

# NEWSLETTER



*We exist to be a relevant expression of the Family of God, who love one another and our communities with the Gospel love of Jesus Christ.*



## OVERVIEW:

### Minister:

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(Please note: Tuesdays & Wednesdays  
Ash is teaching)

### 10.30am Service

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## July Preaching

<b>4th</b>	- David Watts
<b>11th</b>	- Ash Buchanan - <b>Matthew 28:1-17</b> - 'Is He really Alive?'
<b>18th</b>	- Ash Buchanan - <b>Matthew 28:18-20</b> - 'Go, Make, Teach'
<b>25th</b>	- Ash Buchanan - <b>Genesis 2:1-3</b> - 'Finished?'

*(Communion will be celebrated the 11th and 25th)*

## Church Ministry Meeting

After the service on July 25<sup>th</sup>, there will be a shared lunch and Ministry Meeting.

## Alpha course

There will be an alpha course starting in Wycheproof in the coming weeks. If you are interested in joining or starting a course closer to your place, please contact Ash.

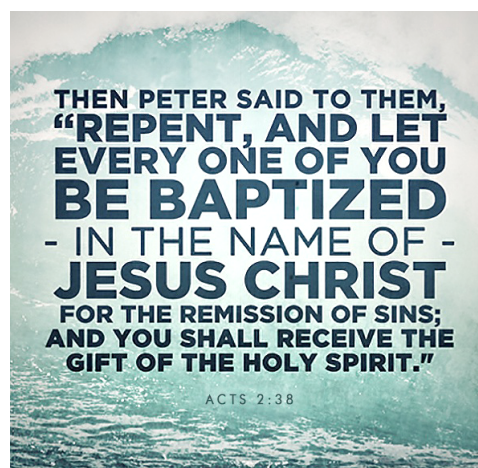
### Offering

Direct deposit details:

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From July 2<sup>nd</sup> 2021.

**'Abide in Me, and I in you.'** John 15:4 NKJV

A branch doesn't bear fruit by trying, working, or straining. It bears fruit by simply 'abiding'. What does this mean? How do you abide in Jesus? Let's illustrate it this way: when you put a tea bag in a cup of hot water, something happens. As the tea bag abides in the water, the tea begins to flavour the water until it takes on the taste of the tea bag. And the longer the tea bag abides in the water, the stronger the colour and flavour of the tea. That's what happens when you abide in Christ and He abides in you. The longer you abide in Him and the deeper you go with Him, the more His presence will begin to permeate your life.

The branch doesn't produce the fruit; it bears the fruit. It's the vine that produces the fruit. And Jesus said, 'I am the vine, you are the branches. He who abides in Me, and I in him, bears much fruit; for without Me you can do nothing.' (John 15:5 NKJV) Without the vine, the strongest branch is as defenceless as the weakest branch. So what does it mean to abide in Christ?

(1) Studying His Word. 'If you abide in Me, and My words abide in you.' (John 15:7 NKJV) As you study God's Word, you are changed by His Spirit.

(2) Obeying His will. 'If you keep My commandments, you will abide in My love.' (John 15:10 NKJV) The closer you get to God, the more you'll want to do what He says. And when you do what He says, you'll begin to walk in His blessing.

## MONTHLY PRAYER LIST

### Sunday July 4th

#### **Missionaries:**

Tim & Kristen Stewart, Mikayla, Joshua & Chloe (YWAM)  
David & Debbie Maxwell (ESA)

#### **Locals:**

Ian & Alison McEwen  
Daniel & Bethany Watts

### Sunday July 11th

#### **Missionaries:**

Kate Pocklington (Pioneers)  
David & Eliza Adamsthwaite, Jude, Dustin & Caitlyn (Global Interaction)

#### **Locals:**

David & Wendy Watts  
George Bowles

### Sunday July 18th

#### **Missionaries:**

Vision Radio Australia  
Andy & Cathy Staunton, Charlie, Ruby & Hugo (Global Interaction)

#### **Locals:**

Russell & Josie Brigden  
Susie & Glen Burke, Marty, Sophie, Ellie, Darcy & Percy

### Sunday July 28th

#### **Missionaries:**

MAF  
OAC Ministries

#### **Locals:**

Dale and Sue Bradshaw  
Brad & Carly Pearse, Sam, Seth, Glenn, Nevaeh & Baylee