

25TH JULY 2021
PSALM 98
SID GRINDLEY

Welcome

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Praying through the Psalms: Psalm 98

We come to the end of our 6 week journey through the Psalms this Sunday. This Psalm has a decidedly different mood and tone to the other Psalms we have looked at. Previous Psalms have been much more personal (Psalm 13 "How long Oh Lord will you hide your face from me?"; Psalm 51 "Have mercy of me O Lord according to your unfailing love and according to your great compassion"; Psalm 63 "My soul thirsts for you, my body longs for you")

This Psalm is looking at the big picture – God's power, authority and reign. The psalmist writes assertively and is confident of God's future return in power and judgement. That is why he calls his readers to sing...to shout! There is a strong connection in the themes of Psalms 96-99 – I would encourage you to read them together. May we too experience the passion and strength of what the Psalmist prays.

Yours in Christ,

Sid

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

Dates for your Diary:	
Nominations for Elder due	TODAY
21 days of Prayer	1/8-21/8
Annual Church Meeting	15/8 at 3pm

Mission Spot— Baptist World Aid



Right now, poverty is increasing for the first time in 30 years. The immense efforts that moved millions out of poverty are buckling under the weight of COVID-19. Many are predicting that we will soon be in the worst humanitarian crisis since World War 2. The Biblical storyline gives expression to a remarkable vision of "development"... God's intentions are for the emergence of a world filled with healthy, vibrant creatures living in safe, just, participatory, welcoming and equitable communities and lovingly engaged with God. Scripture does not ascribe poverty to a failing on the part of God or the earth. The dominant note is that people become poor & stay poor as a result of neglect, oppression, & exploitation at the hands of those who are more powerful. Importantly, the rich are guilty both of sins of "commission" against the poor such as violence and withholding wages (e.g. James 5:1-5) & sins of omission such as neglecting to be generous to the poor (e.g. Matthew 25:31-46) & failing to create social and economic systems that are inclusive of the poor (e.g. Leviticus 25). This represents a violation of the rights of the poor (Proverbs 31:8-9). As a result, it is the responsibility of all, but particularly those with wealth & power, to ensure all people have access to the resources they need to sustain their wellbeing. This is why Biblical justice demands both personal attention to the plight of those living in poverty & the construction of social, political and economic systems that serve the interests of the poor.

(Excerpts from the Baptist World Aid site)

Church News



HOPESTREET COLLECTIONS

Once again we have the privilege of being able to give practical help to those in need here in Sydney, through Baptist Care working in Woolloomooloo at Hope Street.

This is the last week to give.

If possible can the items be brought to the Church Office during working hours on **Tuesday or Thursday**. If this is not possible, Di will happily come and pick up from your home, and or do the shopping for you.

Items needed: UP & Go, Long Life Milk / Skim / Non Dairy, Pasta & Pasta Sauce, Noodle Cups, Weetbix / Cereals (small pkts) Muesli Bars / Biscuits.

Contact Di Daniel

Annual Church Meeting - 15th August at 3pm

This year we say thank you and farewell to Patsy Lees as she steps down from her role as Elder, which has held for the past 6 years. **If you are aware of someone who has the character & commitment to be considered for appointment as Elder, please submit their name to a member of the Elder Selection Committee (Sid, Ian, Alan & Don) by TODAY!**

CBC CHURCH DIRECTORY

We are updating our church directory!

This will be a list of people's contact details for everyone who chooses to opt in. We hope this will enable us to stay in touch & serve together better. **Please use the link or QR Code to fill in the form.**

One person can opt-in for their household (with permission).

<https://carlingfordbaptistchurch.breezechms.com/form/9538b1>



Directory
'Opt In'
Form
CARLINGFORD
BAPTIST CHURCH

21 DAYS OF PRAYER 1st—21st August

All three services at CBC will be invited to join together in 21 days of prayer in the lead up to, and early days, of the Church Health Review – Tim Burns, the Senior Church Consultant, will be preaching at CBC on Sunday the 8th August.

Everyone at CBC will either receive a daily short reminder to pray (if they have a mobile phone), or will receive a weekly email/letter with the same reminder. The church leadership are keen to see everyone engaging with the process and to be seeking God's will and plan for Carlingford Baptist Church as we embark on a new season together.



Prayer theme for July–

The Current COVID situation

We know that the increased lockdown restrictions are a challenge for us all, especially for those who live alone. Let's pray for those feeling isolated and remote that they will know God's presence and comfort.

We also anticipate that there are significant increased financial pressures on many people at this time. We can pray that God will supply the needs of people and help to address the anxiety that so many are feeling. We can also ask God to help guide us to those who have needs at this time and show us how to help with the range of emotional, spiritual, physical and financial needs people are experiencing in the current situation. As Sid reminded us in his Pastoral note last week we can ask God for the strength to look up and rely on Him and that His spirit will help us as we look in on ourselves, recognising the thoughts and emotions we are feeling. God can enable us also to look out, particularly for others at this time and to focus on the things he has provided for us even in the current situation.



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 **Giveway Link:** Go to bit.ly/CBCgiveway

Please use the same bank account if you would like to contribute to our **air conditioning project** but make sure you add one of the following descriptions:

If you are from English congregation - please fill up "AirCon English"

As far as the Air conditioning giving goes, we have received \$1915.00 from the English Congregation alongside a target of \$2741. Thank you very much for your gifts, but we still have \$826 to go to meet our target.

CAROLS IN THE PARK

Sunday 12 December

Boronia Park, Epping

We are 1 of 7 churches that help put this event on for our local community. If you would like to volunteer to help at this event please contact the Church Office.



Church Family Prayer

Vincent and Swee Fan Chong, Lucy Chua, Gordon, Kathy, Lauren & Lachlan Chung.

With sadness....

Jocelyn Mackenzie & Brank Young would like the Church family to know that their brother Peter Young died on Tuesday 20 July.

They would appreciate your prayers...

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