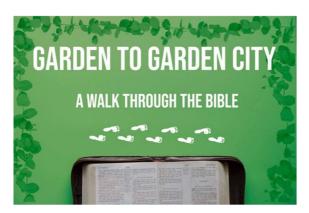


Helping people take the next step toward Jesus

Welcome

The Old Testament ends



2 Chronicles 36:15-23

GATHERED WORSHIP BOOKLET SUNDAY JUNE 12th 2022

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We're so glad you are with us today!

Wonga Park CRC is a church that is committed to helping people grow in their faith, one step at a time. We believe people do this by encountering God in His living word, through prayer, and in community with other believers.

New here?

We would love to meet and connect with you, so please fill in your details on the back of this booklet, place it in the offering bag and one of our team will contact you.

God's Word

We encourage you to take notes in the place provided, to reflect on what God has been saying to you, and to discuss it with your family, friends and children.

Prayer

We have several places in our worship service where we pray. We would love to pray with you after the service. If you would like someone to pray with you, please remain in the main auditorium and a member of our prayer team will come and pray with you.

Community

We encourage you to stay after the service for coffee and fellowship. We would love to meet you and get to know you more. We have a cry room off to the side of the church for parents with infants. During School term we also run a Sunday School for primary school aged children.

Order of service

Call to Worship - Welcome

Song - Mighty to save

Song - My life is in you Lord

Children's Talk - Gretchen Fourie

Announcements-Harry Berends

Congregational prayer-Harry Berends

Song - I lift my hands

Song - Hail to the Lord's anointed

Bible reading - Armin van Wyk

Scripture 2 Chronicles 36:15-23

Sermon - The Old Testament ends

Sermon discussion

Song - King of Kings

Reflection song and taking of offering



Today Pastor Chris Pretorius will be preaching

Duty Elder: Harry Berends

Sermon Title: The Old Testament ends

Reading: 2 Chronicles 36:15-23

The Destruction of Jerusalem

¹⁵ But the LORD, the God of their ancestors sent word against them by the hand of his messengers, sending them time and time again, for he had compassion on his people and on his dwelling place. ¹⁶ But they kept ridiculing God's messengers, despising his words, and scoffing at his prophets, until the LORD's wrath was so stirred up against his people that there was no remedy. ¹⁷ So he brought up against them the king of the Chaldeans, who killed their fit young men with the sword in the house of their sanctuary. He had no pity on young men or young women, elderly or aged; he handed them all over to him. ¹⁸ He took everything to Babylon-all the articles of God's temple, large and small, the treasures of the LORD's temple, and the treasures of the king and his officials. 19 Then the Chaldeans burned God's temple. They tore down Jerusalem's wall, burned all its palaces, and destroyed all its valuable articles.

²⁰ He deported those who escaped from the sword to Babylon, and they became servants to him and his sons until the rise of the Persian kingdom. ²¹ This fulfilled the word of the LORD through Jeremiah, and the land enjoyed its Sabbath rest all the days of the desolation until seventy years were fulfilled.

The Decree of Cyrus

²² In the first year of King Cyrus of Persia, in order to fulfill the word of the LORD spoken through Jeremiah, the LORD roused the spirit of King Cyrus of Persia to issue a proclamation throughout his entire kingdom and also to put it in writing:

²³ This is what King Cyrus of Persia says: The LORD, the God of the heavens, has given me all the kingdoms of the earth and has appointed me to build him a temple at Jerusalem in Judah. Any of his people among you may go up, and may the LORD his God be with him.

Sermon Notes

Discussion Questions

- 1. How would you summarise the message of the Old Testament in your own words?
- 2. How does having to wait on the Lord challenge your faith?
- 3. How does having to wait on the Lord encourage your faith?
- 4. What are some things you are waiting on the Lord for?
- 5. The author of Chronicles and all the Israelites to whom he was writing died before they experienced the fulfilment of their hope for a Messiah. How does this encourage or discourage you?
- 6. Why might God fulfil the hopes we have in this life or delay fulfilling his promises to us until after we died?
- 7. Read Hebrews 11, how does this help us understand this dilemma?

