



Whether you turn to the right or to  
the left, your ears will hear a voice  
behind you, saying, "This is the way;  
walk in it." Isaiah 30:21

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# Jesus Plus Nothing

When I don't know the answer to where I am or what God wants me to be doing, which is often, I try to get a bearing on at least a couple of fixed points that I can trust. One is Jesus. I know it sounds like a canned Sunday school answer, and I tend not to like those, but it's true. I take a bearing off what I know about Jesus. But it's a Jesus who isn't encumbered by religion, denomination, and cultural overlays. I look at what He had to say about where I am and then I draw a line from Jesus to me.

The other fixed point I use is a group of people I feel God has dropped into my life, kind of like a cabinet. These people have their particular areas of wisdom and experience, and I use them to bounce ideas off of and get their input. In turn, I'm on the cabinets of many of my friends and family members too. The people on my cabinet help me do some dead



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reckoning in my life because I take a bearing on their counsel as another fixed point in my life and draw a line from them to me.

From these points, dead reckoning is actually pretty easy. Where all of these lines cross is where God probably wants me to be. I think that navigating a relationship with a living God can be just that easy, and the math is easy too. It's Jesus plus nothing.

I used to think following God required complicated formulas. I thought I needed a big stack of books, so I could figure out exactly where I was all the time. I thought if I constantly measured the distance between me and God, I'd get closer to Him.

What I realized, though, is that all I really needed to know when it came down to it was the direction I was pointing and that I was somewhere inside the large circle of God's love and forgiveness.

Bob Goff—adapted from ‘Love Does’

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# From Pastor Wayne...



\*Hi! It's the middle of Winter, and things slow down a little in Winter



But lots have been happening, are happening, and will happen. **Let me share with you some of these “happening” things....**

\*During 2<sup>nd</sup> Term, we ran **ALPHA on Thursday nights**: this is a DVD based course that introduces people to Jesus and the Christian faith. Thanks to all who were involved in our groups, and thanks to all who provided food and helped for tea, and those who provided supper. A special thanks to Michael Edgecomb, our *Life Groups Coordinator*, for organising for us to do ALPHA.

As a result of ALPHA, many people had all sorts of opportunities to talk in groups about Jesus, and to grow in their faith. And

after the course, two people confirmed their faith in church.

**Congratulations to Daniel Schulz and Heather Battello for their Confirmation on Sunday, 24<sup>th</sup> July**

\*Also on that day, **it was wonderful to acknowledge Shyamini Wijetunge’s baptism into God’s family**. This happened earlier in the week on Wednesday, 20<sup>th</sup> July, in the presence of her husband Leshan Wijayahandara, and their daughters Sayuni and Senuli, and a number of people from our church family. To complete a wonderful day, **Sayuni also received her First Communion, after instruction about the Lord’s Supper from yours truly.**

**\*Also happening this term again during the**

**week are Playgroup on Wednesday mornings, Mainly Music on Thursday mornings, and Friday morning Coffee and Chat.** It is wonderful to see so many families from the community around us joining us in these activities: some 11-15 children, with their mums and dads and caregivers at Playgroup; an average of some 35 children, with their families at Mainly Music; and about 6-15 people attending Coffee and Chat. By the way, anyone can come to Coffee and Chat on Friday mornings: come along for some company and nice coffee and cakes. Thanks to the Korean Bakery on Payneham Road for the cakes

**These groups allow us as**

**a church to have contact with our community, and to get to know families in our community.**

**Relationships are being built, and as a result of these relationships, the Lord can work and bring people to a relationship with him as their Saviour and Lord.**



And these are just some of our bridges to the community.... Also we have English classes on Saturday mornings, monthly Markets, Blokes, Church 4 Kids, Lighthouse kids, Craft on Tuesday mornings and Wednesday evenings, Bread run and our Music events *to name just some of our many bridges*. **Thanks to all those who give of their time and their energy to make all our bridges to the community possible, as well as the ones focused on above.**

#### **\*It's good to worship together regularly....**

This term, we continue our look at Luke's gospel, as we look at Luke, chapters 11-18. And despite the fact that a number of people are holidaying away during Winter, it's great to see a whole variety of the

old and the new at worship: seeing new people at worship and chatting to new people after worship gladdens my heart ☺

**\*We have been blessed by God in being able to host a volunteer in our church family, through the Young Adults in Global Mission (YAGM) program.** Six volunteers from the Evangelical Lutheran Church of America have been placed in Australia, one per state, and we have been fortunate to have the only volunteer assigned to South Australia.

