



Church of Christ Bassendean Inc.

The Contact

*We warmly welcome you as you
worship with us today.*

27th Jan 2019

TODAY'S MESSAGES

Worship Service: Lights in the Darkness Ian Kirk
10am Philippians 2:12 – 18
Evening Service: Win Your Brother Back Phil Christmas
6pm Matthew 18: 1 - 20

Dates to Remember

Thurs 7 Feb
 Comedy Night
 Fundraiser
Mon 18 Feb
 Men's Bowls Night
Sat 23 Feb
 Sunday School
 Picnic

God's Presence

"I will be with you always, to the very end of the age."
 Matthew 28:20

These words are Christ's promise to all His disciples, and it is a promise that is marvellously inclusive.

No situation is excluded; no challenge is omitted.

Dr Handley Moule, the noted Greek scholar and former Anglican Bishop of Durham, maintained that the word *always* could be paraphrased to mean, "I am with you all the days, all day long." That means we can count on Christ's presence not only every day, but every moment of every day.

Of the fact of His presence there can be no doubt, for His Word cannot fail. What we need is to cultivate the sense of His presence, every day, every hour, every moment. This happens as we speak to Him in worship and prayer, and listen to Him speak to us through His Word, the Bible.

Billy Graham—*Hope for Each Day*

Prayer Points

- For all our ministry leaders and helpers, that God our Father would refresh them spiritually and renew them with spiritual vigour for serving Him this year. Pray for a good start to all our various ministries.
- For Robin Spence and the family as they grieve over Peter's passing.
- For Peter & Judy Burnett as they holiday overseas – pray that Peter would have good health while away, as he struggles with cancer.
- For those unwell and/or recovering: Margaret Vallance, Sherri Tilbrook, Bobby Hall, Douglas McQue, Rod Vladich, John Blitvich, and Bryce Wells.
- For Shaun & Bek Reichenbach, as they leave the manse, and for Shaun as he looks for full-time chaplaincy work (only has two days a week at present).
- For the door knockers who go out each Wednesday morning to share the Gospel.

Prayer Points continued...

- For Vince Entwistle, who underwent surgery during the week.
- For Niloo and Maneli, as her lawyer progresses her application for a protection visa.
- For the Building Committee as they continue to look at increasing seating capacity.
- For our personal witness of Christ with our family and friends. May we have the joy to share Christ with others and see others be saved.

Church Discussion Group—20s to 30s on 10th February

We will be holding the last of our church discussion groups for the 20s to 30s age group, after the morning service on Sunday 10th February. If that's you, then please set aside that time, and join us for pizza and a chat about general church matters, and the issues unique to your group.

Home Groups

Home groups will begin the week commencing Monday the 11th February. Until then, we would love everyone to consider being part of a home group (if you are not already). Please see Rod or Ian in the foyer today, let us know if you are interested, and what times during the week best suit you. At this stage, we are planning to have new home groups begin on Tuesday night (for the young people/uni students) and also on Friday night.

Men's Prayer Partners

Men, you are invited to join with us in 2019 to pray for our fellow brothers in Christ. We suggest that you partner up with one brother and together you pray for each other and regularly encourage one another in our walk with the Lord. Please see Peter Errington in the foyer at the end of the service to choose your prayer partner.

Comedy Night (Fundraising for Building Fund)

Thursday 7th February • 7pm • \$15 (\$45 for families) • At Basso Church
Join us for a fun, family night out— Christian comedians "Uncle Nath" and Michael Connell are putting on an hour of Clean Comedy for us. Invite your friends along, it should be a great evening! Tickets will be on sale at the door, and in the foyer after the morning service.

Men's Bowls Night

Monday 18th February • 6.30pm • \$15 • Maylands Bowling Club
The Men's Fellowship will hold a Sausage Sizzle and Bowls night at the Maylands Bowling Club, with Rod Manton as the guest speaker. Cost is \$15. Please see Rod or Peter Errington if you can attend.

Start Up Dates for Ministries

With the school holidays coming to an end, all our ministries will be commencing again soon. Here's a list of when they start up, and we ask that you pray over each of these ministries, and encourage the leaders and helpers as they serve.

Sunday Schools - both start next Sunday 3 Feb, 9am

Craft and Coffee - starts again on Tuesday 5 Feb, 9am

The Carpenter's Workshop - continues each Tuesday 1-5pm

Youth Groups - both start Friday 8 Feb, 6.30pm (Junior) 7pm (Teen)

Mother's Bible Study - (see Penny Bruce or Donna Chapman for dates)

Home Groups - commence Monday 11 Feb 1.15pm; Wed 13 Feb, 7.30pm

(with new groups starting up on Tuesday and Friday evenings)

Notes from the Board Retreat

Firstly, on behalf of the Elders and Deacons, thanks so much for upholding us in prayer at our recent Board Retreat. Although many things were discussed, below are the main points:

We discussed the generational meetings, including the main points from each meeting – we had 113 people attend these meetings; which was very pleasing. One of the main points coming out of these meetings is that we extend the church so that we can all meet together, rather than have two services.