What's happening this week at WPCRC

Tonight– Cornerstone Christianity Course 7.30 pm at Church– postponed

Tuesday 14th June - Pastoral Care meeting 7.00 pm

Session meeting 8.00 pm

Thursday 16th June - Women's Bible Study at Church 10am for 10.30 am start.

Friday 17h June - Super Dash Youth and Parents group
7.30 pm-9.30 pm at church

Sunday 19th June - Worship Service (Online and in person)

Sunday 19th June - Cornerstone Christianity Course 7.30 pm at Church

Giving-Our giving is an act of Worship

"For you know the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, that though He was rich, yet for your sake He became poor, so that you by His poverty might become rich" 2 Cor 8:9

In our church we have two offerings every Sunday. The first goes toward the ministry of this congregation.

The second offering goes toward various Christian causes. This week it will go towards Middle East Reformed Fellowship . If you would like to support this work you can do so in several ways.

In Church giving-Simply add your offering to the bag

Or bank transfer BSB 063-167 ACC 1015-8356

If using bank transfer please indicate whether it is for the first offering "Sun 1" or second offering "Sun 2" in the reference line.

Or you can give online via our Church app:

https://wpcrc.org.au/give

Contact

If you would like further information about anything you have heard today please contact

Pastor Chris Pretorius 0423 889 913 or our

Church Administrator–Michelle 0488 777 517

Or we have a full list of Contacts on the Bulletin Board in our Church Foyer.

Please pray

"A day without prayer is a day without blessing, and a life without prayer is a life without power." - Edwin Harvey

As we go into the coming week let us daily pray;

That we will be encouraged by our Lord to devote ourselves to stay close to him as demonstrated for us by the early church.

They were continually devoting themselves to the apostles' teaching and to fellowship, to the breaking of bread and to prayer. (Acts 2:42 NASB)

Give praise and thanks to God our Father who even when we stray from him always stays close to us.

Please continue to pray for Stephanus Breytenbach and his wife and children as both husband and wife are struggling with cancer. Pray that they will know the loving arms of their Lord and Saviour around them, that he will be their comfort and peace.

Please pray for those in our church community who are suffering from various forms of cancer, Martie Schachtner as well as others. Pray that the Lord will have mercy and grant our petitions on their behalf.

Please pray for those of our community who are no longer able to meet with us in person due to ill health or age. We think of Eveline van Dortland, Ina de Graaf, Johann and Hanna van der Walt, Phillip and Suzanne Nel, Thinus du Plessis among others. Please pray that they will be comforted with the presence of God.

Please pray for our nation as many people will be affected by the downturn in our economic prosperity. Pray that the Lord will use this situation to bring glory to his holy name and cause many to turn to him.

Please continue to pray for the nation of Ukraine, pray that the conflict will end and that peace may once again reign.

Please pray for our brothers and sisters in Nigeria. Dozens of Christians were killed when gunmen opened fire on church worshippers gathered to celebrate Pentecost on Sunday 5 June in Owo, Ondo State, south-western Nigeria. Authorities have yet to release an official death toll. Some reports, however, put the number of dead at more than 50, including many women and children. The attack began at noon, just as the service was drawing to a close. The gunmen threw an improvised explosive device into the church before opening fire.

"They didn't cover their faces," said a witness. "Initially, we thought that they were going into the church for the service, not knowing that they were gunmen. Suddenly we heard gunshots. They directed the gun at everyone, particularly women and children." The Bishop of Ondo Diocese, Jude Arogundade, who visited the scene, described the attack as "madness". "It is quite unbelievable that somebody will come and the intention is to kill everybody in that church," he said. "Those who were running out were being shot from outside and those who were inside were being shot inside." "Our hearts are heavy," said Ondo State Governor Rotimi Akeredolu. "Our peace and tranquillity have been attacked by the enemies of the people."

Ask our Lord Jesus to draw close to the bereaved and pray that they will be comforted knowing that, through His Word, their loved ones have crossed over from death to life (John 5:24). Pray that peace will be restored in Ondo State, and all Nigeria, and that the men of violence will have their own personal, life-changing encounters with the Prince of Peace.

Please join us for our next prayer meeting on Tuesday 28th June at 7.30pm at Church.

