

21ST AUGUST 2022  
ACTS 6:1-7

## Welcome

### Dates for your Diary:

Pre-Service Prayer 9:30-9:45am Church Office	EACH SUNDAY
Monthly Prayer Gathering at 3pm	TODAY

English Service in-person &  
livestreamed at 10am:  
Access via our website  
[www.carlingford-baptist.org](http://www.carlingford-baptist.org)

**Congratulations to  
Katya Dorey on her  
Baptism today!**

### *The Threat of Distraction - Acts 6:1-7*

I suspect that those of us who live in the western world with all our ready access to mobile calls, texts, facetime, facebook, emails, twitter, whatsapp, snap chat (why send an image or video to anyone when it disappears in a max of 10 seconds anyway) etc etc – are often held captive by the demands we place on ourselves, and others, to always be available and attentive to whatever is going on out there somewhere.

It appears to me that these tools for connection can, and do, disconnect ourselves from others. I've noticed it's hard to have a chat with someone sitting next to you on a bus, plane, train, in a lift wherever nowadays – because they are on social media or listening to music or whatever.

I find so many of these tools a distraction, a diversion, from life – and certainly a distraction from spending time in prayer, reading the Scriptures, listening quietly to the Spirit.

In Christ,  
Sid

### Mission Spot – Jews for Jesus

The Nazi Holocaust not only traumatized it's victim, but in a way, it also traumatized those who didn't speak out against Hitler when he twisted the Bible for his own purposes. And so for many years, Christians have felt that the Holocaust took away their right to talk to Jewish people about Jesus. How Satan must have loved that!

It's difficult for people who have experienced trauma to trust anyone, let alone God. It can be a long process. That is the case for Edna in Budapest, who is a Holocaust survivor. In June 2021. She said "Yes" to receiving Jesus. But the very next day she recanted because she was afraid of what her family would say. Our missionaries Kata and Ildiko kept meeting with her, sharing the gospel and the hope of heaven and saw her in hospital after she suffered a stroke. They talked to her about heaven and forgiveness but she always asked them, "Where was God when the Holocaust happened?" One day when they visited her in hospital, she was remarkably better, not only physically, but spiritually. Her heart had softened and she sincerely prayed to receive Jesus into her heart as her Savior. (Excerpt from the July magazine)



### Ministry team

Senior Pastor-Interim: Sid Grindley  
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# Church News

## Stop Press: Covid outbreaks @ CBC

Dear members and friends of CBC, over the last few weeks there has been an exponential increase in the number people being diagnosed with Covid.

### What can you do about it:

**-Wear a mask when out and about, especially at Church**

**-Carry and use hand sanitizer at all times**

**-Consider accessing Church via Live Streaming for a few weeks, until warmer weather arrives.**

## 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://carlingfordbaptist-church.breezechms.com/form/9538b1>



## PRAYER THEME FOR AUGUST Forgiveness and new life



"The theme of forgiveness and newness is also found in the Old Testament.

Isaiah 43:25 states "I, even I, am he who blots out your transgressions, for my own sake, and remembers your sins no more ...and Isaiah 1: 18 "Come now, let us settle the matter," says the Lord. 'Though your sins are like scarlet, they shall be as white as snow; though they are red as crimson, they shall be like wool.' We can pray this week to have our sin blotted out, and to become unstained before God. God has promised both forgiveness and new life and so we can ask God this week to make us pure and to take forward a new life led each day by Him.

## Prayer Gathering – today at 3pm

### Give thanks to the Lord for He is good!

This Sunday the Church is gathering for prayer at 3pm in the Auditorium. With the affirmation of who will be the new Senior Pastor there is much to thank God for. Come along and join us.

## A note from Howard Bennett

I wanted to express my personal thanks to the church family for calling me as Senior Pastor. I am so thankful to God for His clear call and guidance over the past few months and deeply humbled by the expression of trust shown in appointing me to this role. While it is a few months away before I commence, I am already looking forward to getting to know you and serving with you as together, we continue to reach out in the Carlingford area.

Thank you again for your support, encouragement and prayers.

*Warmest wishes, Howard*



## MAF FUEL FOR FATHER'S DAY

Every 20 litre jerrycan gifted puts MAF in the air for about 20 minutes - enough time to save a life!

**20 Litre \$50, 10 Litre \$25,**

**Kids colouring card \$10, In Memory Card \$50**

Cards can be purchased at CBC on Sunday 28th August, online at <https://gifts.maf.org.au/pages/fathersday> or by prior arrangement from the Church Office.



## Average Weekly Offerings-

Just a quick update on our weekly offerings up to week 06 2022/23 (or 15 Aug 2022)

Average weekly - Actual = \$5,872

Average Weekly - Budget/Forecasted = \$6,000

## 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->



## CBC Roster

	21st August 2022	28th August 2022
Welcomers	Clive & Dianne Copelin	Sylvia Collinson & Betty Moore
Prayer	Joy Arnold	Sylvia Collinson
Bible Reading	Cathie Blissett	TBC
Offering Count	George Gourlay & TBC	Catherine Lee/David Tan
Livestream	Tim Ridley	Milton Purkiss
Sound	Kim Poon	David Chang
AV	Betty Moore	Melody Wong
Morning tea	TBC	TBC
Grounds		3/9/22—Clive Copelin & Colin Lees

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## Church Family Prayer

*This week we will pray for former members still connected.*

*Betty Ogilvie, Ranald & Irene McKilligan, Brenda Robilliard & Nancy Hansen*

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