### **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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# WENTWORTHVILLE BAPTIST CHURCH

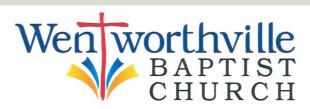
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"I tell you the truth, whoever hears my word and believes him who sent me has eternal life and will not be condemned; he has crossed over from death to life. — John 5:24



## Sunday 2nd July 2017

Speaker: Pastor Aris

"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.

### God's Unlimited Resources Are Available to You

"Since, then, you have been raised with Christ, set your hearts on things above, where Christ is, seated at the right hand of God. Set your minds on things above, not on earthly things" (Colossians 3:1-2 NIV).

As you work to become healthier, you may find stress pulling you away from your goals. The problems of everyday life often tempt us to make unhealthy choices out of convenience or as a temporary fix for handling stress.

But the truth is, problems will follow you the rest of your life. If you're waiting for your life to be stress free, you'll be waiting a long time!

Colossians 3:1-2 says, "Since, then, you have been raised with Christ, set your hearts on things above, where Christ is, seated at the right hand of God. Set your minds on things above, not on earthly things" (NIV).

Stress is a choice. We get stressed out when we choose to focus on our own limited resources instead of focusing on the unlimited resources available through our heavenly Father.

You'll never get healthy by trying to overcome obstacles through your own willpower; it simply isn't strong enough. Focus on the fact that God is big enough to get you through any challenges you face as you strive to get healthy and stay that way for the rest of your life.

### Talk It Over

- What causes you the greatest stress? Why do you think that's so?
- How do you think God may help in this situation? What keeps you from letting him help?
- How can you keep yourself focused on Jesus rather than your daily stresses? Rick Warren

### PRE-SERVICE PRAYER MEETING

Meeting for prayer in the Pastor's office every Sunday morning from <u>9:00am to 9:25am</u>. 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, Bruce Gough, Jean Moore, Bogumil Karel.

<u>Carmen Strudwick</u> was admitted to hospital on Thursday with a chest infection. Continue to pray for her and her husband Don.

# BORONIA SENIORS

MONDAY 10th JULY
10.00am — 12 Noon
Guest Speaker:

# **Retired MAJOR NEIL WARNOCK**

(24 years in the Army)
Having served in Iraq & Afghanistan

# FROM THE SECRETARY

- 1. With Rick away on holidays Pastor Aris will give the message this week (2 July), Malcolm Astle will give the message the following week (9 July), Noel Braddock (Jo's father) will give the message on 16 July and Peter Smith on 30th July. The speaker on 23rd is yet to be confirmed.
- 2.Malcolm would like to thank everyone for their attendance at, or apologies if you could not attend, last weeks 92nd AGM. The minutes from the AGM are posted on the notice board next to Rick's office. If you would like a copy please see Malcolm. Extra copies of the 2016-17 Annual Reports and Financial Statements are also available if you did not receive one at the AGM or know someone who could not attend. Again please see Malcolm.



"You shall not take revenge or bear any grudge against the sons of your people, but you shall love your neighbour as yourself. I am the Lord." - Leviticus 19:18

### EGYPT | END OF RAMADAN

The end of the fasting period during Ramadan is usually the hardest time for Christians. Many Muslims are stricter in their fasting and some are even stronger in their anti-Christian sentiments. As hard as it is for Christians during this time, it is also seen as an opportunity to love those who persecute them.

### **GOD AT WORK**

Over the past few years in Egypt, Christians have been hosting early breakfasts to show the love of Jesus to Muslims who are fasting. Recent attacks in Egypt forced many churches to cancel these breakfasts. But a group of Christians decided to put together over 100 breakfast boxes and deliver them to remote Muslim villages.

Maged\* was a young Christian man who helped deliver some boxes:

"In one of the homes, the husband said to us; 'You are good people. I don't understand how you come to help us when we are different to you. You show us a love and respect that we don't see from anybody else.' People are always open for prolonged talks. They feel safe with us when we visit their homes. When we visit these people and show them God's love, we feel the heart of Jesus."

Read more on our blog.

\*Name changed for security purposes

#### PLEASE PRAY

- Pray for Christians who endured persecution during the month of Ramadan.
- Pray for protection for Muslims who found Jesus during Ramadan.
- Pray that new believers are able to be connected with a church and receive the discipleship and support they need!

## **ROSTERS FOR NEXT SUNDAY — 9th JULY**

WELCOME: WARREN FAMILY

CLEANING: -

MORNING TEA: LORRAINE FINNEY & FAYE STREET



### **K PEOPLE**

**John,** Global Consultant for Community Engagement, recently visited the team serving in the Silk Road Area. He was encouraged to observe how diligently the team is learning language and growing in their cultural understanding. A house for a new English language centre has recently been converted and classes began earlier this month. Even before they began, new people were turning up asking when classes were starting. The team is exploring several possibilities for partnerships, including the potential of partnering with a local development organisation

### For Prayer:

- Spirit's guidance for the team as they seek to build meaningful relationships with K
  people through the centre
- Wisdom as the team considers partnership opportunities
- Continued capacity for the team to learn and grow in their language skills to enable them
  to share the message of Jesus in a way that makes sense to their K friends
- **Ben and Petra** to receive longer term permits enabling them to live and work among the K people

### **B PEOPLE**

Over the next month, there are a number of forums in Queensland where ministry in a Muslim context will be discussed. At separate events, **Morris and Walt** will be sharing from their decades of experience serving within a Muslim majority community. Morris is travelling to South Asia later this month where he will be involved in end of financial year and management meetings with our partner NGO.

### For Prayer:

- Those attending forums led by Morris and Walt will gain valuable insight that they can put into practice as they engage with Muslims locally and beyond
- Wisdom and sensitivity for Morris and local staff as have important discussions
- Safety and good health for Morris as he travels

### **B PEOPLE**

**Phil** continues his studies and recently completed a subject that he found to be very relevant to his work in South Asia. Phil and the team at our partner NGO are busy completing tasks and writing reports for the end of financial year.

### For Prayer:

- Study will further equip Phil as he serves in South Asia
- · Phil will receive his visa renewal in a timely way without complications
- As Phil connects with B people involved in projects, he will be sensitive to opportunities to have spiritual conversations

### **ETHNIC THAI**

Throughout June, **Glenn and Liz** have been doing double their normal hours of culture and language lessons. This has been challenging but also rewarding especially when they look back on their language progress since they arrived in Thailand in March. They are encouraged to be feeling more confident in speaking Thai to their neighbours and people in the community. They are grateful to have recently received their visa renewal at the last moment and to experience God's hand at work through this.

### For Prayer:

- Energy to continue to focus on culture and language lessons so they can better communicate with the Ethnic Thai
- Spirit to be preparing the hearts of those Glenn and Liz will develop friendships with to hear and respond to the Good News

### **B.I PEOPLE**

**Mick and Tara** are very grateful that Tara is out of hospital and recovering at home following her ill health. While she was in the hospital on the island, she and Mick were very encouraged that some of their local friendships were such that some B.I friends visited Tara. Mick and Tara's relationships with their neighbours continue to grow as they become more comfortable with each other.

### For Prayer:

- Thankfulness that Tara's health is improving and she is out of hospital
- Continued healing for Tara as she recovers
- Their neighbours to be open to developing meaningful friendships with Mick and Tara

