

Weekly Prayer Focus

MONDAY

In Luke we read about Jesus having compassion for the people he met. Our word, *compassion*, comes from the Latin *compati*, "to suffer with another". What could it mean for me to show compassion this week?

TUESDAY

Remember the needs of the TLC food bank. Pray for those who administer it and keep it stocked and those who come to the office window for food.

WEDNESDAY

Pray for chaplains. They do such important work, listening and guiding in schools, hospitals and aged care places, with police, emergency service personnel and many others.

THURSDAY

Pray about our elected representatives' actions regarding climate change. Pray they will have the wisdom and the courage to make decisions that will benefit future generations and the poor, not merely firm-up their own short-term political positions.

FRIDAY

Give thanks for our pastors and elders at TLC, especially for all the hard, non-Sunday behind-the-scenes work they do, ministering to our community in so many ways.

SATURDAY

Think of someone you know who is in the midst of a difficult time. Perhaps it is someone who is struggling to find work, or is in a damaging relationship, or is depressed. Lift this friend to God in prayer today.

SUNDAY

Pray for our gathering at TLC, for the service leader, the musicians, the audio and visual techs, the preacher, the lunch and coffee makers, the welcomers, the kids' church and kids' corner leaders, the people taking the youth program, the congregation. Pray for our Lord's presence to be with us.

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Truth & Liberation Concern

COMMUNITY NEWSLETTER

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Luke 7: 18-23

Messengers from John the Baptist

The disciples of John reported all these things to him. So John summoned two of his disciples and sent them to the Lord to ask, 'Are you the one who is to come, or are we to wait for another?' When the men had come to him, they said, 'John the Baptist has sent us to you to ask, "Are you the one who is to come, or are we to wait for another?"'

Jesus had just then cured many people of diseases, plagues, and evil spirits, and had given sight to many who were blind.

And he answered them, 'Go and tell John what you have seen and heard: the blind receive their sight, the lame walk, the lepers are cleansed, the deaf hear, the dead are raised, the poor have good news brought to them. And blessed is anyone who takes no offence at me.'

This Weeks Service

Leading Vic
Preaching Matt Cutler

Next Week

Leading Sue Smith
Sound Eddie
Vision Naomi V

MARK YOUR DIARIES

August 16 – Ladies high tea

Sept 11-13th – Women's Camp

PROGRAMS and GROUPS

Ladies High Tea

Sunday 16th August 2-5 pm

If you haven't received your invitation collect one from the foyer. (They were posted Friday) If you are able to assist with food in some way please contact sue at the TLC office or email sue@truthandliberation.com

QUIET DAY - September 15 ADVANCE NOTICE

YOU ARE INVITED TO A QUIET DAY AT TLC. THE THEME IS AROUND:

'The light shone in the darkness, and the darkness did not overtake it.'

More details to follow, including cost.

TLC gallery

The Brink exhibition opens this week on Tuesday August 4th at 11 am

Join us for our opening and see our craft work.

Friends of Wyreena Exhibition 2009

A showcase of artwork by Wyreena artists including pottery, paintings, mosaics and textiles.

5 August to 29 August

INFORMATION and UPDATES

20/20 project main hall renovations donations

We have raised nearly \$5,000 so far from our exciting email. We need further support before we can start on either project. Please contact the office if you can provide support.

Ladies camp

Have you signed up? Are you planning to attend? September 11-13.

Ring the office this week to book and pay deposit.

Bushfire assistance for Kinglake Primary School

Kinglake Primary School has just started after-school guitar tuition, with about 30 children involved. They are in need of donations of more guitars. If anyone has a guitar they no longer need, please ring Ruth Kitchen. (9729 5748)

Contact Lists

The new 2009 contact lists are now available in the foyer for \$4 each.

Food bank Needs

This week you can contribute:
Rice, dry biscuits and cereal.

Operation Christmas Child:

Would you like to co-ordinate the Shoe Box appeal for 2009. Orders for shoe boxes need to be put in soon. Please contact the office if you would like to be part of this great appeal.