



BASSO CHURCH

30th Aug 2020

fixing our eyes on Jesus

THE CONTACT

Sunday's Sermons

Worship Service: Luke 15: 1 - 7 "The Heart of the Son" Ian Kirk

Evening Service: Psalm 31: 1-5; 23-24 "David's Strength" Ian Kirk

10am Service — [livestream bassochurch.org.au/church-online/](http://livestream.bassochurch.org.au/church-online/)

A Higher Destiny

"The way of the Lord is strength for the upright." (Proverbs 10:29)

Because God is the giver and source of life, He has a legitimate claim upon our lives. He is our Heavenly Father, and He has the right to expect us to be His loyal and loving children. Because I am His child, He also longs to have fellowship with me.

The story of the prodigal son (which you can read about in Luke 15:11...) is a revelation of God's desire for human fellowship. He yearns over His children who have wandered far from Him and longs for them to come home and be near to Him.

All through the Bible we see God's patience and perseverance as He pursues misguided and obstinate men and women—who were born to a high destiny as His sons and daughters, but who strayed from His side. From Genesis to Revelation God is constantly saying, "Return to me, and I will return to you."

No matter how far you have strayed, God still loves you, and He wants to welcome you home—forever. Billy Graham, *Hope for Each Day*

Prayer Points

- For us as a church and as individuals, as we seek to share the Gospel with those about us – in our "mission field".
- For our commitment in supporting missionaries through our Faith Promise pledges.
- For the missionaries we support in various parts of the world where the corona pandemic continues to ravage societies.

Coming Events

- Aug/Sept**
Prayer mornings for Church Build
- Tue 8 Sept**
Women's Coffee & Cake Evening
- Fri 25-28 Sept**
Stirling Ranges Camp



Prayer Points continued...

- For Ernie H after he completed his radiation therapy treatment last Friday.
- For Coralie W as she continues to recover from a full knee replacement operation. Praise God that she is doing so much better now.
- For those unwell and who struggle with ongoing sicknesses: Kerry M, John H, Graeme J, Errol K, Rod V, Tony F, Jean B, Bobby H and Douglas McQ.
- For the "Love in a Shoebox" programme, that we may be able to put together many boxes to help those in underprivileged countries receive these boxes of love, together with the Gospel.
- For our country in regards to the pandemic, and especially for the situation in Victoria.
- For God to help us, as a church, to know His good will in regards to the proposed building work.

Month of Prayer for the Church Build

Over the next four weeks, we will hold a series of Prayer Mornings on Sundays, to seek God's will on whether to start our church building extension. It was this time a year ago that we held a month of prayer, and felt God lead us to proceed with planning the extension. These plans have been finalised, and we have all the approvals to proceed with the build.

But because this year has brought many changes and uncertainty, we want to again come before God, and seek His will on whether to start building. Today and next week, these prayer times will be during the morning service. Please join us in prayer over this matter.

Women's Coffee and Cake Evening

Tuesday 8 September | \$5 + spending money | 7pm | Basso Church Hall
Ladies, tickets for our Coffee and Cake Evening are on sale today after the morning service. Lyn Chambers from "Tulips with a Difference" will be our speaker, and will have bulbs available for purchasing on the evening too.

Stirling Ranges Camp

Friday 25 - Monday 28 September | \$10 (or \$25 families) | Stirling Ranges
Our epic Stirling Ranges church camp is coming up soon, held on a farm property near the Stirling Ranges. Please let Mitch know if you're going!

Mission and Faith Promise Week

We've had a wonderful time over the last few weeks, hearing from our mission families and organisations, as part of our Mission and Faith Promise Week.

Our Missions pamphlets have been handed out, which include a pledge form. Last year, we received 22 pledges totalling \$23,490, with over \$26,000 in Faith Promise funds received throughout the year!

For this year, let's aim to increase the number of pledges received—please prayerfully consider your commitment to missions, and return the completed Pledge forms to the Faith Promise box in the breezeway, by 6th September.

