

# Mainstream



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Did you now that in the book of Revelation Jesus is given 24 titles or names? Each one reveals to us something wonderful, incredible and beautiful about our Saviour. These 24 titles of Jesus are:

- Faithful Witness (Prophet), Rev. 1:5.
- First-born of the dead (Priest), Rev. 1:5.
- Prince of the kings of the earth (King), Rev. 1:5.
- Alpha (First, the beginning), Rev. 1:8.
- Omega (Last, the ending), Rev. 1:8.
- The Almighty, Rev. 1:8.
- He who holds seven stars in His right hand, Rev. 2:1.
- He who was dead and is alive, Rev. 2:8.
- He who has the sharp, two-edged sword, Rev. 2:12.
- He who has eyes like fire, feet like brass, Rev. 3:1.
- He who has the seven Spirits of God, Rev. 3:7.
- He who is Holy and True, Rev. 3:7.
- He who has the keys of David, Rev. 3:7.
- He who opens and shuts, Rev. 3:7.
- The Amen, Rev. 3:14.
- The beginning of the creation of God, Rev. 3:14.
- The lion of the tribe of Judah, Rev. 5:5.
- The Lamb as it had been slain, Rev. 5:5.
- The root of David, Rev. 5:5.
- Lord of lords, Rev. 17:14.
- King of kings, Rev. 17:14.
- Faithful and True, Rev. 19:11.
- The Word of God, Rev. 19:13.
- The Bright and Morning Star, Rev. 20:16.

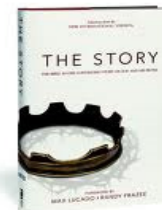
Which one speaks to you? Which title gives you encouragement and builds your hope? Jesus is more than we can ever hope for. He is everything we ever need. Jesus is our all in all.



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, 29th November

10.00 am	Andrew Tonkin
	<b>The Story 31</b>
	<b>The End of Time</b>
Worship Leader	Ruth Jackson
Communion Leader	Wayne Whitehead
6.00 pm	Andrew Tonkin
Worship Leader	Brendan Kiley
	<b>The Story 31</b>
	<b>The End of Time</b>



## Next Week, Sunday, 6th December

10.00 am	Andrew Tonkin
&	
6.00 pm	

## PRAYER WEEK

*"Don't worry about anything; instead, pray about everything. Tell God what you need, and thank Him for all He has done." Philipians 4:6*

### Time to Pray

- The church is open for prayer
- between 7-8 am Monday to Friday
- throughout the day Monday, Tuesday and Thursday

*God welcomes every prayer you speak in your head or utter with your voice. He wants you to pray about everything because He wants you to realize that He is in everything in your life." Roy Lessin*



# Loving God - Loving People

**GODLY GENEROUS GENERATIONS GRACE GOSPEL**

## Learning to Pray In Old Age

We remember that when our children left home for college or work we felt helpless and realised all we could do was pray for them. Praying for them meant that we could be with them, without being there. Isn't that a meaningful sense of prayer?

When we were younger we claimed that we prayed as we worked. Instead of saying, "Let's pray about it," we got involved. But now that we are older and life has slowed us down, reflective prayer becomes more vital. Behind the scenes we can maintain a life of prayer and inward worship. And in our hearts we can "flash a prayer" for loved ones and for God's children in the world.

We need to forget all the talk about prayer—and start praying!

We need to be as persistent as the nagging widow in Jesus' parable in Luke 18: 1-8, the widow who persisted until she was heard. Who knows? One of the most valuable ministries older people can offer may be keeping the windows of our souls open to another world.

Richard L. Morgan

## End of the World

"It's the end of the world as we know it," sang R.E.M. a few years back.

It seems that many people in this day and age get excited about the prospect of the world ending soon. Maybe because the state of the world often seems depressing and hopeless—wars, epidemics, people not caring about the environment—we would like to escape.

However, to say that the Bible speaks about us, even though it was written several thousand years ago, is dangerous at best. At the same time the Bible clearly speaks to us.

