

NEXT WEEK, 27th June

<u>10.00 am</u>	A. Tonkin
Worship Leader	M. Waters
Communion Leader	J. Cole Prayer Leader H. Atkins
Singers	A. Corrie, D. Ferrett, D. Shields
Lights/Project./Sound	C. Waters / C. Waters
Officer on Duty	W. Whitehead
Welcome/Reception	D. Homfray / M. Butler
Helpers	H. Atkins, L. Biggs, G. Beruldsen, J. Bradford, N. Dean, J. Rosenberg, K. Gibbs (reader), P. Midgley
Crèche	B. Beasy
Children's Church	M. Straub DVD
Cuppa	J. Firth, R. Firth, L. Homfray
Communion Prep.	S-A. Henderson, M. Cox
Flowers / Cleaning	M. Straub / R. Hawtin & R. Jackson
Grounds	C. Beasy
<u>6.00 pm</u>	A. Tonkin
Worship Leader	J. Pech
Communion Leader	P. Midgley
Singers	R. Hawke, W. Jemmeson, M. Whitehead
Band	N. Moritz, J. Waters, J. Pech, C. Waters
Project./Sound	J. Tonkin / P. Norris
Reception	P. Midgley
Helpers	I. Cross, R. Jackson
Crèche	R. Fox

The Children of Israel

At the Henry Street Hebrew School, Goldblatt, the new teacher, finished the day's lesson. It was now time for the usual question period.
"Mr Goldblatt", announced little Joey, "There's something I can't figure out."
"What's that Joey? Asked Goldblatt.
"Well, according to the Bible, the Children of Israel crossed the Red Sea, right?"
"And the Children of Israel beat up the Philistines, right?"
"Er, right."
"And the Children of Israel built the Temple, right?"
"Again, you're right."
"And the Children of Israel fought the Egyptians, and the Children of Israel fought the Romans and the Children of Israel were always doing something important, right?"
"All that is right too," agreed Goldblatt. "So, what's your question?"
"what I want to know is this," demanded Joey. "What were all the grown ups doing?"



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20th June, 2010

My daughter Chloe, who is in Prep, has recently been learning basic arithmetic. She is so excited about it and she is regularly saying things like, "Do you know what $3 + 2$ is? It is 5." My son Ethan, who is in grade 6, has been learning long division in his math's class. He has shown me how to do it, but it goes right over my head. " $3 + 2$ " I can understand, but "3045 divided by 15" (without using a calculator) bamboozles me completely!

But then when I see God's math formula I get even more confused. **Deuteronomy 32:30** says that if one can put a thousand to flight, two can put ten thousand. That doesn't make sense, does it? If one can put a thousand to flight, shouldn't it be that two can put two thousand, not ten thousand?

What this is talking about is the power of unity and partnership. When we come together in partnership with one another it is not about addition but rather multiplication. We can do far more in unity than we could ever hope to achieve on our own in isolation.

Jesus said in **Matthew 18:19**, "I also tell you this: If two of you agree here on earth concerning anything you ask, my Father in heaven will do it for you." The power of prayer is increased, our effectiveness to see God's will is increased – not by more faith, not by more impressive giftings, not by learning more Scripture...but by coming together in unity.

As we embrace one another in love and unity, get ready to see God move in ways we have never seen before.

ANDREW

Welcome

Welcome to church today. A special welcome to our visitors from Red Cliffs and Dareton who have joined us today. Please stay for a cup of tea or coffee following the morning service.

Today, Sunday 20th

10.00 am Martin Boutros & Monique ten Hoopen
MISSION AND MINISTRY

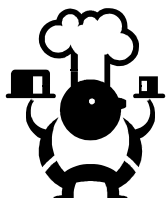
Worship Leader Jillian Gardner
Communion Leader Anne Mansell

6.00 pm No Evening Service tonight

Next Week, Sunday 27th June

10.00 am Andrew Tonkin
LIVING IN ANTICIPATION
“I’ll Be Back”
Baptism of Marianne Haigh

