

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

- Pray for **christmas @ ashgrove** over this week. Pray for good weather, safety, a warm and welcoming atmosphere, connections to be built with the local community and a clear message of the hope that Christmas brings to us all.
- Pray for **Rainbow Beach Community Outreach** working in this beachside community after Christmas. Ask God to provide the necessary finances and to undertake for the team.
- Many of our ministries have broken up for the year. Pray for the **planning** already underway for 2010 and for a great time of **relaxation** for the leaders.
- Pray for people to take on various **leadership responsibilities** for **abc International** in 2010, as Simon and Seon-A prepare to leave for Japan early in the new year.
- As **Michelle** takes some extended leave from OMS, pray that this time is refreshing for her, both physically and spiritually.

this week we are praying for

- Sonboon Panyakom (Thai Partnership)
- Michelle Taylor (Australia and Russia)
- Graeme Rouillom (Watoto)
- Simon Baek (abc International)

ministry team

Team Leader	Kevin Bird
	0407 989 275
Care	Lorraine Pfeffer
	0409 073 855
Pastoral Carer	Helen Murchie
	0410 597 816
Training	Natasha Bengtson
	0404 947 070
Support	Ann-Janette Reinhardt
	0402 098 102
Music & Creative Arts	Cara Cox
	0413 993 466
abc International	Simon Baek
	0422 250 086
High School	Daniel Paterson
	0432 727 726

other ministry leaders

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

direct debit giving

a/c name: Ashgrove Baptist Church
bank details: BapLink
BSB (Branch): 704-913
account number: 66

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A Thankful Heart Cannot Also Be Cynical

Let me recommend the cultivation of the habit of thankfulness as an effective cure for the cynical, sour habits of fault-finding among Christian believers.

Thanksgiving has great curative power. The heart that is constantly overflowing with gratitude will be safe from those attacks of resentfulness and gloom that bother so many religious persons. A thankful heart cannot be cynical! We who have been introduced to God through the miracle of the new birth realise that there is good scriptural authority for the cultivation of gratitude as a cure for spiritual sourness. Further, experience teaches us that it works!

We should never take any blessing for granted, but accept everything as a gift from the Father of Lights. Personally, I have gotten great help from the practice of talking over with God the many kindnesses I have received. I am grateful to God for all of these and I shall not let God forget that I am!

AW Tozer

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
10.30am	fuel
6pm	prayer
6.30pm	collective worship

servicing @ *ashgrove*

A Kilo of Kindness

Next Sunday is your last opportunity to donate non perishable items, for the **Christmas hampers** distributed by the Care Team. Drop off your items in the bins at the auditorium entrance. Thanks to everyone who has already donated—the stockpile is growing and it will be wonderful to be able to bless people in this way this christmas.

christmas @ *ashgrove*

Lots of people are putting up their hand to get involved and make **christmas @ ashgrove** their personal gift to our local community. Thanks everyone! You can still get on board and lend a hand before, during and after the event. See **Ann-Janette Reinhardt** or **Cara Cox** to register your interest and availability.

coming up @ *ashgrove*

1 week to go christmas @ *ashgrove*

A great afternoon of **free family fun from 4.30pm** (lots to do, see, eat and drink) with **carols @ 6.30pm**. Join with the local community as together, we celebrate the birth of Jesus. Stay for ice creams, coffee and hot chocolate under the stars at the conclusion of the carols! **Invite** your friends, neighbours and family. It will be an afternoon and evening not to be missed!

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gift
of love
to bring
joy to the world
and peace on earth
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leadership weekend 2010 . . . 29, 30, 31 Jan

If you are involved in any level of **leadership** within **ashgrove**, mark off this weekend. There will be opportunities over the weekend to pray, hear our vision for 2010 and plan together. Look out for your personal invitation coming soon! For more information see **Tash Bengtson** or **Kevin Bird**.

this week @ *ashgrove*

today	10am 6.30pm	Mike Rayson Dan Paterson. .Ps 145:13b-21
monday		
tuesday		
wednesday		
thursday	6.30am	prayer
friday		
saturday	12pm	volunteer thank you lunch
sunday	10am 4.30pm	Kevin Bird...Luke 1:26-38 christmas@ashgrove

our church

- **Kevin, Lorraine, Helen** and **Natasha** are all on annual leave this week.
- It is great to welcome **Andy & Oksana Ford** who are with us for the next 2 weeks.
- **Mike Ryson** is our guest speaker in today's AM worship gathering. Mike is an Australian living and ministering in the US.
- Today we have the opportunity to financially support the team going to **Rainbow Beach** by having a sausage after the am Worship Gathering. Financial gifts marked Rainbow Beach can also be given via our regular offerings or direct deposit.
- Many of our usual ministries are now in recess until the new year. Look out for the kick off dates in 2010.
- Lunch is on at **Kevin and Kerrie's** today from 12.30pm for anyone who is single.

AGM wrap up

Last Sunday we celebrated God working over the last 12 months through His church here at **ashgrove**. Copies of the **2009 Annual Report** are available on the tables at the entrance to the auditorium—grab one if you have not already.

New appointments to the Elders and Deacons were also made. Congratulations to **John Hill** who was recognized as an Elder and **Peter Stay** who was appointed as a Deacon (Treasurer).

We also thanked **Don Steele** who stepped down as an Elders and **Dean Stone** who retired as Treasurer.

It was also reported that **Cara Cox** is taking 12mths maternity leave from her role on the Ministry Team as **Music and Creative Arts Co-ordinator**. The elders have appointed **Kerryn Colen** to fill this role during Cara's absence. Be sure to encourage Kerryn as she transitions to this role in the new year.

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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