

## prayer @ ashgrove

You do not have because you do not ask God.

James 4:2

### 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** at 8am

(global mission focus @ 388 Waterworks Rd)

### praying through the week ....

- Continue to ask God to raise up the people of His choosing for the vacant Ministry Team roles.
- **Simon Baek** is currently in **Japan** exploring possible mission opportunities. Pray for God's leading and also for **Seon-A**, **Cara**, **Grace** and **Joanna** while he is away.
- Pray for the church in the Middle East. Pray that it would continue to grow despite many challenges. Pray for **Cathy** as she facilitates many exciting opportunities and also attempts to complete her PhD.
- Pray for the young people who are presently exploring how they might respond to God's challenge on their lives to serve Him.
- Pray for **Andrew Ford and Oksana** who are getting married soon in **Ukraine**. Pray for them also in their preparations for coming to Australia in late October.
- One of the challenges for **abc International** leadership in 2010. Please pray for wisdom and ask God to encourage the current leaders to think about it seriously

### this week we are praying for

- Simon Baek—abc International
- Alex Milne—96.5fm
- Cathy—Middle East
- Andrew Ford—Kiev

## ministry team

Team Leader	Kevin Bird
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Care	Lorraine Pfeffer
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Pastoral Carer	Helen Murchie
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Training	Natasha Bengtson
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Support	Ann-Janette Reinhardt
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Music & Creative Arts	Cara Cox
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abc International	Simon Baek
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## other ministry leaders

Coffee Club	Carol Macpherson
Craft	Kerrie Bird
Data	Lee-Anne McMurray
Fuel	Russ & Jo Sweetman
Genesis	Dave Kay
Global Missions Committee	David & Nancy Earley
Hilltop Gardens Library	Russ Sweetman
Playcentre	Jill Walker
	Debbie Cowie & Sue Collecutt
Sound	Kevin Mirrington
Time Out	Eric & Liz Forshaw

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# 27 september 2009

### The Mission of Jesus

The mission of Jesus was a mission of compassion. The words 'mission' and 'compassion' should always be bracketed; indeed almost hyphenated, so closely do they belong to one another. Again and again we read in the gospels that Jesus 'was moved with compassion' -- now by the leaderless or hungry crowds, now by the sick, now by a single leprosy sufferer, now by a widow who had lost her only child. What aroused his compassion was always human need, in whatever form he encountered it. And out of compassion for people in need he acted. He preached the gospel, he taught the people, he fed the hungry, he cleansed the leper, he healed the sick, he raised the dead. All this was part of his mission. He had not come to be served, he said, but to serve (Mk. 10:45). Of course the climax of his self-giving service was his atoning death, by which he secured our salvation. Nevertheless, his mission of compassion was not limited to this, because human need is not limited to this. He was sent to serve, and his service was adapted with compassionate sensitivity to human need.

John Stott

## 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
6pm	prayer
6.30pm	collective worship

## serving @ ashgrove

### Operation Christmas Child

It's shoebox time again.... Please take the opportunity to **practically show God's love** by filling a shoebox for children overseas this Christmas. Details in the enclosed Samaritan's Purse brochure or for more info please see **Jo Sweetman** or **Mandy Colen**.

## coming up @ ashgrove

**music & creative arts retreat ...next weekend**  
A great weekend away for anyone **who is or wants to be part of** this team. You will have the opportunity to *reconnect, refresh, renew* and remember what Jesus has done for us. Register today with **Cara Cox**.

**made for more . . . 19 oct**  
6 weeks of discovering God's heart for you in ministry and finding out your **unique fit** in terms of serving Him. Starts with dinner @ 6.30pm each Monday night—don't miss this opportunity! For more details and to register speak to **Natasha Bengtson**.

**crown financials . . . 19 oct**  
6 weeks of exploring God's financial principles and applying them to your own life. Whilst we live in a culture that promotes accumulating wealth, the bible paints a different picture as to how we are to **handle the resources** God has entrusted to us. For more details and to register speak to **Natasha Bengtson** or **Ann-Janette Reinhardt**.

**fuse masquerade ball . . . 31 Oct**  
Come to dinner mysteriously masked and dressed in your best formal masquerade gear. More details coming your way soon!

## coming up elsewhere

**cwci women's convention . . . 16—18 oct**  
A great weekend of teaching at beautiful Mt Tamborine. See **Rhonda Rees-Thomas** for more details or visit [www.cwciaus.org.au](http://www.cwciaus.org.au).

**resonate—global interaction . . . saturday**  
From 10am at North East Baptist for morning tea and an update from field workers and the QLD team.

## this week @ ashgrove

today	10am	Kevin . . . Isaiah 58
	6.30pm	Kevin . . . prayer & action
monday		
tuesday		
wednesday		
thursday	6.30am	prayer
friday		music & creative arts retreat
saturday		music & creative arts retreat
sunday	10am	Kevin . . . work #1—for the glory of God
	6.30pm	Natasha . . . 1 Cor 3:10-17

## our church

- Today you have the opportunity to share in the ministry of **Baptist World Aid**. Please see the insert for more information and how you can give.
- On Thursday morning it was good to be able to host the **State Government's Emergency Services** launch of the disaster preparation campaign for this year's storm season.
- Many of our weekly ministries are in recess over the school holidays. Look out for them kicking off again next week.
- Grab your copy of the **09/10 Church Directory** from the tables at the entrance to the auditorium. A gold coin donation towards printing costs is appreciated.

## being missional ...

**Karen Partnership ...**  
After receiving a contribution from **ashgrove** towards the Omkoi Hostel, **Pirawan** wrote, '**On behalf of the kids we thank you very much for the money**'.

**Rainbow Beach Community Mission ...**  
Preparation has commenced for this summer's mission. See **Michael Pfeffer** or **Daniel Bostock** for more information.

**Oakleigh State School ...**  
An opening exists to become part of this team for 8 weeks next term. See **Jo Sweetman** for details.

**Middle East Exposure ...**  
**Rosemary Stay** is facilitating an opportunity to visit different mission situations in late Jan 2010. See Rosemary to become part of this team.

**Community Care ...**  
We are currently taking some initial steps in developing ways of being more intentionally involved with our community. One of these has been securing the name **Ashgrove Community Care** as an umbrella under which to work.

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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