In Mark 13, Jesus talks quite extensively about the end of the world. In that process, he tells the disciples quite clearly that there will be many things that happen prior to this. He even goes so far as to say that even Jesus himself does not know the date and time. Why should we?

Instead of being concerned with the end of the world, Jesus seems more concerned with how we live in the meantime. If we try to do the will of God and follow the path of Christ, does it really matter when it all comes to conclusion?

# Family News & Prayer

- Continue to pray for Joan Ferrett, Wally Duke, Marianne Haigh  
Pray for healing for Joan as she leaves hospital.

## GROCERIES

Our Grocery cupboard is running low on items again.

Please consider purchasing something extra when you are buying groceries.

We need: Long-life milk, small cereal packets (not oats),  
cans of spaghetti, meals in a can.

## CHRISTMAS LUNCH

Natalie Moritz is cooking Christmas Lunch again this year in the Church Hall.

There are lists in the foyer for you to mark if you:  
can donate food items, can assist on Christmas Day, or would like to attend.

(Thank you to those who have already made a generous donation)

If you will be alone at Christmas time or you know of someone who would like to attend, you will be all be made most welcome.



## Peanut Pals

Our Peanut Pal night is fast approaching. Ladies, how many times have you remembered your Peanut Pal this year? Have you let her know you have been thinking about her? Do you still wish to participate?

Are there any ladies who would like to join in this year? Please see Robyn Hawtin for more information about being a Peanut Pal.

On Sunday, Robyn will be giving out sheets for you to update your Peanut Pal information records.



## YOUTH GROUPS

December 4th 7.00 pm—9.00 pm

### IGNITION & XLR8 CHRISTMAS BREAK-UP

It's the last youth Group for the year, so come along and celebrate what a great year it has been.

## Mission Update



### Please Pray That The Lord Will:

- Forge unity and co-operation in the fight against international Islamic jihad and the Islamic ascendancy, and stop repeating the errors of the past. May we put aside the ambitions, interests and hatreds that since the mid-19th Century have allowed Islam to play the West against the East.
- Shield, guide and provide for His imperilled people as the Syrian conflict escalates and intensifies around them, praying especially for remnant Armenian and Assyrian Christians in war-ravaged Aleppo.
- Protect Russian Christians and Russian churches as jihadists respond to al-Qaeda's call for retaliation against the 'Eastern Crusader'.

Please Note: All church Bank Account Numbers have now changed! When keying in BSB, it may come up with INDUE Ltd BSB, but this is correct. Please change your bank account debits as soon as possible.

\*Must Say '[Mildura Church of Christ](#)' on both accounts now. \*

Have you changed your direct deposits yet? Please do this before we close off the NAB Accounts!

**This includes the Extend Account!!**

### GENERAL ACCOUNT

**DIRECT DEPOSITS- Mildura Church of Christ**

BSB number 703-810 Account Number 05300208

### EXTEND ACCOUNT

**DIRECT DEPOSITS - Mildura Church of Christ**

BSB number 703-810 Account Number 05300270

## CHRISTMAS CARDS



For sale in the Library

\$3 for hand-made cards  
\$2 for all other cards

## ANGEL TREE

Sunday, 29th November

Gifts back by Sunday, 13th December



This year we will be buying Gifts for Meminar, Haven and the Private Hospital cancer patients.

We will also be offering some Angels for sale. These will be sold for a donation, and the money collected will be given to the Base Hospital to buy an ipad for a treatment chair.

The Base Hospital is hoping to get an ipad for each Treatment chair in its oncology ward. These ipads cost approx. \$500 each.

We'd like to help to buy one ipad, and show care for all the patients requiring cancer treatment, rather than individual gifts just for those who require treatment at Christmas time.

Thank you for your support.

## DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Friday	December 4th	Carols at Merbein
Saturday	December 5th	Community Carols in Henderson Park
Sunday	December 13th	Carols by Candlelight
Saturday	December 19th	Carols at Namma

## PIGEON HOLES

In the foyer there are some pigeon holes, where you will find, from time to time, someone has left some mail for you. Could everyone keep a check on what's in the pigeon holes as there may be a birthday card, Christmas card or note for you in them.

