

JUNE

HAPPY BIRTHDAY!

- 01 Leigh Leplaw
- 03 Fred Swann
- 05 Tina Strecker
- 06 Hannah Tarasenko
- 07 Geomira Monteiro
- 09 Gillian Farmer
- 09 Zoe Vacchini
- 10 Ian Brack
- 11 Joshua DeWildt
- 11 Cathy Murphy
- 11 Georg Habib
- 13 Mark Shaw
- 13 Malcolm Campbell
- 13 Jean Lee
- 14 Sam Davie
- 15 Liz Taylor
- 16 Luke Tanner
- 18 Stephen McConnell
- 19 Joshua Tetto
- 21 Adam Stevens
- 21 Ju-An Lee
- 23 Harold Griffin
- 23 Jacob Holder
- 23 Dae Won Kim
- 23 Christopher Pruekchuithub
- 25 Lucy Cameron
- 26 Kerrie Campbell
- 26 Maria Pruekchuithub
- 28 Natalie Moos
- 30 Min Kyoung Oh



CONGRATULATION:

To Bronwyn & Anthony Dunn On the birth of their baby Samuel, born on 20th May 2010

WEEKLY SERVICES TIMES

- English Sunday 10.00am Greenacre
- Korean Sunday 11.00am Strathfield
- Arabic Sunday 4.00pm Greenacre
- Ignite Sunday 6.30pm Greenacre
- Wellspring Café Sunday 10.00am Menai

LIFE CELL GROUPS

Our LIFE Cell groups come together to support and encourage each other, and to find and exercise their ministry in the community. If you would like to join a Cell group please see your Pastor, or ring the church office on 9750-8830 so we can connect you with the right Cell group.

CHILDREN'S PROGRAMS

- Ripples for Kids - Sunday 10.00am at Menai Primary school
- Good News Club - Greenacre Fridays 5.00pm – 7.30pm
- Good News Club - Villawood Mondays 5.00pm – 7.30pm
- Children's Church - Greenacre 9:50am every Sunday (except school holidays)

YOUTH PROGRAMS

- Youth Cells
- Sunday morning 10.30am
- Regenerate Friday 7.30pm – 9.30pm during school terms

OTHER WEEKLY ACTIVITIES

- Tuesday Prayer Group at Greenacre 10.00am
- Tuesday Exercise at the Crest 6.00am
- Tuesday Korean prayer meeting Greenacre 7.30, 1st Tuesday of each month
- Thursday Exercise at the Crest 6.00am
- Sunday Prayer Group at Greenacre 9.30am & 6.00pm

LIFE @ LEANNE'S CAFE

Opened from 9.00am to 4.00pm Monday to Saturday
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Two Brothers

"For it is in giving that we receive.

—Saint Francis of Assisi

Two brothers worked together on the family farm. One was married and had a large family. The other was single. At the day's end, the brothers shared everything equally, produce and profit. Then one day the single brother said to himself, "It's not right that we should share equally the produce and the profit. I'm alone and my needs are simple." So each night he took a sack of grain from his bin and crept across the field between their houses, dumping it into his brother's bin.

Meanwhile, the married brother said to himself, "It's not right that we should share the produce and the profit equally. After all, I'm married and I have my wife and my children to look after me in years to come. My brother has no one, and no one to take care of his future." So each night, he took a sack of grain and dumped it into his single brother's bin.

Both men were puzzled for years because their supply of grain never dwindled. Then one dark night the two brothers bumped into each other. Slowly it dawned on them what was happening. They dropped their sacks and embraced one another.

"Life in abundance comes only through great love.

—Elbert Hubbard



A church anyone can come to

YOUR GIVING

You can give your tithes and offerings in a multitude of ways. **Eftpos** - See James Hogan, who can process your giving for the week, or for a special gift. **Credit Card** - Fill out your details on the form found in the Welcome pack. **Direct Debit** - Organise through your bank (see bank details below) . **Net banking** - Key the Bank details directly into net banking (see details below).

