# BASSO CHURCH

*fixing our eyes on Jesus*

1 November 2026

# THE CONTACT

**Worship Service:** John 14:1-18 “Trusting in the Hope that Jesus Offers” Nathan Randall

**Evening Service:** Ethan Borgogno

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

## A Challenging Build

I enjoy constructing Lego models. A while back, I bought a non-Lego model of a cherry blossom tree. Its construction was of mini blocks – 1182 of them.
It was a challenging build. The blocks were small. Sometimes I had to use tweezers to fit a block into a tight space. The blocks don’t even fit well. Worst of all, the instruction manual and images were not accurate. Several times, I had to strip things back and rebuild the model.
The completed construction looks great – the 1182 blocks produce a beautiful model of a cherry blossom tree. Colleen loves it and has put it in a prominent place in our home. But it was a challenge to build. I almost gave up on it. But with patience and endurance I finally completed it – after 15 hours.
The build reminded me of the patient and enduring work of God in our lives. He knitted us together in our mother’s womb. We come forth and God is there to help us build our life well. Most of us refuse His help or ignore Him.
But for those who turn to Him and trust in His Son Jesus Christ, He begins a good work in us. There are parts in our life that can be frustrating to Him. But He patiently works, never giving up. We read in Philippians 1:6 “He who began a good work in you will carry it on to completion until the day of Christ Jesus.”

Pastor Ian Kirk for *Echo Community Paper*

## Prayer Points

- Praise God for the AGM last Sunday. We are thankful to God that the amount owing on our loan is around $$. We are also thankful for the men re-appointed to serve on our Board; Stuart MacDonald as Elder, and Zal Jacques and Ian Hopkins as Deacons. We also praise God for Paul Mewhor and Phil Christmas being elected as Elders for the first time.
- For the evening service and Worship Night, led by our young adults, and for Ethan as he shares God’s Word.

## Coming Events

### Today

Prayer Morning
Hospitality Sunday
Praise & Worship Night

### Nov 8

Quiz Night

Prayer Points Continued

- For Nathan Randall, who has been nominated by our church Board to be our next associate pastor. Pray for us as to discern God's will, and as we vote on this most important decision at a special general meeting on Sunday 22 Nov.
- For our brother Brendan Jacques, who has stepped down from our Church Board and from being our church secretary after 25 years. We praise God for Brendan's faithfulness as our church secretary, and pray that the Lord would bless him, especially in his role as a sports chaplain.
- For our brother Steve Borgogno, who has stepped down from our Church Board and from being an Elder at Basso, due to his commitments with Compassion. We praise God for Steve's leadership, and that the Lord would use him powerfully with Compassion.
- For the 129 shoe boxes that we, at Basso, put together for Samaritan's Purse Ministries. Pray that God would use each shoe box to bless a child and their family in less developed countries, and that they would experience the love of God and hear the Gospel of Jesus.
- For our young couples who are planning to be married over the next six months; Joshua & Isla, Matt & Annie, Jadyn & Beth, and Sam & Sarah.
- For Kate P undergoing cancer treatment until March. Please keep her in your prayers, trusting her to the care of our conquering Lord Jesus, and pray for Dave as he supports Kate (please communicate through Dave if you would like to reach out).
- For those struggling, that they would feel God's comforting arms around them and experience His peace. In particular, pray for Les B as he becomes more frail, for Isla U, Nigel T's niece Caris, and Salome E.

**Today at Basso**, we welcome Nathan and Amy Randall. We look forward to hearing Nathan Randall bring the message.

Following the service, is Hospitality Lunch. For those attending, we hope you enjoy a special time of fellowship together.

Tonight, our young adults are hosting a special Praise and Worship Night in The Chapel! We'll begin with a few songs, hear a message from Ethan, and then spend time worshipping together through sets led by our gifted young musicians. Snacks will be served between sets. Everyone is invited for an evening of praising our great God together.

**Quiz Night | Sunday 8 November | 7:30–9:30pm | $5**
Our Young Adults invite Basso Church to join them for a Quiz Night! Everyone is welcome to put your general knowledge to the test and get to know some of our young adults. Quiz snacks provided. Book your seat or table via the Church Centre app or Next Steps events page.

**Compassion Main Stage | Saturday 7 November | Riverview Church | $20**
Join churches from across WA for worship, inspiring stories showing the real-life impact of sponsorship, this is an opportunity to celebrate the difference being made in children's lives and the hope sponsorship brings for the future. Register via the QR code on the noticeboard or pick up a flyer in The Chapel.

**AGM Recap and Voting Results:** Last Sunday, we gathered for a special time of reflection, giving thanks for God's provision throughout 2025–2026. A big thank you to everyone who helped prepare lunch, reports and presentations for our congregation. Your time and effort were greatly appreciated.
We are pleased to share that *Pastor Ian Kirk* was re-elected for another three-year term, commencing in July 2027 and continuing through to 2030.
*The results of the elder and board nominations* were also announced. Stuart MacDonald was re-elected as an elder, while Phil Christmas and Paul Mewhor were elected to serve as elders. Ian Hopkins and Zalman Jacques were re-elected to the board, and Phil Christmas was also elected to the board. Please continue to pray for them as they take on these responsibilities in the season ahead.
During the AGM, Church members *approved our current year budget,* which sees our weekly requirement sit around $$ per week. As a church, we are intentionally investing in staff, by allocating funds to the Associate Pastor role, and continuing to support our Young Adults and youth, through the internship program. Please see one of the Finance Committee (Colin Chapman, Brendan Jacques or Kerry Jacques) for more information.

