

NEXT WEEK, 11th July

<u>10.00 am</u>	D. Morrall
Worship Leader	R. Jackson
Communion Leader	W. Whitehead      Prayer Leader W. Whitehead
Singers	D. Ferrett, D. Shields, K. Tonkin
Lights/Project./Sound	? , J. Tonkin, Cl. Waters
Officer on Duty	A. Munro
Welcome/Reception	J. Ferrett / J. Bradford
Helpers	G. Beruldsen, N. Dean, V. Robinson, J. Rosenberg, J. Wiffen, P. Wiffen, T. Wiffen (reader), G. Handasyde
Crèche	M. Cox
Children's Church	C. Waters
Cuppa	J. Booysen, N. Cook
Communion Prep.	P. Leng, J. Renfree
Flowers / Cleaning	A. Munro
Grounds	B. Eaton, P. Booysen
<u>6.00 pm</u>	A. Tonkin
Worship Leader	B. Moritz
Communion Leader	M. Waters
Singers	M. Cameron, M. Christian, J. Gardner
Band	N. Morrall, M. Gardner, J. Pech , C. Waters
Project./Sound	T. Eaton / B. Moritz?
Reception	R. Hawtin
Helpers	R Jackson, ?
Crèche	?



A young boy who had just got his driving licence asked his father, who was a minister, if they could discuss the use of the car. His father took him to his study and said to him, "I'll make a deal with you. You bring your grades up, study your Bible a little and get

your hair cut and we'll talk about it."

After about a month the boy came back and again asked his father if they could discuss use of the car. They again went to the father's study where his father said, "Son, I've been real proud of you. You have brought your grades up, you've studied your Bible diligently, but you didn't get your hair cut!"

The young man waited a moment and replied, " you know Dad, I've been thinking about that. You know Samson had long hair, Moses had long hair, Noah had long hair, and even Jesus had long hair...."

To which his father replied, "Yes, and they walked everywhere they went!"



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4th July, 2010

When you think of the greatest preachers and teachers, who comes to mind? Over the centuries there have certainly been some very impressive people who have taught and proclaimed the truths of Scripture. Wesley, Spurgeon and Edwards are just three of the greats from many years ago. David Jeremiah, T.D. Jakes and Charles Stanley are three modern men who are considered brilliant preachers of the Word.

But when it really comes down to it, there has never been a greater preacher or teacher than Jesus himself. **Matthew 7:28** tells us, "*When Jesus had finished saying these things, the crowds were amazed at his teaching*".

One of the main ways that Jesus taught the people was through parables. It has been said that a parable is an earthly story with a heavenly meaning. The Lord Jesus frequently used parables as a means of illustrating profound, divine truths. Parables were a common form of teaching in Judaism. Stories such as the ones Jesus told are easily remembered, the characters bold, and the symbolism rich in meaning. Jesus had employed many graphic analogies using common things that would be familiar to everyone (salt, bread, sheep, etc.) and their meaning was fairly clear in the context of His teaching. Parables required more explanation, and at one point in His ministry, Jesus began to teach using parables exclusively.

To those with a genuine hunger for God, the parable is both an effective and memorable way to convey divine truths. Jesus' parables contain great volumes of truth in very few words—and His parables, rich in imagery, are not easily forgotten. So, then, the parable is a blessing to those with willing ears. May we each have willing ears to hear and a mind that is ready to receive and contemplate the words and teachings of Jesus.

Andrew

# Welcome

Welcome to church today. If you are a visitor we offer you a special welcome. We hope you enjoy worshipping with us. Please stay for a cup of tea or coffee following the

## Today, Sunday 4th July

10.00 am  
Theme Andrew Tonkin  
**Parable Of The Mustard Seed**  
Worship Leader Michael Waters  
Communion Leader Craig Beasy  
Reading Matthew 13:31-32

6.00 pm  
Theme Andrew Tonkin  
**BBQ Night**

Worship Leader Jillian Gardner  
Communion Leader Robyn Hawtin

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10.00 am Diane Morrall  
**Parable of the**

6.00 pm Andrew Tonkin  
**Avatar**

**MARK IN YOUR DIARY AND PLAN TO COME**

### **COFFEE AND DESSERT NIGHT** **Monday, 26th July 7.00—8.30 pm**

#### **HEAR:**

- \* Of the need to pray for our Pastor/Minister
- \* Andrew and Doug Clark speak of the significance of prayer in their lives as Pastors
- \* How you might be involved in this great ministry of 'Praying for your Pastor'.

