

# April 2010



## **Vision**

Gymea Baptist exists to see  
people empowered to love God  
and engage the world.

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## Welcome to Gymea Baptist



Welcome to church! We pray that you will experience God in some way and will be challenged and encouraged in your faith. If you are visiting today or are new to our church, please make yourself known to the people wearing blue name tags who are here to assist you with any enquiry.

### Prayer Calendar

For prayer requests please phone the person on the following list. After hours emergency prayer is available on the same number. Please note – the Pastoral Team is also available for prayer requests. Please ring the church office on 9521 4611.

April 2010	Contact Person	Phone Number
5 <sup>th</sup> – 11 <sup>th</sup>	Arthur and Ruth Watterson	8539 7990
12 <sup>th</sup> – 18 <sup>th</sup>	Colin and Enid Shedden	9525 2502
19 <sup>th</sup> – 25 <sup>th</sup>	Wally and Joy Wood	9542 3921
26 <sup>th</sup> – 2 <sup>nd</sup> May	Arthur and Ruth Watterson	8539 7990

### Service Times

April	8.30am & 10.30am	6.30pm
4 <sup>th</sup>	Easter Sunday – The Resurrection Matthew 27:62-28:20	Easter Sunday – The Jubilee Leviticus 25:8-55
11 <sup>th</sup>	Practice Being Godly 1 Timothy 4:6-16	The Advance of the Gospel Acts 2:1-41
18 <sup>th</sup>	Practice Being Godly 2 Timothy 2:1-7	The Advance of the Gospel Acts 5:12-42
25 <sup>th</sup>	Great Expectations Isaiah 56:1-8	The Advance of the Gospel Acts 8:1-40

### Church Rosters

All church volunteers rosters are located on our website at [www.gymeabaptist.org.au](http://www.gymeabaptist.org.au)

## Missionary of the Month

### Heather – serving with Operation Mobilisation

*Please pray for:*

- My possible trip to the Middle East in May – that the logistics will come together and I'll actually be able to go!
- My role in recruiting for Muslim ministries around the world which is starting to take off. Pray that a good strategy will be developed and I won't bite off more than I can chew.
- Good communication with my co-workers in Latin America especially as we work together to see 150 people from Latin America sent to the Muslim world over the next 5 years.
- My continuation to develop good relationships with people in my church in Glasgow.
- Praise God for a great 10 days in Bangkok – wall to wall meetings but a lot got done and I have some great new contacts to follow up.

### Morling Public Lecture Series

The next elective in the Morling Public Lecture Series (formerly known as ACE) is "What makes the Old Testament tick?" Beginning the 17<sup>th</sup> May and running for six weeks this elective will help make some sense of the Old Testament. We'll explore the ancient near eastern background, some key events and concepts as well as looking at the big picture of the Old Testament.

Mark it in your diary and plan to come along. The Morling Public Lecture Series is held at Inaburra School, Bangor on Monday nights from 7:30pm.



## Men's Lunch

Southern Men's Christian Fellowship invites you to their senior men's lunch. It will be held on Wednesday 28<sup>th</sup> April at 12.15pm for a 12.30 start, at Donald Robinson Retirement Village café at 81 Flora St, Kirrawee, for a \$10.00 light lunch.

A Gideon "Bible Blitz" to Venezuela placed a call on George Beavis's life. He was part of a 23 member group who distributed over 650,000 scriptures to schools, universities and churches in cities like Caracas and Barquisimeto.

George tells of a city with 1.4 million inhabitants, where only one shop had bibles for sale at \$100 each. Please join us to hear of George's miracles in Venezuela.



To help the café prepare the lunches, please ring John Ansell on 9528 2481 or Arthur Watterson on 8539 7990 by Monday 26<sup>th</sup> April to advise us of your attendance.

## MMM

May Mission Month is coming soon with an event being held on Saturday 22<sup>nd</sup> May at the church from 6pm onwards. Save the date – further details to come!

## Kids Activity Day Baking

We would greatly appreciate it if anyone could volunteer to bring a batch or two of muffins or cupcakes along for our Kids Activity Day on Monday 19<sup>th</sup> April as we are trying to keep our costs down. It would be good if they could be NUT free and if anyone knows any other allergy sensitive recipes, these would be appreciated too.



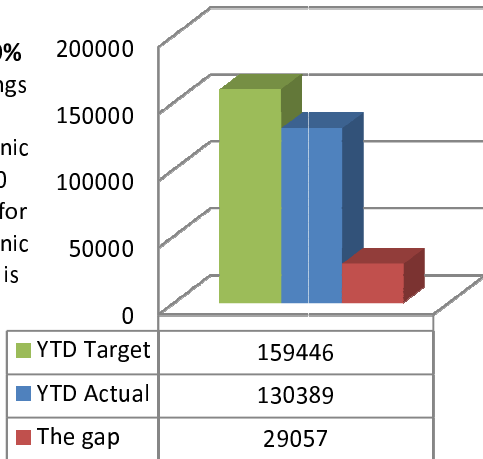
Please email Ainsley at [ainsley.faase@gymeabaptist.org.au](mailto:ainsley.faase@gymeabaptist.org.au) if you could contribute to this in any way.

