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AUGUST 2024

NEW SERMON SERIES

Our four churches in August will be focusing on the sermon series 'Get in the Game'. Details for each week can be found inside.

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TENNANT CREEK

Pr Jeremiah has written a Tennant Creek update. He covers Pr Mike and Kelly's visit, as well as our Elliot outreach.

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PNG ANNIVERSARY

In July, the CRC in Papua New Guinea celebrated 52 years. The anniversary was a huge success and was enjoyed by all.

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WELCOME TO NLCC

We are in the last weeks of our building project. It has been wonderful seeing everything come together so well, and we look forward to a fine occasion at our opening. Thank you to our men who are volunteering time to do fencing and landscaping, IT jobs, and other work. It takes a good team of dedicated people!

Buildings are great, but they are only great if we can fill them with people. That's the point of the building. Let us continue in prayer that the ministry and mission of our congregation will impact the lives of many people and draw many to Christ. Please continue to pray for the project, and for the financial aspect.

In August, we have a Men's Brekky. Other ministries and groups will continue as

usual. We are not planning anything major in August/September, as we will be focussing on moving into the building.

Our theme for August is 'Get in the Game'. It is a call for each of us to fulfill our part as a member of God's team, to build His church, and reach out to a lost and dying world with His love and the good news of Jesus Christ - His saving work through His death and Resurrection.

Jesus said, 'I am building My Church, and the gates of hell will not prevail against it' (Matthew 16:8 paraphrased).

Praying that you and yours will have a truly blessed and fruitful month ahead.

Pr Greg Crome

MINISTRIES PRAYER

Launch Youth: Launch Youth is held every Friday night during the school term.

Youth and Children (CYC) Sundays: CYC is held on Sunday mornings during the school term.

Tuesday Night Young Adults Connect Group: Combined with ACC in the West and South. Please visit www.facebook.com/groups/engagesturtstreet/.

Wednesday Night Connect Group: In recess. 7:00pm at 75 Riverview Drive, Port Noarlunga (0417 857 515).

Thursday Night Connect Group: Two Thursday nights a month at 7:00pm at the Odis' house (0452 634 630).

Missions Prayer Requests

- Pray for Benjamin and Asinate Wari as they continue their missionary service in Vanuatu. They begin August in Fiji as they wait for their Vanuatu visas to be renewed. Pray for them as they return to Vanuatu. Pray over their church and Bethel Christian Preschool Banban.
- Pray for Mikaela Geno as she serves as a missionary in Papua New Guinea. Pray over Bethel Sunday School and everything else she is involved in.

Church Prayer Requests

- Please contact the church office if you have any prayer requests.

Special Building Fund Offering

We are almost ready to move into the new building!. Every Sunday you can give a donation towards the building. Please mark your offering, 'NLCC Building Project'. See our online giving page.



PR SOMANATHAN VISIT Sunday 4th August

Pr Somanathan is the CRC's National Leader in Sri Lanka. On Sunday 4th August we will be combining our evening service with ACC. Everyone is invited to join us at ACC to hear Pr Somanathan preach. The service will begin at 5:30pm.

MEN'S BREKKY Saturday 17th August

Our next men's brekky will be held mid-August. The breakfast will begin at 7:30am at NLCC. Our guest speaker will be announced closer to the day. Feel free to invite your friends along as we come together for a good feed!



NEW SERMON SERIES

This series highlights how God chooses us onto His team to carry out His Redemptive Game Plan. With sports analogies as the backdrop, we will explore the broad scope of the position and unique role of each person on God's team to follow His game plan for the redemption of mankind.

God designs people with particular gifts to be used for His purposes. He also gives each person certain passions of service that motivates them. Knowing our spiritual gift will answer the what question. Knowing our passion will answer the where question.

Sunday 4th August: THE GAME PLAN

God has an awesome plan of bringing lost people back to Him and the Church is central to His 'Game Plan' of redemption.

Sunday 11th August: DRAFTING A DREAM TEAM

God chooses each of us to be a member of His Team in what He is up to in the world.

Sunday 18th August: SKILLS TRAINING

In God's team, each member has a particular position to play based on their God-given abilities, gifts and passion.

Sunday 4th August: THE POWER OF TEAM

Anything is possible for a united team who are playing to the same game plan.

S.H.A.P.E. PROCESS

During our series 'Get in the Game', everyone will receive a S.H.A.P.E. workbook. The purpose of this workbook is to assist you in discovering your unique design for ministry so you can release your God-given potential to serve God and others through your church, the wider community and beyond.

We have prepared several tools to help you identify the ministry that best expresses who God created you to be. These tools include:

1. Unwrapping your SERVING GIFTS

Understanding the nature and function of each serving gift will assist you to identify which motivational gifts you have been given by God.

2. Monitoring your HEARTBEAT

Knowing what motivates you will produce in you a passion to pursue what is in your heart.

3. Recognising your ABILITIES

Identifying the natural talents and vocational skills you possess will assist you in linking your passions and skills in fulfilling your purpose.

4. Understanding your PERSONALITY

Knowing your temperament and personality style will assist you in how you relate and serve others.

5. Remembering your EXPERIENCES

Your experiences identify the pathway that God can use you in ministry service.