**Her name is Jessica Craver, and she will arrive here at the end of August. She will work three days a week based here in our church, and two days a week with LCC's ministries. Thank God for the wonderful gift of Jessica!**

**\*Redevelopment of our building** will start early in September. Our lift has already arrived, and is being stored by Marshall and Brougham at no cost! Our treasurer, Ben Pfitzner, is organising our loan from LLL of up to \$660,000. So things will shortly

happen! And are happening.... The LCC office redevelopment upstairs has been finished, and will be officially opened on Sunday, 28<sup>th</sup> August.

**\*To fund our redevelopment, we need you and me giving what we have committed to give, and we need many fundraising activities.**

**Some of the fundraising activities coming up include:**

#### **QUIZ NIGHT**

**Saturday, August 13<sup>th</sup>**

**PROGRESSIVE TEA**

**Saturday, Sept 29<sup>th</sup>**

**WINE & CHEESE NIGHT**

**Saturday, November 26<sup>th</sup>**

**\*May God bless us as together we build one another up and encourage one another in our faith, and as together we reach out into our community with the Good News of God's love, and His forgiveness through Jesus. May God bless us as we "reveal and celebrate God's love, so that **all** may know Jesus and worship him".**

Pastor Wayne



# *From the Cross cultural Coordinator ...*



"To reveal  
and  
celebrate

God's love,  
so that all may know Jesus and worship  
Him"

How often do we really read our mission  
statement...

Well, I know I have recited it for many  
years, but over the past few months I  
have really been challenged by it.

All! All may know Jesus!

Families enter our church complex nearly  
every day... from Craft on Tuesday,  
Playgroup Wednesday, Mainly Music  
Thursday, Coffee and Chat Friday, KYB,  
Markets, Blokes, Worship and Lighthouse  
and more...

Do we, do I , use all of those events to  
share God's Love?

So many of those who come to Playgroup,  
(10 – 15 families) and Mainly Music, (30  
families) do not know Jesus as their  
Saviour who loves them.

It is up to us, to show them that God does  
love them through our words and actions.  
Just the other day, a mum spoke to me  
about wanting her child, her family to live  
in a Christian environment, something  
they are not that familiar with. Are we  
ready for that challenge?

It cannot happen without everyone  
participating... so thank you to those who  
already assist in Playgroup and Mainly  
Music, who give of their time, and their  
words, and their love for God... but the  
challenge is there.

Fridays, last term, we started a new

challenge, Coffee and Chat. The idea is  
for people from any group who meets at  
the church, to join us on a Friday morning,  
for a simple morning of sharing a coffee  
and a chat... with special focus on those  
from Playgroup and Mainly Music being  
able to come, and meet people from our  
Christian community, in a non threatening  
environment, where they can see what a  
Christian family looks like... sounds just  
like the request from the mum who spoke  
to me - but it is also a safe place, for  
people from within Glynde to also come  
and feel supported by others from Glynde  
and the Glynde community.

Thanks go to the small, but dedicated few  
from Glynde who are coming each week.  
We know that this group will take time to  
grow,

We know that it takes time for people to  
feel comfortable and secure...

We know that it takes courage to share  
your life and thoughts with others,  
especially if you are unsure of yourself  
and the community you are now living in.  
But, we all want to feel wanted and loved,  
and this is a place where that can happen.  
This is a place where we can reveal and  
celebrate God's love...

And this is a place where all can know  
Jesus, and worship Him.

What a wonderful challenge that is for me  
and for you!

Come try that challenge on Friday  
morning, or Wednesday or Thursday!

