

Sunday, 2nd March 2014

<u>10.00 am</u>	A. Tonkin
Worship Leader	J. Cole
Communion Leader	M. Cameron Prayer Leader - H. Atkins
Children's Church	J. Cooke
Singers	D. Shields, M. Cameron, R. Jackson
Band	J. Waters, I. Fabich
Projector / Sound	P. Bekker / C. Waters
Officer on Duty	A. Munro
Welcome/Reception	D. Morrall / M. Butler
Helpers	G. Beruldsen, P. Duscher, L. Biggs, J. Booysen, H. Atkins, J. Wiffen, C. Meade -reader, J. Bradford
Crèche	J. Kelly
Cuppa	D. & J. Ferrett, J. Purcell
Communion Prep.	R. Bekker
Flowers / Cleaning	M. Straub / R. Jackson & C. Armstrong
Grounds	C. Beasy & D. Homfray
<u>6.00 pm</u>	A. Tonkin
Worship Leader	?
Communion Leader	J. Cole
Singers	N. Moritz, S. Armstrong
Band	J. Waters, I. Fabich, B. Moritz, I. Stewart
Projector / Sound	T. Eaton / P. Norris
Officer on Duty	A. Munro
Reception	G. Muller
Crèche	M. Gellert

OLD AGE

At the church's Golden-Agers banquet, the following was shared by Sister Bertha. She began her piece by saying, "You can tell you're getting older and heading towards the sweet bye and bye when ..."

You sit in a rocking chair and can't get it going.
You burn the midnight oil after 8 p.m.
You look forward to a dull evening.
Your knees buckle and your belt won't.
Your back goes out more than you do.
You decide to procrastinate and never get around to it.
You walk with your head held high, trying to get used to your bifocals.
You sink your teeth into a steak and they stay there.



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23rd February, 2014

A church A.G.M. is a funny sort of thing. It can often be so formal, with all the voting, carefully worded Notices of Motion with opportunity to speak for and against the motion and ensuring correct business procedures are followed. Almost everything we do as a church is very relational and informal, so an A.G.M. can seem quite foreign in comparison.

But it is important that we conduct proper business sessions when required, and it is important that members of a church take the time to take an active part in their A.G.M. Some very important decisions are made at an A.G.M. This year we are voting on the new budget, the decision to go ahead with the building plans and the decision to extend my ministry by another 5 years. None of these are small decisions. Each of them impacts greatly on the future of our church.

We are not a Church that is run by a small group of directors. The minister or Elders are not the ones to make final decisions on big issues facing the Church. We are a church that highly values the principal of the 'Priesthood of all Believers'. We are a church where every single member matters and where every single member is invited to participate in significant decisions that shape our church's future.

Thank you for the prayerful consideration you have put into the voting process. Thank you to those who have asked questions and taken an active interest in the notices of motion and in those standing for various leadership positions. As we enter a new 'church year' please continue to pray for ministry and mission of the Mildura Church of Christ, that we will continue to bear good fruit and honour the name of Jesus in all we do in our desire to Love God and Love People.

ANDREW TONKIN

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 23rd February

10.00am

Andrew Tonkin

THE GOSPEL OF MARK

“A Friend of Sinners”

Worship Leader

Ruth Jackson

Communion Leader

Michael Waters

Reading

Mark 2: 13-17

Our Annual General Meeting will follow after a short morning tea break.

6.00 pm

Andrew Tonkin

THE GOSPEL OF MARK

Worship Leader

Joshua Cole

Communion Leader

Robyn Hawtin

Next Week, Sunday, 2nd March

10.00 am

Andrew Tonkin

&

THE GOSPEL OF MARK

6.00 pm

“Twelve Ordinary Men”

Mark 2: 13-17

After John was put in prison, Jesus went into Galilee, proclaiming the good news of God. “The time has come,” he said. “The kingdom of God is near. Repent and believe the good news!”

As Jesus walked beside the Sea of Galilee, he saw Simon and his brother Andrew casting a net into the lake, for they were fishermen. “Come, follow me,” Jesus said, “and I will make you fishers of men.” At once they left their nets and followed him.

When he had gone a little farther, he saw James son of Zebedee and his brother John in a boat, preparing their nets. Without delay he called them, and they left their father Zebedee in the boat with the hired men and followed him.

Loving God - Loving People

GODLY GENEROUS GENERATIONS GRACE GOSPEL

This Week

Sunday	23rd	9.30 am	Prayer
		7.30 pm	Ray on Radio 106.7FM
Monday	24th	11.00 am	Craft
		6.30 pm	Board Tea
Tuesday	25th	5.30 pm	Adventure Club
Thursday	26th	12noon	Meet And Eat
Friday	28th	7.30 pm	Youth Groups

FEBRUARY

Dates for your Diary

March	29	Prayer Retreat
April	6	Hymn Singing
April 7,9,11		Children's Holiday Program
	18	Good Friday
	20	Easter Sunday

Remember that when you leave this earth, you can take with you nothing that you have received ...but only what you have given: a full heart, enriched by honest service, love, sacrifice, and courage.

-St. Francis of Assisi

Meet And Eat

Thursday 26th February
12 noon

Jenny's Coffee Lounge
In the Mall, Langtree Avenue



All welcome to join in this time of fellowship.

