

CHURCH PROGRAMS

We have a number of church programs happening each week. Look inside to familiarise yourself with what is taking place.

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TRAINERS CONFERENCE

Pr Neil Milne and Pr Mike and Kelly Groom were in PNG last month for a trainers conference. A report of their time is inside

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MISSIONS INITIATIVE

In November we are raising funds for Bethel Centre in Papua New Guinea across our four churches. More details can be found inside.

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WELCOME

Welcome to this month's edition of Connect News. I trust you are all doing well in Tennant Creek and that you are preparing yourself for the hot summer months.

Pr Jeremiah, Deliah and Nelliewinnie will be spending some time away from Tennant Creek in October. They will travel to Melbourne to be part of the CRC's national conference. After this they will head to South Australia to attend Adelaide Christian Centre's church camp. Some of our church members from New Life Christian Centre will also be attending the camp.

Please keep the Madimadi family in your prayers during their time away. We are looking forward to having them with us. Towards the end of October we are starting a new sermon series: 'Getting to Know the Holy Spirit'. This series will run across our four churches.

Sunday 20th October Explaining the Trinity

Sunday 27th October The Work of the Holy Spirit

Sunday 3rd November Promise of the Holy Spirit

Sunday 10th November Jesus' Relationship with the Holy Spirit

Sunday 17th November Baptism of the Holy Spirit

Sunday 24th November Keeping in Step with the Holy Spirit

Pr Mike Groom

MISSIONS

Benjamin and Asinate Wari TCCFC commits \$100 per month

Benjamin and Asinate Wari are serving as missionaries in Vanuatu. Benjamin is from Papua New Guinea (PNG) and Asinate is from Fiji.

They are doing a great job ministering to the community they are located in. In March 2024 they began a preschool on the property they are living on - Bethel Christian Preschool Banban. In the same month they also began a church -Banban Christian Centre.

Please continue to keep them in your prayers as they lead these two new ministries in Vanuatu. It is a privilege to support them as a church.

Bethel Children's Home TCCFC commits \$200 per month

Bethel Children's Home has been in operation since 1998. All of the children come from the Tamil minority ethnic group that has been discriminated against for many years. The children in our homes have been displaced for a number of reasons. Our homes provide children with a safe environment where they are given access to many opportunities that assist them in their development. TCCFC sponsors two children, David and Manju.

Door of Hope Preschool TCCFC commits \$100 per month

Door of Hope Preschool is located in Vavuniya in the north of Sri Lanka. It is predominantly made up of Tamil speaking children.



VOLUNTEERS NEEDED Cleaning and Children's Ministry

We are in need of volunteers to help clean the church and assist in our children's ministry. If you have any questions or if you would like to volunteer, please speak to Pr Jeremiah or Delia.

PRAYER AND BIBLE STUDY Tuesday Nights

Everyone is welcome to join us at church for prayer and Bible study on Tuesday nights. The nights begin at 6:30pm. If you need a ride to and from church please contact Pr Jeremiah or Miriam and they will organise a ride for you.

LADIES' BIBLE STUDY Thursday Nights

All ladies are invited to join us for Bible studies at church on Thursday nights. Our Bible studies begin at 6:30pm. If you would like any further information, or if you need a ride, please contact Pr Jeremiah or Miriam.

CHILDREN AND YOUTH Friday Nights and Sunday Mornings

Our youth are welcome to join us at church on Friday nights at 6:30pm. Our children are welcome to join us on Sunday during the church service. If you would like to help out please speak to Ebony (youth) or Delia (children).

GLOBAL TRAINERS CONFERENCE

At the beginning of September, Pr Neil Milne, Pr Mike Groom and Kelly Groom were in Papua New Guinea (PNG) for the Global Trainers Conference. The event was hosted at Bethel Christian Centre (BCC) in Port Moresby. Pr Neil was the guest speaker and Pr Mike also had a couple of opportunites to share.

The conference was attended by pastors, staff and students of Bethel International Training College, our ministry training base located on the BCC property. A pastor from the Philippines and staff members of CRC ministry training schools around PNG also travelled to Port Moresby to be part of the event.

