

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

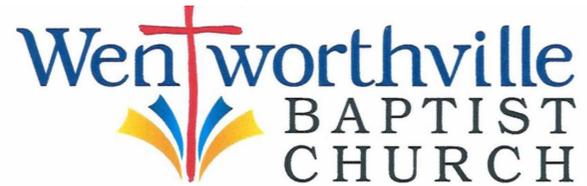
Playtime: 10.00am-12.00 NOON
(Every Friday of school term for parents and carers of pre-school children)
Ph: Lesley Warren – 9920 6030

Friday Night Hub Group:
7.30pm-9.30pm
Ph: Pastor: Rick Mumford – 0412 873 604

Pastoral Team

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Sunday 7th May 2017



"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.

Even Your Flaws Can Bring Glory to God

"Thank you for making me so wonderfully complex! Your workmanship is marvelous – how well I know it" (Psalm 139:14 NLT).

When people are hurting, they need simple truth, not simplistic truth. It's not enough to tell someone to pray, read the Bible, or go to church. You have to help them know how to make changes in their lives.

And we can't make changes in our lives until we understand our identity. You cannot become all that God created you to be until you embrace your identity – the unmistakably unique *you* that God intentionally made for a purpose.

You are wonderfully complex, as Psalm 139:14 tells us. To fulfill God's purpose for you, you have to look at every dimension of your life and understand five factors that influence your identity. Then you have to make the most of what you're given. We have all been given different parents, pains, problems, and potential, but we will all be held accountable one day for what we did with them.

The first factor that makes you who you are is your chemistry. This includes your DNA, your genes, your hormones, and your chemical makeup. Some of us were born with a low tolerance for pain; others have an extremely high tolerance for pain. Some of us have low energy levels; others bounce off the walls. Some of us have trick knees, weak eyesight, or brittle bones. Some of us have different brain chemistry, such as low levels of serotonin that can cause depression.

We're all imperfect, and no flaw is sinful or shameful – it's the way God wired you! I bought a pair of distressed jeans once that had a tag that read: "These jeans have intentional flaws in order to make them unique." Your "genes" are the same way: They have flaws that make you unique. Those flaws are part of your custom design, and God planned them for his purpose and glory.

You will never be able to make a change in your life or fulfill God's purpose for your life until you understand that you are wonderfully complex and uniquely designed for God's glory. The question then, is this: What will you do with the hand you're dealt?

Talk It Over

- What flaws make you unique?
- How can those flaws bring glory to God?
- Here's the question we each must answer: What will you do with the hand you're dealt?

– Rick Warren

He has showed you, O man, what is good. And what does the LORD require of you? To act justly and to love mercy and to walk humbly with your God. — Micah 6:8

PRE-SERVICE PRAYER MEETING

Meeting for prayer in the Pastor's office every Sunday morning from **9:00am to 9:25am**. You may join us by dropping in or leaving at anytime.

PRAYER and PRAISE POINTS

Continue to pray for:

Johanna Boland, Val Williams, Maisie Horswell, Dot Blackman, Carmen Strudwick, Ivy Bornefeldt, Edna Norman, Lyn Davis, Marie Smith, Cynthia Hale, Ron Turner, Bruce Gough, Cohen Mumford.

Jean Moore is now home and recovering after successful surgery.

BORONIA SENIORS

MONDAY 8th MAY — 10.00am -12 Noon

Speaker:

Richard Feeney



A Ministry to Prisoners and their Families

— Please remember to bring a photo of "Your Mother" —

FOR YOUR INFORMATION

Work is about to start on fitting out the garage in the coming weeks for the food bank. We look forward to this new and important venture.



ROSTERS FOR NEXT SUNDAY — 14th MAY

WELCOME: VEGESANA FAMILY

CLEANING: —

MORNING TEA: CAROLE & GREG WILLIAMS



News and Prayer

KHMER

Over Khmer New Year, **Scott and Janelle** gathered with Khmer friends and the team's language coordinator, KimLean. They prepared and enjoyed the meal together and played a traditional Khmer game. Excitingly, over the next 12-18 months five families will be joining the team in Cambodia. In preparation of their arrival, Scott and Janelle are working with KimLean to train three local Khmer people to be language nurturers for the incoming team members.

For Prayer:

- Thankfulness for KimLean, a local believer, who is very committed to the culture and language program and training the language nurturers
- Good relationships will form and mutual trust will grow between the team and the Khmer language nurturers
- God would be revealing Himself to the language nurturers as the team build strong relationships with them

H PEOPLE

Pete and Nomes have been visiting numerous churches as they build their partnership team in preparation to serve in Central Asia. Connecting with supporters and experiencing their hospitality has been a real encouragement for Pete and Nomes. To assist them in having a smooth transition, they will begin preliminary culture and language lessons in Australia before moving to Central Asia. After initial challenges in finding two language nurturers, Pete and Nomes are thankful to now be in contact with numerous people who are interested in the position. There are plans for an International School to be established in the city the family will move to. This is good news for Pete and Nomes as a suitable International School would allow them to be more involved in the community and release them from home-schooling their children.

For Prayer:

- Wisdom and clarity as they discern who are the most suitable people to be their language nurturers in Australia
- Pete and Nomes' partnership team to continue to grow, enabling them to serve among the H people
- Those hearing about Pete and Nomes' journey will be inspired and challenged to consider serving in Central Asia themselves

YAWO

Jonno, Heather and their family relocate to Malawi today as part of combining the Malawi and Mozambique teams with Jonno becoming the team leader for both. **Sally** is enjoying her daily culture and language lessons and is developing a good friendship with her language nurturer and her nurturer's family. **Sally, Cam and Kath** are very grateful to have received their residency visas yesterday, the final day they could have received them without creating complications.

For Prayer:

- Smooth transition and safety for Jonno and Heather as they move to Malawi and wisdom for the team as roles change
- Sensitivity and insight for Sally as she seeks to understand Yawo culture and how to behave within it

ZAMBIA AND ZIMBABWE

In his role as Country Consultant for Zambia and Zimbabwe, **Keith** visited the region earlier this year. Project Timothy, a church leader training program, led by Global Consultant in Leadership, **Roger Kemp**, is highly valued by the local people and has been running in Zambia will begin in Zimbabwe later this year. While in Zimbabwe, Keith met with a group of men who, despite geographical challenges, are very keen to be involved in the training. Keith spent some time with a group of young people involved in a training program and was amazed at the attendance and commitment he saw.

For Prayer:

- More local believers will be raised up and equipped to lead the church
- Faith of young believers to be strengthened as they grow in their understanding of God

B.I PEOPLE

Later this month the team and local staff from the Education Foundation are having a family picnic. The team hopes this will be a wonderful time of getting to know each other better in an informal setting.

For Prayer:

- Upcoming picnic will be a time of good bonding and relationship building between the team and local staff