



BASSO CHURCH

fixing our eyes on Jesus

5th Jan 2025

THE CONTACT

Worship Service: Philippians 4: 4-9

“The Joy and Miracle of your Salvation”

Stuart MacDonald

Evening Service: Romans 12: 1-3 “The Objective for 2025” Ethan Borgogno

10am service—livestream bassochurch.org.au/church-online/

God’s Love

“In this the love of God was made manifest . . . that God sent his only Son into the world.” 1 John 4:9

From Genesis to Revelation, from earth’s greatest tragedy to earth’s greatest triumph, the dramatic story of humanity’s lowest depths and God’s highest heights can be couched in twenty-five beautiful words: “For God so loved the world that He gave His only begotten Son, that whoever believes in Him should not perish but have everlasting life.” (John 3:16).

Many people misunderstand God’s attribute of love. “God is love” does not mean that everything is sweet, beautiful, and happy, and that God’s love could not possibly allow punishment for sin.

God’s holiness demands that all sin be punished, but God’s love provided a plan of redemption and salvation for a lost and sinful world.

By that plan Jesus Christ came from Heaven to give His life as the final and perfect sacrifice for sin.

But we must respond. We must believe. We must commit our lives to Jesus Christ and trust Him as our Saviour and Lord. Have you put your faith in Him? If so, everlasting life is yours!

Billy Graham—*Hope for Today*

Prayer Points

- For this new year that we would seek God’s kingdom and His righteousness (Matt 6:33), and that we would develop a more consistent and meaningful walk with Christ.
- For our family and friends who are not yet saved – that God would bless our witness to them and that He would touch their hearts and save them through faith in Jesus.
- For those who are struggling with financial challenges, the cost of living, and relationship issues.

Coming Events

Wed 8th Jan 10am
Girls Big Day In

Wed 15th Jan 7pm
Church Safe Training

Sun 19 Jan
Welcome Lunch



Prayer Points continued...

- For our many ministry leaders and helpers that God would grant them a spiritually refreshing time over the school holidays, and that He would re-charge them for ministry in the new year.
- For those who are being baptised next Sunday the 12th January.
- For Harry and Nancy G in Indonesia (until the 15th January), that God would richly bless His ministry through Harry as he shares with others, seeking to win the lost and encourage fellow believers.
- For the Girls Big Day In this week—pray for Alana as she leads this meeting and inputs into the lives of the young ladies who come.
- For Ally S and family, with Ally's recent health scare. Ally's home now.
- For those recovering from illness/injury that God would strengthen them.

Today's services

Pastor Ian Kirk is on holidays this week. We're looking forward to hearing from Stuart M this morning, and Ethan B this evening, as they bring us a message from God's word. May we be in prayer for Stuart and Ethan, and also for Ian and Colleen, as they are refreshed during this break.

Baptism Sunday—12th January. Next Sunday, we have the honour to witness the baptisms of James E, and Simon and Sophia. Let's uphold these three in prayer over this coming week, as they prepare for their baptisms.

Girls Big Day In | Wednesday 8th Jan | Basso Church

The GBDI is on this week! This is for girls aged between grades 6-12 (so feel free to invite daughters/grand-daughters/friends in this age group). It will be a day full of fun activities and projects, all centered around Christ. Please see Alana B for more information.

Edge Camp | Sunday 19th Jan—25th Jan 2025 | Serpentine | \$220

Registrations are still open for those wanting to participate. The camp is scheduled for grades 11-12: January 19-22 and grades 7—10: January 22-25. Our Basso Youth Leaders are involved in leading this event. Registration information is on the notice board or speak with Ethan B.

Church Safe Training

Wednesday 15 Jan | 7pm | Basso Church

In a few weeks time, we will be holding our Church Safe training session at Basso. It is important that we stay up to date with changing regulations and ensure we are keeping our church and community safe. This is for those involved in children's ministry and church leadership, so please come along.

Basso Welcome lunch

Sunday 19 January | 12.30-2.30 | For those who are new, or feel new, to Basso
For those who are new (or feel new) to Basso, we would love you to join us for a luncheon after church on Sunday, 19th Jan (we'll provide the food). This will be a great way for you to meet other newcomers, and find out more about our church, "Our Story, Our Theology, Our Community". See Kerry for more info.

