

Information/ care card

Prayer needs or answers
to prayer

Comments you would
like to make

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Devonport Baptist Church

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Discover Jesus Become Like Jesus Communicate Jesus' Love

Sunday 18th December 2011
Leader: Heather Reid Speaker: Scott Jones

advent 4



what if God was one of us...

Church Family News

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Open

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Christmas Office Hours
 Tue 27th Dec CLOSED
 Thurs 29th Dec & Fri 30th Dec
 10.00am—1.00pm

To give your tithe via direct deposit,
 the Church's account details are:
 BSB—Branch 704922
 Account no. 100007388.

Russell & Dorothy Viney wish to thank all who prayed for a quick sale of their home. Their new address is: Unit 418 Dalglish Drive Karingal Community, Devonport

Christmas Day Service Our Christmas morning service will be held at **9.30am**. Join us as we celebrate the birth of Jesus.

Christmas Day Lunch If you are alone this Christmas, and would like to share the day with others, **the Carroll Family** invite you to join them at their home (148 Madden St. D'port). **Contact Valerie by 23rd Dec** to join the fun! Text or phone 0488 538 849

Administrator Pam Pattison will be away from the 17th Dec 2011—8th Jan 2012. Any immediate Administrative issues can be directed to the Church Office.

Welcome Chris & Amy Luthy were welcomed to Devonport last Sunday. An official induction of Chris's ministry as Associate Pastor – Youth will be organized for the New Year.

Pray for: Continue to pray for **Jennifer Kyrwood's Family** as they face many serious medical concerns. **Jennifer** would also appreciate your prayers as she is suffering with a bad chest infection and ongoing severe asthma attacks.

Our thoughts and prayers are with **Dilys Sergeant** who will be leaving Australia permanently on the 19th December & returning to live in England. Pray for Dilys at the sad time.

Those who need our ongoing prayers:

Judy Austen	Jean Collins	Jennifer Kyrwood
Bernie & Avis Evans	Arthur Gracie	Joyce Waterhouse
Nalda & Len King	Merle Lunson	Joy McMacken
Colin & Val Murray	Janet Wheeler	Derek Woods & Family
Heather Smith & Family	Russell & Dorothy Viney	

Serving each other

Crèche: Cristina Fairley, Susan Spurr
** there will be no crèche Christmas Day—the Parents Room off the Foyer will be open **

Prayer Ministry: Wanda Stott & Betty Beveridge

Morning Tea: Dawn Walden

Stewards: Nigel Anderson (L), Phil Walden, Mostyn Veith, Luke Ellery, Kym Ellery, Frank Magupa

THIS WEEK

Today
 10.00am Worship Service - Auditorium
 2.00pm Student Recital—Auditorium

Next Sunday
 9.30am Christmas Day Service - Auditorium

Christmas Appeal

Each year at our **Christmas morning service** an offering is taken for the Baptist World Aid Australia Christmas Appeal. Special Appeal donation envelopes are again included with the Bulletin this week. If you would like to support the Appeal but will be elsewhere on Christmas Day, place your donation in the Appeal envelope & place in the usual Sunday morning offering. This years offering will support Cambodia.

Opportunities to Serve

Serving each other is one of the blessings of life together as God's church. **The Stewards Roster & the team preparing Communion** both need more helpers. These behind the scenes roles are a great blessing to the fellowship. If you would like to be part of either team, contact the Church Office.



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WELCOME TO DEVONPORT BAPTIST CHURCH

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We're glad you've been part of our worship time today. We'd like to get to know you better, or offer any assistance you may require.

NAME

ADDRESS.....

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PHONE

DATE

- I am/we are visiting
- I/we recently moved into the area
- I/we are looking for a church family
- I am/we are re-connecting with a church family
- I/we are a part of this church family

I would like to know more about:

- Discovering God
- Discovering Devonport Baptist
- Baptism and/ or church membership
- Following through on what God has spoken to me about today
- Other

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Holiday Happening

East Devonport Recreation Centre

16th –19th January 2012

9.30am—12.30pm

Family Tea on Thurs 19th Jan at 6.00pm

“Going Bananas”

For children who have completed Kinder/Prep—Grade 6



Please pray for the team as they prepare for this event. If you would to help out, contact

Mrs Ronnie Palmer (6427 9321)

Donations to help pay for rent of the Recreation Centre are very welcome, & should be sent to Scripture Union, 23 Clarence Street, Bellerive TAS

The Hallams in Hikone

Address: 602 Gosanjo-Cho. Hikone Shi, Shiga Ken, Japan. 522-0086
 jessica@wec-japan.org
 ben@wec-japan.org

PRAY: - the various Christmas Outreaches that are planned:

Dec 23rd—Biwako Christmas Concert

Dec 24th—Hikone churches Candle Service

- With many moves & role changes in the Japanese Pastors group & WEC Japan field pray for a good transition period, & a sense of peace within affected congregations.

Ben & Jess need our **ongoing financial support** as they live and work in Japan. As their family grows, so do their financial needs. Is God prompting you to support them in this practical way? Talk to the Missionary Committee to find out how you can help.

Mission Trip To Japan — July / August 2012 would you like to spend 2 weeks working alongside Ben & Jess, assisting with home church planting, as well as sightseeing. The projected cost is expected to be \$50 - \$60/day plus airfares. See Jenny Mountney if you are interested in considering being part of this trip.



LIFE SAVING CHRISTMAS GIFTS



For the amount you might normally spend on a present, you can give life-changing opportunities to people in extreme poverty. **Baptist World Aid Australia Gift Catalogues** are now available from the Walkway.

