

10TH MAY 2020
ACTS 15:1-11
STEVE HALES

Welcome

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We will here from Shayne
Hamilton from Power to
Change.

Today in our 2nd week in 'May Missions Month' we welcome David Halder who will bring us an update about the work of HELP in Bangladesh. Please keep the HELP ministry and people of Bangladesh more generally in your prayers especially at this time in the face of the pandemic.

We're also going to open up Acts 15, where Paul and Barnabas have just returned from Paul's first missionary journey and they're bursting with the good news of what God has been doing. The gospel of Jesus isn't just for the Jewish people, God "... had opened a door of faith to the Gentiles" (Acts 14:27b)!

This was huge and it was exciting. God was showing the early believers that his loving purposes weren't just for one particular people group, but were for *all people!*

In Acts 15, however, we also see how some of the early believers to understand that this could be true, and whether they meant to or not, they put unnecessary barriers in the way of the Gentiles who were turning to God.

Let's ask God to help us as we seek to remove unnecessary cultural barriers to the gospel for people in our local community, who often won't have been regular church-goers and may find it difficult to feel at home in our ways of being and doing church. Let's celebrate with thankful hearts the awe and wonder of God's big loving purposes for all kinds of people.

Grace and peace,
Steve

Mission Spot -

Dan's interview with David Halder about H.E.L.P. and the Samaritan Children's Home in Bangladesh is part of our service today.



Attached to the bulletin is a letter with further details about their situation and how they continue to serve, celebrating 25 years.

CBC is this month supporting Open Doors with their Hope for the Middle East Project. We heard from Gabriel about the difficulties and persecution that the people face. Please prayerfully consider what you can share financially to encourage and relieve people who continue to hold onto their trust and faith in our Lord in extreme circumstances. You can listen to Open Doors Live monthly Podcast on Apple, Spotify, Soundcloud or Podcast Addict on Android to hear more about their work around the world, with life changing stories that can mentor us in our walk with Christ. ***If you would like to give to this appeal the link is -***

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



Church News

PRAYER TIPS:

Praying for people is a form of LOVE.

Prayer is our connection with the God we love
and as we pray, we grow closer to Him.

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



Happy
Mother's
Day

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 or 0426 581 932 Karon Linder - 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
Giveaway Link: Go to bit.ly/CBCgiveaway or
Scan this QR code that will bring you
straight to Giveaway



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 the **HELP**
Children's Home in Bangladesh



"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

Eve Hibbard,
Karl, Caroline, Ella,
Lauren & Joel Hochstetter,
Albert & Jeremiah Hodgson.

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