**Mission Murmurings:** Rachael and John Burbidge have announced that, after nearly 25 years in the Philippines, they have decided to resign from Ethnos, the Canadian missionary organisation with which they have served. For personal and practical reasons, they believe this is the right decision for their growing family. After finalising paperwork, organising their belongings and tying up loose ends, they will be flying to Canada this week.
There are many uncertainties ahead, including finding housing, a car and employment, as well as navigating the necessary legal processes. John hopes to find work and a rental home in either Bancroft or Peterborough, Ontario, while Rachael will apply for a spouse visa to remain in Canada. Their mission account will close after 31 January 2027.
Ultimately, they hope to apply for an Australian partner visa so John can settle permanently in Australia. Please pray for a smooth transition to Canada, suitable housing and employment. Rachael and John are deeply grateful for everyone's, prayers and support over the years. rachael.tims@gmail.com.

**Happy Birthday** to those who are celebrating a birthday this week, including: Rosalie White (today!), Marie Fiorenza (2nd), Philip Robinson (3rd), Annette Errington and Kate Powell (4th), Micah Jacques (5th), Duncan Dique (6th) and Abigail Carvey (7th). May God bless you on your special day!

## Special General Meeting

To all members, we are pleased to advise that a Special General Meeting is to be held after the morning service on Sunday 22 November 2026.
At the meeting, the Elders on behalf of the Board wish to bring the following recommendation:
***That Nathan Randall be appointed to the position of Associate Pastor of the Church of Christ Bassendean Inc, the initial term of appointment being 3 years, subject to a probationary period of 6 months as per the Church Constitution.***

After the motion has been discussed at the meeting, a poll via secret ballot will be conducted which is open to all Active Members 18 years and above.
Any Active Member who is unable to attend this meeting, is entitled as per the Constitution to appoint another Active Member to speak and vote on their behalf. This appointment must be in writing and a proxy form will be provided (in the foyer – see Kerry Jacques). This form must be returned to Kerry prior to the commencement of the meeting. If you have any questions about this process, please see Kerry, or our assistant Secretary, John Kirk.

As part of this process, Nathan has provided us with his personal profile, which you will find below.

**Introducing Nathan** and **Amy Randall..**

**Meet Nathan and Amy...** Born in Zambia to missionary parents, Nathan moved to Perth aged four – landing in Scarborough. Following high school, he studied at Cincinnati Christian University. It was there, by God's grace, that he met Amy, a Florida native. Having ministered in Ohio and Texas, his family moved to Perth, pastoring the Dalkeith Baptist Church. For three years, Nathan served as a missionary in central Thailand. Since then, Nathan has served with AFES' FOCUS ministry amongst overseas students at Curtin University for the past nine years. He's grateful for the adventure and for the lessons he's learned.

**The Family...** Nathan is married to Amy Randall who serves in procurement. Together they have three grown children: Micah (who recently graduated from Curtin), Caleb (who's completing a degree in Business and Commerce), and Charis (who studies Nursing at ECU).

**Bits and Pieces...** For a time, Nathan attended Basso Church in the early 90's (*father, Leroy Randall was interim pastor at Basso during 1992).* Nathan's streaming service of choice? Kayo, be it football, cricket or basketball. As a highschooler, Nathan played the trumpet, poorly! And in uni' Nathan totalled Amy's car, before becoming engaged.

# BASSO CHURCH – CONTACT US

**Pastor:** Ian Kirk (Days off, Mon | Sat)
**Young Adults Coordinator:** Ethan Borgogno **Ministry Intern:** Noah Jacques
**Administration:** Kerry Jacques and Ngaire Kasdorf

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

# WHAT'S ON THIS WEEK

Weekly Events:

**Sun** 10am Morning Service
Basso Kids Church during AM service
(Kindy—Grade 6)
6pm Evening Service
Young Adults gathering after PM service

**Tue** 9am Community Craft and Coffee

**Thur** 9.30am Mothers Group (fortnightly)

**Fri** 6pm Junior Youth Group
7.30pm Teen Youth Group

Home Groups:
**Mon** 1 pm Ladies
**Wed** 10am Ladies | 7pm Young Adults |
7pm & 7.30pm General
**Thu** 7pm General

Monthly Prayer Meeting:
**Sun** 9am | First Sunday of the month

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# SERVICE ROSTER

For next Sunday — Nov 8

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| **Leading:** | P Errington |
| **Communion:** | P Davies |
| **Reader:** | T Hopkins |
| **Side Helpers:** | P Mewhor, E Manglicmot<br>S Ballard, K Ridderhof<br>R Owens, R Garlett |
| **Welcome Team:** | Team 1 |
| **Crèche:** | E & N Kasdorf |
| **Sound:** | M Mooy, S Errington |
| **Slides:** | Z Jacques |
| **Video:** | I Hopkins |
| **Morning Tea:** | M Beaven, D McKinley |
| **Cleaning:** | Team 3 |
| **Evening:** | E Borgogno |

Attendance Sunday (AM):

# 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.*
Account Name: Church of Christ Bassendean Incorporated
BSB: 704 922 Account: 100022132

*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 (from 1 July) as of 11 October 2026: