

# CBC News

## Welcome

**26TH SEPT 2021**  
**LUKE 7:1-17**  
**NATHAN REID**

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This Sunday we will look at two more stories of encounters with the King from Luke 7. This time Jesus stops for unexpected people, a Roman centurion and a widow who has just lost her only Son. Both were on the margins of the people of faith, and certainly not the focal point of social power, status, and influence. In the old Testament they would have fitted into what was called the quartet of the vulnerable. Yet Jesus, stopped and paid attention to them. So this week we will will reflect on the question "do we see who Jesus sees? Do we see the poor, the orphan, the widow and the immigrant or foreigner? We will hear the stories of the vulnerable through the lens of work of Baptist World Aid, and how we can bring hope as we walk and work with Jesus and see the world the way he does.

Yours in Christ,  
Nathan Reid  
Baptist World Aid Australia

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

**Dates for your Diary:**

Combined Celebration Service	3/10 at 10am
Annual Church Meeting <i>SAVE THE DATE</i>	31/10 at 3pm

### Mission Spot—

#### Baptist World Aid

Will Mezner sent out an email to the Catalyst community about their heart break seeing the Taliban taking Kabul. The reports from Afghanistan continue to be consistently awful for the people left there. BWA have set up a site for individuals and churches, including a powerpoint with prayer points and advocacy advice, "Action for Afghanistan".

<https://baptistworldaid.org.au/action/action-for-afghanistan/>



**Sydney Refugee Team** is supporting refugees including the evacuated women's football team, those already here struggling with what is happening in their homeland and others whose situations have been made harsher by Covid. Further details were in the bulletin sent 9.9.2021 for Sunday 12th. The invitation was to partner with them as they support vulnerable people by donating to their Afghan/Covid appeal at:

<https://sydneyrefugeeteam.org.au/give/>

*Please pray for the people caught up in these situations as they unfold and for the crisis care to safely reach those most in need.*



## Church News

### After the Service Zoom Morning Tea

A Zoom meeting morning tea has once again been organised for after our online service.

Link is <https://zoom.us/j/92222845221>

Meeting ID: 92222845221



### Church Gatherings in NSW

As a church community, one thing is certain, we are one week closer to the easing of Covid restrictions and the ability to gather together as a church.

That being said, there is still uncertainty as to what that "gathering" will look like.

The Baptist Association, together with other religious organisations continues to lobby the NSW Gov as they plan the "road map out of Covid".

What is clear is that we will not be returning to what we were experiencing prior to the most recent lockdown. Face masks, QR Codes, no singing, the 4 sq metre rule will be in place - with the likelihood of some kind of vaccination check/passport.

As a staff we have already started to have conversations regarding what is ahead - and particularly considering the viability of outside gatherings - however not enough information is available at present. We will keep you up to date as the picture becomes clearer.

### New staff appointment

For the greater part of this year the Church Council has been looking into the possibility of appointing a Youth and Young Adults Worker to operate across all three congregations.

We are pleased to announce that we have appointed David Chang on a casual 2 day position.

We will feature a short interview with David as part of our Celebration Service on the 3rd October.

Please be praying that David will settle in well and find opportunities to minister to our youth and young adults, with God's leading and empowering.

### Baptist World Aid Australia

This week we are pleased to welcome Nathan Reid from BWA-A to our 10am service. He'll be sharing a message from God's Word and also connecting with our Zoom morning tea. Nathan comes with a wide range of Christian Ministry and a love for the lost and marginalised, and those effected by social injustice - plus he's a lovely Christian family man with a story to tell. Blessings, Sid

*Don't miss our*  
**COMBINED CELEBRATION SERVICE**  
*next Sunday at 10am.*

**Our ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING**  
**will be held on**  
**Sunday 31st October at 3pm by ZOOM.**  
More details to follow.

### CBC 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 ServicesAccount Name: Carlingford Baptist Church  
BSB No: 704-922, No: 100016526 or  
Giveway Link: Go to bit.ly/CBCgiveway

### Prayer theme for September–

***Our God – all knowing, all powerful, all present***



To continue the prayer theme for this month we encourage you to consider focusing your prayers this week about God being all present.

Two verses may help as we prayer around our theme. Deuteronomy 31:8 tell us that the Lord is the one who goes ahead of you; He will be with you. He will not fail you or forsake you. Do not fear or be dismayed.

Matthew 28:20 takes the theme of God being with us further, by telling us that God is always with us, even to the end of the age.

As we pray this week you might bring those people, situations or things that are challenging and ask God to continue to be with us in all that we are facing. We can also thank him for being with us each day and in every circumstance.

### Update - Church Health Check

The health check objectives and survey tool (in English, Mandarin and Korean) will be available for our three congregations next week. Please continue praying as this Health Check gathers momentum.



### ***An opportunity to serve is available to anyone with technical/creative gifts and skills***



We are looking for anyone with technical/creative gifts to share in the team who puts our weekly on-line services together – presently Brendan and Roger are tag-teaming this. (They both do an amazing job) If you are interested in finding out what is involved please contact Roger Lawrence.

### Surviving Covid Lockdown



**Stay connected with God**

(**LOOK UP**),

**stay aware of your own mental and spiritual health**

(**LOOK IN**), and

**stay connected with those around you** – family, friends and your neighbours in the broadest sense

(**LOOK OUT**).

*"Do not worry about tomorrow, for tomorrow will worry about itself. Each day has enough trouble of its own"*

*Matthew 6:34*

### Church Family Prayer

Anna, Albert, Jeremiah, Joshua,  
Benjamin & Veronica Hodgson,  
Steven & Amanzi Holwerda-Lawrence.

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