



Thanks, Janine Arrua., for Photo of some of the Worship Team praying.

Ettalong Baptist Church Newsletter, Thursday, 11 April 2024:

From Pastor David... In the Footsteps of Paul:

Over the next two Sundays in our 9.30am service we will continue to be introduced to Paul. This week we will be reading Acts 13:1-13 and considering the Mission of Paul. Next Sunday we will be reading Acts 13:13-52 and considering the Message of Paul.

The last thing Jesus said to his disciples before ascending to his Father was: 'you will receive power when the Holy Spirit comes on you; and you will be my witnesses in Jerusalem, and in all Judea and Samaria, and to the ends of the earth.' (Acts 1:8) Acts is the story of how that happens.

The gospel goes out, carried by messengers, empowered by the Holy Spirit. It's sent under God's control to Jews (Acts 1-7), Samaritans (Acts 8-11) and Gentiles (Acts 12-28). They carry the glorious news: 'God has made this Jesus, whom you crucified, both Lord and Messiah', and so 'Salvation is found in no one else, for there is no other name under heaven given to mankind by which we must be saved' (Acts 2:36, 4:12).

The journey was not always easy, but Paul faithfully proclaimed the gospel wherever he went because he knew God is in control, he loves people and he changes people, just as he changed Paul.

That news rings out to the ends of the earth. It's even come to the Central Coast, of all places. The big message of Acts is that the gospel is unstoppable! God will save through the message of Jesus, and God's Church will grow. Are you part of that church? Are you part of that mission?

Blessings, David Gilchrist

This Sunday @ 9.30am: Paul Introduces Himself.:

David will be Introducing The Mission Of Paul from Acts 13:1-13

Prayer will be available to you at the front of church, after the service, with Marion, Peter Denton and others.

The service will be livestreamed on YouTube: <https://youtube.com/live/p6DsNN5n98k?feature=share>

We have had our Internet Network Updated.:

We are relieved to have our internet working well again, after updates were done by Loyal I.T. Solutions

Here is the new Guest Password. Please make a note of this, as it won't be going into future Newsletters.

EBC-Guest Password: EBC-Guest23#

SHOUT!! is in recess for two weeks:

SHOUT!! will return on the last Sunday of school holidays, Sunday 28 April.

Would you like to join the Worship Team?

Expressions of interest to join our Worship team, please contact Joseph on 0432 838 765

Prayers for after 9.30am Church Service:

Thank you to everyone who has already volunteered to undertake this task. I have heard so many people tell me they have really appreciated the opportunity that this prayer time provides, and I have been blessed to hear some of the responses to answered prayer.

But we as a church could use just one more volunteer, please, for this role. It isn't an all-consuming task, as it is usually approximately once every 2 months that you will be on the roster and if you can't do this job on your rostered day, you can always swap with someone. Please speak to Heather if you can help out in this capacity.

EBC Maintenance Day This Saturday 13th April:

Welcome to Saturday's maintenance day.

Start when you are able. Jazzercise are in auditorium till 9.30 but elsewhere is free. I hope to turn up about 9 with some tools and supplies. I have prepared for a few extra tasks in case we have spare person power available. We will have 3 gurneys so be prepared to get a little wet! If you don't have the tools/ equipment needed for your task, please let me know. If you are working off the ground, please ensure that an offside is assisting you.

Looking forward to a cleaner EBC Geoff 0405 020 649

Trivia night & Auction This Saturday 13th April 5:30pm.

Skills for Life are having a fund-raising night and would love you to come along. RSVP and Contact Les Baker for details.

Men's breakfast 8am 20th April at BBF Café Woy Woy:

Please advise Graham Checkley ph:0403 520 278 or Ian Makepeace Ph:0411 012 125 if you are attending.

Ferry from Woy Woy to Davistown for lunch in May:

Skills for Life Fundraiser would love you all to join us! Catching ferry from Woy Woy to Davistown for lunch at RSL Club. This event will be held on a Tuesday or Thursday in May and will cost approximately \$60. Minimum booking of 25 people and two weeks' notice must be given. Please contact Les Baker for more information: 0412866513.

