

Tue 6 Sept 2022

GWAC happenings

Glen Waverley Anglican Church | Updates

Dear GWAC family,

In Daniel 2, the wise men of Babylon are in a pickle - they must explain the meaning of the king's dream or be executed. And to make sure they don't deceive him, the king doesn't even tell them the dream! In response Daniel buys himself time. He asks the king for time, so that he may interpret the dream. Then he gets everyone praying. Notice that prayer and wise action go together.

Have a think about how you deal with difficulties in your life. Are there times when you pray, but don't think about how to act wisely yourself? Are there times when you're so busy thinking about what you can do to resolve the situation that you don't stop and pray?

God reveals the dream and interpretation to Daniel. Daniels acknowledges God as the God of "power and wisdom". But he is not simply saying this is true of God; he is praising God. "I thank you and I praise you..." This truth is not just in his head but also warming his heart.

Thank God for who He is. And bring to Him any tricky situations you are facing the moment, asking him to get involved, and to show you how to act wisely.

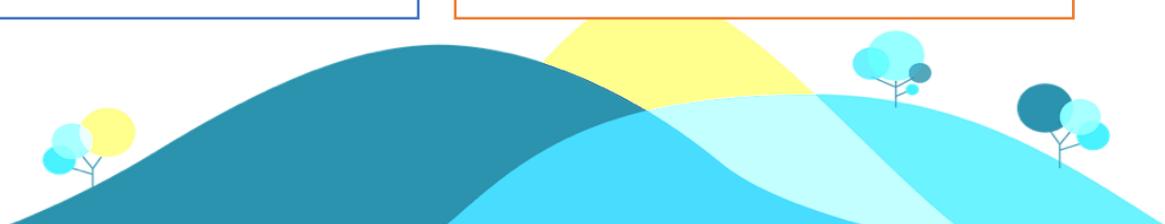
Here's what's happening at GWAC:

Wednesday Service @ 10am

- Preacher: John Harrower
- Bible passage: Exodus 20:15, Ephesians 4:28
- Theme: **Work to Give**
(Ten Commandments series)

Sunday Services 11 Sept

- Preacher: Brad Jackson
- Bible Passage: Acts 6:8 - 8:4
- Theme: **Service & Sacrifice**
(Mission Unstoppable Series)





TOMORROW: PRAISE IN SONG

We warmly invite you to share with us in a lunch-time hour of praise, tomorrow 12 noon – 1 pm, followed by light refreshments.

FRIDAY 9 SEPT: IGNITE (YOUTH GROUP)

- **This Friday 9th September:** Ignite Worship band. Song practice from 5pm, then usual Youth evening at GWAC from 7–9pm.
- See also the GWAC Youth website <https://www.gwac.org.au/youth/> for the full Term 3 schedule & details about the IGNITE Camp- register today [LINK](#).
- Want to get on our list? Contact a.wheaton@gwac.org.au.

SATURDAY 10 SEPT: WORKING BEE

Come, and leave when you can, between 8.30 am – 12.30pm. To receive details and reminder email, please write to workingbee@gwac.org.au, or call David Mills on 0420 806 258.

SUNDAY 11 SEPT: CHINESE MID-AUTUMN FESTIVAL, 10.30AM

The Mandarin congregation warmly invites anyone to attend the Chinese mid-autumn celebration on Sun 11 Sept. [Please note that the English 10.30am service will still run as normal on this day.](#)

Please bring your Mandarin speaking friends to this celebration and we invite you to join the Mandarin congregation for tea and refreshments after the service. The festival program is also attached to this email.



CHRISTMAS MAKERS MARKET – EXPRESSION OF INTEREST

GWAC is considering holding a vibrant Christmas Makers Market this year, to bring the local community together browsing local handmade items and to enjoy food from local food trucks with entertainment and to showcase GWAC's ministry.

Proposed date: Saturday 26th November, 10am to 3pm

We envisage that the Christmas Market would include:





- Market stalls with handmade artisan products perfect for Christmas gifts
- Food trucks and food stalls to enjoy and meet with friends
- Entertainment such as carols and bands
- A great way to connect with our community

We would like to find out your opinion and if you would be willing to help in any way. Please take 5 minutes to answer this survey ([LINK](#)).

MY FRIENDS

My Friends is a course that helps everyday Christians develop a lifestyle that creates opportunities for their friends and family to discover God's story together. *My Friends* provides a community that intentionally prays, loves, cares, and shares Jesus with their non-churched friends, family, and colleagues.

[Fiona Dunn](#) and [Jules Barnard](#) will be facilitating the Sunday sessions, and we hope to see our confidence grow in being able to share the Gospel boldly and make God known in our local area. Contact Jules Barnard if you would like to find out more.

- Sundays, from 2 Oct till 4 Dec, from 3 - 4:20pm.
- Register [here](#)
- Invitation brochure attached to this email.

UPDATE: MAJOR GWAC PLANS

(1) [A possible Partnership with St Matthews Wheelers Hill](#): The public notice of the meeting on Sun 9th October will be displayed on the church entrance doors and notice board this Sunday (the updated electoral roll will also be displayed on the notice board).

(2) [The challenge to revise our financial contributions to GWAC](#): by incorporating our Gift Day giving into our tithes & offering over the course of the year, commencing 1 October (rather than a one-off contribution). The recording of Phil's presentation regarding this can be viewed from this [LINK](#).

GWAC Giving Arrangement
From October 2022





MISSION PARTNERS BEN & SZILVIA SEEKING ACCOMODATION 23 OCT – 11 NOV 2022

Ben & Szilvia with their two young daughters will be in Melbourne 23 Oct – 11 Nov and are seeking a house to rent or house-sit during 23 Oct – 11 Nov. If you know of a suitable place for that period or a large part of it please contact David & Margie Mills, 04208 06258 or davidmargiem@gmail.com.

TOMORROW: MELBOURNE SCHOOL OF THEOLOGY OPEN DAY

- **When:** Wed 7 September, 10am (day program), 6pm (evening program)
- **Open Day** is a great way to find out about MST's courses and community. You'll even get to meet some of their mission partners, chat with their faculty and even sit in on a lecture.
- **Register:** <https://www.mst.edu.au/mst-eastern-open/>



The ISCAST–NZCIS Conversations are back for a second series in 2022! Join for ten weekly online conversations from 8th Sept – 10th Nov. This time, the discussion will be about the Christian response to visions of the future, including artificial intelligence and emerging technologies. Details and registration at [LINK](#).





BELGRAVE HEIGHTS WOMEN'S CONVENTION: SAT 8 OCT 2022

For more details and registration, go to <https://www.bhc.org.au/womens>. There will also be a Whatsapp communication group for the day's attendees of GWAC. If you would like to speak with someone about this, please contact Kerrie Jones 0400 418 591 or Gill Williams 0433 383 816 (out of hours only).

FRIDAY MORNING PRAYER MEETING

Please join us on Fridays in Meeting room 1 & 2 from 7am for toast, muffins, hot drinks, and PRAYER. Come when you can and leave when you must.

Every blessing,

Brad Jackson | Associate Minister

*A caring community making,
maturing and mobilizing disciples
of Jesus Christ, locally and globally*

