

## "A SMALL CHURCH WITH A BIG HEART"

CHELSEA NEWSLETTER

20 September 2015



### How to Promote our Gospel with Prayers

This scripture tells of Jesus' compassion when He saw the needs of the crowds, like sheep without a shepherd. He said to His disciples: "The harvest is plentiful but the workers are few. Ask the Lord of the Harvest to send out workers."  
(Matt 9:35-10:5)

This passage has key insights into what it means to be involved in the mission of Jesus. Jesus felt compassion for the crowds—the words Matthew chose is *Splanchnizomai* which is the verb form of the word "internal organs" - so we may say that Jesus was deeply, inwardly moved.

### What is our attitude towards the 'crowd' living in ignorance or defiance of the true Shepherd?

Jesus told the disciples to 'ask' which is not the usual term for a simple request—it is the more emotive word *deomai* which means to beg or plead.

True disciples understand the plight of the world, feel the compassion of Jesus and beg the Lord of the harvest to advance the work of the gospel. Evangelism is grounded in **heartfelt prayer.**

Jesus presents the connection between prayer and mission. Prayer is the hidden part of our mission but also the basic part. Observing this reminds us that ultimately the mission is not ours but God's. Involvement in God's mission requires

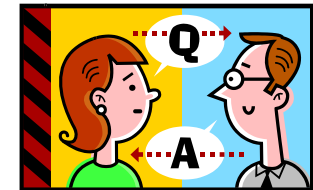
**Faith** more than activism,

**Dependence** more than programs and

**Humility** more than boldness.

## The Pastor Is In

You can catch me at the Church  
Mondays to Wednesdays and also Fridays from 9.00 to 1pm.  
OR phone my mobile on 0423 375 714



## Latest News

**Prayer Points:** Please pray for God's healing presence upon:  
Lesley J, Syd and Lesley, Jan Holt.

### Updates:

#### Welcoming a new Member to our Church:

Please share together as we welcome **Fiona Evans** as a new member to our church. Fiona will be officially welcomed and receive her Certificate of Membership.

#### Food for those in need during the Christmas break.

I realise we are getting in early but when our Breakfast closes we can be inundated with hungry people. Fiona has agreed to be responsible for accepting non perishable food that our church will store, separate to our Benevolent cupboard. Last year I gave away 6 hampers and would like to package up at least 20 this year. **Please see Fiona.**

#### Women's Forum on Family Violence

All women are invited to attend a Forum on Family Violence to be held on **Tues 22nd Sept 6.00pm—7.30pm Carrum Bowls Club 716 Nepean Highway Carrum.** Judi will be going and can provide transport where needed.

#### Prayer Vigil

**October 12th 7pm Uniting Church Sherwood Avenue Chelsea.**

This is a great opportunity to unite together in a sort service and prayer relating to Refugees and what is happening around the world.

#### Re-imagining Church

**Thursday 22nd Oct 10-4pm Mornington Church of Christ**

This is a great opportunity to participate in a workshop run by Dr. Gerald Rose and Steve Rose asking the question: "What is the spirit saying to Churches in the world of discontinuous change?"

Judi has one seat left in her car. Cost is \$30 to pay on the day.

To register: email [morningtonchurch@bigpond.com](mailto:morningtonchurch@bigpond.com)

# Chelsea Community Church of Christ Services

## CHURCH SERVICES 10 am Sunday

20 September 2015

Speaker: Victor

Scripture: Romans 14:13-25

27 September 2015

Special Musical Service

Country Gospel Band

4 October 2015

Speaker—Judi

Scripture: Psalms 1 How can I be happy?



## CHILDREN'S SERVICES 10 am Sunday

20 September 2015 Elisha and Olive Oil—what is the relationship here?

27 September 2015

The children will assist in the service and join in the singing.

4 October 2015

Kings of Israel and Judah - who was Jonah?



## REGULAR WHAT'S ON

MONDAY	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Ladies Morning</li> </ul>	Ladies in the Shed 9.30-12.30pm
TUESDAY	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>CS Mornington in the Mens Shed</li> <li>Music for Mommies</li> <li>Chat n Chew</li> </ul>	Men's Shed 9-12 noon  9-12noon chapel  10-12noon foyer
WEDNESDAY	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Community Breakfast</li> <li>Men's Shed</li> </ul>	8-10am—hall  9-2pm—backyard
THURSDAY	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Men's Shed</li> <li>AA in the Chapel</li> <li>Chat n Chew</li> </ul>	9-2pm—backyard 11am—chapel 10-12 noon foyer
FRIDAY	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Bible Study for Women</li> <li>CS Aust</li> <li>Afternoon Games</li> <li>Recreation ctivities for Men</li> </ul>	11-12am Annexe  Men's Shed 9-12noon Chapel 12.30-3.30pm Hall 10-2pm
SATURDAY	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Ladies Morning</li> </ul>	Ladies in the Shed 10am-1pm
SUNDAY	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Worship Service</li> <li>Childrens Program</li> </ul>	10-11am—chapel Followed by cuppa—hall

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