

NEXT WEEK, 21st February 2016

10.00 am	A. Tonkin
Worship Leader	B. Moritz
Communion Leader	J. Armstrong
Singers	B. Kiley, ?
Band	R. Fox, E. Tonkin, B. Herman, B. Kiley, A. Thorne
Projector/Sound	A. Kiley / C. Waters
Officer on Duty	R. Jackson
Children's Church	TBA
Welcome/Reception	J. Cooke / A. Eaton
Helpers	W. Duke, C. Meade, P. Duscher, J. Booysen, J. Wiffen, M. King, W. Whitehead, J. Cox
Crèche	L. Homfray & E. Gibbs
Cuppa	K. Underwood, M. Cox, L-M. Cox, E. Phillips
Communion Prep.	A. Munro
Cleaning / Grounds	R. Jackson & C. Armstrong / W. Duke & R. Barthelson
6.00 pm	A. Tonkin
Worship Leader	J. Cole Prayer Leader A. Tonkin
Singers	S. Armstrong, A. Thorne, K. Kiley
Band	B. Janetzki, J. Waters, A. Thorne, G. Stewart, I. Stewart
Projector/Sound	T. McGinty / C. Waters
Officer on Duty	R. Jackson
Reception	A. Munro

A husband shopping centre was opened, where a woman could choose a husband from a wide selection of men.

It was laid out on five floors, with the men increasing in positive attributes as you ascended the floors. The only rules were that once you opened the door to any floor, you must choose a man from that floor. And if you went up a floor, you couldn't go back down, except to leave the place.

So, a couple of girlfriends go to the shopping centre to find a husband.

First floor: The door has a sign saying, "These men have jobs and love kids." The women read the sign and say, "Well, that's better than not having jobs or not loving kids, but let's see what's further up." And up they go.

Second floor: "These men have high paying jobs, love kids and are extremely good looking." "Hmmm", say the girls. "But, what's further up?"

Third floor: "These men have high paying jobs, are extremely good looking, love kids, and help with the housework."

"Wow!" say the women. "Very tempting, but there's more further up!"

And so again, up they go.

Fourth floor: "These men have high paying jobs, love kids, are extremely good looking, help with the housework and have a strong romantic streak."

"Oh, wow!" they exclaim. "But, just think what must be awaiting us further on!"

So, up to the fifth floor they go. The sign on the door says: "This is just to prove that women are impossible to please. Thank you for shopping and have a nice day."



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14th February, 2016

What's Your Vision?

When problems arise, our vision is often the first thing to hit the chopping block. That's because we don't see life the way it is, we see life the way we are. The Bible says: 'Where there is no vision the people perish'. When God gives you a vision for your life, you begin to see things as He sees them. Moses 'saw' the Promised Land when everybody around him saw only wilderness, wanted to give up and return to Egypt. And He understood that he'd get there on God's schedule, according to God's plan, one step at a time. Many tasks seem overwhelming when you look only at their size. But when you break them down into small steps and visualise yourself taking the first step, you're amazed at your progress. You can do something for a day you wouldn't commit to doing for a month; ask any recovering addict!

One Christian leader says: 'Vision, like courage and discipline, is a trait that can be developed by anyone willing to work hard at making it part of their everyday life.' The poet wrote; 'Two men looked through prison bars, one saw mud, the other stars.' What do you 'see' in your future? Do you think God's just going to drop success into your lap? No, you must energise your vision through faith and give it momentum through hard work! The Scriptures say, 'We have the mind of Christ'. What an advantage! Jesus told his disciples, 'Launch out into the deep' as God's child, the world's limitations don't control your supply! So, what's your vision?

*Bob & Debby Glass
The Word For Today*



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, 14th February, 2016

10.00 am Joshua Cole
Worship Leader Isaac Fabich
Communion Leader Dennis Homfray

THE CHURCH Where's Jesus?

Reading Luke 2: 41-52

6.00 pm Joshua Cole
Worship Leader Isaac Fabich

Next Week, Sunday, 21st February

10.00 am Andrew Tonkin
& **THE CHURCH**
6.00 pm **Unstoppable**

Luke 2: 41-50

Every year his parents went to Jerusalem for the Feast of the Passover. When he was twelve years old, they went up to the Feast, according to the custom. After the Feast was over, while his parents were returning home, the boy Jesus stayed behind in Jerusalem, but they were unaware of it.

Thinking he was in their company, they travelled on for a day. Then they began looking for him among their relatives and friends. When they did not find him, they went back to Jerusalem to look for him. After three days they found him in the temple courts, sitting among the teachers, listening to them and asking them questions. Everyone who heard him was amazed at his understanding and his answers. When his parents saw him, they were astonished. His mother said to him, "Son, why have you treated us like this? Your father and I have been anxiously searching for you. "Why were you searching for me?" he asked. "Didn't you know I had to be in my Father's house?" But they did not understand what he was saying to them.

