

# Mainstream



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John Wooden is regarded as one of the finest basketball coaches in American College Basketball. He coached his team, UCLA, to many national championships. He has been inducted into the Basketball Hall of Fame. Basketball players from all over the country sought to join UCLA to be coached by John Wooden.

At every season-opening practice, Wooden would gather the players that he had recruited from America's best high school basketball teams and instruct them — on how to put their socks on. Imagine what these young men must have been thinking! "What, I've come to UCLA to learn how to put my socks on? This is the coach of the best basketball program in the country?" And Wooden would make very clear to them that, yes, learning to put their socks on was precisely what he was going to teach them before they bounced a ball and did a drill.

Speaking rhetorically, Wooden would ask, "You know why you gotta put your socks on in the right way? Because if you don't put your socks on properly there will be wrinkles in your socks, and wrinkles cause blisters, and you can't play with blisters."

Understanding the foundational fundamentals is very, very important. The opening chapters of Genesis are the foundational points that the 'whys' and 'hows' of the whole Bible launch from. As we begin our very exciting sermon series '**The Story**' we are starting at the very beginning with the perfection of God's creation, how it was severely tainted by man's sin and how the story begins to unfold in how God worked in history to restore the relationship with broken people like you and me.

It is an exciting beginning where we can be in awe at a merciful, compassionate and grace-filled God

**ANDREW**

## Worship With Us

Welcome to church today. If you are a visitor we offer you a special welcome. We hope you enjoy worshipping with us. Please stay for a cup of tea or coffee in the hall following the morning service.

### Today, Sunday 1st March

### Annual General Meeting

10.00 am

Andrew Tonkin

**THE STORY - Creation**

Worship Leader

Matthew Cameron

Communion Leader

Dennis Homfray

There will be a short morning tea break after the service before the AGM commences.

6.00 pm

Andrew Tonkin

Worship Leader

Joshua Cole

### Next Week, 8th March

10.00 am

Andrew Tonkin

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**THE STORY 2**

6.00 pm

**God Builds a Nation**

Our sermons are now available on the Internet. Find them at:  
[www.milduracofc.podomatic.com](http://www.milduracofc.podomatic.com)

Or you can order them on a CD.  
Fill out an order form and leave it with the Officer on Duty.  
All CDs are sold for \$3.

# Loving God - Loving People

**GODLY GENEROUS GENERATIONS GRACE GOSPEL**

## PRAYER WEEK

‘Expect great things from God. Attempt great things for God.’

*William Carey*

### PRAYER POINTS TO ENCOURAGE YOUR PRAYERS THIS WEEK

#### MONDAY

- Pray for the Leadership Team who will meet tonight. Pray that each leader will be growing in their relationship with God and each other, and that each one will fulfil their God appointed role.

#### TUESDAY

- Pray for Adventure Club tonight as ‘The Story’ is commenced. Pray that God will speak and connect with leaders and children’s heart.
- Also pray for the Bible studies that will commence ‘The Story’ tonight.

#### WEDNESDAY

- Pray for the Bible studies that will commence ‘The Story’ tonight. Also as this is Andrew’s day off, pray that it will be a refreshing one and some quality time might be spent with family.

#### THURSDAY

- Again there will be other Bible studies commencing ‘The Story’ today. Pray that all the Bible studies will have a great impact on people’s lives for God.

#### FRIDAY

- Youth Groups meet tonight. Pray for safety, a great time of fun and friendships being built, but most importantly, young people being drawn to God.



## Family News & Prayer



### Peanut Pal

Have you sent a card or a note to your Peanut Pal this year?

Please let her know you are thinking of her if you didn’t get around to sending a Christmas card or New Year’s card or just letting you know I’m thinking of you card.

### WORLD DAY OF PRAYER

Friday, 6th March

10 am

Mildura Church of Christ

“Bahamas”

All welcome

Please bring a plate of morning tea.

**Please Note:** All groups using the buildings are reminded to clean the rooms after use and tidy up after themselves. Turn the alarms on in the office and sound room if you have been working in there. Thank you.

### NEW ATTENDERS’ LUNCH

SUNDAY, MARCH 15th

12 noon

For all our newest members.

Please reply to the invitation as soon as possible for catering purposes. Phone: 5023 1201.

If you would like to come and haven’t yet received an invitation, please see Auralie or Andrew.

## YOUTH GROUPS - *FUEL*

Friday, 6th March 7.30 - 9.30pm

**XLR8** *SPLASHED*

Come prepared to get wet!  
At the Church.

**IGNITION** *SWIMMING NIGHT*

Bring your bathers and towel  
462 Walnut Avenue

### GROCERY ITEMS

We are running out of Grocery Items for our pantry cupboard. Could you please help by buying a little extra for someone in need this week? Meals in a can are a good choice, or cans of spaghetti or noodle packs where you can just add water.



## Mission Update

Dear friends in Mildura,

Thank you for your gift for my support in January. I am safe and well, in spite of recent security threats in Niger.