We discussed church extensions, and have approved the funds to get costings for two options for a church extension, where we aim to have seating capacity of around 350 people.

Our Statement of Faith has been reviewed by the Elders, added to and slightly modified, and this has now been approved by the Board. We've added clauses to address repentance, the eternal state of the wicked, what the definition of marriage is, and we have also included a clause on the role of women in church (honouring also, that they are joint heirs). The amended Statement of Faith is available for viewing on our website, www.bassochurch.org.au or if you require a hard copy, please see Kerry Jacques.

We approved the start of a playgroup on Friday mornings – Annette Errington will run this.

We discussed the church calendar and future events (calendar will be made available in the next few weeks, covering March '19-Feb '20).

From statistics, we observed that our overall giving reflects that we do not follow the biblical principle of tithing – this is something we would like to address, before we do our building extensions.

Impact Africa 2019—Fundraising Sausage Sizzle

Sun 17th February • Sausage sizzle/drinks for sale • After morning service

Church Family Camp

Wed 24th - Sunday 28th April • Busselton Christian Brethren Campsite

Our Church Family camp is still a few months away, but if you want to come along, please check if you need to arrange the day off on Friday 26th April. Tenting and dorm accommodation will be available. Please see Kerry Jacques if you have any questions about the camp. Costs will be made known shortly.

Please note the change in contact details for Barry Crommelin: Now in a High Care facility at Camilia Court Retirement Village. Address is Osboine Lodge, Room 50, 39 Newton Street Bayswater 6053. Barry no longer has his mobile.

Financial Help for Shaun & Bek Reichenbach

We request your support financially for Shaun & Bek in paying their legal fees after they won greater access to their children through the courts. Their fees are substantial, and if you are able to support them financially that would be great – simply place your donation in a marked envelope.

N—Fund for legal costs: If anyone would like to contribute to the legal fund set up for N for her visa application, please place funds marked "N Legal Fees" in the offering, or via direct debit to the church account.

Impact Africa 2019

Please continue to pray for and encourage those from Basso who are planning to be part of the 2019 Impact Africa team - Emily Rampellini, Jodie Bruce, Marie Fiorenza, Dawn House, Kevin Taffurelli and myself (Graeme). If you are praying whether you would be able to join them on the IA team, or do other Short term mission work, please have a chat with Pastor Ian, the elders, others who have done STM or myself. I can tell you God will do wonderful things in your life. The IA group will be undertaking a number of fundraisers in the coming months, and you may be able to support them in this way as well. Blessings as you continue to support IA and missions. Graeme

Mission Murmuring

Pete, Mel Sharp write of their first regional conference as leaders, this week. They have the added responsibility for sessions and logistics. It has been a tumultuous year in this region, and they are looking forward to mutual encouragement, in sharing, worship, prayer and teaching, The misplacing of an important document for the replication of their visas, could mean changing to another visa type, if the paper work is not received by the cut off time. Prayer is needed for the correct processing with favour and acceptance. More on the notice board.

Happy Birthday to those who celebrated last week, including Shona Stubberfield (28th), Marilyn McTear and Joel Reichenbach (both on 29th), Rebekah Green (30th), Madison Hopkins (1st) and Jackie Kirk and Stuart MacDonald (both on 2nd).

Service Plan - 3rd February

Leading:	I Kirk
Communion:	C Bruce
Reader:	P Haynes
Helpers:	C Chapman J Jacques & E Holmes
Ushers:	S & H Errington
Crèche:	S Ashworth & M Barrett
Chapel Cleaners:	D House & E McGlenn
Hall Cleaners:	R Manton & D Kirk
Flowers:	A Hayes & J Castaldini
Sound Desk:	T Squire
Evening Service:	P Errington (Communion service)
Craft Set-up:	L Whisson & D Oorschot

What's Happening This Week

27th January

All weekly ministries are on recess over the school holidays, and will start up again in February 2019 (see full note in the contact about start up dates).

The Carpenter's Workshop is open on Tuesdays 1-5pm throughout the year.

Last Week's Attendance:

Worship Service - 149

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Church Finances as at 20 Jan:

Faith Promise for this Year:

Pledged: Received:

Building Fund :

Total Received: Received FYTD:

If you wish to deposit directly into our bank account, please use the reference to note "Building Fund", "Faith Promise" etc, if it is for a specific gift.

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Deut 16:17 "Every man shall give as he is able, according to the blessing of the Lord your God that He has given you."