

July 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.

July 2010	Contact Person	Phone Number
28 th June – 4 th	Arthur and Ruth Watterson	8539 7990
5 th - 11 th	Colin and Enid Shedden	9525 2502
12 th – 18 th	Wally and Joy Wood	9542 3921
19 th – 25 th	Arthur and Ruth Watterson	8539 7990

Service Times

July	8.30am & 10.30am	6.30pm
4 th	Empowered by a Christ Centered Community	Christian Spirituality Charismatic
11 th	Empowered by a Christ Centered Community	Christian Spirituality Evangelical
18 th	Empowered by a Christ Centered Community	Reader's Theatre Ruth
25 th	Walk Across the Room	Walk Across the Room

Church Rosters

All church volunteers rosters are located on our website at www.gymeabaptist.org.au

Missionary of the Month

Gary and Jan Speckman – serving with Campus Crusade for Christ

Prayer Points:

- Praise God for the opportunity for Gary and Jan to go together to South Australia for a week in late June to do a Sports Chaplaincy Australia training there. Gary still enjoys the opportunity to develop others in their sports mission and ministry.
- Please pray for the usual - that new labourers would be thrust into the sporting fields.
- Pray for key women to surface who will be able to “drive” The Significant Woman project in South Australia, as Jan will be meeting with several women in Adelaide to discuss opportunities for this project to go ahead.
- After they have both finished a week of very enjoyable work, they have booked a room in downtown Adelaide to use as a jump off point for a mini-holiday as a celebration of their 40th wedding anniversary. Pray that Gary & Jan will be refreshed on these days together, and praise God for their continual inspiration to others.
- On 8th July pray for Gary as he goes to Newcastle to meet with several different people there to do a final promotion for the UTC (Ultimate Training Camp) being held later this month. There is a lot of interest in Sports Ministry and Mission there and Gary is trying to facilitate ways in which interested people can get involved.
- On 22nd – 25th July the Ultimate Training Camp is being held in Sydney at Narrabeen Sports Centre. Pray for all those involved as they face a week of hard physical and spiritual challenges.
- On 26th July Gary is flying to Perth for another Sports Chaplaincy Training event for a week (26th-30th July). Pray for continued strength and energy for Gary as he is away for this second week. May God bless Gary and those he is training up for ministry.

Men's Lunch

Southern Men's Christian Fellowship invites you to their senior men's lunch. It will be held on Wednesday 28th July 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.

Wing Commander Roland Allman (Retired) will be sharing his experiences from 20 years in the RAAF. He gained his Wings in 1928 flying an ex RAF Bristol with a top speed of 45 mph. Roland was in action flying an Australian built Wirraway in WWII, and helped train over 500 RAAF pilots.

Remember men, Roland is the grandfather of Michelle, our superb caterer, so please pay attention to what he has to say.

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



Market Day

Our next Market Day will not be until next year, not October as previously advertised. It will be held in the church next time, using all our facilities including the adjacent staff car-park, allowing us a larger area for stalls, food and activities inside and outside. So the date will be *Saturday November 12, 2011*. (The second Saturday of November each year) .This will be a big event for our church each year. If you are interested in being part of the organising committee please let Sonia Beresford know – 9528 9327.

Note of Appreciation

Juanita and Brian Manahan thank everyone for their love and prayers during Brian's illness and hospitalisation over the last 2 months. Your prayer for a return to full strength with no more flare ups continues to be appreciated.

Vigour News

This month the Vigour Community will be enjoying Christmas In July. Come along and share in the festivities. We will use our creativity in some craft making, be inspired by an amazing lady of God and indulge in some wonderful festive foods. Tickets will be on sale after each service from July 4th, so look out for the Vigour table. It will be another great time of fellowship.

Saturday July 24th, 2.30-5pm, keep watching for more details on the women's page of the GBC website and on our FaceBook page.



In Him, The Vigour Team

KidzZone Leaders

KidzZone is in need of leaders for the preschool at both the 8.30 and 10.30am services as our beloved Toby will be on university exchange in Germany for the remainder of the year. If you are interested in becoming involved in the children's ministry in this way please contact Ainsley at the church office on 9521 4611 or email

ainsley.faase@gymeabaptist.org.au

Rainbows

Rainbows is a grief and loss support program for children aged 5-15 who have suffered a loss. This is usually through death, divorce or separation. Groups run for 14 weeks (across 2 school terms) on Tuesday afternoons from 4pm. The next program commences Tuesday 27th July and cost \$50.

