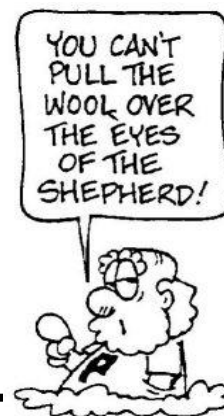




the
**Gateway
Family**

7th February 2010



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. Please join us for a cuppa in the hall after the service.

COVENANT PLAYERS - Today at 6.30pm

We will welcome Paul Van Vuuren and his fellow Covenant Players at a special performance for us on their way to Queensland. This will be a good fun. It would be appreciated if you could bring a slice or similar for supper. A free will offering will be taken on the night to support the work of the Covenant Players.

LADIES COFFEE MORNING — Thursday 11th February at 10am

Next Ladies coffee morning will be on this Thursday at Smarty Plants. If you need further information please speak to Helen Almond. All welcome for fun and fellowship together.

LADIES PRAYER BREAKFAST — Saturday 20th February, 7.30am

Please join us here at the church for a yummy breakfast and a wonderful time of fellowship and prayer. Please see Jenni Reddel for further information.

LAUGH YOUR WAY TO A BETTER MARRIAGE — NELSON BAY CINEMA Mondays 15th & 22nd Feb and 1st March at 8.30pm

Honest, hard hitting and hilarious... A DVD series that will have you and your partner rolling in the aisles. Tickets \$20/person to all 3 sessions. Purchase tickets at www.allaboutmarriage.org brought to you by Focus on the Family Australia. See flyer on notice board.

CHURCH INFORMATION

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Web Page: www.gatewayfamily.org.au

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

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

PRAYER FOCUS - 31st January 2010



1. Give thanks for the new church administration team (Angela, Mandy & Marnie). Pray for a smooth introduction of the office new arrangements.
2. Give thanks that the door is open for Scripture teaching in our schools. Pray for the SRE teachers, both primary and high school, as classes resume for this term.
3. Pray for law enforcement officers and for continued success in combating illegal drug supplies which have a devastating effect on so many lives.

*PRAY for
one
Another* →

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

This week please pray for:

Duncan, Jo, Jemima,
Tobin & Cody **Anderson**
Andy and Annika **Batchelor**
Leila **Johnston**

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.

PRAYER FOR THE PERSECUTED — We are so very blessed in this country, please join me to pray for the persecuted—recommencing in February. Please let Steph know if you would like to join this prayer group, time and place to suit.

MISSIONARIES WE SUPPORT

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

DANIEL & TAMMY PRIEST In Papua New Guinea - www.priestfamily.info/

PAUL VAN VUUREN - Covenant Players, Australia

ROSTERS

	7th February	14th February
Welcomers	Fiona Searls Ted Searls	Sandra Ferguson Greg Watson
Morning Tea	Sandra Ferguson Janet Goldsworthy	Suzanne Miles Michelle Sutton
Offering	Marion O'Donnell Bruce Cocking Bill Simm	Ted Searls Joan Bradford Pam Vandergriend
Bible Reading	Joan Bradford	Michelle Able
Prayer	Greg Watson	Wayne Herbertson
PowerPoint	Stephanie Hateley	Michael Abel
Sound Desk	Jonathon Abel	John Pobie

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



UPCOMING & REGULAR DATES

Tuesdays: 9:30am Prayer Group in the office

Sunday Service: 9:30am Family Service

1st Saturday of each month: Anna Bay Markets

2nd Wednesday of each month: 10 am Open Doors Prayer group at Pam van der Griend's house, Shoal Bay

Ladies Coffee Morning: Thursday 11th February at 10am

Ladies Prayer Breakfast: Saturday 20th February at 7.30am

Church AGM: Sunday 28th February after the morning service

Sunday March 7th: Sam and Julie Vidler will be visiting and will give a talk about their experiences in China

MORE NOTICES/DIARY DATES

A.G.M.— Sunday 28th February

Our Annual General Meeting for the year will be held on Sunday 28th February after the morning service.

Do please pop this date in your diaries, and join us to find out where our church is heading.



SMALL GROUPS INFORMATION

As the new school year gets under way for 2010, we also have an exciting new year ahead for the Gateway Family. In Term 1 we will be focusing our attention on Mission and the theme is "GOT QUESTIONS? ... We Hear You!". This series will help you to find what the Bible has to say in answer to the top ten questions people in Port Stephens are asking about God, life and the Bible.

The Sunday morning Bible talks and the Small Group studies will be based on the booklet being distributed after church on Sunday 24th January.

Use this booklet to help plan when you might bring a friend along to hear the Sunday morning Bible talk, and bring it with you to the Small Group you would like to attend during the weeks ahead. A sign-up sheet is available during morning tea to help you chose a suitable Small Group to join for this term.

Your donation of \$6 during the Sunday Giving time will be appreciated in the next few weeks, to help cover the cost of the "GOT QUESTIONS?" booklet.

OPEN DOORS PRAYER GROUP

The Open Doors prayer group for persecuted Christians around the world will be held on the 2nd Wednesday of every month at 10am at Pam Vander-griend's home in Shoal Bay. DVD, prayer material etc is provided by Open Doors. If you would like more information please see Steph.

FUNDRAISING SPECTACULAR FOR ALLOWAH

An evening of world class music and entertainment to raise money for severely disabled children will be held on Saturday 13th February at 7:30pm at Audrey Keown Theatre, PLC. Tickets are \$60.

More information is on the notice board in the hall.