All Welcome

Growth Groups

We believe that Growth Groups are the lifeblood of a disciple growing church community. We have several growth groups that meet during various times throughout the week. Each Growth Group is similar in that we meet together to pray for non believers and for each other, we study scripture and we support one another. We would love each of our members to be a part of a growth group. If you would like to join please contact our administrator by emailing admin@wpcrc.org.au

Monday night (online) Monday night (online)

Contact :Herman Linde Contact :Lynette Pretorius

0411 069 808 0423 889 912

Wednesday night (online)

Young Adults Contact: Chris Pretorius

Contact: Kasha Schubert 0423 889 913

0450 012 177

Wednesday night Thursday mornings

Contact: Adri Bennie Contact: Wendy Harrison

0425 727 949 0407 801 630

Friday night Parent Group

Contact: Neil Bester Contact: Martin van der Merwe

0425 569 149 0458 908 148

Deacons

Our Deacons help to serve our church and the wider community both practically and financially. Financial gifts for the Deacons are always appreciated and will go towards supporting people in and outside of our congregation.

To make an offering to the Deacons account details are as follows

BSB: 063-167 Acc. 1015 8372

Joy van Veen Lizet Kritzinger

0409 199 840 0405 762 190

Dale Reed Sandra Stork

0412 216 300 0418 592 206

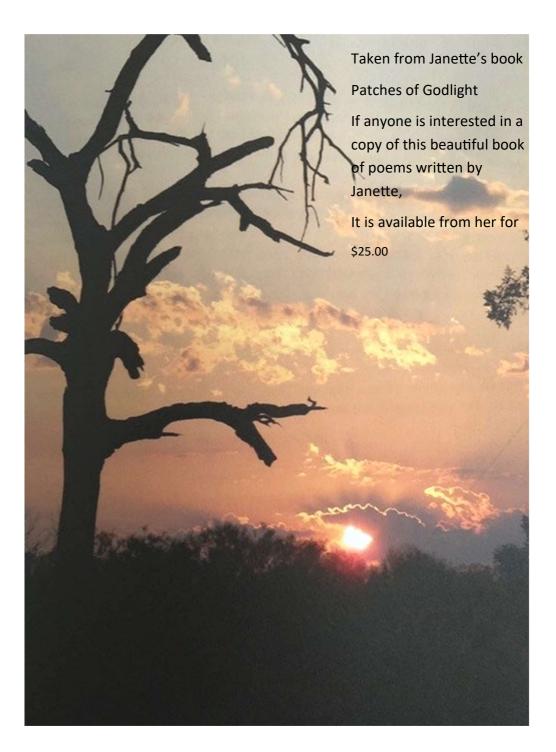


14th June-Pieter Viljoen

15th June -Annemarie Van Zyl

16th June-Martin Van Zyl

17th June-Rhoda Barnard



Sunrise

The night's velvet black jewelled with the stars gives up its cloak displays the lightening of blue to black

into waking up
dressing it
in purpled pink
in rainbow hues

the Artist's watercolour brush
sweeps the night clean
away
wipes the palette
with diluted cloth
as morning breaks
its fast

Upcoming Event

Church Camp Fundraiser

Sherry, Soup and Games

Friday 24th June at 7pm

Cost \$15.00 plus a hat (everyone who comes has to wear a hat)

We will be starting the evening with Sherry, followed by a choice of yummy soups served with a variety of breads.

The night will be filled with lots of fun and games and an opportunity to fellowship with each other

Gather some friends and book a table.

Please see Gretchen, Lydia, Jo or Michelle For more details or to book.

Cornerstone Christianity Course

Last Sunday evening we met together to explore how to fruitfully study scripture in a way that satisfies the cravings of our souls.

17 of us met in person, while 12 people joined online.

Our next session has been postponed to Sunday 19th June 7.30pm at Church. We will be diving into life giving prayer.

We will be looking at how scripture gives us life giving models for prayer: prayers of adoration, prayers of intercession, prayers for spiritual warfare.

Our last session will be held on Sunday 26th June 7.30pm at Church. We will be exploring how we might best serve and raise up those around us. God has put us into Christian Community to support each other and raise each other up.

Group Discussions





Coffee Duty

Today: Dale & Jo Reed

Next Week: Nelleke Arnold & Joy van Veen

Thank you for joining us today



Connect with us

Your name:

Contact number:

Contact email: