local and global mission and May Mission Month

FROM THE SECRETARY

We now have a new barrel vacuum cleaner. It is an Electrolux 'bag' model. It is in its box in the cupboard where the cleaners are kept. After using it please place it back in its box in the cupboard. The other, wet / dry, vacuum cleaner now has a new head which also makes it easier to use.



The discussion paper on renaming the building is on the notice board next to the Pastors office. Please pray and consider this issue. Please discuss it amongst yourselves and with any (or all!) of your deacons. We want to hear your opinion.

"We need never shout across the spaces to an absent God. He is nearer than our own soul, closer than our most secret thoughts." – A. W. Tozer