Church Bank Details
Church of Christ working account

BANK: Commonwealth
BSB No: 062-111
ACCOUNT No: 28021775
ACCOUNT DESCRIPTION:
offering (Plus name of service you attend)

CHURCH WEEKLY OFFERING

Date	Actual	Budget	Difference
02/05/2010	\$6342.03	\$7243.00	900.97↓
09/05/2010	\$7408.90	\$7243.00	165.90↑
16/05/2010	\$7014.63	\$7243.00	\$228.37↓
23/05/2010	\$4964.25	\$7243.00	\$2278.75↓
4 week Av	\$5682.45	\$7243.00	\$1560.55↓



Life @ Leanne's is going strong, both Debbie and Gennine are very excited at the opportunities that are opening up in Villawood. In both the Café and clothing areas, so many people are commenting on how friendly the people are here. There are many that are helped out with food and words of wisdom (We are God hands and feet to the people in Villawood). We have a great team of volunteer staff that do a fantastic job, we are very blessed to have them. If you would like to volunteer at the café or help with the clothing please call the café on 9724-9617 and let them know (we especially need people to help on Saturdays in the clothing area).

In the clothing area Gennine has stated selling items on ebay (Gennine is leaning lots). This is a great way to increase sales, we had a donation of a second-hand washing machine and Gennine put it on ebay and it sold for \$150.00. We are looking for more items to sell, so if you have any items that you think Gennine can sell please let her know by calling the café on 9724-9617.

In the cafe area there are some exciting new things happening. Debbie is starting up a lunch time delivery service to the companies in the local area, she has also started to cater for events around the area. This has been a great hit with the local businesses and helps the café to increase it's sales. In The café there is always something to do, from preparing the food to washing up or clearing tables. If you are looking for something to do or just want to have a coffee and something to eat, why not visit the Café. 29 Villawood Place Villawood

Meet the Pruekchuthub Family

Dul
Maria
Adrian
Christopher



What do you do during the week?

Maria works full time in the City for a locksmith as an accounts/administration officer, Dul is a stay at home dad, but is currently looking for a job. Adrian is in year 10 and Christopher is in year 6.

How long have you been coming to Greenacre?

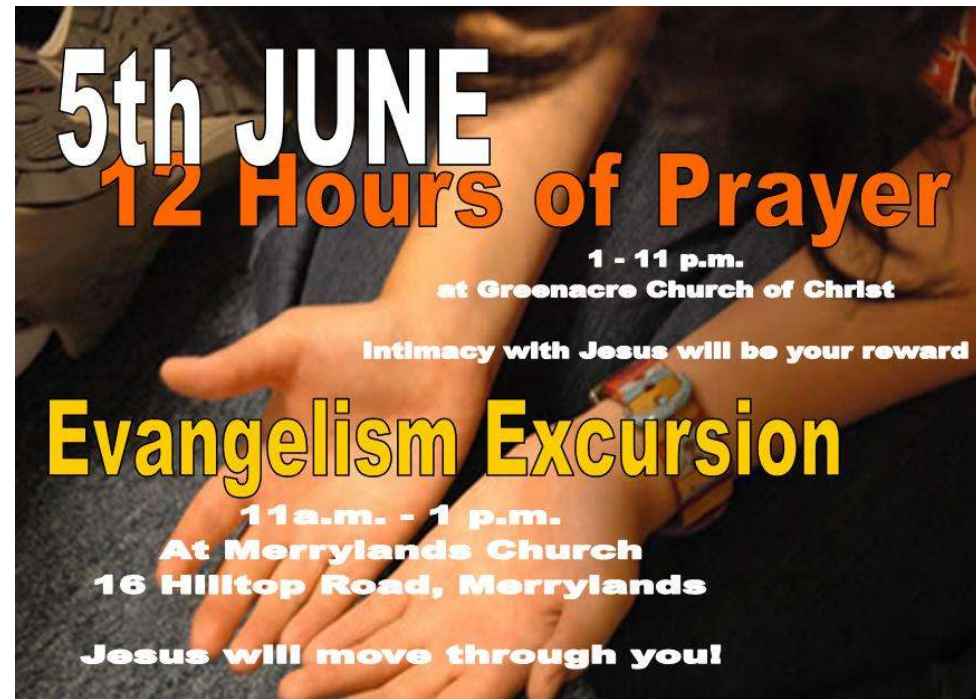
8 to 9 months

What was one highlight for the family at Greenacre?