Barbara Mattiske  
Cross Cultural Coordinator



## We did Alpha!

◊ Every Thursday night from 6.30 til 8.30

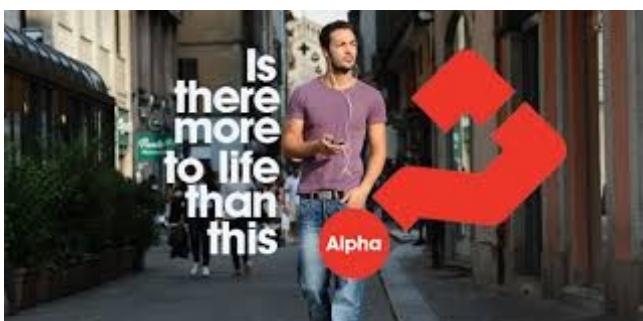
- ◊ For 10 weeks and an 'in house' weekend
  - ◊ We watched DVDs introducing us to Jesus
- ◊ Meals were hearty, warming our bodies and fuelling fellowship
- ◊ In groups the DVDs were discussed and dissected
- ◊ During the weeks we prayed for those attending
- ◊ Suppers supplied by friends were delicious
  - ◊ We made new friends
  - ◊ Jesus became their friend too



## We Celebrated!

On 24th July our service at 10.30 brought together the culmination of the previous weeks. Those who had been a part of the sessions came to celebrate the Confirmation of Heather Battello and Daniel Schulz. How exciting was that! Praise God for his continuing work as he calls, gathers and sanctifies his people. We want to continue the discussions together on various topics, next one being on Tuesday Augus 16. Please come.

A very sincere thankyou to all those who supported this venture by cooking meals and suppers, encouraging those who attended, providing transport, washing dishes, and praying for those involved.



# Get Involved @ Glynde...

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday
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<b>7</b> 9am Worship HC 10.30 Worship HC Community Lunch 12.30 Korean Worship	8 7pm KYB	9 9.30 Craft 7pm Quilters 7.30 Exec Meeting
<b>14</b> 9am Worship 10.30 Worship 12.30 Korean Worship	15 7pm KYB	16 9.30 Craft 7pm Quilters 7pm Alpha group
<b>21</b> 9am Worship HC 10.30 Worship HC Confirmation 12.30 Korean Worship	22 7pm KYB	23 9.30 Craft 7pm Quilters
<b>28</b> 9am Worship HC <b>10am Opening of new LCC offices</b> 10.30 Worship HC 12.15 Pastoral Assistants 12.30 Korean Worship	29 7pm KYB	30 9.30 Craft 7pm Quilters

# What's on in August?

Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
3	4	5	6
10 9.30 Playgroup 9.30 Women's fellowship 7pm Craft	11 9.45 Mainly Music	12 9.30 KYB 10am Coffee & Chat	13 10am English Class  <b>7pm Glynde Quiz Night</b>
17 9.30 Playgroup 7pm Craft	18 9.45 Mainly Music 12noon Cards	19 9.30 KYB 10am Coffee & Chat	20 8am Blokes Brekky 10am English Class
24 9.30 Playgroup 7pm Craft	25 9.45 Mainly Music	26 9.30 KYB 10am Coffee & Chat	27 10am English Class 10am—2pm Markets
31 9.30 Playgroup 7pm Craft	1 9.45 Mainly Music 12noon Cards	2 9.30 KYB 10am Coffee & Chat	3 10am English Class 10am Girls Coffee



# Guest from USA

The Evangelical Lutheran Church in America has a program called *Young Adults in Global Mission* (YAGM for short), in which young people volunteer about a year in another country. So far the program has mostly run in poorer countries of the world, but this year they are sending six young adults to Australia for the first time. Glynde is blessed to be the recipient of the volunteer for South Australia! That's her recent graduation photo above, and her name is Jessica Craver. Jessica will share her time between our congregation and Lutheran Community Care, and will begin her work in the first week of September, boarding locally with a church member.