6.00 pm Andrew Tonkin
MASTER CHEF
Staying Loyal to the Brief



FAITH PROMISE FOR MISSIONS

Promised by Jan 2011
\$900
Received so far
\$1,916

LADIES DAY

Unleashing Our Potential

With Guest Speaker Barb Detlefson

Saturday, 7th August At 9.30 am
\$10 Includes lunch
Check the Notice Board to find out more about
Barb Detlefson

Budget Weekly Average \$2,519
Actual Weekly Average \$2,444

This Week

Sunday	20th	9.30 am	Prayer
		9.00 pm	Ray on Radio 106.7 FM
Monday	21st	10.15 am	Aged Care Service
		7.00 pm	Political Webcast
		7.30 pm	W. I. G. S.
Tuesday	22nd	1.00 pm	Property Committee
		5.30 pm	Adventure Club
Thursday	24th	12 noon	Meet And Eat
		7.00 pm	Music Practice
Friday	25th	7.30 pm	Youth Groups
Saturday	26th	2.00 pm	Share Group



JUNE

Aged Care Service

Please join Doug Clark at the Aged Care facility in Ontario Avenue on Monday for a time of fellowship with the elderly residents.

Property Committee

There will be a meeting of the Property Committee in the small meeting room at the church at 1.00 pm on Tuesday. All interested, please attend.

Meet And Eat

Meet and eat with other members down in the Mall at 12 noon at Jenny's Coffee Lounge. All welcome.

Craft Group

Monday, June 28th at 11.00 am in the Church Hall.
Do Your Own Thing day, so bring along your unfinished projects to complete.

W.I.G.S. Women In God's Service

Due to the Political Webcast in the Church on Monday 21st, WIGS has been changed to Robyn and John Hawtin's home, 607 Cowra Avenue. If you need directions, speak to Robyn.

SHARE GROUP

Saturday, 26th June
2.00 pm
At the Church

GUEST SPEAKER
Bronwyn Roberts
from CareLink

Bring a plate of afternoon tea please.

MISSION AND MINISTRY

Growing Mission-shaped Churches

We live in what is commonly called the 'post-Christian' era. Our western culture is no longer Christian—nor even 'almost Christian'!

Western churches can no longer assume that if we maintain our traditional programs, good as they may be, we will be genuinely engaging a new generation of Aussies.

Most people in our neighbourhoods don't have enough faith background to understand the lingo we use. Many are struggling with all sorts of bad church experiences or unhelpful impressions and so will mis-hear what we say.

Many of us as Christians are quite disengaged from the non-church local culture around us. There are often few bridges and few opportunities to demonstrate God's love in persona relevant ways ... And yet the good news is just as relevant as ever before! We need to rediscover what it means to be missionaries in a 'foreign' culture: living with people, learning their languages, authentically living our faith into their world—and so uncover God's strategies.

This is what is meant by the term 'missional churches' - not just churches that 'do' mission activities, but that live and breathe God's mission into their world. We want to 're-imagine' our missions so as to help our church seize the future God has for us.

Martin Boutros

Mission and Ministry Executive Director

Extracts from the Cultivator

4th February, 1911

Archie Ah Gee, was fined ten shillings for trading on Sunday. Police evidence given of purchasing a packet of cigarettes and a box of matches.

Mrs Lyons was similarly fined for selling chocolates on a Sunday evening.

27th March, 1915

Mr C.F. Watson was proceeded against for keeping his shop open for trade on Sunday. Evidence of visit to shop by Emily Ryan and service of two drinks for sixpence. Case decided as "trifling" and dismissed.

26th January, 1916

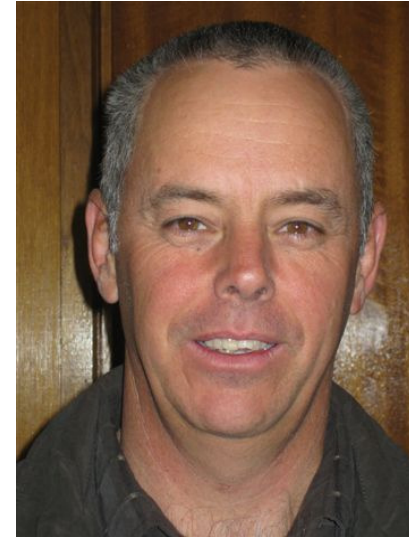
A 2½ page report was given about three persons charged with trading on Sunday. Defence then submitted the Act passed in England in the 17th Century and carried on to the present.

