



'They will soar on wings like eagles' Thanks, Janine, for this stunning photo.

Ettalong Baptist Newsletter, 18th June 2026

From The Pastor:

1 Peter 4:8–10 teaches that the church should be marked by deep love, gracious hospitality, and humble service. Peter urges believers to love one another earnestly, because love brings forgiveness and healing in relationships. He also calls us to welcome others without complaining and to use our God-given gifts to serve one another faithfully. Every believer has spiritual gifts, abilities, experiences, a personality and passions that have been given to us by God our father. They are a form of God's grace, given to bless the whole community.

At 3.30pm on Sunday please join us for Coffee and Prayer. During this time, we continue to bring our family ministries before God and prayerfully seek his will, guidance and blessing.

Blessings,
Pastor David

9.30am Sunday Morning Service, 21st of June:

Topic: Peter's Recipe for a Healthy Church, **Bible Passage:** 1 Peter 4:8-10

Melanie, Denise and others will be at the front after the service for anyone who would like prayer.

The service will be livestreamed: <https://youtube.com/live/fUse4Le3Npl?feature=share>

'Kid's Church' is on during our 9.30am service. All children are welcome!

Sunday Afternoon Coffee and Prayer from 3.30pm to 5pm:

Everyone is welcome to join us in the Hill Hall.

Annual Reports: Now is the time to write your report:

Every year we compile a booklet of Annual Reports for all church ministries.

Ministry leaders, church leaders and coordinators, please send your reports to Winda Indriawati by the 31st of July for compilation of the Annual Reports booklet.

Please describe what Your ministry is, who you minister to, a review of the past 12 months, plans and visions for the future, and/or what is specifically applicable for your ministry.

Please email your report to Winda: angklungrus@gmail.com

Alpha:

Alpha is an excellent introduction to the Christian Faith. We will be starting Alpha in Semester 2.

Are you interested in helping on Alpha? Please see Pastor David now.

We especially need someone who can be in charge of catering. We would also like to offer a child minding program. Please see David if you can help. Phone 0448 431 234

New Morning Tea Roaster:

A new roster is being compiled for our Sunday after church morning tea fellowship time. We would appreciate some new people on the roster so if you are able to help with either set-up or clean-up approximately once a month (or less if more people can join us) please see Beth.

If you are aware of any dates, you will not be available, please let Beth know. Mobile: 0431 749 743.

Australia's Biggest Morning Tea 2026 – Thank you:

Thank you everybody for supporting this special morning tea. We raised \$1190.00 which is amazing! A big thank you to Coles Umina for covering the cost of our milk used for the expresso coffees and hot chocolates. Thank you Alan and Ian for being our baristas and thank you everybody for bringing such lovely things to for us to eat. Margy

Men's Breakfast, this Saturday 20th June @ BBF Café Woy Woy:

The next men's fellowship breakfast will be held this Saturday 20 June 8.00am at the BBF cafe Woy Woy. Please let Ian know if you can attend. Text 0411 012 125

Free Workshop – Beaded Fabric Tassel, Wednesday 24th June:

Join Margaret Crawford who will be in the Fellowship Hall (Downstairs) from 9am to 2pm as she leads you in the making of Beaded Fabric Tassels. Suitable for all levels of crafters. Come at any time that is convenient for you – no need to book.

You will receive a kit containing fabrics, beads and jewellery findings. It will take approximately 30 minutes to make your tassel. A hot drink and a tasty treat will be available for you to enjoy.

Ministry of Leftovers Workshop. Any questions, please contact Margaret on 0409 578 538

Tempo Terrific Band Concert, 27th June:

Ettalong Baptist Church is hosting Tempo Terrific Band again Saturday 27th of June at 2pm, to raise support for our Mission Partners both locally and overseas. Enjoy the music and a delicious afternoon tea.

The band will be playing music from movies, musicals, jazz and more!

Ticket prices: \$15 single, \$30 family, \$5 student.

Tickets can be purchased from the office Mon – Fri 9.30am – 12.30pm, after the service this Sunday, or at the door of the concert.

Thanks John Stagg for selling the tickets every Sunday at Morning Tea!

Register now - Women's Retreat at Bethshan Wyee August 14 - 16:

This year's Women's Retreat is 14 to 16 August, at Bethshan, Wyee.

The Women's Retreat registration forms are available on the information table in the church foyer.

More details later. Speak to Margy Gilchrist for any enquiries, 0447431234.

Save the date, Prayer and Worship – Combined Churches:

Coast Baptists annual prayer and worship night is Sunday 16 August 2026 at Green Point Baptist Church. 5.30 Dinner. 6.30 to 7.30pm Worship Service. Come along and enjoy dinner and community before we gather in prayer for the Coast and lift our voices in praise to God.

Equip Women’s Conference, this Saturday June 20th, 10am – 3pm:

EQUIP is a Christian Bible-teaching ministry focused on equipping women to know and love Jesus. This year's 1day Equip Women's conference is on the book of Jonah and will be held this Saturday 20/6/2026 either on-line in your own home or in various local churches e.g. Gosford Presbyterian Church

Contact Sally on 0408 824 532.

To register for this conference go to <https://www.equip.org.au/equip26>

Update and Thankyou from Graham and Jessie Checkley:

Graham was absolutely exhausted when he finally arrived at Orana via Patient Transport on Tuesday.

Graham has said that he wants to settle in for a couple of weeks, before visitors start coming please.

Everything seems lovely & the staff are being extremely supportive here.

Everyone in our church Family have been amazing.

Thanks to all & overwhelming love from our hearts. Jessie and Graham



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 Fellowship Hall** (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. Can We PRAY For You?** Please send your Prayer requests or Praise Points to ettalongbaptistprayerchain@gmail.com, **available 7 days a week.**

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.

Ettalong Baptist Church, Safe Church Team:

To report a child protection concern or incident please contact: Pastor—David Gilchrist (phone: 0448 431 234) Jane Keuning (phone 0425 263 763) or Jean Lynch (phone:0425 749 224)

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/>

Your Newsletter Items, Including Photos:

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

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.

There are printed copies in the foyer, the newsletter is also posted on our Ettalong Baptist Church Website.

If you no longer wish to receive this newsletter by email, please reply ALL to this email with the word **UNSUBSCRIBE** and we will remove you from this email list.

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