#### **ENJOY**

- \* A cuppa, chat and some yummy desserts together.  
(Organised by the Prayer Committee)

## *This Week*

Sunday	4th	9.30 am	Prayer
		9.00 pm	Ray on Radio 106.7 FM
Monday	5th	7.45 pm	Elders
Thursday	7th	7.00 pm	Music Practice



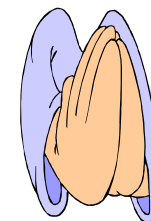
## Lost

Big Black piece of material with white **FUEL** letters on it.  
If you have this cloth or know where it is. Can you please let  
Brendan Moritz know as he would love to have it back .

## **When we pray, remember:**

- 1. The love of God that wants the best for us.**
- 2. The wisdom of God that knows what is best for us.**
- 3. The power of God that can accomplish it.**

**William Barclay**



## **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

## **C.W.A**

Sunday 11th July  
**Celebration of Music and Dance**  
*To be held in Mercy Theatre  
Cnr 11th St & Riverside Ave  
Tickets \$8 each  
Available at the door  
Curtain up at 1.30pm*



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*It is frequently conversing in secret with Him who loves us.'*  
**St Teresa of Avila**

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I will deliver you, and you will honour me.'* Psalm 50:15



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# Family News & Prayer



- \* Continue in prayer for:
  - Gwen Curtis—who is now in Ward 4 at the Base
  - Baby Harry—great grandson of Lesley Nevill as he recovers from his surgery
  - Ern Straub—recovering from surgery
  - Pam Midgley—who has had a mild heart attack
  - Gary Dalitz, son-in-law of Alys & Doug Beasy, as he recovers from surgery for a stroke
- \* Congratulations to Marianne Haigh who was baptised last Sunday.
- \* A special Happy Birthday to Pieter Bekker as he celebrates his 40th Birthday tomorrow, Monday 5th July and also to Mark Midgley who turns 21.

## Mission Update



### **Ranmawat |Refurbishment**

A team of 20 from SA are heading to Vanuatu in July, just one of 10 international teams visiting Vanuatu this year. Many on the team are descendants of Frank Filmer.

The plan is for the team to work with local tradesmen to refurbish buildings at the hospital clinic at Ranmawat. Besides being a dispensary, about 20-30 babies are born at the Ranmawat Clinic each year.

The buildings were constructed decades ago and have suffered the ravages of cyclones and the tropical environment. The work team will be re-constructing a covered walkway, repairing the lining of the dispensary, labour and neo-natal wards, replacing doors that are falling apart and upgrading the solar powered battery lighting system.

Frank Filmer arrived as a Church of Christ Missionary on Pentecost Island in 1908 and stayed for 10 years. His last surviving child, grandchildren and great-grandchildren have raised the money for materials needed for the work as outlined by the Ranmawat Hospital Board.

Team members will also visit local schools and villages to encourage the Ni-Vanuatu Christians.

Kevin Hull, SA

## Know Your Leaders Joan Ferrett—Seniors' Minister

A retiree—now Pastoral Carer



Favourite TV Show  
Mash & The Big Bang Theory

Favourite Movie  
While you were sleeping

Favourite Singer  
Daniel O'Donnell

Hobbies / Interests  
Reading, Computer games, Crocheting

Why did you become a Church Leader?  
Because I wasn't doing enough to serve the Lord.

If you could ask God any question, what would you ask?  
Will I be taken to Heaven in The Rapture

If you could do one thing with the guarantee not to fail, what would you do?  
Bring all my family & friends to the Lord

How would you describe love?  
A complete caring for those I love, to want only good health & happiness for them.

Who is Jesus?  
He is the Saviour of my soul, He loves me more than I deserve—  
He is God's only Son.

**"Faith is to believe what you do not see; the reward of faith is to see what you believe."**

**St Augustine**