

SATURDAY, APRIL 13th

LANE SALE

**It's On Again!
Our Annual Trash and Treasure
Fund Raiser**

Start searching your cupboards and sheds
Box up all your unwanted items
Put them aside for collection
Books, furniture, electrical items in working
order, tools, kitchen ware, crockery,
glassware, records, DVDs, linen, craft, art,
toys
NO televisions please!



**We need your help during the
school holidays**

***NEXT SATURDAY,
MARCH 16th***



PRAYER RETREAT

*With
Kerry and
Paul Parry*

*In Andrew and Kylie Tonkin's Garden
7 Cyprus Avenue, Merbein*

*9.00 am - 3.30 pm
From the church
9.30 am start*

**"Come near to God and He will
come near to you..."
James 4: 8**





Family News & Prayer



- * Dorothy and Alwyn Hind will celebrate their 60th wedding Anniversary this Thursday, 14th March. We give them our congratulations and wish them a wonderful day as they celebrate with family.
- * A Special Happy Birthday to Brett Whitehead who celebrates his 40th Birthday on Tuesday, 12th March.
- * Be in prayer for Claire Foster as she recovers from a triple bi-pass operation in Adelaide after a heart attack last Friday.
- * Pray also for Edith Giddings and Matthew Eaton as they undergo surgery this week.
- * Praise God for the improvement in Rhyan Nicholson's medication that gives him more pain-free movement.

PRAYER RETREAT

Next Saturday, 16th March

Have you remembered to put your name down on the sheet in the foyer?

Bring a Bible, pen and notebook and chair.

If you would like a ride, meet at the church at 9.00 am.

Retreat at Tonkin's commences at 9.30 am and finishes at 3.00 pm

Includes morning tea and lunch.

EXTEND

Today is the Church Leaders' Pledge Commitment Sunday.

Next Sunday, March 17th is the day we hope you will make your financial pledge for the coming three years.

March 24th is Celebration Sunday when we reveal to the Church the combined total of our pledges.

FUEL Youth

Friday 15th March 7.30 - 9.30 pm

IGNITION

Ninja Night

Games and fun in a Ninja Theme

XLR8

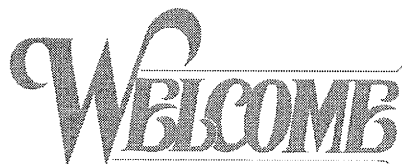
Chalk Chase

Race around town in teams.

Mission Update

ACCIM Prayer - March

- The ministry of the church at Dareton encompasses a wide range of people. Pray for John and Ruth Saulo in their ministry today.
- This week preparations are finalized for the first meeting for the future shape of indigenous ministry in Churches of Christ.
- Pray for the new indigenous reference group as it meets for the first time and as they seek God's direction and begin to shape the future.
- Pray for the service held in Hedland today. Pray that this time is encouraging and engaging for all worshippers as Luke and Natarsha Bell lead.
- The Hedland Aboriginal Church of Christ opens the doors of its Drop in Centre this month. Pray that this place is an open doorway between the lost and found.
- Pray that the Drop in Centre leads to strong relationships between the church and corrective services.
- Thank God for families in Hedland wanting to dedicate their children and those who are asking questions about baptism.
- Give thanks to God for the spirit of unity about recognizing indigenous people in the Australian Constitution - it is an important step to take.
- Many urban indigenous people struggle with addictions, unemployment and homelessness. Pray for breakthroughs and for the compassion and love of God to be real.
- Many Australian indigenous people have limited access to health care. Pray for the health workers and that more resources will be available in the future.



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 following the morning service.

Today, Sunday 10th March

10.00 am

Andrew Tonkin

"EXTEND - A Spirit of Gratitude"

Worship Leader

Beth Giddings

Communion Leader

Michael Waters

Reading

Acts 16: 22-34

6.00 pm

Andrew Tonkin

"EXTEND - A Spirit of Gratitude"

Worship Leader

Natalie Moritz

Communion Leader

Lee Thomas

Next Week, Sunday, 17th March

10.00 am

Andrew Tonkin

&

"A Spirit of Victory"

6.00 pm

EXTEND

Acts 16: 27-34

The jailer woke up, and when he saw the prison doors open, he drew his sword and was about to kill himself because he thought the prisoners had escaped. But Paul shouted, "Don't harm yourself! We are all here!" The jailer called for lights, rushed in and fell trembling before Paul and Silas. He then brought them out and asked, "Sirs, what must I do to be saved?" They replied, "Believe in the Lord Jesus, and you will be saved - you and your household." Then they spoke the word of the Lord to him and to all the others in his house. At that hour of the night the jailer took them and washed their wounds; then immediately he and all his family were baptized. The jailer brought them into his house and set a meal before them; he was filled with joy because he had come to believe in God - he and his whole family.

