

**23RD MAY 2021**  
**SID GRINDLEY**  
**HEBREWS 12:1-3**

## Welcome

### Ministry team

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The writer of Hebrews draws a parallel word picture of the Christian who is "running" the lifetime race of following Jesus and compares it to the ancient concept of an athlete who enters a stadium jammed packed with spectators who is cheering the runner on over the final laps. In the same way that the athlete trains, and runs the race before him, by throwing off any encumbrances that would slow and hinder his capacity to run well – Christians too must run the race set before them, with perseverance, throwing off anything that would hinder and inhibit them from completing their race.

What do you and I need to cast aside as we follow Jesus? What weighs us down and disables us from running our race freely? Are there situations where church communities can also carry baggage that can hinder or stifle the health and development of the local church?

Yours in Christ,  
Sid

**English Service**  
**Livestreamed & in-person**  
**at 10am:**

Access via our website  
[www.carlingford-baptist.org](http://www.carlingford-baptist.org)  
or go to  
[www.carlingford-baptist.org/  
service/easter-sunday/](http://www.carlingford-baptist.org/service/easter-sunday/)

**Dates for your Diary:**

Monthly Prayer Meeting	TODAY 3-4pm
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Quarterly Church Meeting 3pm	6th June
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### May Mission Month

#### H.E.L.P. & Samaritan Children's Home



It is exciting to see how the Lord has blessed us over the years and the work of H.E.L.P. has expanded significantly since our birth in 1990. H.E.L.P. is an indigenous Christian Social and Economic Development Organisation with a holistic approach to liberating poor children and adults from the grinding effects of poverty here in Bangladesh. (Excerpts from 25th anniversary publication).

The Home provides shelter with food, clothing, healthcare and education alongside accommodation for destitute kids. It's micro-credit program and vocational training is also benefitting hundreds of adults.

The latest letter describes the necessary isolation at the school, the challenges to continue the children's education somewhat remotely and the rising cost of food, as a result of the pandemic.

David Halder the director of H.E.L.P. & Samaritan Children's Home has not been able to return to Australia due to Covid.

Our next **Quarterly Church Business Meeting will be on Sunday 6th June at 3pm** in the CBC Auditorium. Reports will be available in the foyer and the website next week.

## ELDERS UPDATE –

Last Sunday was a significant day in the life of the Church as we welcomed Sid and Jen amongst us. We appreciated all those who joined us whether in person or on-line to welcome Sid and Jen. Thanks to everyone that helped with the afternoon tea, particularly our servers.

This week Sid has meet with the Youth and Young Adult Leaders. Please uphold the leaders of our Youth and Young Adults and all those who participate in the programs. We know the importance of investing in and supporting the next generation of Christians.

We have again been speaking with the Baptist Association around planning for the Church Health Check. As details become more concrete we will update you. If you would like to get some more understanding about what a Church Health Check is please speak with Sid or Ian.

**A reminder about the opportunities we have to pray together.** This Sunday we have our monthly prayer meeting at 3.00 pm. Each Sunday morning at 9.30 am we also meet in the Centre for prayer, particularly praying for the services. There is also a zoom prayer meeting on Thursday morning. Speak with Sylvia or Patsy if you want more information about that time. Our Korean community are focused on early morning prayer and David Choi can give you some details. The Mandarin Community have a Thursday evening prayer time. Arthur, Amy or Jason can give you some background about that prayer time.  
*Patsy, Amy, Jason and Alan*

## May Mission Month Projects

This month we will be supporting the work of Muana and Villy in Thailand. They need funds to support the following projects:

1. Team- Equipping and empowering leaders
2. Team-Retreat
3. Muana and Villy-Children's Education

To give either scan the following QR code or go to

<https://support.globalinteraction.org.au/pages/people-groups/mmm-thailand-team>



**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 **Giveaway Link:** Go to [bit.ly/CBCgiveaway](https://bit.ly/CBCgiveaway) or Scan this QR code that will bring you straight to Giveaway -



## Prayer theme for May – Missionaries and their families



We have heard some of the devastation that COVID-19 is having around the world. For this week in praying for Global missions we might focus our prayers on missions dealing with COVID 19. Some things we may pray for:

1. Missionaries who have stayed in the field through this time
2. Missionaries who have returned home
3. Navigating travel and other restrictions
4. God's support, protection and provision for them
5. Using the new opportunities particularly through technology, to spread God's word

The call to share the Good News is great, We can pray that God can use each of us to help missionaries around the world.

**Our Monthly Prayer meeting is on today 3-4pm in the CBC Auditorium. All are welcome.**

## Catalyst Event June 2021



### Feast for Freedom/ Freedom to Flourish, Host a Dinner, 20th -26th June'

You're invited to participate in the CBC Catalyst event for 2021. CBC supports the Sydney Refugee Team (Karl and Caroline Hochstetter) in their work with refugees. The Catalyst team would like volunteers to host a dinner in your home to raise awareness of the work of SRT, the Refugee Council of Australia RCoA), and the Asylum Seeker Resource Centre (ASRC). Dinner guests will be asked to make a small financial contribution to either of these agencies. This will be a great opportunity to invite friends, neighbours, work colleagues, family members who normally won't come to church to participate in an event to hear about Christians putting their faith into action. What you need to do: invite friends and family to a dinner in your home between 20th-26th June (Refugee Week), prepare a meal (recipes can be supplied), during the dinner play a short video from SRT and invite guests to make a financial contribution to one of the listed organisations. To volunteer to host a dinner email [Lyn Kidson- lkidson@ozemail.com.au](mailto:Lyn.Kidson-lkidson@ozemail.com.au) or phone 96386714. Further info see Lyn or Karen Read or Caroline Hochstetter.

## LOST RING

Last Sunday it is possible that a ring (plain gold with 5 diamonds) was lost in the vicinity of the church. In the vague possibility that you should you come across this item, or happen to see it within the grounds of the church, please let Pastor Sid know. Please note: there is no certainty it was lost on site. Thanks so much.

## CBC Roster

	23rd May	30th May
Welcomers	10am Ken & Dianne McGill	10am Ken & Dianne McGill
COVID Warden	Don Mathewson	Lyn Kidson
Prayer	Patsy Lees	Sylvia Collinson
Bible Reading	Don Mathewson	Karen Read
Offering Count	Mary Ong/Joanne Zuang	Clive Copelin/David Tan
Livestream	Daniel Chen/Brendan Ridley	John Dawkins/Tim Ridley
Sound Church Sound Stream	Kim Poon Albert Hodgson	Albert Hodgson Dave Stewart
AV	Melody Wong	Ivana Gik
Grounds	25th May: Paul Dudeney/ Lindsay Casey	

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If you are attending CBC it would be appreciated if you could wear a name tag each week, as Sid & Jenny are getting to know us!

## Church Family Prayer

Melody Wong,  
Alan & Robyn Worsley,  
Sheldon, Joanne &  
Samuel Yang.

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