

# June 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.

June 2010	Contact Person	Phone Number
31 <sup>st</sup> May – 6 <sup>th</sup>	Wally and Joy Wood	9542 3921
7 <sup>th</sup> - 13 <sup>th</sup>	Arthur and Ruth Watterson	8539 7990
14 <sup>th</sup> – 20 <sup>th</sup>	Colin and Enid Shedden	9525 2502
21 <sup>st</sup> – 27 <sup>th</sup>	Wally and Joy Wood	9542 3921

### Service Times

June	8.30am & 10.30am	6.30pm
6 <sup>th</sup>	Stories of Faith Naomi Reed	Stories of Faith Brett Davis and Glyndon Ringrose
13 <sup>th</sup>	Empowered by a Christ Centered Community	Christian Spirituality Academic and Ascetic
20 <sup>th</sup>	Empowered by a Christ Centered Community	Christian Spirituality Sacramental
27 <sup>th</sup>	Empowered by a Christ Centered Community	Christian Spirituality Activist

### Church Rosters

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

## May Mission Month Projects

Target for May Mission Month 2010 - \$160,000.00

### Projects:

- **Homes for the Persecuted (India)** – TEAR Australia  
facilitate rehabilitation for families affected by communal violence through shelter reconstruction  
\$39,000 (Tax Deductible)
- **Girls off the Street (Bangladesh)** – SIMaid  
care, counsel and equip girls who are trapped in prostitution, slavery and abuse  
\$52,000 (Tax Deductible)
- **Kids Hope and Counselling Care (Sydney)** – Southern Community Welfare  
support families and children who are experiencing financial distress and need access to counselling and community education services  
\$33,000 (Tax Deductible)
- **Packages for Pastors (Africa)** – SIM Australia  
provide pastors and evangelists in extreme poverty with bible study resources  
\$18,000 (Non Tax Deductible)
- **GBC Frontline** – Gynea Baptist Missionaries  
ongoing financial support to our church missionaries who are serving in various countries  
\$18,000 (Non Tax Deductible)

### Kids Activity Day

Kids activity day is on again on Monday 19<sup>th</sup> July and we need your help! This day is always lots of fun and always so rewarding, getting to spend time with many kids from our community. However, we can only take as many kids as we get leaders. So please consider joining us for the day which allows another 10 kids to come to!

## **Men's Lunch**

Southern Men's Christian Fellowship invites you to their senior men's lunch. It will be held on Wednesday 30<sup>th</sup> June 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.

Derek Thomas is involved with St. John's Sutherland Seniors Club and regularly leads services at Donald Robison Village. He also offers personal support as a volunteer at Sutherland Court. But he will not be talking about any of these, rather, he will be telling us about the old War days in the R.A.F, ferrying a variety of aircraft.

To help the café prepare the lunches, please ring John Ansell on 9528 2481 or Arthur Watterson on 8539 7990 by Monday 28<sup>th</sup> June to advise us of your attendance.



## **Volunteers Urgently Needed**

A ministry that helps people find what they need each week. Probably the most useful and practical person in our church after each service - *Behind the Information Desk!*

Angelo is seeking people to help him give out information and direct people to what they need, after the service is over. Only half an hour of your time is needed after the service you attend.

If you would like to assist in this way, please see Angelo or ring him at the office on 9521 4611. You'll be glad you did!

## Vigour News

There have been many great things happening in Vigour this year and our hope is that ladies are feeling connected into GBC community. Here are a few dates to keep free over the next couple of months. June 24<sup>th</sup>, 7.45pm we will be having our first Vigour Night for the year where we meet in a GBC ladies home. We will be hearing from the Cambodia 2010 ladies about their experience and opportunities for Cambodia 2011. After a great success last year we will again enjoy Christmas in July. This will be the afternoon of July 24<sup>th</sup> and more details to come on this as we draw closer. There is also our 1-day women's conference August 21<sup>st</sup> and that is sure to be a fabulous day, so pencil this into your diary. WOT will be gathering on June 10<sup>th</sup> & August 12<sup>th</sup> covering some interesting and fun topics, so plenty to keep in mind as you plan your calendars for the next few months.