I am thankful that last week was a better week in terms of health teaching, after some discouragements. I hope now to get a few months of good, solid teaching in before I leave for home assignment. Although there will be no time for consolidation with the birth attendants, I hope that the foundation they do get will enable them to make some positive and helpful changes. Last week I did a lesson on foetal development, along with a lesson on Psalm 139, and the women were quite fascinated. I love that lesson too!

I trust that you will be encouraged as you serve the Lord in your situation there. I look forward to visiting sometime later in the year.

Blessings, Ruth Perkins

## EXTEND ACCOUNT

### DIRECT DEPOSITS - Mildura Church of Christ

NAB - BSB number 083764 Account Number 15423 4854

Money pledged	\$437,494
Total given so far	\$323,465

### DIRECT DEPOSITS- Church of Christ Mildura

NAB - BSB number 083-764 Account Number 51591-4637

<b>Budget Weekly Average</b>	<b>\$3,554</b>
<b>Actual Weekly Average</b>	<b>\$3,690</b>

### EXTEND OFFERING ENVELOPES

\$640 was received last Sunday in the Special Offering Envelopes.  
More envelopes are available if you would to contribute to the weekend.

### LANE SALE

A huge thank you to everyone who had anything to do with the Church Lane Sale, whether you donated goods, helped unpack the garage, collected goods, sold on the day or helped with the pack-up later.

It was a tremendous effort from everyone.

We raised over \$1600 from the day.

Thank you everyone!

## ADVENTURES SUMMIT

FRIDAY - SATURDAY, May 15-16

*"Keeping the Edges Wild"*

At Wallan Gateway Church

FRIDAY - Minsters' Day & ministers' Dinner

SATURDAY - Celebration Event & AGM

Register: 2015adventures.eventbrite.com.au

### *This Week*

Sunday	1st	9.30 am	Prayer
		7.00 pm	Ray on Radio 106.7 FM
Monday	2nd	6.30 pm	Board Tea
Tuesday	3rd	5.30 pm	Adventure Club
			(Zena Stewart & Blue Team)
Thursday	5th	1.30 pm	C.W.F.
Friday	6th	7.30 pm	Youth Groups



### **CHRISTIAN WOMEN'S FELLOWSHIP**

Meeting on 5th March

Sally Edwards (Co-Ordinator of Volunteers) from Vision Australia is coming to tell us about the Organization, some of the aids available to Vision Impaired people and Vision Australia generally.

Meet us at 1.30 pm on Thursday.

Devotions: Kaye Underwood - "I AM THE LIFE" - John 6; 25-51

Hostesses: Heather Atkins & Robyn Poole

Hope to see you there, and we will welcome any new ladies who wish to come.

**Wednesday night KYB Group with Ruth Jackson will be meeting in the Cameron Room at 7.30 pm to commence 'The Story'.**

### **NEW SWIPE CARDS**

Sometime in the next week the front door will be changed to a swipe card use only to enter.

If you have a church key and you need access to the front door, please see Robyn to obtain a swipe card.

### **DATES FOR YOUR DIARY**

March 15	New Attenders' Lunch
<b>March 21</b>	<b>Ladies' Coffee and Cake Night</b>
April 18	Prayer Retreat
April 19	Hymn Singing Afternoon
June 13/14	Leadership Weekend
June 22	Pastors' Prayer Partners' Dinner

### **NEXT WEEK, 8th March**

#### 10.00 am

Worship Leader  
Communion Leader  
Singers  
Band  
Projector/Sound  
Officer on Duty  
Welcome/Reception  
Helpers

A. Tonkin  
R. Jackson + Prayer Leader  
C. Beasy  
M. Cox, D. Mountford, J. Trewin  
N. Moritz, C. Beasy, B. Moritz, I. Fabich, I. Stewart  
J. Cole / J. Armstrong  
M. Waters  
D. Homfray / A. Eaton  
M. Straub, J. Renfree, P. Duscher, J. Booysen, H. Atkins,  
J. Wiffen, I. Cross, J. Kelly

Crèche

Cuppa

Communion Prep.

Cleaning / Grounds

R. O'Connor & A. Beasy  
G. Beruldsen, D. Ferrett, R. Brown

A. Munro

J. Cole & W. Duke / C. Beasy & P. Booysen

#### 6.00 pm

Worship Leader

Singers

Band

Projector/Sound

Officer on Duty

Reception

Crèche

A. Tonkin

S. Armstrong

M. Gardner, A. Thorne

A. Alabaster, I. Fabich, G. Stewart, C. Waters

J. Cole / J. Armstrong

M. Waters

G. Muller

M. Whitehead

A young boy once approached his father to ask,

"Dad, why does the wind blow?"

"I don't know, son."

"Dad, where do the clouds come from?"

"I'm not sure, son."

"Dad, what makes a rainbow?"

"No idea, son."

"Dad, do you mind me asking you all these questions?"

"Not at all, son. How else are you going to learn?"



*I am ready to meet my Maker.*

*Whether my Maker is prepared for the great  
ordeal of meeting me is another matter.*

*Winston Churchill*