



Thank you, Colleen, for this lovely photo, taken @ low tide at Ettalong Beach.

Ettalong Baptist Newsletter, 5th March 2026

From The Pastor:

This Sunday in our 9.30am service we continue in our series in Hebrews.

People often say, “If God could just turn up, show himself, give us a wave...then I’d believe in him.” Well, in our 9.30am service this week we’ll see that God in his graciousness and mercy has turned up and he’s given us so much more than just a wave! The immortal put on mortality; The invisible became visible; The indescribable became describable in the person of Jesus. He lived and died and rose again. He freed us from slavery to fear of death.

Christians are not people of fear. We stand in the strength and power of Christ!
As the Psalmist wrote,

“What is mankind that you are mindful of them,
a son of man that you care for him?
You made them a little lower than the angels;
you crowned them with glory and honor
and put everything under their feet.”

(Hebrews 2:6–8)

Pastor David

9.30am Sunday Morning Service, March 8th 9.30am:

Topic: Jesus is Greater: Brother, Captain, King! Bible Passage: Hebrews 2:5-18.

Paul, Sheila and others, will be at the front after the service for anyone who wants prayer.

The service will be livestreamed: <https://youtube.com/live/xew5HhM1cvM?feature=share>

Sunday Mornings Kid’s Church:

'Kid's Church' is on during our 9.30am service. This is a good time for parents to be blessed in the service while the children are having fun learning about God in the next room.

- **Please contact Lea on 0403 429 178 if you are interested in being the on the roster to help with this ministry.** All helpers must have a Working With Children’s Check, complete a Safe Ministry Screening Questionnaire and commit to completing a Safe Church Course as soon as practical.

SHOUT!! Sunday March 8th from 3.30pm:

Come and join us for Activities and Refreshments, followed by Worship for all the family.

World Day of Prayer: Tomorrow Friday 6th March:

Woy Woy Presbyterian Church invite men and women to the World Day of Prayer from 10am, on Friday 6th March, at the Presbyterian church, 120 Blackwall Rd, Woy Woy. The focus this year is on Nigeria.

Contact Sue Briggs 0438411268 or Sheila Hooper 0414 790 691

LIFT Lunch, Tomorrow Friday 6th March @ Ettalong Diggers:

You are invited to join the LIFT ladies for lunch and to share in fellowship at Ettalong Diggers, on Friday 6th March at 12.30pm. All ladies very welcome. We look forward to seeing you there.

For info: Marion Edwards. 0401 344 814

Games morning for FUN Raising!!

Wednesdays, 9.45-12 midday in the Hill Hall.

Please bring a donation for cafe coffee / hot chocolate. Friends and cake, etc. welcome!

Contact Meg 0414 238 614

Women's Breakfast at Daleys Kitchen, Saturday 28th March:

All women are invited to breakfast on Saturday, 28th March at 8.30am at Daleys Kitchen at Daleys Point. The food is fabulous and the venue is lovely. The menu can be seen on their website and they cater for any special dietary requirements. Feel free to invite a friend.

Let Margy know if you would like to come and if you need a lift.

Please RSVP to Margy by 26 March on 0447 431 234.

Ministry of Leftovers Needs Volunteers:

Help needed please, for M.O.L. Monday - Thursday 9am - 2pm

Volunteers are required asap to help keep us going please.

Especially people who are able to serve, handle money and use square. Training to use the square can be given. Thank you. Caroline

Spring Fair 2026:

Our Spring Fair is Saturday 5th of September. A large sign has been placed on the Downstairs Hall's notice board for you to sign up to help. Please volunteer now! It's not too early and it encourages our coordinators and assures them that we have workers to help with the fair. We understand circumstances change quickly so if you can't do it closer to the time, you can just remove your name from the list.

Thank you for considering helping at this year's Spring Fair - as you know it helps support our missionary activity. Heather

EBC's Prayer Groups, All Welcome:

- **Sunday Mornings 8.45 – 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.
- **Monday mornings 8.30am to 9.30am in Hill Hall.** This prayer gathering is a time of praising the Lord and dedicating the week's ministries and the guidance of the Church to the glory of God.
- **Tuesday Zoom Prayer group.** This is held at 10am. Please see Greg or Elizabeth Beckenham to join.
- **Ettalong Baptist Church Prayer Chain.** Please send your Prayer requests or Praise Points to ettalongbaptistprayerchain@gmail.com, this is **available 7 days a week.**

Thank You letter from Baptist World Aid:

Dear Wendy,

Thank you for being the best Better World Gifts host!

I appreciate the love and care you've poured into your stall. Your faithfulness is such an encouragement to me, and goes a long way towards helping communities fight poverty so everyone can flourish.

In 2025, your stall raised \$1170.18 to support our Partners' lifechanging programs in rural communities from Nepal to Uganda.

That's an incredible impact, given that you're part of a movement of 113 stall hosts across Australia that collectively raised over \$100,000!

Thank you again for your support—may God bless you with a wonderful start to the new year.

Blessings,
Laura Watson

Laura

Fundraising Team Lead

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For your faithful service hosting a Better World Gift Stall in 2025

Melissa
Melissa Lipsett, CEO

26 February 2026
Date

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Please send your Newsletter items & photos to: office@ettalongbaptistchurch.org.au by **12.30pm Wednesdays**.

If you would like a copy of our weekly Newsletter emailed to you, please send an email to the address above, with your name and email address on it.

There are printed copies in the foyer and it is also posted onto our Ettalong Baptist Church Website.

Thanks to those who have sent their photos for the Newsletter, keep them coming please!

Giving:

Our bank details are:

Account Name: Ettalong Baptist Church – Bendigo Bank

BSB Number: 633 000

Account Number: 225 369 099

You may also give cash or cheque by placing your offering in the box next to the main entrance door in the church auditorium.

Find Important Church Documents on our Website:

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 Jean Lynch (phone:0425 749 224)

Ettalong Baptist Church Prayer Chain:

If you would like prayer, please send your request to: ettalongbaptistprayerchain@gmail.com

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