Bible Study at Peninsula Village, Volunteers Needed:

At present, Sheila and Heather lead the group on the first & third Wednesday of each month, 2pm-2:45pm. Both Sheila and Heather will be away in June and are asking for 1-2 people from the Church to fill in for them whilst they are away. The Village require volunteers to complete paperwork and have Police Record Check, which the Village pay for. Study material is available. Please contact Sheila Hooper.

Skills For Life - High Tea at Ollie & Co:

Skills for Life are organising a fund-raiser at Ollie & Co Erina (at Norman Harvey carpark), cost \$35.00 per person. If you would like to attend, please contact Les Baker. 2 weeks' notice will be required to make booking for numbers. Thanks, Les.

Australia's Biggest Morning Tea, New Date 2nd June.:

All are welcome to help raise money for The Cancer Council. They do amazing work, and having been a volunteer for them myself, I know that they are self-funded. They reach out to help so many people and their families & they need all the help they can get. Let's face it, Cancer has had an impact on each and every one of us at some stage in our lives, whether directly, or indirectly. So, let's all get together for this great cause and celebrate life!

It would be wonderful if anyone would be able to bring food, cakes, slices, biscuits, scones, or even savory food would be appreciated. I will hang a notice in lower hall, that you can add your name and what you would like to bring. Many thanks. Lynette.

Spring Fair Preparation.:

- Please continue to keep this activity in your prayers for all the preparation that is happening now and in the future.
- Heather thanks people for those large shoe boxes, she only needs a few more, so if you manage to get one, between now and the spring fair they can be left with Heather or if she is away with Beth.
- It is not too early to sign up for duties, see the chart on the notice board in the large hall, you won't be expected to do the tasks if your plans change nearer the time, it's just that Heather wants to go away knowing that there is enough support for the fair.
- Keep planting those seedlings for the pot plant stall, they are always a good seller.

Thank you,
Heather. 0419 297 496

Zoom Prayer Groups:

Tuesday morning group 10am,
Tuesday evening group 7pm.
See Greg or Elizabeth Beckenham to join.

Sunday Morning Prayer Group 8.45am to 9.15am:

A small group of people meet to pray each Sunday morning before the 9.30am service at the back of the Downstairs Hall. You are welcome to join them.

Used greeting cards needed:

We are needing more cards donated. Could you please leave them in tray in Church foyer or get in touch with Maria Janos on 0404 009 300. Thank you.

Tempo Terrific Band, Free School Holiday Concerts for the young & young at heart! 1st Show on 14th April at 1:30pm Gosford Showground:

Come and enjoy some live concert band music with Tempo Terrific Band! 'Our own Meg Toon performs in this band'. There are three opportunities to enjoy these free concerts, and all are welcome.

- Sunday 14th April 1:30pm performing at the Central Coast Regional Gosford Showground.
- Wednesday 17th April 11am – 1:00pm at The Hive, Erina Fair
- Saturday 20th April 11am – 1:00pm at The Hive Erina Fair

See Meg Toon if interested.

Giving:

As Christians, we believe it is especially important that we give financially to support God's church. Prayerfully consider and budget what God would have you give.

You may give your weekly offering using the following methods:

- 1). Through direct electronic transfer. You can do this using online banking or ask your bank teller to set up an electronic transfer for you using the bank details below.
- 2). Deposit your offering directly into the church account at any branch of the Westpac Bank.

Our account details are:

Account Name: Ettalong Baptist Church

BSB Number: 032 527, Account Number: 350 062

- 3). Use the box at the main entrance door to the auditorium for cash or cheques.

Find important Church Documents on our Website Documents page:

You can download and print documents, or simply read and fill in documents online!

<https://ettalongbaptistchurch.org.au/documents/>

Ettalong Baptist Church Safe Church Team:

To report a child protection concern or incident please contact:

Pastor—David Gilchrist (phone 0448 431 234) or Elder—Jane Keuning (phone 0425 263 763)

Note From the Office Newsletter Deadline is Wednesday Morning:

If you would like anything added to future Newsletters, please send any notices to this email address office@ettalongbaptistchurch.org.au Blessings. David & Lynette.

Photos For the Newsletter:

Do you have any photos you would like to share in the newsletter? Many of our readers (including me) love photos, and we enjoy seeing the photo at the top of the newsletter each week. If you have photos you would like to share for the newsletter, please email them or give them to Lynette Tilden for sharing in the newsletter.

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