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SID GRINDLEY

## Welcome

### Ministry team

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***Facing our fears:***

Arguably one of the most well known of the Old Testament bible stories is that of David and Goliath and while it may have been fodder for many a children's story - it is in reality very much a MA+ story.

It is also a coming of age event for the young shepherd David. It is a story about character, about identity.

It is a great yarn but perhaps we can dismiss it's relevance for our age.

I would argue that we all face issues in our lives that appear, in the moment, to be daunting, threatening, overwhelming. Remember that in the Israelite army gathered around the Valley of Elah there would have been many men with fighting experience, battle hardened (including King Saul) but none of them had the insight, wisdom or courage to face the challenge and threat of Goliath.

David saw the events as a challenge to Yahweh's authority and Kingship, and called it out, and experienced victory in Yahweh's name. He stepped out of his comfort zone and faced the challenges head on.

What threats are you facing in life where you feel disempowered and hopeless? Where do you see God in this?

What are the 'giant's' challenges to CBC? We are undertaking a church health check under the facilitation of Tim Burns - and in time a report will be provided for us to consider, work through and implement.

Will we, as a church, have the wisdom and confidence necessary to take courageous steps into an unknown future with Jesus as our King.

Can we step out from our comfort zone and face the challenges of being God's people in God's world in Carlingford?

Pastor Sid

**English Service Livestreamed  
at 10am:**

Access via our website  
[www.carlingford-baptist.org](http://www.carlingford-baptist.org)

### Mission Spot -

***(Global Interaction has  
changed it's name to  
Baptist Mission Australia)***

### Muana and Villy

The Christmas celebrations that were possible to host in the midst of Covid challenges in Thailand were themed from Ezekial 36: I will give you a new heart and put a new spirit in you"...that we can have our hearts like a manger for our Lord Jesus to dwell and overcome all the problems of uncleanness, unbelief, fear, worries, hardships and so forth. So that we may have a purpose in life, have a hope in our journey with Him, receive encouragement, support and help when unwell, and life after death will be one of eternity with our Creator-Jesus. Please pray that Jesus will truly be the answer to their life's problems. At the small Christmas celebration at our house, we got to hear a lovely testimony from Pa Ooan.

***Thank you for your continued support of the Baptist World Aid Afghanistan Christmas campaign either by Giveway or online.***



Dates for your Diary:	
Monthly Prayer Meeting TODAY by ZOOM	TODAY 3pm
Church Health Check Forums—10am & 2pm	5/2
Church Health Check Forums—10am & 2pm	12/2

# Church News

## CBC Christmas Appeal BWA – Afghanistan Crisis

Decades of a refugee crisis have resulted in nearly six million Afghans forcibly displaced from their homes. The Taliban's recent takeover of the government has severely compounded the crisis, forcing hundreds of thousands to flee from their homes and tens of thousands in need of urgent humanitarian assistance. Baptist World Aids response is to meet the immediate needs of displaced families in Afghanistan and Pakistan. Their local Christian partners are poised to provide critically needed emergency supplies including monthly food aid, blankets, mattresses and plastic sheets for winter protection. CBC is running a Christmas appeal for BWA for the situation in Afghanistan that will run until the end of January.

Please prayerfully consider what you might be able to give to help this crucial work. To give please Scan this QR code for our Giveaway account or go to: <https://carlingford-baptist-church.giveaway.org.au/baptist-world-aid-christmas-appeal-hope-for-afghanistan>



## Our Monthly Prayer Meeting is on this afternoon at 3pm by ZOOM.

Details are: ZOOM Meeting ID: 821 3952 3788  
Passcode 425514

## A Thank you and encouragement from Paul Dudeney

Thank you to all my Brothers and Sisters for so many prayers and calls. Exactly one year ago my 'amazing year' began with PMR and then a cycling accident in March. We have only Praise for Our Lord for His protection, a Witness and even a Good Samaritan visiting us with food and even dressing my wounds several times after I was at home. Thank you all again. Philippians 4:7 is so true... *The peace of God which transcends all understanding, will guard your hearts and minds in Christ Jesus.*

## CBC Offerings:

**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](http://bit.ly/CBCgiveaway)



## CBC Roster

	16th January 2022 Livestream Only	23rd January 2022 Livestream Only	31st January 2022 Livestream Only
Welcomers	N/A	N/A	N/A
COVID Warden	N/A	N/A	N/A
Prayer	Di Copelin	Alan Worsley	Patsy Lees
Bible Reading	Colin Lees	Jan Pittendrigh	Di Daniel
Offering Count	N/A	N/A	N/A
Livestream	Brendan Ridley	Tim Ridley	Mark Chan
Sound	David Chang	Jerry Hodgson	Kim Poon
AV	Melody Wong	Betty Moore	Milton Purkiss
Other			

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## January Prayer Theme - Drawing closer to God.



The start of a new year can be a time to spend time with God with the freedom of some routines. An ideal time to take some time to reflect on your relationship with God.

Psalm 46:1-3, "Lord Jesus, thank You for being my refuge and strength, an ever-present help in times of trouble. Because of Your presence I will not fear...even if the earth gives way and the mountains fall into the heart of the sea... though its waters roar and foam and the mountains quake with their surging."

In taking the time to reflect on your relationship with God pray about the things that has swirled around you in 2021. Give God thanks for everything He has walked you through.

Thank Him for the blessings, expected and unexpected, that have come your way. Thank Him for the way He has shown up in your life this past year. Ask God to give you the grace gift of forgiveness to extend to people that have hurt you during the year. Pray that God will also show areas where He would each of us grow as a Christian in 2022.

## CHURCH HEALTH CHECK -

Friends, as we move forward with the Health Check we will be holding a total of 4 forum sessions for Church Members and friends. (Please note change of Date.)



### 5 February:

**Session 1 - 10am-12pm**-Reflections on the constitution, the governance of the Church, & the decision making process  
**Session 2 - 2-4pm**-Reflections on the relationships between the various communities

### 12th February

**Session 3 - 10am-12pm**-Reflections on the Church's Vision  
**Session 4 - 2-4pm**-Reflections on the Church's Ministry Life  
Each will be facilitated by Tim Burns who is leading the Church Health Check team.

### Please register online at this link -

<https://rsvp.church/r/TYBH9oOp> for each forum of choice. If you are unable to register please contact the office and Karon will record your registration details.

## Joan McDonald Funeral Details:

**10.30am Service at Macquarie Park Cemetery & Crematorium, Cnr Delhi Rd &, Plassey Rd, Macquarie Park on Thursday 20th January.** This will then be followed by a graveside committal then light lunch. The service will also be online but as yet there is no link available. We will let you know when it is available. If you are planning on attending please let Joy Arnold know.

## Church Family Prayer

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Caroline Scott,  
Rosalind Soon.

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