The Police Magistrate suggested he might go further back for the genesis of the Act and date it from the giving of the Ten Commandments.

Eventually fined five shillings with one guinea costs.

Know Your Leaders

Michael Waters—Elder



A self-employed "Earthmoving Contractor"

Favourite TV shows

MotoGP, "Live Motorsport", Spicks and Specks, Doctor Who

Favourite Food

Lemon Meringue Pie

Hobbies / Interests

Gadgets, Mechanical Musical Instruments

Why did you become a Church Leader?

God called me

What do you like most about the Mildura Church of Christ?

Family, belonging. To know I can call on anyone of you and know that you will be there if I need you. And even if I don't call, I know you will be, that's what family is all about. "Right".

If you could do one thing with the guarantee not to fail, what would you do?

Have everyone I talk to about Jesus, believe in Him without a shadow of a doubt and confess Him as their Lord and Saviour.

What is your favourite Bible verse and why?

Romans 8: 37-39

Because it tells me without a doubt that nothing can separate me from the love of God! And I mean nothing!

Who is Jesus?

Who He said He was—"Lord of all", My Saviour, My all in all.



Family News & Prayer



- * Continue in prayer for:
Ern Straub—we were blessed to have Ern back with us last Sunday
Gwen Curtis—who has returned to the Mildura Base
Jenny Clarke— after her knee operation
Janice Renfree—whose eye (and leg) continues to improve
Norma Dean—as she mourns the loss of Jack.
Marianne Haigh—as she goes for more tests
- * Off on holidays:
Malcom and Beth have headed off to Thailand
Elaine and Cathie are spending a week in Brisbane with family
- * Two special birthdays this week:
Auralie Munro is 60 on Monday, 21st June
Riana Bekker celebrates her 40th birthday on Wednesday, 23rd June.

Federal Election 2010 Make it Count Webcast

Monday, 21st June at 7 pm

The Australian Christian Lobby is sending us a webcast of the political debate between Kevin Rudd and Tony Abbott on Monday at the church on the big screen. All are invited to come along to view this interesting debate between our two Australian leaders. Find out what they are all about as leaders of our country and what they plan for our future.

BUILDING FUND ENVELOPES

These envelopes will be included in the Mainstream each week throughout the month of June. Your offerings to this project will assist in paying back the loan for the purchase of “Mrs Goodrem’s property” next door. Thank you for your contributions.

Offering Envelopes

The new Church Offering Envelopes have arrived. These envelopes are for all regular attenders of the church to use for their weekly offerings. They are dated from the first week in July and will assist you to remember to put your offering aside each week. Please collect a box from the foyer today.

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Friday, June 25th

IGNITION Games Night
Meet at the Church at 7 pm
Going to Red Cliffs \$3

XLR8 Encounter Rally
Saturday, June 26th

Mission Update



GATEHOUSE NEWS

The Gatehouse netball team is nearing the end of its first season. The team is made up of women involved in street sex work, staff, volunteers and friends. If the benefits we've experienced could be shown on the scorecard, we'd be straight through to the grand final. But unfortunately not! It has been wonderful to see the team members bond, support and champion each other. Women from all walks of life, on one team. Rather than being a street sex worker or a staff member, an individual is a Wing Attack or a Goal Shooter. Stories, laughter and encouragement are shared both on and of the court.

Though experts in street rules, women involved in street sex work can find the 'straight' world daunting and intimidating. Years of negative experiences cannot be undone by a game of netball—but we have certainly seen the women involved grow in confidence as they learn and follow a new set of rules: turning up on time, controlling frustration, following the umpires, not stepping with the ball, etc.

Women engaged in street sex work can have very low self worth and feel a lack of control over their lifestyle. Engaging in a positive, healthy activity provides individuals with a sense of accomplishment and pride in knowing they are making a positive, small step that is good for their health and well-being.