Church Rosters 2025—The rosters for the first quarter of 2025 are now available in the foyer. Thank you to everyone who faithfully serves our church family! If you would like to get involved in serving, we have some gaps in cleaning, side-help and creche—please contact admin@bassochurch.org.au

The Office is back open after a bit of time off. Basso Church's opening hours will continue as normal (Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday, 8.30am-5pm). Ian and Ngaire are still on leave this coming week—we pray they have a blessed and refreshing time away.

So who are our office staff?

Our pastoral team are Ian and Alana. Ian is our Senior Pastor, and Alana is in Ministry Support, with a focus on our ladies and elderly.

Kerry and Ngaire handle our office and admin needs.

And Ethan is halfway through his year-long internship, working alongside our teen youth and young adults.

We start our work-day with a time of prayer, and have a weekly staff devotion. We love praying for our church family throughout the work-week, and appreciate your prayers for us as well!

Creche Family Room: A reminder that the Creche will be available as a Family Room for parents and children to enjoy the service in a relaxed setting.

Children are always welcome in the service too.

Thanks for your generosity! We're blown away by the generosity of our Basso Church family—just under \$3000 was received towards this year's Christmas hampers, and \$1,863 was raised for the COCOA Christmas Appeal!

And to provide an update on the Church finances, at the end of 2024, the loan for our Church build is sitting at \$466,978—this is down from \$829k at the start of the year!! Thank you God, for your provision, and your people's generosity!

Mission Murmuring:

Elise L is still working among the Palawano people, either supporting remotely from Esperance (where she is now) or on-ground in the Philippines. Elise writes of the recently held, first evangelistic Youth Sports Camp, where 300 youth from various local areas attended. What a huge logistic feat, in feeding, counselling and sharing the Gospel at various meeting times! They are praising God for the 3-day camp—all the sports were completed just in time before the rain started and now the river is in flood. Everyone was stranded together after the rain, but thanks to God, there was enough rice to feed everyone. Many of the young youth, over 150, were going forward in response to the sermon's about God's love and forgiveness. There was answered prayer for some of the school drop-out boys, who have caused a lot of trouble around the valley, as many attended the camp, and were challenged through the messages.

Happy Birthday to those who are celebrating birthdays this week, including:

Luke T (today!), Riivo P (6th), Yi-hsin P (7th), Jodie B (8th) and Kellsey A and Peter Sh (both 11th). A special shout out to Luke, who has his very first birthday today!! May God bless you all on this week!



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Pastor: Ian Kirk (Days off, Mon | Sat) **Ministry Support:** Alana Borgogno
Ministry Intern: Ethan Borgogno
Administration: Kerry Jacques and Ngaire Kasdorf



Church office hours: Tuesday—Thursday 9am-5pm
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Let us know if you want to join our group emails and text messaging system

WHAT'S ON THIS WEEK

SERVICE ROSTER

Church Services: Sundays 10 am and 6pm
Livestream 10am: [YouTube channel](https://www.youtube.com/channel/UC...) or at
www.bassochurch.org.au/church-online/

All weekly ministries are on break over school holidays, restarting in February.

Monthly Prayer Meetings:

Sundays: First Sunday of the month, 9am
Tuesdays: Last Tuesday of the month, 6pm
Thursdays: Second Thurs of the month 6pm

Keep up to date with what's going on via our website: www.bassochurch.org.au/whats-on/

For next Sunday— 12th January

Leading:	Z Jacques
Communion:	J Holman
Reader:	J Borgogno
Side Helpers:	C Beavis, J Brenton J Gatti, J Barrett K Farrar, C Kirk
Welcome Team:	Team 5
Crèche:	Family Room
Sound:	M Mooy C Bruce
Slides:	S Errington
Video:	I Hopkins
Morning Tea:	M Errington, M Beaven
Cleaning:	Team 1
Evening:	E Borgogno

Attendance last Sunday Morning:

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."

Offerings as of 29th December:	Faith Promises pledged :\$ 21,490 (15)	Building Fund FYTD: \$ 18,400
	Faith Promises received: \$ 15,000	