Don't forget to keep connected through our Facebook page and the GBC women's page of the website. If you aren't receiving the Vigour emails we may not have your email address or we may have it incorrectly, so feel free to forward it to

[vigour@gymeabaptist.org.au](mailto:vigour@gymeabaptist.org.au) and will get you on the database.

Take care for now.

In Him,

The Vigour Committee



## Scripture Teaching

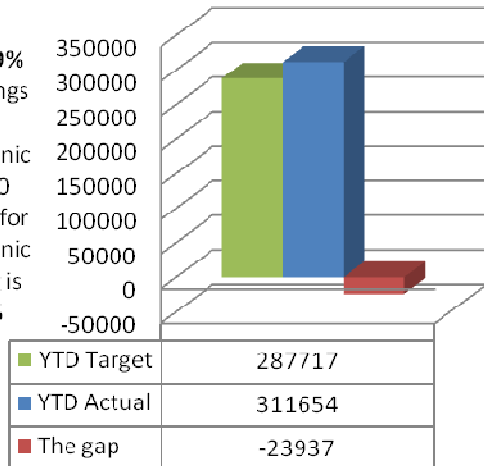
We have an opening on a Tuesday morning coming up in late June to teach a year 3 scripture class. If you have this time available, why not make the most of the gift we have of teaching kids in our local schools. Scripture is a unique opportunity to engage our world and to share with kids from our community the good news of Jesus. Please contact Ainsley if you would like to take this class on commencing late June.

## Financial Update

### Weekly Offerings

@ 23 May 2010

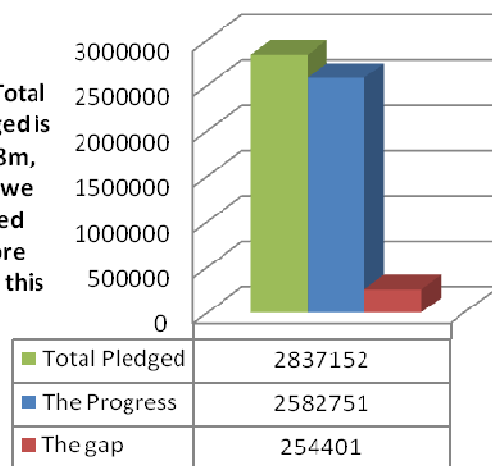
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of givings  
are  
electronic  
(2010  
target for  
electronic  
giving is  
60%)



### Building Fund

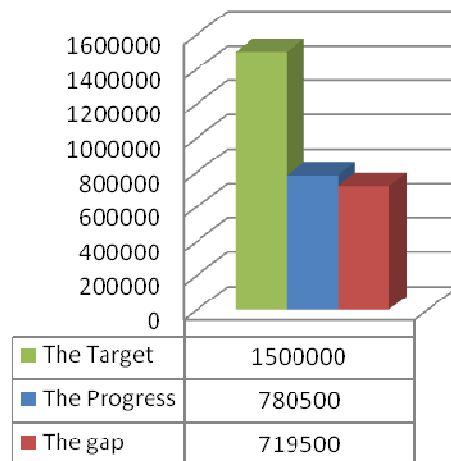
A time to Build

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



### Ministry Bonds

@ 23 May 2010



## 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.

## Baptism



Jesus said part of our discipleship is being baptised - a public declaration of what God has done in Jesus by giving us new life and a new family. On the Sunday night of June 27<sup>th</sup>, as part of our upcoming series looking at a variety of Christian spiritualities, we are having our next baptism service.

Please be praying about whether this is the time for you to be baptised and if so, let your life group leader know, email the office or chat with one of the pastoral staff.

## Make it Count – ACL Webcast

On Monday 21<sup>st</sup> June Mr Rudd and Mr Abbott – the leaders of our two major political parties will address Christian voters through a live webcast. We will be meeting in the church auditorium from 7pm as an opportunity to weigh up the political parties policies and to pray as a church for the election.

## Men's Soccerroos Breakfast

June 24<sup>th</sup> – Wednesday night/Thursday morning, 4.30am kick off.

Come and join us cheer on our Soccerroos as they take on Serbia at the South Africa 2010 World Cup on the auditorium big screen. Coffee before the game and breakfast following.

Please note: there is no breakfast the first Saturday of June.



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

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**  
**Phone: (02) 9545 0299 Website: [www.scw.org.au](http://www.scw.org.au)**