Maria's baptism as it show her new life as a Christian, meeting loving people, being encouraged by others, developing friendships

What is something your family is passionate about?

Spiritual growth, Knowing God & finding His purpose in our lives



Evangelism Excursion

Stepping out of our comfort zone is difficult, but if we are to grow in our relationship with God and others, and spread the good news, we have to be **willing to be stretched**. There is an **opportunity on Saturday** the 5th June to do just that, to be stretched! There are a group of people that will be prayer walking in Merrylands from 11am. If you would like to be part of this exciting and stretching time see **Craig Farmer** or give him a call 0422-418-275



What:
The Shed (mens social get - together)

Where:
Sydney Olympic Park Archery Centre, Bennelong Road, Sydney Olympic Park. (see www.archerycentre.com.au for map and other details) You need to wear closed shoes. Tights and feathered cap optional.

When:
4pm Sunday June 6th

Who:
any guy 18 or over. (no upper limit!)

How much:
\$20 per person if participating

Why:
You don't ever need a reason to hang out in "the shed". That's why you have one.

There are 30 spots available for participation and plenty of room for those who want to point and laugh. Contact me this week to let me know you will be there, and of course YOU WILL be there. Email dwainwright@inet.net.au or call on 0401 610 875 or 8731 3451. Look forward to hearing from you.

Food For Life @ Villawood has opened it's doors and has helped approximately 20 people with food and other support, some of whom we are in regular contact with. We are normally there on Tuesday from 9.00am to 4.00 pm. If there are no appointments we go to the Life @ Leanne's Café (29 Villawood Place Villawood) and connect with the people there.



Here is a story on how with just a little support lives can be turned around. A lady came to Food for Life to get some food so she could get through the next couple of days. She is a single parent with 6 children, her husband passed away 2 years ago. We talked through her situation and gave her some practical help in food and budgeting, but God was working at a deeper level. She expressed how grateful she was to get the support, and in the conversation that followed she let me know that she was a Christian, but after the death of her husband had drifted away from God. We talked about that for some time, and she reconnected with God right there and then. We gave her the name of a church in her local area that she and her family could attend, then she went on her way. A couple of weeks went by, and then she came back to the house and let me know that she is attending church with her family, and that her outlook on life is full of hope.

What a great God we have! He can turn what we think is hopeless - into life. There are more stories to tell about how God is at work in people's lives in Villawood. It is exciting to see what God is doing; if you would like to be involved in what God is doing and be stretched at the same time, give the church office a call on 9750-8830.

We have some new ideas that we are thinking through. One of them is to have a cooking demonstration, showing how to cook a meal with the item from the Food for Life pantry. We would give them a recipe card - on one side it would be labelled 'food for the body', on the other side of the card 'food for the soul'. In the demonstration we explain how we need food for the body, as well as also food for the soul, and then give them practical ways to connect with God. After the demonstration we would sit and have a meal together and finish it off with a talk about how we can connect with God.

"Simply let your 'Yes' be 'Yes,' and your 'No,' 'No'; anything beyond this comes from the evil one"
(Matthew 5:37)



Paul Chang our Korean pastor is going on a **short team trip to China** in June. He will be going with a medical team to help the people of China.

Paul will be connecting with the youth and children by way of singing and creative activities, which will give him the opportunity to express God's love to them, while others of the team are dealing with the medical issues. Paul has been studying Chinese so he can communicate to the people while he is there. Paul is excited about what God is going to do while he is there.

While he is away Mr You and Paul's sister in law will be supporting the Korean congregation. Please pray for Paul that God would use him in China, and also prayer for our Korean congregation as well.