

**3RD OCT 2021
EPHESIANS 4:1-4
DAVID CHOI**

Welcome

Ministry team

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If you are anything like me, lockdown has meant that my world has gotten much smaller and the breadth and depth of many relationships has narrowed. Building trust and love towards our community, being outward focused, welcoming of strangers and even being aware of what is happening in people's lives around us it's all so very difficult and sometimes seems impossible.

As a multicultural church this also raises more barriers than usual, especially as we seek to strive towards a shared vision and future. Ephesians 4 will challenge us with a message of unity as we share one faith, one baptism and one Father.

How can He be working through us and in us even at such a difficult time?

Yours in Christ,

David Choi

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

Dates for your Diary:	
Survey closes for CBC Health Check	23/10
Annual Church Meeting <i>SAVE THE DATE</i>	31/10 at 3pm

Mission Spot— Wycliffe (Natalie & James Nelson)



In the PNG clinic (Ukarumpa) they have a new testing machine (GeneXpert) used alongside the rapid antigen testing that enables accurate and timely COVID-19 results. They are thankful for God's provision and the generosity of Dr Steven Badman and Professor Andrew Vallely from the Kirby institute (affiliated with Uni of NSW) who donated thousands of dollars worth of quality control material, to ensure the highest standard of testing.

James and Natalie often help load much needed supplies to PNG when taking a much needed break from language studies. Nat has also been doing additional work in the lab in Cairns where she says she is being stretched. Thankfully they are not in lockdown at the moment so are able to keep supply lines between PNG open with certain government dispensations.

All the logistical requirements keep changing. However in the last few months another Bible translator made it back to PNG, a nurse has made it back from PNG and 2 families made it back from Asia to Australia. Another has made it as far as New Zealand but can hopefully get back here in the next few months.

Be encouraged that the work of translation continues despite the added challenges. The Word of God continues to go out into His world to transform lives.

Communion ... We will be having *communion as part of our Celebration Service today.* Please remember to have bread/crackers/drink available during the service.

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 Service today.

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.

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 Services Account Name: Carlingford Baptist Church
BSB No: 704-922, No: 100016526 or
Giveaway Link: Go to bit.ly/CBCgiveaway

Pastor Bob Smith has written a book titled "**Running for the Applause of One**".

The cost is \$25.00 of which all goes directly to the HELP Children's Home in Bangladesh.

Interestingly enough the final chapter is written by Bob's wife Christine.

To purchase a book contact: Lindsay Casey
Email: kcengg@tpg.com.au



Prayer theme

Our God – all knowing, all powerful, all present



This week we want to reflect on God who has perfect knowledge, perfect understanding, and perfect wisdom as to how to apply the knowledge.

Be encouraged to pray around the words from Psalm 139 1-6 - O LORD, you have searched me and known me. You know when I sit down and when I rise up; you discern my thoughts from far away. You search out my path and my lying down, and are acquainted with all my ways. Even before a word is on my tongue, O LORD, you know it completely. You hem me in, behind and before, and lay your hand upon me. Such knowledge is too wonderful for me; it is so high that I cannot attain it.

We can ask God to reveal His thoughts to us. As Isaiah observes "my thoughts are not your thoughts, nor are your ways my ways, says the LORD. For as the heavens are higher than the earth, God's ways higher than our ways and His thoughts than your thoughts" (Isaiah 55:8,9).

Our prayers this week may include asking God to reveal to us His thoughts and ways in the situations that we find ourselves.

Update - Church Health Check The health check objectives and survey tool (in English, Mandarin and Korean) are now available.



To complete the survey please go to-

<https://forms.office.com/r/aWA52w5vYP>

Paper copies of both the survey & objectives are available by request from the Church Office. The letter of Introduction & Objectives is also available in the admin section of the CBC website.

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

Don & Robyn Hunt, Davidson & Belinda James,
Stan & Merrilyn Jaques.

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