

#### Are you a Friend of God?

Rick Warren states 'you are as close to God as you choose to be.'

Like any friendship we must work at developing it—we cannot sit back and expect God to do all the work—we need to put time and energy into it.

God doesn't expect us to be perfect—He wants us to be completely honest with Him—to share our faults, our feelings, our hurts and our joys.

If you search the Scriptures you will invariably realise that none of the friends of God were perfect.

Abraham questioned and challenged God over the fate of the city of Sodom.

David accused God of unfairness, betrayal and abandonment.

Jeremiah claimed God had tricked him.

Job vented his bitterness during his ordeal.

God expressed His disgust with Israel's disobedience—He was fed up and let Moses know exactly how He felt.

God can handle our frankness and honesty—He doesn't want pious clichés. He wants us to be honest and share our true feelings. In this way we can TRULY BE A FRIEND OF GOD.

# The Pastor Is In

Phone me on 0423 375 714 or catch me at the church on Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays . **PASTOR JUDI** 



# Latest News

### **Interfaith Tree Planting Day**

Can you spare a few hours on Saturday 5th July 2014 (10-1pm) to work together as part of the Interfaith Network in planting native plants to rehabilitate Mordialloc Creek Reserve. (Mel 92:H1) Bookings required as there is a **FREE BBQ LUNCH**.

#### **Church Garden**

Lesley Ingram has potted up some plants to help with our garden. Jan Holt will assist with its creation by assisting with the layout. Noel and/or myself will do some work—but **WE NEED YOU TOO**.

**Watch this Space**—Yes it is on its way **LADIES IN THE SHED** Proposed for Monday mornings. Other planned activities will be: Basic Computing; Gardening and Informal cuppa and chat.

**Childrens FREE Holiday Programs.** Bookings needed. (5-12 yr olds)

Mon 30/6 10-12noon Games;

**Fri 4/7** 2-4pm Feathered Friends; **Mon 7/7** 10-12noon Art/Craft and **Fri 11/7** 2-4pm Aussie Mammals.

# Chelsea Church of Christ Services

#### CHURCH SERVICES 10 am Sunday

### 22 June 2014

Speaker: Judi

Reading: John 17:20-26 Theme: Unity of All

#### 29 June 2014

**Speaker: Steve** 

Reading: Matthew 10:40-42 Theme: Receiving others



#### 6 July 2014

**Speaker: Victor** 

Reading: Romans 7:15-25

Theme: No Longer I that Liveth

#### CHILDREN'S SERVICES 10 am Sunday

#### 22 June 2014

**God never leaves us**—Joseph is now aprisoner in Egypt. How is God helping him. We will continue to explore the story of the boy Joseph.

#### **29 June 2014**

**Forgiveness**—even though Joseph's family sold him, we will see how Joseph forgive and received his family and saved them during the famine.

#### 6 July 2014

**Relying on each other**—We are going to explore stories about the Apostle Paul and today will learn about relying on each other.

## REGULAR WHAT'S ON Pastoral Care and Support:

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TUESDAY	•	CS Mornington  Music for  Mommies	Men's Shed 9- 12noon 9-12noon
WEDNESDAY	•	Community Breakfast Men's Shed	8-10am 9-12noon
THURSDAY	•	Men's Shed AA in the Chapel Community Brunch	9-12noon 11am 11-1pm
FRIDAY	•	Bible Study for Women Connecting Skills Aust	10-11am (Annexe) Men's Shed 9- 12noon
SUNDAY	•	Worship Service and Sunday School Discussion Group	10-11am followed by cuppa 12 noon Last Sunday of each month

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