

**22ND MAY 2022
JAMES 4:1-12
SYLVIA COLLINSON**

Welcome

Dates for your Diary:

Pre-Service Prayer 9:30-9:45am Church Office	EACH SUNDAY
Kids & Youth Families Picnic BBQ –West Epping Park	TODAY 12PM
Quarterly Church Business Meeting directly followed by a Special Church Meeting	5/6 3PM

**English Service in-person &
livestreamed at 10am:**
Access via our website
www.carlingford-baptist.org

In Shanghai, China, 26 million people have been in Covid lockdown for more than 6 weeks and it doesn't look like lifting before 1st June. It's a difficult thing for humans to have to face. It feels like being in prison. A basic human need is to be loved and to belong in a community of others. Being deprived of human company is dangerous for our mental health. During Covid we longed to meet with others face to face, to touch them and share life with them. But as soon as people are in community problems arise. People are not always easy. While God's remedy for loneliness is his family the church, churches are not always happy or healthy places. It has been said, "If you find a perfect church, don't join it, because it will no longer be perfect." Today we will look at James, the Lord's brother, and his advice as to how to live in a healthy, loving faith community. We all, young & old, contribute positively or negatively to the quality of our church's life and health. Each of us needs to listen to James' advice concerning how to be a Christlike community which loves & serves our God.

In Christ,
Sylvia

May Mission Month –

Hope Street offers unique services that meet the local needs of disadvantaged communities and people living on the margins, by reaching out to those who feel they are outside. They are passionate about creating strong and caring communities who value personal wellbeing, and each other. They connect with people and families who are trying to overcome great personal trials, such as relationship breakdown, domestic violence, long term unemployment, homelessness, and mental health or addiction issues. They also come around people who are caught in a cycle of poverty, debt, and have diminished choices and opportunity to break this. Located just 1.5km from the Sydney CBD (not far from the multi-million dollar apartments, bars and fine dining at Finger Wharf) 80% of the people in this area are dependant on social security payments, Some live in social housing, hostels or in crisis accommodation, but many miss out. As a result, Woolloomooloo has the highest concentration of people sleeping rough in N.S.W. As well as having nowhere to sleep at night, around 75% of the homeless population experience mental illness.



Excerpts from the Mission Street site

Ministry team

Senior Pastor-Interim: Sid Grindley
Korean Pastor: David Choi
Mandarin Pastor—Interim: Arthur Chan
Children's Ministry Worker: Emma Ridley
Youth & Young Adults Worker-Interim: David Chang

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Church News

Kids & Youth Families Picnic BBQ

TODAY at 12pm

West Epping Park—Dent St, Epping
Come along for fun, food and get to know our families and leaders.

We'll be running a BBQ - please speak to David Chang or Emma if you can contribute.

See you there!

(If wet weather, we will meet at church)



NEW GROUNDS ROSTER

If you would like to help look after the grounds at CBC please put your name, contact details and availability on the roster on the noticeboard.

Our Quarterly Church Business Meeting will be held on Sunday 5th June at 3pm in the CBC Auditorium.

This will then be directly followed by a Special Church Meeting.

Reports for the Business Meeting will be available online later in the week. Hard copies will be available next Sunday.

Average Weekly Offerings-

Dear Fellow CBC members/believers,

Here is an update on average weekly offerings:

Average weekly - Actual = \$5269

Average Weekly - Budget/Forecasted = \$5904

CBC Offerings:

Direct Deposit: Account held with Baptist Financial Services

Account Name: Carlingford Baptist Church

BSB : 704-922,A/C No: 100016526 or

Giveway Link: Go to <https://carlingford-baptist-church.giveway.org.au/general-offerings>



Prayer focus for May

As well as our prayer focus about opportunities to share our faith in Christ and missions this May it is an important month also for the Pastoral Selection Committee. If you can uphold before God the members of the Committee, Sylvia, Ken, Haur, Rachel, Courtney and Malcolm. We can thank God for the work and preparation they have undertaken so far. We can also ask God to give wisdom, discernment as well ears and eyes to respond to the Spirit of God through this process. As the advertisement for the role goes out and the committee members have conversations and take on board recommendations we can pray as well that God will guide them both individually and together as a team.



May Mission Month

This May Mission Month, CBC is collecting for Sydney Refugee Team (SRT) and Freedom to Flourish. Sydney Refugee Team seek to share the hope of Jesus with people seeking asylum and refuge living in the community in Sydney. They meet practical needs and build authentic relationships with people forcibly displaced from many different

countries. Currently there is a huge need to help people recently arrived from Afghanistan.

Freedom to Flourish is a ministry in partnership between SRT and other mission organisations.

Freedom to Flourish supports healing and growth for people from refugee background who have experienced trauma. They offer counselling, and therapeutic craft and garden programs.

To give here are the details:

Similar to CBC's general account held with Baptist Financial Services

Account Name : Carlingford Baptist Church

BSB No.: 704-922, A/C No.: 100016526

IMPORTANT!!! Please include reference/ description in deposit transaction either "SRT" or "Sydney Refugee"



CBC Roster

	22nd May 2022	29th May 2022
Welcomers	Lindsay & Roslyn Casey	George & Margaret Gourlay
Prayer	Betty Moore	Alan Worsley
Bible Reading	Renarta Mathewson	Jan Pittendrigh
Offering Count	Catherine Lee/David Tan	Clive Copelin/David or Rachael Tan
Livestream	Mark Chan/John Dawkins	Milton Purkiss/Don Hunt
Sound	Tim Ridley	TBC
AV	Milton Purkiss	Melody Wong
Morning tea	Vicky Wei & Joanne Xie	Sophie Pang & Becky Dawkins

Church Family Prayer

Davidson & Belinda James,
 Stan & Merrilyn Jacques,
 Peter Jones.

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