

<u>Next Week 1st September</u>	
<u>10.00 am</u>	J. Cole
Worship Leader	M. Cameron
Communion Leader	W. Whitehead + Prayer Leader
Children's Church	M. Straub
Singers	R. Jackson
Band	A. Alabaster, A. Tonkin, B. Moritz, R. Fox
Projector/ Sound	P. Bekker / C. Waters
Officer on Duty	J. Kelly
Welcome/Reception	D. Shields / M. Butler
Helpers	M. Cox, C. Meade, J. Booysen, J. Wiffen, P. Leng, L. Arnold, N. Underwood (reader), H. Atkins
Crèche	R. Bekker
Cuppa	B. Eaton, K. Underwood
Communion Prep.	R. Bekker
Flowers / Cleaning	A. Munro / R. Hawtin
Grounds	D. Homfray, P. Booysen
<u>6.00 pm</u>	J. Cole
Worship Leader	B. Moritz
Communion Leader	S. Thomas
Singers	M. Gardner
Band	N. Moritz, I. Fabich, B. Kiley, I. Stewart
Project / Sound	C. Waters / TBA / P. Norris
Officer on Duty	J. Kelly
Reception	A. Munro
Crèche	R. Fox

Pew-Sitters Come Forward

According to a not-so-scientific study, here are some reasons to sit at the front of the church:

1. Statistics show that the front of the church is safest in the event of a disaster.
2. You only have to comb the back of your hair and iron the back of your shirt.
3. It's an ideal place to keep from seeing how your teens behave in the back.
4. You want to justify the feeling you've always had that everyone's looking at you.
5. It's easier not to be seen passing the offering plate by.
6. You can keep a practised eye on the singers' hair colour and styles.
7. There's still a lot of padding in these seats since they're almost like new.
8. No-one will hear your stomach grumble as lunchtime approaches.
9. You actually love worshipping God and feeding on His Word!

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25th August, 2013

Today we are very blessed to have two special guests sharing with us.

In our morning service we have Leonie Wright. Leonie and her husband Rick are the Senior Pastors of the Kardinia Christian Church, one of the largest Churches of Christ congregations in Victoria. Leonie was the guest speaker at our Ladies' Day yesterday.

In our evening service we have Adrian Turner from Compassion Australia.

Compassion is a Christian mission/aid ministry that works with some of the world's poorest people, particularly children. What a great blessing to hear what Compassion is doing today to help bring hope to hurting people in the name of Jesus.

I love it when we have special guests. And no, it is not so I can have a weekend off! Special guests bring a fresh word that can really invigorate a Church. Special guests are sometimes able to address things that a regular preacher cannot, as well as in different ways from a different perspective. Special guests are able to enrich a Church and that is exactly what I know will happen today.

So we welcome both Leonie and Adrian and receive the word that they bring to us with gratitude. And please keep them and their ministries in your prayers as they continue to work for the Kingdom and bring glory to our wonderful Saviour Jesus.

ANDREW

Welcome

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 25th August

10.00 am

Leonie Wright

Ladies' Day Guest Speaker

Worship Leader

Brendan Moritz

Communion Leader

Dennis Homfray

Reading

Janice Renfree

6.00 pm

Adrian Turner

Guest Speaker - Compassion Australia

Worship Leader

Natalie Moritz

Communion Leader

Robyn Hawtin

Next Week, Sunday, 1st September

10.00 am

Joshua Cole

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6.00 pm

"If you are like me, your life does not always seem full of 'love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, generosity, faithfulness, gentleness and self-control.' Rather, you have your problems and I have mine. Unfortunately, as members of the body of Christ, we sometimes must put on our game faces and go on. Deep in the dark night of the soul, however, we know that we need more of God than we ever manage to shoehorn into our lives. Thus we need the disciplines of the Spirit and the spiritual life just like we need the four major food groups to survive and to thrive."