For more information or to enrol please contact Southern Community Welfare on 9545 0299 or via email admin@scw.org.au

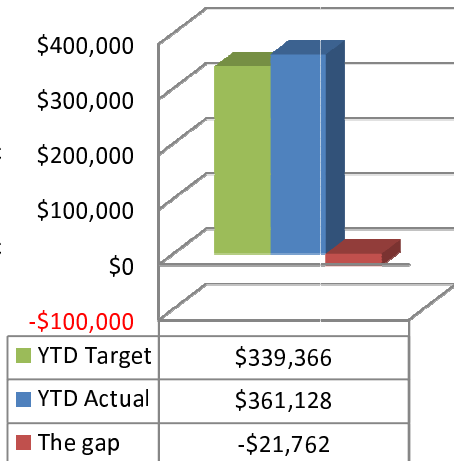


Financial Update

Weekly Offerings

@ 20 June 2010

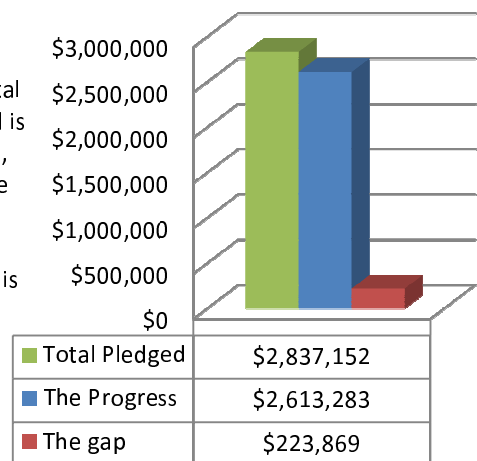
NB: 49% of givings are electronic (2010 target for electronic giving is 60%)



Building Fund

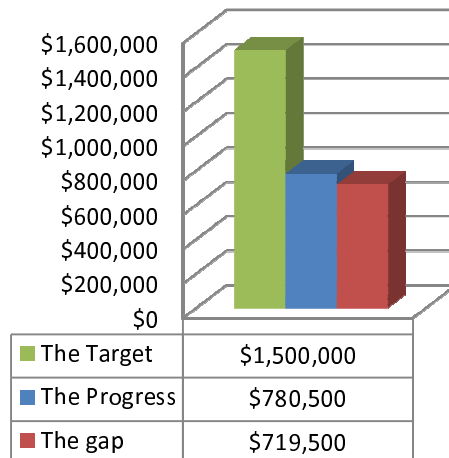
A time to Build

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



Ministry Bonds

@ 20 June 2010



CD's and DVD's

Kids Activity Day is in need of CD's and DVD's as a craft supply. If you have any old discs that you no longer make use of then we would greatly appreciate you bringing them into the church office or passed onto Ainsley.

Tough Questions

Do you have a question you've always wanted to ask?

In August we are preparing a five week sermon series for our morning congregations entitled "Tough Questions" dealing with...you guessed it, tough questions.

We're asking you to provide us with any curly, controversial or just plain confusing question you've got about faith, the Bible, ethics or the church.

We'll collect questions until July 5th and then reveal the top ten questions before asking you to vote on the five that you'd like to see us tackle.

Between now and July 5th you can submit questions in three ways:

- 1) SMS your question(s) to 0427 842 156
- 2) Email your question(s) to myquestion@gymeabaptist.org.au
- 3) Submit a question in the "Tough Questions" box at the Information Desk.

We'll update where we're at each week in the e-bulletin!

Valiant Men's Conference



Put it in your diaries now...

Why not set aside 1 day of the year to be with other Christian men to worship God together and Dare to Be Courageous!

Date: All day Saturday, 4th September

Where: GBC auditorium

Stamps for Mission

Please continue to collect stamps for our missionaries. If all stamps can be trimmed with a 5mm border that would be much appreciated. Bring along your stamp collection to church and leave them at the church office or information desk.

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

KidzZone is 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

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 for details of what's coming up or email us at 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

A Time to Build only

Bank Name: Baptist Investments & Finance Ltd

Account Name: Gymea Baptist Church – A Time to Build

BSB Number: 704 922

Account Number: 100 007 907

Southern Community Welfare: Counselling/Support Groups

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