Entrance to church: To help keep the breezeway uncrowded, and give the Welcome Team space to greet newcomers, we ask that you refrain from congregating in the breezeway, but rather, move through to other areas of the church as you catch up with people. Thank you!!

Way of the Master Training Course: If you want know how to share about Jesus in a confident and biblical manner, then this course is for you. Contact Jenny for more details, on jennifer2@westnet.com.au

Hope India Mission: Fundraising vouchers of \$20 are available for sale, for curries at a café in Inglewood. See Jhansi or Flora after the morning services.

Operation Christmas Child is underway—pick up your shoebox from the breezeway to fill, and be part of this great outreach programme.

Happy Birthday to those who are celebrating birthdays this week, including Naomi H and Natalie M (both today), Syahn F and Bernie McC (both 31st), Robbie O (1st Sept), Tim S (2nd), Li X (3rd), Barry C and Rachael T (both 4th) and Lauren S and Justin R (both 5th).

From the Board

Basso Church Annual General Meeting: Our AGM will be held on Sunday 18 October after the morning service. More details will follow in relation to whether we can hold a light luncheon or not.

Nominations and Voting for Elders and Deacons

Nominations for Elders and Deacons open today and will be taken over the next two weeks.

Peter Errington's term as Elder expires this year. Voting for Elders will take place on 13th and 20th of September.

Deacons whose terms expire this year are Craig Bruce, Brendan Jacques, Zalman Jacques and Stuart MacDonald. Voting for Deacons will take place on the 6th and 13th of October.

Auxiliary Reports: Auxiliary leaders—please email reports to the Secretary by the 5th October, for inclusion in the Annual Reports.



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Pastors: Ian Kirk and Rod Manton (Days off, Mon | Sat) **Secretary:** Brendan Jacques

Admin Assistant & Contact Editor: Kerry Jacques (Office Hours: Tues, Wed, Thurs)

Let us know if you want to join our group emails and text messaging system

WHAT'S ON THIS WEEK

Church Services: Sundays 10 am; 6pm

Live Stream 10am: [YouTube channel](#) or at www.bassochurch.org.au/churchonline/

Sun	9am	Sunday Schools (ages 3-15)
Mon	1.00pm	Ladies Home Group
Tue	9.00am	Community Craft
	1.00pm	The Carpenter's Workshop
	7.00pm	Home Groups @ church (Teens from Yr9-Uni; Adult Group)
Wed	2pm	Home Group
	7.30pm	Home Groups
Thurs	10.00am	Home Group
	8.00pm	Home Group via Zoom
Fri	6.00pm	Junior Youth Group
	7.30pm	Teen Youth Group
Sat	9.00am	The Carpenter's Workshop (First Saturday of each month)

* *Little One's Playgroup still on hold.*

* *Young Mum's Bible Study restarting Term 4*

SERVICE ROSTER

For next Sunday— 6th September

Leading:	R Manton
Communion:	S Reichenbach
Reader:	P Haynes
Side Helpers:	J Jacques, L Sokolowski, E Borgogno, D Powell
Welcome Team:	Team 6
Sound:	M Mooy / L Rakers
Video:	T Squire
Craft Set Up:	R & S Whiteford
Cleaners:	Team 5
Evening Service:	I Kirk

Crèche: **crèche start date to be confirmed*

OFFERINGS

Online: Set up a direct debit order directly with your bank, or a one-off gift. If your gift is for a specific purpose, *please use the reference to note* (e.g. "Faith Promise" etc.)

Account Name: Church of Christ Bassendean

BSB: 016 255 Account: 424 705 151

Deut 16:17 "Every man shall give as he is able, according to the blessing of the Lord your God that He has given you."

Finances as at 23rd Aug: Faith Promise Pledged: \$23,490 Building Fund Total: \$98,432.17

Faith Promise Received: \$26,233 Building Fund YTD: \$2,620.05