

**3RD MAY 2020**  
**MATT 16:13-21**  
**BELINDA LAKELIN**

## Welcome

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**Livestreamed at 10am:**

Access via our website  
[www.carlingford-baptist.org](http://www.carlingford-baptist.org)

**Next Sunday -**

We will have an update about  
the HELP Children's home in  
Bangladesh.

Today is the beginning of May Missions Month!

Mission is always important to us at Carlingford Baptist Church, but we've found it helpful over the years to set this month aside to focus on missions in a special way. We usually preach messages around mission, we invite missionaries to come and give us an update on how things are going, and we have a special appeal to support a mission-related project.

This Sunday it's going to be a virtual meeting of course, but our first 'missionary' visitor is Gabriel Billich from Open Doors. They work with the persecuted church globally and we're kicking off with Open Doors this year because our special appeal is to support their 'Hope For The Middle East' project. We will be encouraged as Gabriel shares stories of the impact of their work in the Middle East.

We'll also be hearing from Belinda Lakelin, who is the Evangelism Consultant with the Baptist Association of NSW & ACT. Belinda made a big impact when she inspired and equipped us to share our faith at our church camp in 2018. Today she'll bring some of her creative flair to look at Matthew's account of Jesus' life from the perspective of a Jewish male reading it for the first time. As we hear the story retold in this fresh way, my prayer is that we'll rediscover the power of the gospel and the desire to share this good (amazing!) news.

Grace and peace,  
Steve

### **Mission Spot - Open Doors - May Mission Month Project**



Today, during the service, we will hear more about Open Doors and the project Carlingford Baptist Church is supporting this May. Years of conflict in Syria and Iraq have continued to devastate Christian communities. Islamic extremism, limited resources and the targeting of religious minorities have forced believers to flee. Those who return home face difficulties with jobs, security, education, health, food, water and fuel shortages. The situation has only become even more challenging with the Covid 19 crisis according to news reports.

*"Blessed are those who are persecuted because of righteousness, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven." Matthew 5:10*

Details of the project can be found in the "News" and "Giving" section of the CBC Website.

**If you would like to give to this appeal the link is -**

**<https://bit.ly/CBC-Open-Doors>**



# Church News

## PRAYER TIPS:

Ask the Holy Spirit to reveal anything or anyone that has become an idol in your life and repent.

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Receive His forgiveness and surrender to His will.

## **CAN YOU HELP or DO YOU NEED SOME HELP...???**

Hi all I'm compiling a list of those in our church community that might be feeling isolated or in need of a chat. We the care team will call or if groceries are needed will endeavour to pick up and deliver. If anyone would like to help us with this please contact the Church Office, Steve or myself, Dianne Copelin. We will put you in Contact with those in need. Thanks for your prayers for our community during this time... Cheers Dianne

**MORLING COLLEGE** invites us to use this time to become more connected with God, His Word, and His people. Winter school online starts on 11 May & ends on 17 July over 10 weeks. Choose one or more units, study for academic credit, or study casually, without assignments & exams. Go to [www.morling.edu.au](http://www.morling.edu.au)



**CONGRATULATIONS** to Beth (Grennard) & Jason Risser on the birth of their son Aaron Geoffrey. This is Bruce & Joanne Grennard's first grandchild!

**ALSO we welcome a new daughter, Esmay, for Chao & Serena (Mandarin Service).**

## **CBC Offerings:**

Dear fellow CBC members/believers, As the outbreak of this Covid-19 ravages on, everyone of us is affected and we understand that many families in our communities are experiencing severe hardship. We acknowledge that the government has done a good job in controlling this pandemic and we are thankful that Our Father in Heaven is still in control despite the uncertainty of many things. We encourage all church members/fellow believers to give according to their ability and not beyond their means.

Here are few options to give your offerings:

**Manual Offering** -Please contact any of the following church staff to find a time to drop off an envelope at church. Kim Poon - [businessmanager@carlingford-baptist.org](mailto:businessmanager@carlingford-baptist.org) or 0426 581 932 Karon Linder - [office@carlingford-baptist.org](mailto:office@carlingford-baptist.org) or 9872 3022

**Direct Deposit:** Account held with Baptist Financial Services-

Account Name: Carlingford Baptist Church, BSB No: **704-922**, No: **100016526** or Giveway Link: Go to [bit.ly/CBCgiveway](http://bit.ly/CBCgiveway) or Scan this QR code that will bring you straight to Giveway



## **CONNECTING IN THE MIDST OF COVID-19**



Please make the most of the opportunities to stay connected -

-**Online services at 10am....**

Follow the links from our website.

-**follow our Carlingford Baptist Church Facebook Page.** Daily LIVE updates Mon-Fri at 7am.

-**Join us on Zoom for a chat over morning tea after the service on Sunday**

-Keep meeting with your Connect Group over Zoom

-Use FaceTime/ WhatsApp or pick up the phone & call each other....IT IS SO

IMPORTANT TO STAY CONNECTED AT THIS TIME!

**Don't forget after the Livestream to go back to our webpage to find the curated playlists for reflection and worship.**

**There is also resources for children and families to worship together.**



## **UPDATE COVID-19—RESTRICTIONS**

As restrictions continue to tighten in response to the spread of COVID-19, we now need to ensure we as a Church are complying with the following measures in, addition to previous guidelines around hygiene & social distancing:

- no public worship or gatherings of any size

- we are allowed to have those couple of people on the property required to make the online service live-stream possible if the number is minimal and we follow the social distancing requirement

- if need arises be aware that weddings are currently limited to 5 people, funerals to 10

## **Keep PRAYING -**

**Our MONTHLY PRAYER FOCUS is**

**M I S S I O N—Global & Local**

**This week's focus is on Open Doors &**

**The Hope for the Middle East Project.**



**"For I am convinced that neither a virus nor any other disease, neither boredom nor loneliness, neither social – distancing nor reduced working hours, neither threatening insolvency nor draining home-schooling, neither the lack of toilet paper nor fake news on Facebook neither great crises, anxiety, doubts nor even death will be able to separate us from the love of God."**

Paraphrase of Romans 8

*Thanks to those who are faithfully looking after the Church Grounds.  
Next on the roster is:  
May 21 Lindsay Casey*

## **Church Family Prayer**

Wendy Hatton,  
Trevor & Margaret Hayes,  
Graham & Ruth Henderson

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