

Weekly Prayer Focus

Monday:

As the varied ministries at TLC are getting underway again for the year ahead, pray for all involved to know God's sustaining strength and guidance. Pray too that each will take time for personal renewal in the midst of serving others.

Tuesday:

Continue in regular prayer for all who will be involved in the ongoing work of healing and rebuilding in the communities and lives of those deeply affected by the recent bushfires.

Wednesday:

Give thanks to God for the love and care of family, friends and strangers for every kindness shown. Help us, Lord, to remain fully engaged with your world, to show kindness and generosity to others, both in the places where we live and work and in communities beyond our own.

Thursday:

In these challenging times, continue to uphold the leaders of our country in prayer that they might continue to be equipped to govern with wisdom, integrity and compassion. Pray they will be guided to govern our nation well, as they seek counsel in all their decision making.

Friday:

The Marriage Course is due to commence next week. Pray for those who may still be considering coming along but have not yet made a definite decision.

Saturday:

Pray for those in our community who care for the sick that they will feel supported and encouraged in their work. Remember also those who are involved in the care and support of elderly parents.

Sunday:

Support in prayer all involved in today's service giving thanks for their willingness to serve, to lead, to teach, to listen and pray, to make music, to mentor and befriend. Ask God to bless the work of their hearts and hands with joy and creativity and thank him for his goodness to us in community.

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COMMUNITY NEWSLETTER

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The Reading for today is Luke 12:13-21

Verses 16 – 21 - Then Jesus told them this parable: "There was once a rich man who had land which bore good crops. He began to think to himself, 'I haven't anywhere to keep all my crops. What can I do? This is what I will do,' he told himself; 'I will tear down my barns and build bigger ones, where I will store my corn and all my other goods. Then I will say to myself, Lucky man! You have all the good things you need for many years. Take life easy, eat, drink, and enjoy yourself!' But God said to him, 'You fool! This very night you will have to give up your life; then who will get all these things you have kept for yourself?' " And Jesus concluded, "This is how it is with those you pile up riches for themselves but are not rich in God's sight."

This Weeks Service

Leading	Sue Smith
Preaching	Vic Heyward

Next Week

Leading	Matt Cutler
Sound	Peter G
Vision	Sharni G

MARK YOUR DIARIES

Mar 8 th :	Gallery Opening 'Felt' by Jude Dwight
Mar 13 th :	Marriage Enrichment Starts
Mar 22 nd :	Nepal Celebration & Thank You Evening

PROGRAMS and GROUPS

Bayswater North Fund Day – Sunday March 1st

Arrabri Community Play Space are holding a fun family event celebrating all that is great about living in Bayswater North, with displays from local community groups, kids activities and sausage sizzle. 3-6.00pm in Allambanan, Drive Bayswater North, Melway 65A1.

World Day of Prayer – Friday March 6th

You are invited to an event run by local Bayswater Churches including TLC. The World Day of Prayer is being held at Bayswater Uniting Church, 654 Mountain Highway (corner of Elm Street), Bayswater at 10.00am. There will be over 3 million people in 170 countries worshipping and praying for the land of Papua New Guinea on this day. Men, Women and Youth are all welcome.

Friday Youth –

There will be no Youth Group next weekend due to it being a long weekend. We will see you the following week for fun and fellowship.

Young Adults Small Group

Small group is this Wednesday 4th March starting at 7.15pm.
Josh Allen & Hannah Bradfield's house, 2/37 Albert Street, Ringwood.

Join the Bayswater North Community Renewal Steering Group

The more you put in to any project, the more you get out of it. By joining this Steering Group you'll be helping your community. Meeting for interested people is on Tuesday 10th March at 7.00pm. For more information call Chris Payne on 9298 4262 or 0417 039 000.

Have a say, become involved, make a difference!!

TLC Cleaning Roster

March 7th Campbell March 21st Gaffney April 4th Burke

INFORMATION and UPDATES

Gallery Opening – Next Sunday 8th March

Jude Dwight will be exhibiting works, gifts and accessories made in 'Felt', they will be available to purchase. The Gallery will be open from 12.00pm to 2.00pm here at TLC.

"The Marriage Course"

If you would like to come to "The Marriage Course", on Friday nights from March 13th, please see Harley & Ruth Kitchen for a registration sheet today. "Making good marriages even better"

Volunteering for Bushfire Appeal

If you would like to volunteer, you can go to the Rowville St. Vinnie's Warehouse at Lot 7 Henderson Rd Rowville (access from Kellets Rd). They are open 9-5pm weekdays, just turn up and register. There is also a relief centre at Lilydale, you can contact the Municipal Emergency Resource Office on 1300 368 333.

Habitat

Do you know of any warehouses of at least 1,000 m² that could be used for the storage of material, preferably provided 'free' as a contribution to the Bushfire Rebuilding effort? This storage warehouse would need to be in reasonably close proximity to 16 Pilgrim Court, Ringwood for practical reasons. Contact Peter Cormack on 9758 3802.

Bread Collection

Baker's Delight in Croydon give us bread on the first Tuesday evening of the month. We are in need of one or two people to collect the bread, bring it to TLC to bag it and put in the freezer. The bread is then given to those who come for food assistance. If you can help in any way, please contact the office.

Food Bank – The cupboards are empty!

Toothpaste, Milk, Rice

INFORMATION

Invitation To Contribute to **'Ya Write About That' Magazine**

As we wait for the gentle grace of autumn to descend upon us, our hearts are wearied with vast emotions as we look back on the overwhelming events that have touched our lives here in Victoria this summer of '09.

And we are not yet through it. This morning on the news I heard of a narrow escape for some Fern Tree Gully fire fighters battling a blaze only four suburbs away from where I now sit.

In these times it is impossible to deny our intrinsic relationship to the elements; our need of them and our vulnerability in the face of their unharnessed fury.

We, who have been spared the frightening reality of immediate danger, tune in to the media regularly to hear the stories of our less fortunate contemporaries: The stories of devastating loss, of tortuous fear and the awe inspiring stories of courage, selflessness and generosity. Truly the drought has broken in many Aussie hearts of late.

This season's edition of YWAT is entitled **Earth Wind Fire Water** and Art's Cool would particularly like to invite people involved in and affected by the recent and ongoing fires in Victoria as well as the floods in the northern parts of Australia and the ongoing drought in many areas across the continent, to share their stories, images and reflections.

On behalf of Art's Cool I would like to extend our deepest condolences to all who have experienced loss in these dark times.

May the God of infinite compassion hold you and carry you to safer ground.

Pauline Green,

Editor, Ya Write About That.

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