And don't forget our own **“Making a Difference from a Distance”** catalogue for Zambia and Tanzania. Also available in the Walkway.



Church Family News

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Thanks to Mikel Rice (See Luke 2:1-16)

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I'M SO SICK OF BEING A SHEPHERD ...
 NOTHING EXCITING EVER HAPPENS OUT HERE

2011 STUDENT RECITAL

Students from Angela Polden's piano and voice studio will present a recital to celebrate the year's efforts on

Today, 18 Dec at 2 pm
 Devonport Baptist Church.



The program will feature performances on a Kawai

grand piano by a variety of students including the winner of this years' Junior Piano Championships at both Burnie and Devonport Eisteddfods, David Parry and performances by Emma McMahon, winner of the Junior Instrumental Championship, on her Camac pedal harp.



Entry will be by donation supporting Baptist World Aid Australia's appeal for Cambodia.



Susan & Donald Spurr will be opening their home (211 Chapel Road, Sassafras) on **New Year's Eve** & you are invited to join them from 7.30pm for Coffee & Dessert. Contact Susan for details: 6426 7312

Crescendo Choir Christmas Concert



Adults \$15
 Students/Conc. \$12

Devonport Entertainment Centre
 Friday 23 December at 2pm & 7.30pm
 www.decc.net.au 6420 2900

The Freezer is BARE!



The church Tucker Box freezer is empty and needs restocking with casseroles, small meals, etc that can be delivered to those in need of help and

support. Items for the Tucker Box freezer should be **clearly labelled with the contents, and DATE they were made.** (a box of labels & a pen are located on top of the freezer). The freezer is located in the store room behind the stage. If you need containers please contact Susan Spurr. Empty, clean containers can be left next to the freezer.



GLOBAL | INTERACTION

*Empowering communities
to develop their own
distinctive ways
of following Jesus*

DECEMBER / JANUARY

- 21 W South East Asia:** Praise God with Ky and Sharon that their first landfill sub-cell is open for business. Give thanks for the many friends they have made in the nearby village and the positive TV program about the project.
- 22 T Mozambique:** Pray for Andrew and Tanya, Tahlia, Shenae, Liam and Ethan. Pray that Andrew and Tanya may have wisdom when addressing issues of poverty in ways that are empowering and sustainable to the community.
- 23 F Central Asia:** Pray for Darcy and Lola back in Australia. May God's spirit surround them and bring healing. Ask for grace and peace of mind for them both.
- 24 S Outback Australia:** Pray for Doug who is undergoing treatment for lymph node cancer. Pray for God's healing and strength and for peace for the family.
- 25 S South Asia:** Pray for Nath and give thanks that he is no longer in an isolated area of South Asia. Pray for him working in a challenging environment and ask that he develops supportive relationships.
- 26 M South East Asia:** . Pray for Maz, Essie and Puia. Give thanks for the progress they are making with language. Ask that as the challenges increase, they are both able to put more time and effort into learning language.
- 27 T Cambodia:** Pray for John as he works on his language pronunciation in preparation for preaching. Pray for Karen as she shares skills and knowledge with university staff.
- 28 W Mozambique:** Pray for Ryan and Donna as they continue with Portuguese language learning and undertake various studies and training in preparation for serving amongst the Yawo.
- 29 T Mozambique:** Give thanks for Ayla who will spend two years helping a team families with their children's education as part of the Giopro program. Pray that God will provide Ayla with a partnership team to support her in prayer and with finance.
- 30 F Thailand:** Pray for Jit and Jan. Give thanks for Jit's work raising awareness of Pwo Karen traditions, stirring interest in culture and language and demonstrating that Christ seeks to work through culture, not destroy it.
- 31 S Malawi:** Pray for Elizabeth as she prepares to leave Australia. Ask that God will put encouraging things on her heart to share on her travels, and that she builds a strong team to support her prayerfully and financially.

JANUARY 2012

- 1 S Lebanon:** Pray for Milard and Joyce as they continue to empower and inspire Lebanese believers to explore their own distinctive ways of following Jesus.



Baptist Churches OF TASMANIA

NEWS AND PRAYER REQUESTS SUNDAY 18th DECEMBER

Longford Baptist Church will be holding a Community Christmas Party and Free Sausage Sizzle on Christmas Eve, 24th Dec 4- 7pm. There will be a bit of fun for everyone with Christmas Carols, Face Painting, Balloon Sculptures, and Stilts; also the Christmas Story will be told. Longford Baptist is asking for non-perishable food items to go under the Christmas tree for the Helping Hand. Please pray for good weather, good connections and fun.

Please pray for Micha Wade who is in need of accommodation next year during the week, as he starts at University. Please call the **Wynyard Baptist Office** on 64421264, if you or you know of somebody who can accommodate him during this time.

Christmas can be a hard and sad day for many, so please keep in your thoughts and prayers those who do not have a family or home to share this Christmas with.

Newstead Baptist's newsletter "Neighbourhood Heartbeat" is being letterbox dropped this week. The response to this occasional newsletter in their community is growing. Please pray for a building together in their community through this publication and for willing workers to be involved in compiling and distributing it.

TLC's will be having their last support meeting for the year on Monday 19th Dec 7-9pm at Dayspring. If you know of anybody who would benefit from the meetings, please call Robyn McKinnon on 0419544770. Pray for TLC, as they continue to provide support for grieving families in 2012 (TLC will continue to offer a Free Call 1800 Bereavement Support Line through the holiday season).

*The finest test of character is seen in the amount and the power
of gratitude we have.*

Milo H. Gat