HOW PAUL'S MINISTRY WAS SHAPED

- Paul's **S**erving Gifts (2 Timothy 1:11)
- Paul's **H**eart (Acts 20:24; Romans 15:20; Galatians 2:8)
- Paul's **A**bilities (Acts 18:2b-4)
- Paul's **P**ersonality (Galatians 1:13-14)
- Paul's **E**xperiences (2 Corinthians 11:23-33)

SPIRITUAL Experiences:

- Watched Stephen being stoned (Acts 8:1)
- Conversion on Damascus Road (Acts 9:1-20)
- Three years maturing in Arabia (Galatians 1:18)
- Special vision from God (2 Corinthians 12:2-7)

MATURING Experiences (2 Corinthians 11:23-27; 12:7)

EDUCATIONAL Experiences (Acts 22:3)

MINISTRY Experiences (Read Acts)

Don't forget to pick up your S.H.A.P.E. Workbook and Personal Ministry Profile Summary at the display in the foyer. Please return your Personal Ministry Profile Summary by Sunday 8th September. You can return it to the info desk or hand it to one of our pastors or leaders.

Please note: This profile is not a test as there are no right or wrong answers. Its purpose is to reveal how you are uniquely SHAPED by God.



TENNANT CREEK UPDATE

PR MIKE AND KELLY GROOM'S VISIT

We had an awesome time with Pr Mike and Kelly Groom during their recent visit. They arrived here in Tennant Creek on Wednesday 17th July.

The night after they arrived, Kelly shared the Word with our women at the ladies' fellowship.

On Friday night both Pr Mike and Kelly spent time with the young people at our kids and youth program. Kelly played

some fun games with the kids and Pr Mike prayed for them at the end.

On Saturday afternoon Pr Mike and I met with Edward and Josephine from Papua New Guinea. They were previously serving in the life of our church but they left Tennant Creek some time ago.

They have since returned with their daughter Esther and Pr Mike was happy for them to start helping in the church programs once again.

On Saturday evening, we had a wonderful dinner fellowship with all of the key church members.

Pr Mike spoke in our morning service on the Sunday and Kelly shared in our evening service.

At the end of our evening service during prayer ministry, Pr Mike asked people to raise their hands if they wanted prayer for salvation. Nine kids raised their hands and Pr Mike led them to the Lord.

Please pray for these kids who received salvation and join us in believing for more children to give their lives to God.

ELLIOT OUTREACH

I am excited to inform you that when Pr Mike was here, he asked Edward and Josephine to help run fortnightly services in the town of Elliot.

We have a desire to do more work in Elliot, which is about 250km north of Tennant Creek. Edward and Josephine are very happy to run the services.

Edward and I will go to Elliot in the second week of August week and speak with the families in the North Camp (Aboriginal camp) and set the dates to start the services.

We will also clean and set up an old caravan on the church property for them to stay in when they are in Elliot.

Some families from Elliot are already aware of what we are planning to do and they are happy. I have announced it to our church members and have encouraged them to get involved and support our outreach efforts. We are hoping to reach out to Elliot and some small towns and communities in the Barkley region and up to Katherine.

Pr Jeremiah Madimadi

CELEBRATING 52 YEARS OF CRC PAPUA NEW GUINEA

At the beginning of July, many people gathered at Bethel Tabernacle of Praise in Port Moresby to celebrate 52 years of the CRC in Papua New Guinea. This event was supposed to be a 50th anniversary celebration, but it was delayed due to the COVID-19 Pandemic.

People travelled from all over Papua New Guinea (PNG) to be part of the five-day event, as well as several delegates from Australia and the Philippines. The celebration consisted of morning, afternoon and evening sessions with interviews, preaching, items and more.

Pr Barry Silverback, founder of the CRC in PNG, as the guest speaker during the event. It was his first time back in PNG since 2019. He received a special welcome at Bethel Christian Centre on the day of his arrival into the nation, and another one during the opening session of the conference.

The 52nd anniversary was a great celebration of all that has taken place within the CRC in the nation thus far with an added encouragement to anticipate great things in the future. Many hard-working volunteers joined together across a wide range of roles to pull off this successful event.

Across the following pages, there are various pictures from the 52nd anniversary.





ONLINE PRESENCE

Web: www.newlifeonline.org.au

YouTube Channel: www.youtube.com/channel/UCgBgg4l1yAy_YQQ5c17STow

Facebook Page: www.facebook.com/NewLifeChristies/

Instagram: [@new.life.christian.centre](https://www.instagram.com/new.life.christian.centre)

CONTACT DETAILS

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Service Times: 10:00am and 5:30pm

GIVING DETAILS

Option One: Online Giving

Visit the giving page on our website: www.newlifeonline.org.au/giving/. Press the 'Online Giving' button under the 'Giving' heading.

Option Two: Bank Transfer

Deposit your funds into the general account and in the reference section please specify if your funds are for tithes, missions or whatever else.

GENERAL Account Name: New Life Christian Centre

BSB: 035-053

Account Number: 127 021

OTHER CHURCH LOCATIONS

Adelaide Christian Centre

Address: 33 Sturt Street, Adelaide SA 5000

Web: www.adelaidechristiancentre.com.au

Service Times: 10:00am and 5:30pm

Tennant Creek Christian Family Church

Address: 190 Paterson Street, Tennant Creek, NT 0860

Web: www.tccf.com.au

Service Times: 10:00am and 6:30pm

Faith Center Church

Address: 115 Worley Lane, Walhalla SC 29691, United States

Facebook: www.facebook.com/faithcenterchurchwalhalla

Service Time: 10:00am