

prayer @ ashgrove

Brothers, pray for us. 1 Thess 5:25

come and pray with us on ...

Sunday at 6pm (Parents' Room)

Thursday at 6:30am (Red Room)

1st Friday each month at 7:30pm (Parents' Room)

3rd Saturday each month (global mission focus)

praying through the week ...

- Continue to pray for the **ashgrove 320** project as focus groups meet this weekend and next weekend. Pray that God's leading for His church would be clearly shown.
- Please pray for the **Qld Baptist Care** Annual Appeal ... Feed My Sheep Appeal. Pray for the many Queenslanders who are touched by this ministry every day.
- Pray for the many people from our **local community** with whom we have the opportunity to engage with each week.
- Pray for God's peace in **Zimbabwe** amid the current political, economic and social upheaval. Pray for the protection of the churches in Zimbabwe and that they will have opportunities to share Christ's blessing.
- Praise God that **Jeff King** is settling back very well into **Mongolian** life, his job and ministries, suffering only a little stiffness. Pray that in the current elections a Govt will be elected that keeps Mongolia open to the Gospel.

this week we are praying for

- Jeff King (Mongolia)
- Russ Sweetman (Hilltop Gardens)
- Ben de Jong (Queensland Baptist Care)

ministry team

Team Leader	Kevin Bird 0407 989 275
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other ministry leaders

Creche	Meredith Waghorn
Coffee Club	Carol Macpherson
Craft	Kerrie Bird
Data	Lee-Anne McMurray
Fuel	Jo & Russ Sweetman
Global Missions	Gavin Turner
Hilltop Gardens	Russ Sweetman
Ground Zero	Angela Gardener
Library	Jill Walker
Playcentre	Debbie Cowie
Primary RE	Jenny Callan
Sound	Kevin Mirrington
Time Out	Eric & Liz Forshaw

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life @ ashgrove

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... now is the time of God's favour, now is the day of salvation. 2 Cor 6:2

Inevitably as a result of **ashgrove 320** we are thinking in a more concentrated way about the life and ministry of our church. The danger of such a process is that we become so inward looking that we lose sight of God's desire to raise up for Himself an inheritance; a people who will be both the recipients and mediators of His favour. As I look at the preliminary reports one of the great encouragements to me is that this is not the case.

You desire to engage with our community in Jesus Name. And what's more we can confidently do this knowing that as we engage with people, God's eternal purpose is "now is the time ... now is the day". Yes, we will need to be proactive and creative as we think about how to come alongside people and be givers of "love, mercy and grace". But more significantly I am struck by the need for us to be praying for a work of the Spirit of God not only in our lives but also in the lives of those around about us. Will you pray with me?

Kevin

welcome to ashgrove

We are delighted that you have joined us for worship today!

getting to know you

If you are new to **ashgrove**, have a prayer request, family news, or change of contact details, please complete the Contact Card inside this handout.

stay to connect

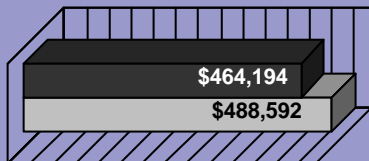
Please join us for refreshments after the worship gathering in the courtyard.

more information?

If you would like more information about the programs and ministries at **ashgrove**, complete the Contact Card inside this handout.

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sunday @ ashgrove

10am	collective worship (fuel is in recess during the school holidays)
5.15pm	let's eat together
6pm	prayer
6.30pm	collective worship

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... is this not the kind of fasting I have chosen ... to share your food with the hungry and to provide the poor wanderer with shelter ... Isaiah 58

Chocolate and Slavery! In the current edition of **Community Beat** the **Baptist World Aid**

Australia magazine you can read about the impact of our love of chocolate on some of the world's poorer people as well as many other challenging stories.

You don't have to go very far though to find the hungry and the homeless. Every night some 25,000 young Australians are homeless. **Queensland Baptist Care** has to deal with this every day through programs like Orana, Glendyne, Southside and Yeppoon Youth Centre. You can find out more in the enclosed QBC's annual appeal ... **Be a shepherd for the Lord.**

We commend both these ministries to you for your financial support.

coming up @ ashgrove

matthew: a missional people . . . sundays
We've started a new series at our pm worship gatherings working through the **teachings of Jesus as recorded in Matthew**. Last week we kicked off with a great contextual overview setting the scene for the weeks ahead. If you missed out, you can download a podcast of this message at www.ashgrove.org.au. Get on board and discover what Jesus has to say about being a missional people.

let's eat together . . . tonight
@ 5.15pm BYO meat for the BBQ plus either a salad to share, or if you're a bloke—a beverage. Invite others and let's share a meal together before kicking off our evening worship gathering at 6.30pm sharp!

coffee club . . . jul 8
Morning tea at 10am followed by Lyn Hurry informing us about Christian Writers and writing in Australia.

life courses . . . term 3
If you are interested in participating in either **Search for Life** (women's group only) or **Making Marriage Better**, please indicate your interest on a Contact Card or contact the church office. Applications for these two courses close next Sunday.

national soup day . . . jul 26
We are going to join together for lunch after the am worship gathering and for dinner before the pm worship gathering in support of **Qld Baptist Care's ministry to the homeless and disadvantaged**.

be exposed! . . . aug
During **August** there will be numerous opportunities to be exposed to **God's heart for the nations**. Look out for more details in the following weeks.

this week @ ashgrove

today 10am Ian Walton ... Eph 2:11-22
11.30am ashgrove 320 focus group
5.15pm let's eat together
6pm prayer
6.30pm Kevin Bird ... Matt 5:1-16

monday

tuesday

wednesday 9.30am informal playcentre in holidays

thursday 6.30am prayer
9.30am craft

friday 7.30pm prayer

saturday 2.30pm wedding of James and Alexia

sunday 10am Ian Walton ... Eph 3:14-21
6pm prayer
6.30pm Kevin Bird ... Matt 5:17-48

our church

- Congratulations to **James Muller** and **Alexia Pietrobon** who will be married in the auditorium at 2pm next Saturday. The church family is warmly invited to attend and celebrate with them on this day.
- We will be welcoming **Brett** and **Mieko Vizard** into church membership during communion at next Sunday's am worship gathering.
- Families with young children (prep and under) are welcome to attend an informal playcentre each Wednesday of the school holidays in the hall from 9.30am

ASHGROVE 320

hearing from God ...
embracing our future

Last weekend saw the beginning of the ashgrove 320 focus **groups**. In three focus groups—plus a meeting of the Ministry Team, Deacons, and Elders—75 of our church community shared their ideas and dreams for the future of God's church here at **ashgrove**. That represents over 110 hours of creative and prayerful input into this initiative! **Thank you** to all those who gave of their time and energy.

If you haven't participated in a focus group, **stay after this morning's worship gathering for the final focus group** in the series.

If you missed the **update on the ashgrove 320 survey** last week, grab a copy of the summary from the tables at the entrance.

Now to him who is able to do immeasurably more than all we ask or imagine, according to his power that is at work within us, to him be glory in the church and in Christ Jesus throughout all generations, for ever and ever!—Ephesians 3:20

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ashgrove . . . a church committed to God's glory
a church ministering to the whole person
a church equipping people for ministry
a church impacting the community and the nations