

**13TH SEPTEMBER
2020
1 SAMUEL 2:1-10
STEVE HALES**

Welcome

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There are some things in life that – when they happen – turn our outlook on life upside down. I remember my first trip to a 3rd world country and how that changed my perspective on lots of things. Think about major life transitions like getting engaged or having a baby. So why is it that we can find forgiveness and a fresh start in Jesus, but still find ourselves living in a way that would suggest our outlook hasn't really changed that much? We say we're 'born again' and yet our faith might not have much more than a superficial impact on how we spend our time, money, energy, on our goals and priorities, our career, relationships and so on.

Today as we continue our series through 1 Samuel, we come to Hannah's prayer at the start of chapter 2. We see Hannah's joy and faith in the sovereignty of God – her confidence that God is the one who lifts up the humble and brings down the proud – that he is the only One in whom we can find true strength and security.

Hannah's song reminds us that faith in God should transform everything.

Grace and peace,
Steve

English Service
Livestreamed at 10am:
Access via our website
www.carlingford-baptist.org

Next week Dan will
be speaking from
1 Samuel 2:11-36

Catalyst Spot—

Hey Church,

Last month, we heard from the team at Micah about what they are doing to

raise awareness about the needs of vulnerable nations during this pandemic. Existing conditions such as unstable healthcare and material poverty exacerbate the vulnerability of communities to this virus. If you have not already explored some of these ideas, you can do so at www.endcovidforall.com

The great news to report is that this campaign is working well! The Australian Government has pledged \$80 million to ensure vulnerable nations in the Pacific and South East Asia get early access to a safe and effective coronavirus vaccine. This will help to vaccinate frontline healthcare workers and those most-at-risk, like the elderly. A bible study plan has been circulated by Margy around this theme to small group leaders. Speak to your small group leader or myself about this if you haven't heard about it but would like to. Our Catalyst team are planning to next meet this coming Thursday (17 Sep), 7.30pm...If you would like to get involved with this, please let me know.

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Church News

PRAYER TIPS:

Don't focus on our pain/problems -
choose to focus on God's approval and love.

WHEN WE PRAY LISTEN -

To discern God's voice more clearly.

SUNDAYS IN HOMES

Since there are still significant barriers to our meeting for services, we are instead inviting everyone from the English services to join in on Sunday Morning Fellowship .

This is where small groups of us meet together in our homes to watch the online service together, to pray, to discuss and to have morning tea.

Contact the office if you are able and would like to be a part of this.



OUR MONTHLY PRAYER FOCUS for SEPTEMBER is Forgiveness; both from God and forgiving others

Forgiveness is fundamental to our relationship with God and each other. Fundamental to moving forward in our own spiritual life and in the life of our church.

Forgiveness is our choice and requires a repentant heart. How free we are when we receive and give forgiveness. **NEXT SUNDAY 20/9 is our Monthly Prayer Meeting 3-4pm through ZOOM.**



Our next CBC Community Video theme is Covid Projects. Please send your photo or video to Emma by Sept 20th.

MAF sends a really BIG THANK YOU for your support!



CBC Offerings: Here are few options to give your offerings:
Manual Offering -Please contact any church staff or the office office@carlingford-baptist.org or 9872 3022
Deposit: Account held with **Baptist Financial Services** Account Name: **Carlingford Baptist Church** BSB No: 704-922, No: 100016526
Giveaway Link: Go to bit.ly/CBCgiveaway or Scan this QR code that will bring you straight to Giveaway -



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CONNECTING DURING THIS TIME

Please make the most of the opportunities to stay connected -

-Online services at 10am

-JOIN SUNDAYS IN HOMES

-follow our Carlingford Baptist Church Facebook Page for regular updates:

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

-Meet with your Connect Group in person or 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.



CONNECT GROUPS -

Connect groups are a great way to get to know a small group of people from our CBC community.

This is important when we are still not able to gather as a larger community. Groups meet regularly (e.g. via Zoom or face to face if small enough) to catch up, share and pray with one another.

Many groups are encouraged by reading the Bible, discussing it together, and letting it shape their lives. Contact Margy or the church office to find out how to you can join or host a group with a few other families or friends.



ELDER NOMINATIONS

At the time of the November Church Meeting we are planning to also have a Special Meeting to make a change to our Constitution so we can increase the number of Elders from 4 to 5.

This will make it easier to include Elders from the different communities that make up our church. If that change is approved, we hope to also be able to appoint that 5th Elder - so to that end we are inviting nominations now until 25th October. **Please prayerfully consider if there is someone you believe has the qualities we need for our Elders.** Any nominations can be passed on to our Church Secretary, Ian Read.

Church Family Prayer

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