## PRAYER WEEK *This Week*

Sunday	29th	9.30 am	Prayer
		7.00 pm	Ray on Radio 106.7 FM
Monday	30th	7.30 pm	Board Meeting
Tuesday	1st	5.30 pm	Adventure Club Break-up
Thursday	3rd	11.30 am	C.W.F.
Friday	4th	7.00 pm	Youth Groups Break-Up
Saturday	5th	7.00 pm	Community Carols



### C.W.F.

**Thursday, 3rd December**

Unfortunately, we have had to cancel our planned trip up the Darling on the Wentworth, but we have been able to arrange a visit to the Australian Inland Botanical Gardens for lunch. We are leaving the church at 11.30 am for a train trip around the garden at 12 pm, then lunch afterwards. Cost for the day is \$15 which includes the train trip and lunch. If you have any special dietary requirements, please let Carole know by today, 29th November. Husbands will be most welcome also.

## COMMUNITY CAROLS

*In Henderson Park*

Saturday, December 5th from 7.00 pm—8.30 pm

Traditional Christmas Carols

Musical Items from local artists

Voluntary Donation

Bring your own chair and picnic.

Hosted by: Bible Society of Sunraysia



### ADVENTURE CLUB BREAK-UP

Tuesday, December 1st

5.30—7.30 pm

Cost \$3 per person

Please bring a salad or finger dessert to share.

The whole family is invited.

Dinner, games, presentations, Santa



## NEXT WEEK, 6th December

10.00 am

Worship Leader

Communion Leader

Singers

Band

Projector/Sound

Officer on Duty

Children's Church

Welcome/Reception

Helpers

Crèche

Cuppa

Communion Prep.

Cleaning / Grounds

6.00 pm

Worship Leader

Singers

Band

Projector/Sound

Officer on Duty

Reception

Café

A. Tonkin

R. Jackson

B. Eaton Prayer—W. Whitehead

A. Alabaster, D. Clark

A. Alabaster, D. Ferrett, E. Tonkin, R. Jemmeson,

J. Tonkin

P. Bekker / C. Waters

J. Kelly

S. Armstrong, A. Beasy, J. Gardner, T. Eaton, A. Thorne

D. Homfray / D. Hind

C. Meade, G. Diggle, J. Renfree, H. Atkins, D. Morrall,

C. Armstrong, J. Cooke, G. Beruldsen

M. Cox, E. Gibbs

N. Cook, E. Phillips, Z. Stewart, P. Castleman

R. Bekker

A. & B. Munro / D. Homfray, M. Cameron

A. Tonkin

I. Fabich

M. Gardner, A. Alabaster, A. Beasy

A. Alabaster, J. Waters, I. Fabich, J. Tonkin

C. Tonkin / B. Moritz

J. Kelly

C. Waters

C. Armstrong, E. Moore, B. Summers, A. Gray, A. Beasy

*The text for the Bible Study session was a verse in 11 Chronicles 36:*

*"Joachim was eight years old when he began to reign, and he reigned three months and 10 days in Jerusalem. He did what was evil in the sight of the Lord."*

*The theme: "So you think you've got troublesome kids..."*

Prayer: May you get a clean bill of health from your dentist, your cardiologist, your gastro-endocrinologist, your urologist, your proctologist, your podiatrist, your psychiatrist, your gynaecologist, your plumber and the taxman.

May your hair, your teeth, your abs and your stocks not fall; and may your blood pressure, your triglycerides, your cholesterol, your white blood count and your mortgage interest not rise.

A woman approached the minister after the sermon, and thanked him for his talk. "I found it so helpful," she said.

The minister replied: "I hope it will not prove as helpful as the last sermon you heard me preach."

"Why, what do you mean?" asked the astonished woman.

"Well," said the minister, "that sermon lasted you three months!"

Hope for the best,  
Be prepared for the worst, and  
Take what comes  
with a smile