POSITIONS VACANT

For R. E. Classes
A helper in the lower grades
And an emergency teacher

Friday mornings 8.45 am to 9.15 am.



Commence at the
Ranfurly School
On Friday, 7th March

Training available.

For Jesus, the practice of faith was a public affair. He told his followers, “You are the salt of the earth. You are the light of the world.” His followers were capable of changing the whole world. And he knew that the only way anyone would know Christ was through the words and deeds of those who continued his work after he was gone. And so his words apply to us, “Let your light so shine ... Practice your righteousness before others.”

MEN'S GROUP COMMENCING SOON!

BLOKES INTO GOD

After a meeting held this week, it was decided that a men's group would be established, called BIG - Blokes Into God. Functions will be organised on a rough monthly schedule. Days will not be set but will vary over most days of the week. Some of the functions will include field trips, boat rides, breakfasts with guest speakers and men's health nights with a difference.

Schedule over the next 3 months to get into your calendar include:

Monday March 10th - Rehabilitating Pumps and Wetlands

Psyche Pumps and Wetland

10 am - 2 pm, including bbq lunch.

Gold coin donation to the Pumps.

Wednesday April 9th - Cruising on the MV Wentworth

Departing Wentworth Wharf

6.30 - 8.30 pm includes fish & chops meal

\$25 each

Saturday May 10th - 4X4 Hattah Lakes Tour

Follow the Leader

10 am depart from Church

5.00 pm Return

Bring your own 4X4 or find a friend with one.

Donations to Church Building Fund

A list will be put up in the church Foyer, so please put your name down if interested., or see Noel Underwood, Wayne Whitehead, Mathew Cameron or Peter Kelly for more details.

B.I.G.

CHURCH

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

**Sunday, 23rd February
11.30 am after Morning Service**

Nominations were received for Elder, Deacon and Officer positions

Elders - Ruth Jackson and Brendan Moritz

Deacons - Jon Armstrong and Sam Armstrong

Officers - Auralie Munro and Heather Atkins

Two Notices of Motion were received from the Elders:

1. "The Elders seek the formal approval of the Church to proceed with the construction of the building extensions in line with the proposed plans."
2. "That we seek to extend the ministry of Andrew Tonkin until the end of the year 2019 i.e. another 5 years."

Church Lunch

Today in the Hall

Following the Annual General Meeting

Please bring a savoury and sweet to share

All welcome



Family News

& Prayer

- * Congratulations to Jenni Clarke who celebrated her 60th Birthday last Wednesday, 19th February
- * Congratulations also to Wayne Whitehead who celebrated his 70th Birthday on Thursday, 20th February.
- * Our sincere sympathy to Gil and Betty Handasyde on the sudden death of their son Alan last Monday. Pray for God's blessing for Gil and Betty and family as they travel to Alan's funeral on Wednesday.
- * Craig Beasy has two new phone numbers: Home - 5021 4373
Mobile - 0435 609115

You can now listen to the sermons on pod cast.

The link is:

<http://milduracofc.podomatic.com/>

Attention all ladies:

Are you wondering who your Peanut Pal is this year? Have you had to ask someone to point her out and hope that who you are asking, isn't your Peanut Pal? We have so many new ladies involved with our Peanut Pal program, and some go to morning worship and some to evening worship, and so don't get to meet them or know what they look like. Are you new to the church and would like to put a face to a name? Even if you are not a Peanut Pal and would like to get to know the people from your church who worship at the other service, then keep Monday, 17th March free. We are going to have a 'Getting to Know You' for all the ladies in the church. If you would like to put a face to your Peanut Pal, or a face to some of the ladies who are in leadership in the church, or who just run one of the groups around the place, then please come and be prepared to just say something about yourself in a minute. It should be a great night. If you could RSVP to Robyn Hawtin, as we would like to cater for supper, by the 10th March, please. We hope to see you there.

YOUTH GROUPS

Friday Night 28th February 7.30 - 9.30 pm

IGNITION - for years 5 - 8

Couch Potato

A Scavenger Hunt with a twist \$3

XLR8 - for years 9 -12

Icy Games

Come ready for a very chilly night \$3

Mission Update

GMP People Profile: Julie Trinnick

For several years I ministered at Horsham C of C, an area prone to bushfires. When driving in the hills, days or weeks after a fire had passed through, I'd look eagerly for the first signs of regeneration. What a joy to see green shoots on mature trees that had lost all foliage in the fire! In the 1980s, working at Ranwadi Churches of Christ College in Vanuatu, it amazed me, after planting vegetable seeds in my little garden, that within three or four days green shoots appeared.

The ministry of GMP encompasses supporting new initiatives and facilitating ongoing development of established work that may have gone through some tough challenges. This has inspired me over 30 years of involvement and interest in Church of Christ global mission.

In the 1990s, as Assistant Director of OMB (now GMP), we saw the beginning of a new work in Fiji and in 2004/2005, I assisted with the leadership of a Discipleship Development group in Vanuatu. Today GMP continues to engage, inform and inspire youth to partnership in mission through the embody community. After working for the board overseas and with the Board in Adelaide, in November 2013, I joined the GMP Board. Much has changed since I last had 'hands on' involvement. Unchanged are the principles of partnership, mutual respect and compassion arising from God's commitment to all of his creation. I'm looking forward to seeing plenty more green shoots in the ministry of GMP in Australia and overseas.