

**27TH SEPTEMBER  
2020  
1 SAMUEL 3:1-21  
STEVE HALES**

## Welcome

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How is your attitude towards the word of God going? Are you doing ok with your personal Bible reading times? Are you making it a priority to meet with other believers to study the Bible? Do you tune in and seek to hear God speak through the sermons on Sundays?

Or do you sometimes find your desire and commitment for these things wavering a bit? When something is familiar to us, we can easily begin to take it for granted and forget how good it is.

The good news is that as we turn today to 1 Samuel 3, we'll be reminded what an amazing gift is God's word. We'll reflect on the horror of life without God's word. It's incredible that the Creator God does want to make himself known – that he wants to communicate with us and have a relationship with you and me! It will come through loud and clear from this part of the story of Samuel and Israel, but of course we already know God is like this, because we know about Jesus. Through Jesus, God made himself known in the most amazing way imaginable! Not only that we have God's word in the Bible!

Surely this is one of the most awesome things about God – that he is a God who speaks. How on earth could we take this for granted?

Grace and peace,  
Steve

**English Service**  
**Livestreamed at 10am:**  
Access via our website  
[www.carlingford-baptist.org](http://www.carlingford-baptist.org)

Next week is our Mandarin  
Celebration Service .  
Kephaw Wong will be  
sharing with us from  
Ephesians 3:14-21.

### Mission Spot—



#### SRE & Bible Society

“Religious education is a normal part of school. Having teachers come in and teach students about hope and about love, especially at the moment, is very important and reassuring for students,” says Murray Norman head of Christian SRE (Special Religious Education).

Coronavirus has already caused a significant drop in the number of SRE teachers from all faith communities because of tight health regulations or the concern of the risk to older SRE teachers.

“We’re having to find new ways of doing things to be able to teach in classrooms”. In order to do this, Christian SRE has partnered with the Bible Society to develop a digital portal loaded with approved video lessons. The portal was launched at the end of August.

Resource providers include Anglican Youthworks, the Catholic Church, Love out Loud Oz, NUA (from Scripture Union Ireland), Quiz Worx and the Centre for Public Christianity. The materials can be used as stand-alone lessons or in a series.

# Church News

## PRAYER TIPS:

Pray as you walk in God's promises.

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PRAY IN FAITH-

Looking ahead  
not back to past disappointments.

## 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:**  
All together at 10am for our Mandarin Celebration Service followed by Special ZOOM Morning tea at 11am

*Thank you to those who look after our Church Grounds. Next on the roster is 8th October: Lindsay Casey*

**CBC Offerings:** Here are few options to give your offerings:  
**Manual Offering** -Please contact any church staff or the office [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](https://bit.ly/CBCgiveway) or Scan this QR code that will bring you straight to Giveway -



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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.**

## WORK HEALTH & SAFETY TEAM

We need a WHS Team!

If you have the skills & inclination to serve God in this way, please speak to Steve, Ian, Malcolm or Milton.



## Church Family Prayer

Sheldon, Joanne & Sam Yang,  
Teresa Yeung, Brank Young.

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