



13th December 2009



Our Vision: to show and tell the Gateway to Life ... Jesus Christ

WELCOME!

If you are new (or haven't done so before!) we would love you to fill in your details on the yellow care card that you received when you walked in the door and place it in the letter box in the foyer.

OFFERING ENVELOPES

The offering envelopes for the new year have now arrived. They are on the table in the foyer, please help yourselves.

ROSTERS FOR 2010

A new roster for January to June 2010 is being put together this week. PLEASE can you let Steph know by emailing steph@gatewayfamily.org.au OR ringing her on 4982 2226 ASAP to let her know when you will be available (or not available) for that time frame. New folk are always needed for morning tea, taking up the offering and counting the money afterwards, welcoming team, sound desk, Power Point, bible reading, prayer, 3Gs, J4J and crèche. If you are not on a roster please do consider prayerfully helping out in one of those areas and letting Steph or Duncan know either today or Monday. Thank you.

PAGEANT REHEARSALS

There will be a full rehearsal for the choir and cast on **Sunday 20th December** after church, and a full dress rehearsal (with choir and band) on **Tuesday 22nd December** starting from 7pm.

CHURCH INFORMATION

Pastor: Robin Turner Ph: 4982 1970. Email: robint@nelsonbay.com

Church Office: Ph: 4982 5022; **Church Email:** office@gatewayfamily.org.au

Web Page: www.gatewayfamily.org.au

On-Line Shop: www.gatewayfamily.ichristian.com.au

Church Calendar: http://au.calendar.yahoo.com/gateway_family

ARE YOU PRAYING
HARD...OR HARDLY
PRAYING?



PRAYER FOCUS - 13th December 2009

1. For our Pastor, Robin, as he takes time off with health issues. Pray that Robin may receive God's strength and enabling to get well and for peace of mind in delegating areas of his ministry to others. Pray for Julia as she supports Robin.
2. Pray for our Christmas Pageant. The flyers are going into homes and business premises this week. Pray that people will read the invitation and choose to come and hear the "Christ" message of Christmas. Pray for continued energy for those preparing for this event.
3. Pray for the combined churches Christmas Carols on this **SUNDAY 13th December** at Fly Point. Pray for safety of the event and smooth running of the program. Pray for those leading and performing that God will speak to people through the messages of song and drama. Pray for Godly inspiration for Pastors in churches around the Bay as they prepare for Christmas services. Pray that many will attend these services and turn to Jesus.

*PRAY for
one
Another*

*Please take time
each week to pray for
members of our church family.*

This week please pray for:

*Ted, Fiona, Daniel, Brendan
& Angela Searls
Greg, Dinah, Nick, Cam & Elise Watson
Colin & Jenni Reddel*

Prayer Chain

*If you have an urgent prayer
request please call:*

*Jenni Reddel Ph: 4984 1553
Helen Almond Ph: 4982 2409
Available 24 hours a day,
7 days a week. All prayer
requests are confidential*

PRAYER GROUP - Prayer warriors needed! Come along on Tuesday mornings 9:30am in the church office to pray for our church and the wider community — all welcome.

OPEN DOORS PRAYER GROUP — So many to pray for—please see Stephanie for a time convenient to you and come and pray for our brothers and sisters in Christ around the world who suffer persecution daily.

A poster of the most effected countries is on the board in the hall.

MISSIONARIES WE SUPPORT

SAM AND JULIE VIDLER - In China - Go to www.julesam.com,

DANIEL & TAMMY PRIEST - In Papua New Guinea - <http://www.priestfamily.info/>

ROSTERS

	13th December	20th December
Welcomers	Ted Searls Fiona Searls	Bill Simm Megan Simm
Usher	Duncan Anderson	Duncan Anderson
Morning Tea	Marjorie vanVuuren Michelle Sutton	Cathie Price Janet Goldsworthy
Offering	David Irwin Leila Johnston Stephanie Hateley	Marion O'Donnell Bruce Cocking Bill Simm
Bible Reading	Cathy Price	Geoff Grugean
Prayer	Ewen Williamson	Colin Reddel
PowerPoint	Stephanie Hateley	Andy Batchelor
MC	Duncan Anderson	



G3: Saturday 19th December:
Tony Miles and helper

G3: Saturday 26th December
(BOXING DAY)

If you can't make your rostered day please organize a swap with someone who does the same job and let the office know by emailing office@gatewayfamily.org.au
Thank you.

UPCOMING & REGULAR DATES

- Tuesdays:** 9:30am Prayer Group in the office
- Tuesdays:** 9:30 -11:30am Playgroup
- Fridays:** 7pm Youth Group here at church. See Duncan Anderson
- Sunday Service:** 9:30am Family Service
- Saturday 5th December:** Anna Bay Markets
- Wednesday 23^d December:** Christmas Pageant
- SMALL GROUPS:** Various times & days. See Colin Reddel

NOTICES



POSTERS & FLYERS

Flyers for our Christmas Pageant will be delivered in the Examiner to Anna Bay and Boat Harbour. However if you would like some to distribute to other areas or friends please see Duncan today to get some copies.

5c CAN CHANGE THE WORLD!

Youth Group is still busy collecting 5c pieces to work our way through the TEAR AUSTRALIA really useful gift catalogue, we'll give you an update on Sunday of how much money we have to spend so ! Please grab one of our handcrafted money boxes to take to your work, club, kitchen table etc. For more information on youth group see Duncan.

CHRISTMAS SHOPPING OPPORTUNITY

Stuck for a gift for the teachers? Buy a \$5 Education Pack for a child overseas. Buy a toilet for a friend in Newcastle and transform the health of a family in Tanzania. With TEAR's Gift Catalogue, the whole world's connected: it's six degrees of sanitation. For your copy of "Arguably, the World's Most Useful Gift Catalogue", see Cathie Price or Rachel Williamson or visit our shop front at church each Sunday. www.usefulgifts.org

CAROLS BY THE BAY – Sunday 13th December

A combined churches presentation at Fly Point Park.

Family activities from 5pm and carols from 7pm. Food and drink stalls, face painting, Long Riders Motorcycle Club, YWAM Skaters, Melissa and the Ottos, Francine Bell, Aliko and great local talent.

MEN'S KATOOMBA CONVENTION 2010

Its on 19th-20th February, 2010. For those with internet access more information can be found at: <http://www.mkc.kcc.org.au/> Earlybird rate is \$71 (by December 15th) so please get your payment to Ewen, Ted or Laurie ASAP. Details about sharing cars, camping, food etc to come.