



## Arana Hills Church of Christ

14 FEBRUARY 2010

**W**elcome to Arana Hills Church of Christ today. If you are visiting for the first time it is great to have you amongst us and we pray that you will experience the presence of Jesus as you gather with us for worship.

### PREACHING

14 Feb Simon Ward  
(9am/6pm)  
21 Feb Simon Ward  
(9am/6pm)

Please note that up to and including Sunday 28 Feb there will be only one morning service each week, at 9am.

### MORNING TEA

There is a combined morning tea after the 9am service this morning. Please stay and chat over tea and coffee.



### PASTOR'S POST

As we continue in 1 John this Sunday we take a break – not from 1 John but from the 'challenges' and 'tests' John is putting before the churches. At this point (1 John 2:12-14) he adds a few words almost in parentheses to remind the young children, the strong young men and also the mature ones, of who and what they are in Christ. On this Valentine's day it is perhaps a fitting day that we think about our relationship first with Christ and then the interplay between us all. But don't rest too easy: he picks up the challenge again in the next three verses!

Also today we come to week two of our commissioning month. Again, with Valentine's day in mind we will stop and think, then pray and commission one another in the various relationships which intertwine our lives. It is so good to pray for one another.

Your Pastor, Simon Ward.

### PRAYER NEEDS

**Julie Kirkegard** has suffered ill health for quite some time and has now had to give up work, which has proved quite upsetting for her as she has been nursing for a long time. Please pray for Julie in terms of physical, emotional and spiritual well-being.

Thank you for praying for **Annette** last week – she has had the best few days yet, so let's continue to pray but also give thanks for a positive change.

### STAFF VACANCIES

We still have three staff vacancies: Youth pastor, Children and Families pastor, and Community Care pastor. Please pray as we re-advertise these roles and seek to find the people of God's choosing to come among us.

### PRAYER BREAKFAST

To kick-start 2010, there will be a Prayer Breakfast at the church on Saturday 20th February. Choose the timeslot(s) that suit you:

7:00am: Walk and pray around the neighbourhood.

8:00am: Enjoy connecting with friends over a simple breakfast (cereal, raisin toast and fruit). A gold coin donation would be appreciated.

9:00am: Prayer at the church.

All welcome to come any time and stay for whatever time you are able to give. No RSVP required.

### EMBRACE TEAM MEETING

If you are interested in joining the Embrace team to assist in this valuable ministry, come along to a planning meeting this Thursday 18 Feb at 7.30pm at Angela's house. Call Angela for more information on 3102 4060.

### WELCOMING

We are in need of a few volunteers to welcome people at the door at the 6pm service. Please speak to Cam, Simon or Helen Flower as soon as possible if you can serve our church family in this way.

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### MINISTRY TEAM

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## CHILDREN AT ARANA

If you are new to the Arana church family, welcome. If you have children of primary school age or below there are four options for you. For primary aged children we have Kidzone in the hall under the main church building (out of the main door and bear left down the stairs). For toddlers, Kingdom Kids meets in the back hall, which is located near the toilets to the left of our main stage area. Thirdly, if you have a baby or small toddler please make use of our creche, situated on the far left of our main church building, next to the kitchen. But finally, if you would like your children or baby to remain with you throughout the whole service that is absolutely fine.

## BLOSSOMING

*Written by a KHAUS Mentor*

Neil has gone from a sullen little boy with a huge chip on his shoulder to a happy, excited boy. One day he said, "How come I get to do fun things with you every week? I was in Grade one and now I'm in Grade three." I replied, "Oh, I think the teacher thought you and I could be friends," to which he said, "Oh boy, I was lucky I came to school that day when the teacher decided on that idea!"

I love being a mentor. You really are breathing life into a child and can see them come alive and blossom before your very eyes.

## PRAYER FOR KIDS HOPE AUS

This year we have 11 mentors from Arana: Helen and Miriam Bartlett, Cam West, Joan and Peter McAloney, Andrew Heasley, Janette Meulen, Debbie Sanders, Tina Wilkins, Terry Williams and Sharon Oldfield. Thanks to Harold Brown and Karen Saul for their

involvement in KHA over a number of years; unfortunately they are unable to continue, but they have both had an amazing impact on the children and families they have been involved with.

Please pray for good connections with teachers and children, protection for the KHA program, and for the mentors to be people of integrity. Also pray for the new principal at Ferny Hills, Cameron Boal, as he settles into leading the school. Pray that God will give him extra wisdom and a heart for the school.

## KIDZONE HELP

We are in need of a few parents or other mature adults to help with Kidzone, our Sunday morning children's ministry. We now have a core team of very committed youths who want to serve God in this way and are full of ideas and see the opportunities in this ministry. If you are willing and able to help please speak to Simon Ward, who can explain our procedure for taking on volunteers in this ministry and the kinds of skills and gifts which are needed.

## ALPHA COURSE

We will be running an Alpha Course on Tuesday evenings, beginning 24 February, and meeting at Tim and Gayle Mander's home at 7.15pm. Please talk to Tim or Simon if you are interested in coming along or would like more details. Invitations are now available for those who would like them.

## AGM

Our Annual General Meeting will be on Sunday 28 March. Nomination forms are now available at the back of the church for electing CLC

members and elders, so please begin to pray on this issue.

## MOVING HOUSE

Larisa Roebig and Hugh will be moving to 18/7 Bauhinia Avenue, Enogerra, on Thursday 18 February. Their phone number will be 3355 9953.

## WORSHIP WEEKEND

Burleigh Heads Church of Christ is holding a 'Time Out Prayer and Worship Weekend' from 2-4 July. The program is packed with activities and guest speakers. The cost is \$45 a head, which includes registration and meals. Registrations close 18 June. For more information refer to our website, where a flyer can be found.

## ROSTERS

### Sunday 21 Feb

Leaders	/Jimmy D
(9am/6pm)	
Music/Media	Band2/Band3
(9am/6pm)	Tony B
Door etc.	Chambers, Arkell,
(9am)	Williamson
Morning Tea	Pauline L, Debbie
(9am)	S, Patty W
Mowing	Sanders

## CALENDAR

19 Mar Global Market Day

## OFFICE CORNER

Do you want the newsletter and other church news electronically? Please email [office@ahcoc.com](mailto:office@ahcoc.com) to be added to the list.

Note: The weekly deadline for notices for the church newsletter is Thursday. Email your notice, headed "Church Newsletter", to either Kim Brough ([kbrough@ahcoc.com](mailto:kbrough@ahcoc.com)) or Simon Ward ([simon.ward12@gmail.com](mailto:simon.ward12@gmail.com))