## Finance Update

### Weekly Offerings

@ 22 Mar 2010

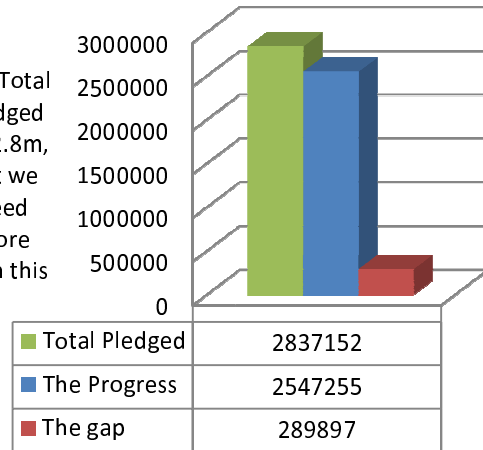
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### Building Fund

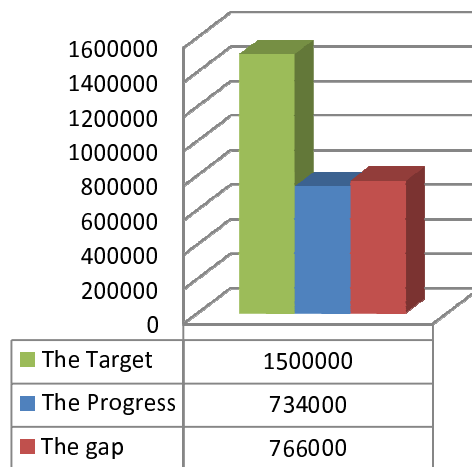
A time to Build

**NB:** Total pledged is \$2.8m, but we need more than this



### Ministry Bonds

@ 22 Mar 2010



## Parties with a Purpose



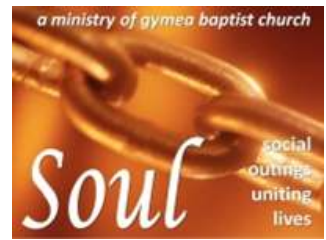
Parties with Purpose will be happening again this year throughout May Mission Month. Be thinking about ways you and your friends can be involved this year. Keep watching the Vigour page on the GBC website for more details.

[www.gymeabaptist.org.au/Womens.aspx](http://www.gymeabaptist.org.au/Womens.aspx)

## SOUL – Historical Tour

Saturday 15<sup>th</sup> May, 2010

***From one side of town to the other!! From the poor to the privileged!!***



Join us for a tour of “the finest house in the colony”, beautiful Elizabeth Bay House, built between 1835 and 1839 for the colonial secretary, Alexander Macleay. The house is a superb example of colonial architecture, elegantly furnished reflecting the lifestyle of the Macleays and originally surrounded by a 54 acre garden, described as a “botanist’s paradise”.

We will meet at Jannali station at 9.55am and travel by train to Martin Place, and then catch the 311 bus to Elizabeth Bay. For those who would rather drive, parking nearby is all one hour maximum, including Saturdays, so be prepared to park and walk! Lunch together afterwards will be organised for those who are interested. The tour is booked for 11.30am and will last for one hour.

Please contact Diane Kirkman on 9525 6592 or 0410 426 592 or  
Email: [dianekirkman@yahoo.com.au](mailto:dianekirkman@yahoo.com.au)

**Vigour High Tea**  
When - April 17th, 2010  
Where - GBC Atrium  
Time - 2.30pm  
Cost - \$5 donation  
Bring - a favourite tea cup or mug & a story to share.....  
Why not bring your mum, sister or friend too.

Please join us at this next upcoming women’s event



Welcome to Gymea Baptist Church. Thanks for joining us today for worship, we trust that you meet with God and experience community as part of our church.



As a church we are looking forward to 2010 as we expand into the facilities that we opened in November 2009. You will notice that we are using the motif of a starfish on this bulletin. We have used the starfish because of its unique ability to regenerate from just one leg. This is because the DNA of the starfish is found in each leg and is able to multiply and regenerate from one small part. Our theme for the year is to become a “movement” rather than an organisation. We want each member and attender of our church to be a part of what God is doing rather than just be led from the top and built as an institution. We want to invite you to be part of this movement in 2010 and beyond as we build Gods kingdom together.

If you are looking for a church home please chat to those on the information desk in the foyer and find out how you can become part of what we hope will be a powerful movement for the kingdom of God.

**Karl Faase**  
Senior Pastor

### **CRECHE**

Crèche is available during the morning service for children under 3 years old. Please contact Leanne Carter at the church office for more information.

### **CHILDREN'S PROGRAM**

We have a Sunday Morning Children's Program during school term time for 3 year olds to Year 8 students at school. This program runs during both the 8.30am and 10.30am services. For more information call the Children's Ministry Coordinator at the church office.

### **REVOLUTION**

'Revolution' (Gymea Baptist Youth Ministry), runs on Friday nights during the school terms: 5:30-7.00 for 'Across the Way' (years 5-6), 7.30-9.30 for years 7-12. Contact Steve Dixon at the church office or visit [www.revolutionyouth.org.au](http://www.revolutionyouth.org.au)

### **LIFE GROUPS**

In a large church like ours it is vitally important that people be connected with others for mutual support and encouragement. To facilitate this, our church has a Ministry of "Life Groups" where everyone is encouraged to grow in their faith, be connected in genuine relationships with others and be supported and cared for. If you would like to join a Life Group, please fill in a form (available at the Information Desk) and give it to one of the Stewards or Angelo.

### **VINE**

Vine is the community of young adults at Gymea Baptist Church and is made up of those who see their primary community being our evening service. It's about loving God and living the life of faith wherever we go. It's about using the gifts God has given us to build up His church. It's about being connected in one of our life groups and it's about helping others to come to know Jesus for themselves. Please visit the vine website at [www.vine.org.au](http://www.vine.org.au) for details of what's coming up or email us at [vine@gymeabaptist.org.au](mailto:vine@gymeabaptist.org.au)

### **Banking Details**

Tithes and Offerings only

Bank Name: Baptist Investments & Finance Ltd

Account Name: Gymea Baptist Church

BSB Number: 704 922

Acc Number: 100 006 024

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Bank Name: Baptist Investments & Finance Ltd

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BSB Number: 704 922

Account Number: 100 007 907

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