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**Gateway  
Family**

# Bulletin

11 April 2010

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

**Welcome.** It's wonderful that you could join us today. If you are new, 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 offering bag or the letter box in the foyer so that we can introduce ourselves to you. Please join us for a cuppa in the back hall after the service.

## **TRIVIA NIGHT OF FUN - FRIDAY 23 APRIL**

### **Have you booked your table yet?**

A **Trivia Night** will be hosted by Joan Bradford, who is going to China to support Sam & Julie Vidler's work with children, here at Gateway Church on **Friday 23 April with a prompt 7pm start**. You can register from 6.30pm. You can pre-book a table or you will be allocated a table on the night. **PRIZES and FUN GAMES** as well. Nibbles & light supper provided with minimum gold coin donation. For catering purposes, please RSVP to Helen Almond on 4982 2409 or email [joan.bradford7@yahoo.com.au](mailto:joan.bradford7@yahoo.com.au)

## **MEN'S PRAYER BREAKFAST**

A Men's Prayer Breakfast is being organised for Saturday 22nd of May at 7.00am. Further details to follow. Contact Ted Searls if you would like to help or contribute to this event.

## **CHURCH INFORMATION**

[www.gatewayfamily.org.au](http://www.gatewayfamily.org.au)

### **Church Office**

T 4982 5022

E [office@gatewayfamily.org.au](mailto:office@gatewayfamily.org.au)

### **Prayer Requests**

Helen Almond T 4982 2409

Jenni Reddel T 4984 1553

### **Church Calendar**

<http://www.gatewayfamily.org.au/calendar>

### **On-Line Shop**

[www.gatewayfamily.ichristian.com.au](http://www.gatewayfamily.ichristian.com.au)

### **Bank Details**

Direct deposit offering

**Bank Westpac Name Gateway Family Presbyterian Church**  
BSB: 032533 Acc No: 173242

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[office@gatewayfamily.org.au](mailto:office@gatewayfamily.org.au)

In any museum we will find quite ordinary things - clothes, a walking stick, a pen, pieces of furniture - which are only of value because they were possessed and used by some great person.

It is the ownership which gives them worth. It is so with the Christian. The Christian may be a very ordinary person, but he acquires a new value and dignity and greatness because he belongs to God.

The greatness of the Christian lies in the fact that he is God's.

*William Barclay*

## **WEEKLY EVENTS**

**Sunday: 9:30am Family Service**

**Home Groups:** Meet throughout the week, see Colin Reddel

**Tuesday: 9:30am Prayer Warriors** meet in the church office – all welcome

**Friday: 7pm Youth Group.** Meet here at the church for a great night. Ages 12+

**1st Saturday of each month: Anna Bay Markets** meet here from 8am - 1:30pm

# Prayer

*"To you, O LORD, I lift up my soul"  
Psalm 25:1*

## Prayer Focus this week

1. Give thanks for the good results of Robin's post-operative tests showing that the all the cancer tissue appears to have been removed. Pray for continued healing and strength to be regained without infection. Pray that Julia will remain strong and be ready to meet the needs of Robin's convalescence at home.
2. Give thanks for the Welcoming Team and for the good atmosphere they help to create in our Sunday services. Pray that additional helpers and a new coordinator will be available soon.
3. Pray that the love of Christ may touch the hearts of the youth of our country, as the trend of reckless behaviour with alcohol, drugs and driving amongst many seems to be out of control. Pray that Christians will reach out in love and concern to break down barriers bringing hope and purpose through the gospel.

## VOLUNTEERS

	11 April	18 April
<b>Welcomers</b>	Eleanor Ward Gus Sinclair	Laurie Almond Helen Almond
<b>Offering</b>	Marion O'Donnell Bruce Cocking Bill Simm	Pam Vandergriend Ted Searls Geoff Grugean
<b>Bible Reading</b>	Sue Scott	Joan Bradford
<b>Prayer</b>	Colin Reddel	Ewen Williamson
<b>PowerPoint</b>	Andy Batchelor	Michael Abel
<b>Sound Desk</b>	Jonathan Abel	John Pobie
<b>Morning Tea</b>	Sandra Ferguson Janet Goldsworthy	Suzanne Miles Michelle Sutton

If you can't make your rostered day please try to swap with someone on the same job and email [office@gatewayfamily.org.au](mailto:office@gatewayfamily.org.au) Thank you.

**Paul van Vuuren** will be going to **Mt Isa** in a couple of weeks and the Covenant Players Team need accommodation. Does anyone in the church know of someone they could contact to help them? Not necessarily stay with them but give details of someone who could. Please speak to Ron van Vuuren or ring him on 4981 2390

### **'MEN & DEPRESSION' Identifying & dealing with it**

**Monday 12th April** starting at 7pm at Nelson Bay Bowling Club

All men, with their partners and families are invited to attend this **FREE** public forum brought to you by Rotary Club. Come along to listen, participate and ask questions.

**FREE** seminar Expert Panel includes: *Mr Craig Hamilton*, ABC Newcastle and Beyond Blue Ambassador, *Prof Brian Kelly*, Professor of Psychiatry University of Newcastle, *Dr Donald Bourquin*, Rural Health GP Shoal Bay (local Christian Dr). Further information and bookings phone 4981 5225. See Poster on notice board.

## PRAYER CHAIN

If you have an urgent prayer request please call:

Helen Almond T 4982 2409

Jenni Reddel T 4984 1553

E [col.reddel@optusnet.com.au](mailto:col.reddel@optusnet.com.au)

Available 24/7. All prayer requests are confidential.

Please take time each week to pray our church family.

This week please pray for:

Chris, Rachel and Lachlan Hall  
Richard, Keren, Elisha and Jack Lumby

Gus and Callum Sinclair,  
Eleanor and Matthew Ward

**KIDS CHURCH** is in recess over the holidays but creche will continue. Children are more than welcome to join us in the service

## MISSIONARIES



Sam, Julie, Thomas, James & Maggie VIDLER  
China - [www.julesam.com](http://www.julesam.com)



Daniel & Tammy PRIEST  
Papua New Guinea  
[www.priestfamily.info/](http://www.priestfamily.info/)

Paul VAN VUUREN  
Australia, Covenant Players