Loving God - Loving People

GODLY GENEROUS GENERATIONS GRACE GOSPEL

This Week

Sunday	10th	9.30 am	Prayer
		7.30 pm	Ray on Radio 106.7 FM
Monday	11th	11.00 am	NO Craft Group
		7.30 pm	Elders' Meeting
Tuesday	12th	5.30 pm	Adventure Club
Friday	15th	7.30 pm	Youth Groups
Saturday	16th	9 / 9.30 am	Prayer Retreat



MARCH

Craft Group

Monday, 11th March. There will be no get-together for the Craft Group on Monday, due to the holiday weekend.

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY 2013

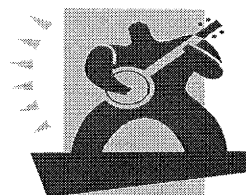
March	16	Prayer Retreat
	17	Commitment Sunday
	24	Extend Celebration
	29	Good Friday
	31	Easter Sunday
April	10	Mystery Bus Tour
	13	Lane Sale

SHARE GROUP

Saturday, 23rd March
2 pm at the church

Paul Baker

Paul is a professional banjo player and he is here to entertain us. Bring some afternoon tea to share.



FAFFS

Saturday, 23rd March

A night at the Cinema
Supper at John and Janette Cooke's

We'll see what's on during the week and at a suitable time for us.



Next Week 17th March

<u>10.00 am</u>	A. Tonkin	Prayer Leader
Worship Leader	M. Cameron	
Communion Leader	D. Clark	
Children's Church	J. Cooke	
Singers	K. Tonkin, R. Jackson	
Band	?	
Projector/ Sound	J. Cole / C. Waters	
Officer on Duty	M. Waters	
Welcome/Reception	N. Underwood	
Helpers	G. Beruldsen, J. Rosenberg, J. Wiffen, P. Wiffen, J. Booyesen, volunteer, C. Beasy (reader), N. Cook	
Crèche	C. Waters	
Cuppa	J. Bradford, K. Underwood	
Communion Prep.	C. Waters	
Flowers / Cleaning	M. Straub / R. Hawtin & P. Leng	
Grounds	M. Cameron, N. Underwood	
<u>6.00 pm</u>	A. Tonkin	
Worship Leader	B. Moritz	
Communion Leader	J. Cole	
Singers	N. Moritz, A. Christian	
Band	M. Burrow, J. Waters, B. Kiley, J. Tonkin	
Projector / Sound	J. Corrie / C. Waters	
Reception	G. Muller	
Helpers	Volunteers	
Crèche	J. Kelly	

Two men were shipwrecked on a desert island. One was a church-goer and the other wasn't. The minute they arrived on the island, the non church-goer began screaming and yelling, "We're going to die! There's no food! No water! We're going to die!"

The other man was calmly propped against a palm tree, which drove the other guy crazy. "Don't you understand? We're going to die! What's wrong with you?"

"You don't understand," said the church-goer, "I make one hundred thousand dollars a week."

"What difference does that make?" asked the non church-goer. "We're on a desert island. We're going to die."

The church-goer smiled. "You just don't get it. I make one hundred thousand dollars a week, and I tithe. My pastor will find me!"



Mainstream

MILDURA CHURCH OF CHRIST



Church Office:
Cnr Deakin Ave.
& Tenth St.
Box 2797
MILDURA
3502
Ph. 5023 1201

Minister:
Andrew Tonkin

10th March 2013

"THANK YOU"

These are two of the most important words a person can ever say. But do you say it enough?

Would you consider yourself a thankful person? Do you take time to regularly thank your loved ones? Do you make sure you thank your friends? Are you truly grateful for all the incredible blessings God continuously brings into your life?

1Thessalonians 5:18 says, "*Be thankful in all circumstances, for this is God's will for you.*"

God's will for us as Christ followers is that we are thankful in all circumstances. People often ask me what God's will for their life is. Well, here is one of the best places to start seeing God's will fulfilled in your life – simply be **thankful**.

The bottom line is that we all have so much to be thankful for. In particular we should be thankful for Jesus and the fact that he gave himself for us on the cross to redeem us from sin and give us eternal life. If that was all God ever did for you it should be enough to cause us to be overflowing with gratitude for the rest of our life.

ANDREW