David Neil Mosser - The Minister's Annual Manual

Loving God - Loving People

GODLY GENEROUS GENERATIONS GRACE GOSPEL

This Week

Sunday	25th	9.30 am	Prayer
		7.30 pm	Ray on Radio 106.7FM
Monday	26th	11 am	Craft Group
		7.30 pm	Board Meeting
Tuesday	27th	5.30 pm	Adventure Club
		8.00 pm	Dreaming Day
Sunday	1st	4.00 pm	Youth Groups



AUGUST

Adventure Club Kitchen

August 27

Bec & Red Team

Dates for your Diary

August 27th	Dreaming Day
October 11	Hall's Gap Camp
October 21	Conference Meeting

Hall's Gap Women's Retreat

*"Refresh My Heart, Lord
Renew My Love"*
Friday, 11th - Sunday, 13th October
Norval House
Grampians Road, Hall's Gap
Guest Speaker - Merrill Kitchen
2013 Committee - Red Cliffs Church of
Christ ladies
Full fee = \$160
See the notice board for registrations

EXTEND ACCOUNT

DIRECT DEPOSITS - Mildura Church of Christ

NAB - BSB number 083764 Account Number 15423 4854

Promised Amount \$437,494.45

Amount Banked \$106,029.30

DIRECT DEPOSITS- Church of Christ Mildura

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

Budget Weekly Average \$3,519

Actual Weekly Average \$3,130

Faith Promise for Missions

Promised 1.1.2013

\$3,140

Banked \$2,841



Family News & Prayer



- * Congratulations to Karen and Mark Sutherland on the safe arrival of Audrey Jean born on Wednesday, 14th August, a sister for Isla. Another grand- child for Robyn and John Hawtin and sixth great grand-child for Florrie Hawtin.
- * Our sympathy is extended to Cathy Mitchell on the death of her grandmother, Gwenneth Mitchell on Monday, August 19th. Our prayers and thoughts are with her and her family.
- * Well done to Gwentyth Curtis on her wonderful cooking, receiving a first, second and third place at the recent Vanilla Slice Competition in Merbein. Her prizes were not for vanilla slices though, they were for a sunmuscat slice, plum pudding and sultana muffins.

Rosters

Carolyn is now working on the rosters for October, November, December. The list is in the foyer for you to list any absences if you are going to be away during that time.

ADVENTURE CLUB DREAMING NIGHT

Tuesday, August 27th - 8.00 pm

We're looking for some great ideas that will help grow Adventure Club and set it up for the future. Come for a night of dreaming and brainstorming. All Welcome Includes Supper

SAMARITAN'S PURSE

It's that time again when we start looking for small gifts to put into our shoe boxes for Operation Christmas Child with Samaritan's Purse. We have plenty of boxes for you to fill and labels for you to remember the 'Six Somethings' to put into your boxes.

-Something to Wear, Something to Love, Something Special, Something for School, Something to Play with, Something for Personal Hygiene.

There is a list of ideas in the brochure that you can pick up, to let you know how to pack and what not to put in the boxes. Any further information, please contact Robyn.

Again this year, if you would rather not pack a box but would like to contribute to either the postage or purchase of boxes, then Robyn will gladly accept whatever you can give towards our Church's boxes. Also, if you can knit or sew, there are patterns for beanies, shorts, skirts or t-shirts and they can go towards someone's boxes if you felt that you can help in that way.

Thank you in anticipation and may you be blessed as you bless these children with Christmas boxes.

Youth Groups
Friday, September 1st,
4.00 - 8.00 pm

IGNITION & XLR8

Church Invasion

Activities before church, including Sumo fights, video games, table tennis, a free barbecue dinner and lots more.

An awesome church service to follow.

Mission Update

Indian Women Beaten

Five Gospel For Asia Women's Fellowship Leaders have been beaten by a man in the Andhra Pradesh region of India while sharing about the love of Jesus in a public marketplace. Amazingly spared, they retreated to safety, thanking God for the honour of suffering for his sake. The women had been sharing with store owners and shoppers when one man demanded to know what they were doing. The assault began with a powerful slap to the face of one woman and continues to the others, one of whom was isolated and surrounded by five men. 'Jesus promised persecuting and hardships,' said Daniel Punnose, vice-president of GFA. 'These young ladies see it worth facing the beatings in order to share the love of Christ.' The women, were beaten on their faces, ears and heads. All report that no bystanders came to their defence during the ordeal, and that they miraculously escaped from their multiple attackers and were delivered from further harm.

GFA- sponsored Women's Fellowships are intentional ministries across South Asia for women reaching women with the love of Christ in cultures where men are severely limited in ministering to women. Local Women's Fellowships are often nurtured by one of 2,000 GFA-sponsored women missionaries.

Special prayer is requested for the women attacked in Andhra Pradesh, India, and for all the women missionaries and leaders of Women's Fellowships who work in cultures where women endure cultural oppression and degradation. 'When we see young women publicly beaten for their faith, it tells us what the future holds in regards to persecution,' said Punnose. 'Things will get worse, but the Lord is faithful in all things.'

-Gospel For Asia Press Release via ASSIST News Service