Jessica has sent a letter to briefly introduce herself. She grew up with a father in the US Army, resulting in the family moving from state to state and church to church (various denominations). During her high school years in Colorado a friend invited her to the youth group at the Black Forest Lutheran Church in Colorado Springs. Soon her whole family made that their church home and that's where Jessica confirmed her faith in November 2011.

Rainbow Trail Lutheran Camp, a summer camp located in southern Colorado, has had the biggest influence on Jessica's faith life. After attending as a camper and

finding a grace-filled mission, she returned each summer to be on the camp staff. Jessica has been a camp counsellor, participating in backpack ministry and travelling to other congregations with a day camp program. Then she was a summer director and recently the ropes course coordinator.

Last year Jessica's world was turned upside down when her mother died unexpectedly. She acknowledges her close Christian friends from the camp for helping her through this difficult time, enabling her to move forward again.

Her interest in YAGM started with the stories of older friends who had participated in the program. Their faith-based encounters in other cultures were inspiring, helping her to make the decision to volunteer. Jessica wants to couple her faith with meaningful work and travel before going back to uni. She is looking forward to being immersed in our Glynde faith community, walking with us. She is keen to serve the community of Adelaide, both at our church and with LCC. Jessica writes: "I hope to contribute to, learn from, and walk with you all as we all continue to daily develop our relationships with Christ."

Jessica studied psychology and global leadership at Uni of Colorado at Boulder. She is passionate about healthcare and aspires to be a physician's assistant in a global health context.

# Mainly Music

Mainly Music returned this week. We have started the term with new "Welcome Bags" for everyone! We have asked everyone to enjoy a cup of tea with the tea provided, and then read the information inside - we give information from Mainly Music with their expectations of parents and of us... and we provide information on other opportunities provided at Glynde, including our worship services and Lighthouse kids... Finally, we include a bottle of

bubbles, for parents to spend some fun time with their children.

We want everyone at Mainly Music to feel important and welcome.. You are most welcome to join us, and enjoy the songs, the rhymes and fellowship. It's 9.45am every Thursday.

Barbara Mattiske



## Opening of LCC's new office upstairs

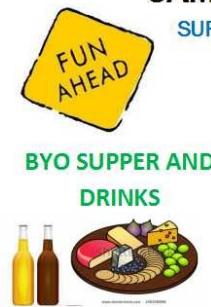
Sunday 28 August,  
10am  
After 9am worship,  
or come early if  
you're attending  
10.30am worship

Morning tea to  
follow

## Save the date...

CAMPBELLTOWN SCHOOLS MINISTRY

SUPPORTING OUR LOCAL PASTORAL CARE WORKERS,  
INVITES YOU TO A



# QUIZ NIGHT



WHEN: SATURDAY OCT 22<sup>ND</sup>

WHERE: ROSTREVOR BAPTIST CHURCH (288 MONTACUTE RD, ROSTREVOR)

TIME: 7 – 9:30

TICKET SALES CONTACT TIM WELLS: 0417 772 366

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PARADISE PRIMARY  
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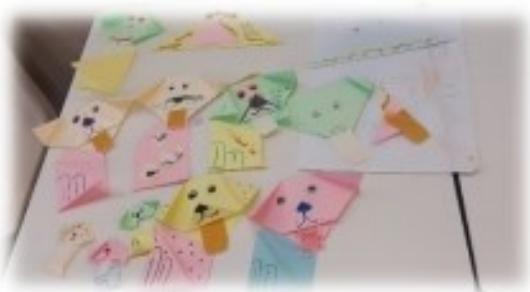
# play group



It's a new term –  
come and join us!  
9.30am Wednesdays  
Each week there is a simple activity for caregivers and children to share together – last week, we made paper dogs. And this week we made flags, showing where we came from, and the Australian flag showing where we all now live! Children and parents wore traditional clothing and shared traditional food... this day was definitely a day where we saw and felt the love of God for his multicultural family. We also learn to share – time, toys, morning tea... Sometimes we read a story, sometimes sing songs or go for a walk around the church... But most importantly, it is a time to spend time with children and to create friendships... God has blessed us with people from so many different cultural backgrounds, and His love and care shines through.



