

Cell Groups at Penshurst Anglican Church

Our church calls itself a 'cell church', built upon the Biblical idea that the primary way that God's people can truly live out the Gospel is through small, intentional communities (called 'cells'). It is here where Jesus is given a far more intimate opportunity to do His work of transformation.

English-Speaking Cell Groups/	Day/time/frequency
Bart VandenHengel	Tuesday/ 7:30pm/weekly
Gaye Bishop	Tuesday/ 7:30pm/ fortnightly
Cliff Seeto	Weds / 7:30pm/ fortnightly
Megan & Jeff Powys	Thursday/ 7:30pm/ weekly
ReCharge! (University+ group)	Thursday/ 7:30pm/ weekly
PAC Youth Group	Friday/ 7:30-9:30 pm/ weekly
'The Quiet Place' prayer meeting	Sunday/7pm/weekly

If you are interested in joining one of these cells, you can either talk directly to one of the group leaders or to Bart for more guidance on which cell will fit you best. You may even want to start your own!

Sunday School:

Our Sunday School program runs during the 10:30am services, and only during school term. There are four classes available, based roughly on a child's age:

- Ages 3-5 Coordinators: Karen Fu (in upper hall classroom 1)
- Ages 6-7 Coordinator: Hua (Nancy) Feng (in basement of hall)
- Ages 8-10 Coordinator: Bart VandenHengel (in library)
- Years 11-12+ Coordinator: George Chan (in upper hall classroom 2)



Penshurst Anglican Church

2 Carrington St, Penshurst, NSW 2222

Pastors: Bart VandenHengel (English speaking congregations)

Aisen Ju (Mandarin speaking congregation)

Sunday Services: (8am) Prayer Book Service w/ Holy Communion

(10:30am) Bi-lingual Celebration service in English and Mandarin

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The Voice

Penshurst Anglican Church

We welcome you to our celebrations this morning! If you are a visitor here today, we pray that the Triune God of grace will richly meet you where you are, in the fellowship of His people here at PAC. We also invite you to make yourself known to us through the visitor forms found in the pew holders.

Parables of the Heart from Matthew 13

“ Having a Restful Heart ”



Sunday, June 1, 2014

Preaching program

New Sermon Series from Matthew 13 —

In this series, we study seven well-known parables from Matthew 13 which deal with the human heart. According to Jewish thinking, the heart is the seat of our emotional and intellectual life. All knowing, feeling, and willing were attributed to the heart by the Biblical writers.

Through these parables in Matthew 13, Jesus focused on the way the human heart responds to the Word of God's eternal Kingdom.

Sermon Series: Parables of the Heart

June 1	<i>Having a Restful Heart</i>	Hebrews 4:9-11 Matthew 13:31-32
June 8	<i>The Grace-filled Heart</i>	Psalms 108:1-5 Matthew 13:33
June 15	<i>Jesus' Greatest Treasure</i>	Psalms 8:1-9 Matthew 13:44

Two Important Committees

As we enter into the Second Term of the year, two important committees are being formed (or reformed) in order to organise and run two important church events.

* The first committee is the Church Camp Committee that will organise our camp scheduled for September 5 to 7. Several people have already committed to being in this committee, but we can certainly use more!

* The second committee is the Missions Committee which organises our annual Missions Month. Not only do we invite four mission organisations to come during the month of October and share, but on the last Saturday of October, we hold our Market Day where we raise money for a specific mission activity.

I hope many of you will join us in making these two events a great success!

10:30 Combined Worship Roster

Date	Welcome	Keys	Guitar	Drums	Vocals	Bible	Count
Jun-01	Selina, Geoff	Ruevern	Michelle, Byron	Aisen	Kat, Michelle H, Lucy, James	Michelle	Amy, Cliff
Jun-08	Andrew U., Kim	Joy	Gordon, Edwina	Michael	Sun-Jae, Kelsey, Hua, Sarah	Millie	Cliff, Tina
Jun-15	Tam, Margaret	Kat	Aisen, Bing	Joshua	Michelle L, Millie, Lucy, James	Kat	Tina, Geoff

Calendar of Upcoming Events

May 18- 6 July	Sermon Series— Parables of the Heart
Sun., June 1	Church Camp Committee Meeting (12:30pm)
Sun, June 8	Bart away at Diocesan Cursillo Weekend– Combined Service
Sun., June 15	Missions Committee Meeting (9:30am)
Sun. June 22	Fire drill (10:30am)
Sept 5-7	Church Camp at Telford in Royal National Park

Pray for Afghanistan

"When Satan fell to earth, he fell in Kabul." This saying is sadly heard all too often in Afghanistan. Life in war-torn Afghanistan is hell on earth for many of its citizens. And for Christians, it's even worse...

All Afghan Christians come from a Muslim background. If it becomes known that someone has converted to Christianity, he or she will face discrimination, hostility and severe persecution from their family, friends, community, local authorities and Muslim leaders. Due to this severe persecution, not a single official church remains in Afghanistan.

Secret believers in Afghanistan are asking Christians worldwide to join them in prayer for their country. Here are their top five prayer requests:

1. The Christians in Afghanistan form a small church. Many are not part of a network of Christians. They feel isolated, and often do not know who to trust. Pray that the underground church is able to unite and to grow.
2. Christians are extremely vulnerable. Their families feel obliged to save the family honour by forcing them to reconvert. If that does not happen, Christians can be disowned, banished, abused, kidnapped or even killed. The authorities and extremist groups form another threat to the lives of Christians.
3. As Coalition troops begin to pull out of the country, there are many scenarios of what could happen. Extremists could seize power, or the government could work together with these extremist groups. Unless God intervenes, freedom of religion does not seem probable.
4. Thank God for the many Afghans who listen to Christian radio stations or download Christian materials from the internet. Some are genuine (but isolated) believers, others are disappointed in Islam and want to know more about Jesus Christ.
5. Every year, Christians lose their life for their faith. Often, these cases go unreported, but the pain and trauma of those who are left behind are immense. Pray that God heals the families of martyrs and makes them strong so they can endure in these difficult times.

(PS— Presidential elections were held on 5 April 2014, with a second round due to be held on 14 June. Pray that this second round goes smoothly.)