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12TH FEBRUARY 2023 LUKE 4:1-13 HOWARD BENNETT

Dates for your Diary:

Combined Service at 10am followed by Quarterly Church Meeting at 11:30am

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

Türkiye and Syria Devastated By Deadly Earthquakes

BAPTIST WORLD AID

"The first earthquake struck Gaziantep in Türkiye on February 6 at 4:17am, followed 12 hours later by a second earthquake further north. Both earthquakes created over 100 large aftershocks that collapsed over 5,000 buildings and destroyed entire sections of cities while people slept.

The latest government reports have confirmed that over 12,000 people have died, but with rescue operations still underway, the World Health Organisation warned this number could rise as rescuers continue to sift through the rubble.



Türkiye's President Tayyip Erdogan said this is the 'largest disaster' the region has faced since 1939. 'We do not know how high the casualty numbers will go,' Erdogan said. 'Everyone is putting their heart and soul into efforts, although the winter season, cold weather and the earthquake happening during the night make things more difficult.'

Harsh winter conditions are hampering rescue efforts in Türkiye and Syria, and leaving those whose homes have been destroyed vulnerable to the extreme cold.

Many of those who have been impacted by the earthquakes are also families who fled civil war in Syria. The earthquake devastated parts of southern Türkiye where millions of displaced people live in overcrowded conditions, and north-west Syria, where 4.1 million people are in makeshift camps, most of them women and children who are already dependent on humanitarian assistance.

Due to ongoing conflict in this region, it's difficult for organisations to access accurate information or provide immediate aid to those who are in need. Medical facilities are overwhelmed, with reports of hospitals forced to triage people according to who will and won't survive.

Our Partner in the Syrian town of Aleppo surveyed a school where around 60 families had taken shelter in cold classrooms without heating. 'Multiple families were staying in one classroom. Some people had blankets and mattresses, but others had none,' our Partner said.

'People are very afraid—afraid to return to their houses, afraid for more aftershocks, afraid to be in the streets.' Baptist World Aid is working with Christian Partners in Türkiye and Syria, including Baptist organisations, to assist those impacted by the earthquakes.

The full extent of damage is still not known, and our Partners are assessing what people urgently need.

By donating, you can help them provide emergency relief, such as:

- * Safe drinking water for people to prevent dehydration
- * Items to help people stay warm, such as blankets and clothes
- * Emergency shelter items to protect those who have lost their homes."

To give go to https://baptistworldaid.org.au/give/

Ministry team

Senior Pastor: Howard Bennett Korean Pastor: David Choi Mandarin Pastor—Interim: Arthur Chan Children's Ministry Worker: Emma Ridley Youth & Young Adults Worker-Interim: David Chang Church Secretary: Ian Read Office Administrator: Karon Linder 9872 3022 office@carlingford-baptist.org

Church News

February Prayer Theme -Unity as God's family

Unity as God's Family The Bible encourages us as a church to be unified. In 1 Corinthians 1: 10

there is an appeal that all of us agree with one another in what we say and that there be no divisions among us, but that we be perfectly united in mind and thought.

In Ephesians 4:3 Paul calls us to be eager to maintain the unity of the Spirit in the bond of peace. This week in our prayers we can ask for God to make us eager to maintain unity. We can also ask God to show us ways that we can maintain unity and be praying that His Spirit promotes a bond of peace in His Church at Carlingford.

Our next Church Business Meeting will be held on Sunday 26th February at 11:30am in the CBC Auditorium after our combined Service.

Reports are available in CBC Foyer & on the CBC Website in the admin section. If you would like a copy emailed to you please contact the Church Office.

TEAPOT MINISTRIES

Teapot Ministries is a ministry that has been part of both Carlingford and Springwood Baptist Churches. It is a ministry to 'Women through Women's Interests' and this year is its 20th year. A documen-

tary was made about the ministry by 'Helping Hands' and it is to be aired on Channel 9 on February 19 & 26. If you are interested in viewing this documentary the viewing details are below:

The Teapot Story will go to air over two weeks (it was so good, they produced a 20minute documentary and itt will be presented as Part 1 and Part 2:

Part 1 - Sunday 19 February Part 2 - Sunday 26 February Channel 9 - Sunday at 5.30am GEM - Sunday at 10am 9NOW - available 24/7 on demand

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-baptistchurch.giveway.org.au/general-offerings



Mission Spot-Baptist Mission Australia Mission

Phillip grew up in a very poor family

in South East Asia. He had the opportunity to hear about Jesus, and came to know and trust Him.

Phillip works with our team currently serving among 150 families from 8 scavenger communities. Together with local leaders, we seek to relieve poverty through training and offering a fair price for collected recyclables, which enables them to provide for their families.

Phillip has a great desire to share the Gospel with these communities. We are witnessing one person after another hearing the good news of Jesus from Phillip, and then sharing it with their spouse and children. We are seeing God's Kingdom spread from household to household. We limit the publication of people group names and exact locations for some countries to ensure the safety of intercultural team members & local believers. (from Baptist Mission Australia Guide 2023)

Karen Read-Mission's Team Leader

Kids & Youth @ CBC

Kids Church has started once again. Playtime is now on Wed and started last week.

POG (Youth) resumes on Sunday 19th Feb.

We would love to hear from anyone interested in SRE teaching/helping (Tues mornings or Wed arvos), POG (Youth) helping, or writing birthday cards! Contact Émma.





CBC Coffee—increased to \$4

Just a gentle fiscal reminder to Sunday morning coffee machine drinkers....

The price of your selected beverage is now \$4. Plus, we are in the process of implementing a coffee card - more information on this card to come later this month.

Mandarin Alpha Course—9 Feb -27 Apr Thursday nights 7-9:30pm at CBC

We need people to:

-commit to pray weekly for the Alpha course and the participants -invite friends or neighbours -help in preparing dinner -set up and/or clean up If you are able to help please complete the sign-up sheet in the Church Foyer. For more information please contact Rachael Tan.

CBC Roster

| | 12th February 2023 | 19th February 2023 |
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| Welcomers | George & Margaret Gourlay | Colin & Patsy Lees |
| Prayer | Craig Kayes | Margaret Gourlay |
| Bible Reading | Karen Read | Cathie Blissett |
| Offering Count | David Tan/Carol Hu | Lindsay Casey/Ken McGill |
| Livestream | Don Hunt | Milton Purkiss |
| Sound | Jeremiah Hodgson | Mark Chan |
| AV | Melody Wong | Betty Moore |
| Morning tea | Vicky Wei & Joanne Xie | Phil & Annette Gibbs |
| Grounds | | |

Church Family Prayer

Roy & Margaret Robinson, Rosalind Soon, David & Rachael Tan.

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