The conference ran over three days and it was held in our new training building. Three classrooms were used by the delegates. Pr Neil and Pr Mike shared from one classroom and the remaining two classrooms broadcast the teaching live via Zoom. Positive feedback was received by the delegates.

Throughout their visit, Pr Neil, Pr Mike and Kelly all had opportunities to minister into the lives of Bethel Tabernacle of Praise's (BTOP) congregation members. BTOP is the church operating under BCC.

Pr Neil shared in the men's fellowship meeting, and in both Sunday morning services - Pidgin and English. Pr Mike shared in the Sunday evening service. Kelly ministered in the ladies' meeting.





MISSIONS FUNDRAISING INITIATIVE

Bethel Christian Centre is located in Port Moresby, Papua New Guinea (PNG). The land was secured in the early 1970s by Pr Barry Silverback. It has since grown into a large and strong Apostolic base.

From this base, workers have been trained and sent across PNG and into countries around the world. Under the leadership of Pr Barry, CRC bases and churches have been established in the Solomon Islands, Fiji, Vanuatu, the Philippines, Sri Lanka, India and beyond. Many of our key CRC workers in these nations received their ministry training at Bethel Christian Centre.

Today we face the challenge of updating facilities that are in need of maintenance and expansion. One of the most important facilities in need is our bathroom and laundry block.

Currently, the ladies' bathroom consists of two toilets and two showers. The men's bathroom consists of six showers and two toilets. Approximately 70 individuals are using these facilities on a regular basis. This increases during events and other occasions when people come to stay on the property.

Plans are in place to relocate a 40-foot shipping container from one corner of the carpark area to a space right next to the existing bathroom block. This will be converted into a toilet block – four toilets for females and four for males. The space is almost ready for the container to be moved. The existing bathroom block will undergo renovations, which will see six showers for females and six showers for males, as well as two toilets for each.

In addition to this, the existing missions office will be transformed into an accessible bathroom for Gabi Wari. Gabi is the wife of one of our pastors, Pr Ai Wari. She suffered a stroke some years ago which has significantly restricted her physically. It is a necessity to provide access to an accessible bathroom to cater to her needs.

In order to do this, the finance office has undergone extensions so there is enough space to relocate our missions office there. This has created space for an accessible bathroom to be constructed in the current missions office, which is next door to Pr Ai and Gabi's house. The bathroom will be ready for Aunty Gabi in October.

Next month across our churches, we will be raising funds to assist with these vital upgrades at Bethel Christian Centre. If you would like to give towards this project, you can give online or through our regular offering. Please reference any donation as 'Bethel Bathroom Project'.

Pr Jeremiah, Delia and Nelliewinnie were based at Bethel Christian Centre before they relocated to Tennant Creek to serve as missionaries. If you have any questions about the work that takes place there, or about the people who are faithfully serving, please don't hesitate to ask them.

Thank you for your support.

ONLINE PRESENCE

 Web: www.tccf.com.au

 Facebook Page: www.facebook.com/tennantcreekchristianfamilychurch

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GIVING DETAILS

Option One: Bank Transfer

Account Name: Tennant Creek Christian Family Church BSB: 065 005 Account Number: 1076 8547 Reference: Missions or Tithes

Clearly add in the description if your offering is for tithes or missions.

Option Two: Sunday Offering

Missions: Please place your missions giving into an envelope. Write missions on the front and place into the offering.

Tithes: Please place your tithes in the general offering.

OTHER CHURCH LOCATIONS

Adelaide Christian Centre

Address: 27-33 Sturt Street, Adelaide SA 5000 Web: <u>www.adelaidechristiancentre.com.au</u> Service Times: 10:00am and 5:30pm

New Life Christian Centre

Address: 105 Dyson Road, Christies Beach, SA 5165 Web: <u>www.newlifeonline.org.au</u> Service Times: 10:00am and 5:30pm

Faith Center Church

Address: 115 Worley Lane, Walhalla SC 29691, United States Facebook: <u>www.facebook.com/faithcenterchurchwalhalla</u> Service Time: 10:00am