Loving God - Loving People

GODLY GENEROUS GENERATIONS GRACE GOSPEL

This Week

Sunday	14th	9.30 am	Prayer
Monday	15th	10.15 am	Aged Care
		7.30 pm	W.I.G.S.
		Prayer Celebration Service cancelled	
Tuesday	16th	5.30 pm	Adventure Club
		7.00 pm	Billy Graham Course
Wednesday	17th	11.00 am	Prayer Sunraysia
Thursday	18th	7.00 pm	Billy Graham Course
Friday	19th	1.00 pm	Admin Meeting
		7.00 pm	Youth Groups



Come Together Sunraysia

Christian Life and Witness Course

Tuesday, 16th & Thursday, 18th February



10.00 am
Mildura Church of Christ

7.00 pm Youth Sessions
Mildura Christian School

7.00 pm
Henderson College

Dates for 2016

February 27	Vision Summit with Ted Keating
March 4	World Day of Prayer
March 6	Commence two morning services
March 7	Church Annual General Meeting
March 25	Good Friday
March 27	Easter Sunday
April 2	Hall & Lane Sale
April 28	Billy Graham Evangelistic Crusades commence
May 21	Ladies' Day
June 4	Leadership Weekend with Graham Agnew

GROCERIES

Our sermons are now available on the Internet. Find them at: www.milduracofc.podomatic.com or join our Facebook page.

Or you can order them on a CD. Fill out an order form and leave it with the Officer on Duty. \$3 each

We are desperately in need of some more groceries Please. Next time you are grocery shopping, please pick up some extras and leave them at the church.

We'd appreciate:

Noodles, spaghetti, meals in a can, milk and small cereals

Pushpay

Pushpay is designed to simplify everyday giving for anyone with a computer or Smartphone. Load your banking information, debit or credit card once, and make payments with security and ease!

From your computer log on to <https://pushpay.com> or from your Smartphone search "Pushpay" in the App Store and download the app for free.

You will be walked through steps that will download your bank or card information and you will also choose a 4 digit security code. After registering you can give online quickly and easily. You simply choose Mildura Church of Christ and our profile will come up. You first enter the amount to give, choose the reference, decide on recurring gifts, enter your emailing address, then press Give and enter your password or code...and you're done.

Pushpay can be easily used to make donations to the church, to Extend, to Missions, to guest speakers and even to pay for your meal on Café Night.

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

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

Monday, March, 7th at 7.30 pm

Elections

Nominations are due for: Elders (Any number)
Deacon for Children's Ministry
Deacon for Connect Groups
Treasurer
Secretary

Notices of Motion are due:

Please see Auralie or one of the Elders if you wish to nominate a member or present a notice of motion

Thank you to all who wrote reports.

The AGM Booklet will be ready for you next week.

Voting will take place on Sundays 28th February and March 6th.



**Sunraysia Prayer
Come Together—Billy Graham**

Wednesday, 17th February

11.00 am—12 noon

In the Mansell Room, Chivell House

VISION SUMMIT

**Saturday, 27th February
9.00 am**

Please register for a ministry area

Worship Ministry
Youth Ministry
Seniors' Ministry
Pastoral Care

Personal Spirituality
Children's Ministry
Mission / Outreach
Women's Ministry



Family News & Prayer



- Continue to pray for Marianne Haigh, Peter Midgley, Bill King and Samantha Armstrong
- Sadly, Des Hammond passed away last Saturday, 6th February. A funeral service was held for Des on Friday, led by Doug Clark.

Words of encouragement from Billy Graham

"A Christian grows when he prays...The person who waits to pray until he feels like it will never pray. The devil will see to that. The Bible says you are to pray without ceasing. That means that you can be in a spirit of prayer while driving the car, walking down the street, working in the office, or wherever you may be. Every Christian should have a quiet time alone with God every day. Your spiritual life will never be much without it. Prayers should be filled with praise to God, with thanksgiving for all the wonderful things He has done.

Self-examination should be in your prayers, as you confess shortcomings. God is interested in hearing your personal requests, no matter how small. You should seek guidance in prayer. An important thing to remember is that you should pray that God's will be done and not your will. People make mistakes. God doesn't...Learn the secret of prayer. Christ's prayer life was one of the most amazing and impressive features of His earthly ministry. He prayed with His disciples. He prayed in secret. Sometimes He spent all night in prayer. If He, the sinless Son of God, could not live His earthly life without constant fellowship with God, can you?"

SHARE GROUP

Saturday, 20th February at 2.00 pm
In the Clark Room in Chivell House

Let's start off the year with a get-together where each person tells everyone about some little event from their past that is important to them. Please bring afternoon tea to share.



Mission Update



One of the most disheartening situations I have faced in rural communities is witnessing children as young as six walking long distances (sometimes 4 km) to fetch contaminated water for their families. It pains me to watch children carry 20litre buckets on their heads very early in the morning to provide for their families. They then walk to poorly resourced schools, even more kilometres away. It often leaves me wondering how these children are expected to concentrate in class considering their fatigue.

Two boys are beneficiaries of one of the six boreholes drilled and installed recently by Showers of Blessings. Since an installation of a borehole 200m from their home, there is no longer any need for the boys to wake up early to travel long distances. Through Showers of Blessing, safe water has been brought to them! It should be normal for children to wake up, go to school, meet with friends, play, learn and just enjoy their childhood. What is normal for those in rural communities (in Zimbabwe) is waking up confronted with many problems, which they are expected to solve.

Boniface Mpofu—Zimbabwe



FUEL YOUTH

Friday night 7.00—9.00 pm

19th February

XLR8 & IGNITION

Slip and Slide Night
\$3

