

Focus on Today's News

Being a Christian is more than being a believer - it's about being a follower! Once we make a decision for Christ we must become His disciples and follow Him. When we have chosen to follow Christ we are modern-day Christian disciples continuing what Christ began almost 2000 years ago when he called his first disciples to him.

As disciples we follow Him. As we follow Him our aim is to become like him. This takes place through a number of different events. Some of these are:

- Intentional learning - studying the Scriptures to understand the ministry and mission of Jesus
- Clearly understanding our role as messengers of Christ
- Learning from other Christians who are growing with Christ
- Participate in ministry and mission meeting the needs of others
- Growing through the trials and temptations that life brings to us on the journey
- Taking to heart some of the spiritual disciplines. Disciplines do not help us earn a place in heaven but they can enable us to learn and humble ourselves in the sight of God. Some disciplines are:
 - Fasting - from food or TV or computer games and spending that time with the Lord
 - Silence - taking time to sit and pray in solitude away from the distractions of the world
 - Generosity
 - Prayer
 - Reading Scripture
 - Corporate worship

Let us continue to follow Christ and be intentional about it.. *Stephen*

Today	Next Sunday
<p>10:15am <i>SoulCare</i> <i>Praise and Communion</i> <i>Korean Community</i> <i>Created for Christ</i></p> <p>11:30am Morning Tea</p> <p>7:00pm <i>Connect @ 7</i> Jeff Deuble</p>	<p>9:30am <i>SoulCare</i> Stephen Cathcart</p> <p>9:30am <i>Praise and Communion</i> Richard Oakes</p> <p>10:30am Morning Tea</p> <p>12:30pm <i>Korean Community</i></p> <p>7:00pm <i>Connect @ 7</i> Jeff Deuble</p>

MOWING ROSTER
September 16 Scott Bartholomew

Prayer Hotline
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Hanna Dijkstal
All requests are kept confidential and treated with the greatest respect.

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Deadline for all office requests are due by **Thursday 2:00pm**.
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F^{FOOT}TSTEPS

Footsteps Holiday Club is on during the first week of the school holidays 29th September to 2nd October. We are seeking people who will be able to help in various capacities:

- Craft
- BBQ on Thursday
- Singing
- Playing Instruments
- Leading small groups

If you would like to be involved or want to know more

Christianity Explained

Christianity Explained is a 6-week course that helps to understand the person of Jesus and where we fit into the plan of God. The principles for CE are:

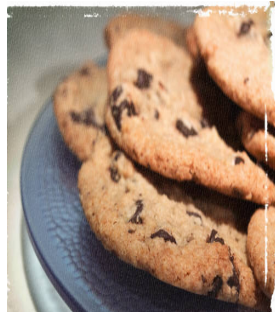
- Assume nothing - CE starts from the assumption that we know little or nothing about the Bible.
- Slowly - CE seeks to teach the Gospel slowly, one point each lesson. It is based on the Gospel of Mark.
- The three fears - those who participate are assured from the beginning they will not be asked to read aloud, pray, sing or answer Bible questions that may embarrass them. Discussion however is encouraged.

If you would like to be part of Christianity Explained please see Loida

Your opportunity to serve

There are vacancies on the morning tea roster (Praise and Communion Service), one in September and all of November. Please fill in a spot (or two) if you would like to help.

Thankyou to all who have contributed to the biscuit barrel recently. You may have a bickie with your cuppa. *Lorraine Hensby*



"DOULOS"

DOWN UNDER Australia

The Mission ship "DOULOS" of the "Operation Mobilisation (OM) has arrived in Sydney to stay until 7 September and has a berth in Darling Harbour, Wharf 8 (entry at Sussex Street, opp. Napoleon St). Easy access!!

Last Thursday morning was the festive arrival with hundreds of young volunteers hanging out their national flags over the railing.

Tina has organised for a group of these young missionaries to come and speak for our Youth Group on September 5.

Go and See the world's oldest (93yrs) ocean-going passenger ship! "Doulos" is staffed by 330 Christian volunteers from 50 different countries, among which many Australians. The captain is from Perth. During the last 30 years "Doulos" has visited more than 500 ports in over 100 nations.

It offers:

Bookshop: The ship hosts the world largest "floating" bookshop; over 6000 titles for sale, covering topics such as education, hobbies, culinary arts, children books, Christian Literature and more.

International Café: Sip a superb cup of coffee while "Doulos" crew members share about ship life and the extraordinary stories of God's work around the globe.

Guided Tours: Enjoy a 45 minute guided tour of "Doulos" and hear the story of this *unique* ship.

Bookings through Koorong Bookshops or online (Adults \$ 10, Child \$ 5)

Further enquiries phone 0403 932 315 or

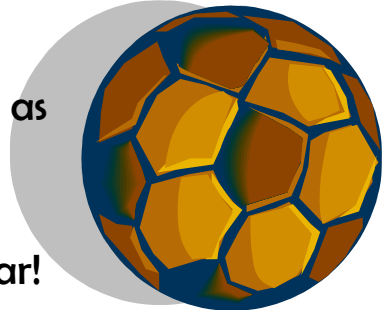
www.doulosdownunder.org.au



TODAY

12:30pm BYO lunch in the hall as we eat together with the Korean community

2pm – soccer match of the year!



To purchase????

Presently, we desire to sell via donation:

- 4 collapsible tables
- Outdoor heater
- A colour printer (Lexmark Z603)

All the items are in the foyer

Directly

If you would like to give your *offering* by direct debit please use the following bank details and arrange with your bank to begin the process of being a planned deliberate giver to God.

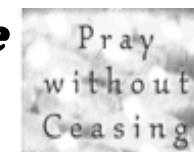
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Sycamore

This is the name of the young adults group that meets on **Wednesday evenings 7:30pm** at the church. This week we are meeting to watch a movie



Prayer and Praise



- Praise God for the baptism of Blake Jeffrey on 7th September. Pray for Blake as he prepares for this important step in his life.
- Pray for those who are grieving and still feeling the pain of separation through the death of loved ones in our church family
- Pray for Footsteps Holiday Club as they prepare for the first week of the school holidays - 29th Sept-2nd Oct. Pray for a music co-coordinator and small group leaders
- Pray for Connect @ 7 as we begin a new phase of ministry
- Pray for the Friday Friendship Group leaders as they prepare and reach out to the seniors in the district
- Pray for Pastor John and Mi and the Korean community.

This week please pray for:

MONDAY: Scott, Helena, Emma and Ryan Bartholomew

TUESDAY: Stephen, Jean, Harrison and Jonathan Bennett

WEDNESDAY: Gael Boon

THURSDAY: Mary Braithewaite

FRIDAY: Edmund and Coral Brown

Live, Learn, Love

Joshua 1:9

Have I not commanded you? Be strong and courageous. Do not be terrified; do not be discouraged, for the LORD your God will be with you wherever you go."