

**6TH DECEMBER
2020
THANKSGIVING
SERVICE**

Welcome

Ministry team

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Every year we set aside the first Sunday in December to be thankful to God for the year he has given us. Looking back on all the challenges of 2020, many of which are still present with us, it can be hard to feel grateful. And yet, when we turn to Acts 16 we see Paul and Silas, having been stripped, beaten and put in prison, still able to sing songs to God. What does it mean to be grateful amidst difficulty and how do we give thanks with a genuine heart? Today's service is a timely challenge for us to take a step back and look at the bigger picture. We have a God who, even in the most difficult of circumstances, is able to work all things for good. When we see things through his eyes we realise just how good he has been to us and what an exciting time we are living in.

Yours in Christ,
Daniel Waugh

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

**Next week:
We will be hearing
about our Christmas
appeal from
Marbuen Diaz from
BWA.**

Dates for your Diary:	
Carols & Nativity Service	20/12 10am
Carols in your Backyard with Colin Buchanan	20/12 7pm
Nativity Walk through 7-9pm	21/12 24/12

Mission Spot—

Global Recordings Network (GRN)

GRN exists to give everyone the opportunity to hear the good news of Jesus in their own heart language. They have produced audio visual evangelistic and Bible teaching material in over 6,000 languages and dialects to listen, watch, download and share the story of Jesus.



They are grateful and seek prayer for:

- the support that has allowed their staff to continue to overcome the difficulties of working through COVID. They have had to deal with inflation, lockdown, and various limits and restrictions.
- the medical outreach their team is running in Nigeria
- the team in Myanmar translating their website into Burmese as they wait for lockdown to finish so they can use the recently completed studio in their new office.
- the new ministry project in an Asian country which has now been fully funded.
- the new European Director, Samuel Bouix, who has been appointed to help coordinate cooperation and sharing of resources and expertise there.
- that GRN Philippines has newly renovated premises to increase office space.
- Daniel Oddon working with refugees across Europe and beyond. Please pray for Daniel as he seeks to see them come to faith, and for the safety of Christian converts who face persecution even in Europe.
- The wellness of the team's families in Bangladesh. That they have used the time in lockdown to develop their storytelling skills locally.

*"And we know that in all things God works for the good of those who love Him, who have been called according to his purpose."
Romans 8:28 NIV*

Church News

ELDERS UPDATE

Thank you to everyone who helped and contributed to make the farewell to the Hales such a memorable and important event for them. It was great that so many could attend the farewell gatherings even with the extreme heat.

This week we had further evidence of God working out His plan for Dan and Annika. Annika has accepted for a full time New Graduate nursing role at John Hunter hospital in Newcastle.

Last Sunday Dan was unanimously accepted into the role of Discipleship Pastor at Swansea District Baptist Church. The role is part time, with a focus on developing a church plant in one of the surrounding suburbs.

Both roles are to start on the 1st February.

Please pray for the elders as we seek God's leading for us as His Church in Carlingford. We had a meeting this week with the Association and have another meeting next week, both looking at how to manage the transition for our church. We also will also be having our scheduled meeting on Monday night.

Patsy, Amy, Jason and Alan

Update on Church Contact Arrangements

If you have pastoral matters that you would like to raise then please contact Pastor Dan Waugh. Over the next couple of weeks if you have questions or matters that you would normally raise with Ian Read our Church Secretary then please either raise with Kim or Karon at first instance or if of a more sensitive nature than could please raise with Dan or one of the elders rather than Ian.

PRISON FELLOWSHIP—ANGEL TREE

Margaret Gourlay has names of children and suggestions for a gift from a parent in prison.

Any monetary gift is most welcome.

Call Margaret on 0478 678 338 for more info.



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

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 -



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PRAYER TIPS:

Meditate on God's goodness
before asking for our needs.

Ask God to make **our whole life** an offering to Him.

December Prayer theme

Letting the Christmas story speak into our story.

4 weeks...

Week 1...in the UNCERTAINTY:

of the journey that Mary and Joseph had to take (bad timing with Mary pregnant, nowhere to stay).

Where are we experiencing uncertainty?



Watch your email and mailbox for more information and updates about the details of our upcoming services and events.



BAKING FOR SYDNEY REFUGEE TEAM

Normally SRT run a Christmas party annually but this year due to COVID-19 restrictions that is not possible. Instead, they are arranging a special Christmas visit for each family. As part of each visit they are providing a gift of home-baked Christmas Sweets for each family. They have about 100 families to visit and are asking a number of partner churches to assist with baking. COVID-19 Pandemic. We have some recipes if you would like and some food handling guidelines which we need to follow. **We are planning to have all the goodies dropped at CBC by Mon 14th December. Please call or email the office if you would like to help with this.**

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