We would love to see you  
there!  
Barbara Mattiske



# Worship Calendar

## AUGUST

- Pentecost 12 Luke 13:1-9  
7. 9.00 a.m. H.C. "Faith and repentance go hand in hand"  
10.30 a.m. H.C.  
12.00 noon *Community Lunch*  
*\*PROBUS visitors at 9 a.m. service*
- Pentecost 13 Luke 13:31-35  
14. 9.00 a.m. "Jesus' love for Jerusalem"  
10.30 a.m. *Testimonies:*  
*Baptismal Anniversaries (July-Sept)*
- Pentecost 14 Luke 14:15-24  
21. 9.00 a.m. H.C. "Come to the banquet"  
10.30 a.m. H.C.
- Pentecost 15 Luke 15:1-10  
28. 9.00 a.m. H.C. "You are special to God"  
10.30 a.m. H.C.  
*\*Opening of LCC new offices upstairs*

## SEPTEMBER

- Pentecost 16 Luke 15:11-24  
4. 9.00 a.m. H.C. "**Fully Rely On God**"  
10.30 a.m. H.C.  
*\*\*Thanks for Dads" (plus gift of FROGs to dads)*
- Pentecost 17 Luke 16:19-31  
11. 9.00 a.m. "Two men, two destinies, and five brothers"  
10.30 a.m.  
*School Ministries focus: East Torrens and East Marden*
- Pentecost 18 Luke 17:1-10  
18. 9.00 a.m. H.C. "Pictures of the Christian life"  
10.30 a.m. **Church 4 Kids**
- Pentecost 19 Luke 17:11-19  
25. 9.00 a.m. H.C. "Grace and gratitude"  
10.30 a.m. H.C.



## A sign of the times?

At the front of our church is a signboard which occasionally advertises events like *Church 4 Kids* or a concert or the markets. Some call it a ‘wayside pulpit’ because it usually has a message on it. It’s like the furniture item inside our building (called a pulpit), where a pastor stands to give a message. Our board has room for only very brief, thought-provoking messages for the community to read as they walk or drive by.

We aim to change it every week, so that passers-by don’t get bored with the same thing for too long. This week our office received a phone call from a man who couldn’t quite recall the message that had already been replaced by a new one. We could tell him that it said: *Faith is the postage stamp on our prayers*. On Good Friday the board was completely covered by a full-size poster which was then altered for Easter (see April @ Glynde). But our messages don’t always deal with matters to do with faith or with God. Many of them are

just little sayings to make one think – preferably in a more positive and unselfish way. We want the world to know that Christians are normal people who think about all sorts of things, and sometimes enjoy a joke. During recent wintry weather the sign read: *Be like the weather – ignore critics!*

Before choosing what to put up, we often pray that God will guide us; we really want the message to lift people’s day. Or possibly to prick their conscience. We hope that if someone wants to check out Christianity one day, they may be drawn to the church whose sign they’ve been reading for years. A courier said that he often takes a photo of our sign on his phone, so that he can show it to his mates back at the depot. During the recent election our church was used as a polling booth and thousands upon thousands of people came through our doors. As they queued up, they could read the sign: *People may doubt what you say, but*

*will believe what you do.* This message was intended for us all to learn something from, but it turned out to have its moment of fame on the TV news and in the Sunday press. A candidate came to vote at our building, and the reporter spoke to him about keeping promises, at which moment the camera panned across to the sign with the above words. The *Sunday Mail* (with a circulation of 211 000 copies) printed a large photo on the same topic, also showing the message. From little things big things come!

*“...that I may save some of them by whatever means are*

## Coffee and Chat

Everyone is welcome...  
Not just for a coffee,  
but for a chat...  
with those from Glynde,  
and also those from other  
groups,  
Playgroup or Mainly Music or  
KYB...  
or any other group or person who would like to come...  
See you on Friday morning at 10am

Barbara Mattiske

*possible.* ” That’s a quotation from St Paul in 1 Corinthians 9, and it’s good for us to also use whatever means we can, to reach other people in our diverse community.



