

## Church Leadership

### Intentional Interim Pastor

Rob Newton

### Elder

Graham Wells

### Deacons

Carys De Marchi

Adam Lindsay

Joslyn Mauchline

Chris Neilson

Rob Vandenberg

Ernie Vanderwert

Please pray for our church leadership as they embark on this season of Intentional Interim Ministry. May they be blessed with wisdom, discernment and Godliness at this time.



We gather together for worship each Sunday at 10am to celebrate Jesus as our Lord and Saviour.

### Morning Tea Roster:

1<sup>st</sup> March: Pam Wright & Lorna McCrae

8<sup>th</sup> March: Graham & Mary Wells

15<sup>th</sup> March: Graeme & Janiece Mancer

22<sup>nd</sup> March: Joslyn Mauchline

29<sup>th</sup> March: Joy Cocks & Sonia Barnard



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### Praying Through Transition

In seasons of transition we can be confident that God has a plan for our future. He has already promised to complete the good work he has begun in us (Philippians 1:6). This is true even when we are uncertain of what His preferred future for us looks like.

Sometimes He likes to surprise us with his goodness and grace! Transition is a time to engage in targeted prayer and allow God to shape our future through the working of His Spirit.



Jesus taught us to pray, 'Your kingdom to come. Your will be done' (Luke 11:2, Matthew 6:9-10). The sense is to actively release God's reign and will, not simply request it happen. Whether or not we have a leadership role in steering the transition, we can each be praying such release of our Father's reign and will through the process we have chosen to follow for 2020. In this way God can use us to shape His preferred future for us.

In prayer we want to be increasingly sensitive to His direction - but here are a few ideas on how we could begin:

'... Your kingdom come and Your will be done in our church as we navigate transition through 2020'

'... Your kingdom come and Your will be done in the transition team as they guide us through the process'

'... Your kingdom come and Your will be done in our next season of mission and ministry to Bright and beyond'

'... Your kingdom come and Your will be done as you prepare the pastor you are sending us in 2021, and prepare us to receive their ministry'

"And I will give you the keys of the kingdom of heaven, and whatever you bind on earth will be bound in heaven, and whatever you loose on earth will be loosed in heaven." Matthew 16:19 (NKJV)

Thanks everyone for the warm welcome to Bright Church of Christ. I'm expecting to be in town three Sundays out of four in 2020, usually Friday to Monday. If you would like to catch u, please email or text me to make a time. Blessings, Rob.

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*A message from  
Rob Newton...*



Every Friday Morning at 8am, Riverdeck Café.



## Women's Coffee

The monthly women's coffee meeting be on Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> March at Blackbird Café from 10:30am.

All women welcome!

Please stay and join us for Morning Tea at the conclusion of our Sunday services in the Cottage. All welcome.



## Opportunity to help others

**Used Stamps** – we collect used stamps in support of the GMP work in Fiji.

**Bottle caps** – we also collect used bottle caps from milk and juice bottles are used to make prosthetic limbs.

You can find collection boxes for both these items under the window in the Cottage.



# Pray CONTINUALLY

## Prayer

- Pray for those members of our congregation who have health challenges at this time. May they know God's peace and care.
- Pray for those in our community who are grieving, lonely or facing a particular hardship.
- Thank God for the willingness to serve of the newly inducted transition team: Graham Wells, Jenny Banks, Joy & Ted Gray, Margaret Hartley, Joslyn Mauchline, Lorna McCrae, Rob Vandenberg, Ernie & Linda Vanderwert. Please pray for them as they begin this ministry of transition.
- Pray for this season of Lent that people around the globe would be stopping to reflect and prepare for Easter this year. May some come to hear the Good News of Jesus for the first time.

## Weekly Prayer Opportunities:

1. Prayer meeting held every Wednesday in the cottage at 11am. Currently a small group and would welcome more people coming.
2. Prayer before church on Sunday morning at 9.45am.

"And pray in the Spirit on all occasions with all kinds of prayers and requests. With this in mind, be alert and always keep on praying for all the LORD's people." Ephesians 6:18



## Home Groups

There are two groups currently operating:

- (i) **Tuesday afternoons** – for further details contact Joslyn 0401 668 646
- (ii) **Thursday nights** – for further details contact Graeme Mancer 0418 148 195