

RESTORE FOCUS

Family

I am convinced that in the heart of every believer there should be a profound appreciation for the sanctity of family. The Bible teaches us that family is a divine gift, a precious jewel that was lovingly crafted by the hands of our Heavenly Father. As we delve deeper into the Bible, we discover the resounding message of togetherness, love and forgiveness.

One verse that resonates deeply with the essence of family is found in the book of Psalms. Psalm 133:1 (NIV) says, "How good and pleasant it is when God's people live together in unity!" This verse underscores the beauty of unity within the family. It reminds us that when we come together in harmony, we create an environment that is not only pleasing to God but also nurturing to our own souls.

Family, as God intended it, is a place where love reigns supreme. The love we share within our family unit reflects the unconditional love that our Heavenly Father showers upon us. In 1 Corinthians 13:4-7 (NIV), we are reminded of the characteristics of love: "Love is patient, love is kind. It does not envy, it does not boast, it is not proud. It does not dishonour others, it is not self-seeking, it is not easily angered, it keeps no record of wrongs. Love does not delight in evil but rejoices with the truth. It always protects, always trusts, always hopes, always perseveres."

These words should inspire us to emulate such love within our family, creating a nurturing environment where each member feels cherished and valued.

We live in a world that continues to devalue the importance of the family unit however as Christians, brothers and sisters in Christ, we cannot and should not be swayed by the world around us. The importance of the family unit cannot be overstated my friends.

It is within the family unit that we first encounter God's love and grace, and it is through our family that we learn to express these virtues to the world. Our families are the building blocks of our faith, where we nurture future generations of believers.

As we contemplate the significance of family, let us remember that we must cherish and uphold the importance of family as illuminated by God in his word, the Bible.

Let us embrace togetherness, love, forgiveness, and unity as the foundations of our family life.

Through our families, we have the extraordinary opportunity to demonstrate God's love to the world and to leave a lasting legacy of faith for generations to come.

Through our journey of life, may God's grace guide us and may our families shine as beacons of His love and truth.

Yours in Christ, Hillary Van Estrop

UPCOMING EVENTS

OCTOBER

Mon 2nd-6th Connect Group Week
Tue 3rd Table Tennis 8:00pm
Wed 4th Prayer Meeting on Zoom 7:00am
Fri 6th Unite Youth & Young Adults 7:30pm
Tue 10th Ladies Prayer Meeting 10:30am
Tue 10th Table Tennis 8:00pm
Wed 11th Prayer Meeting on Zoom 7:00am
Thu 12th Upper Room Prayer 7:30pm
Sat 14th Dynamics of Worship 2:00pm-5:00pm
Guest Speaker: Pastor Luke Marrocco
Leaders Meeting with Pastor Joe Leone 3:00pm
Sun 15th Morning Worship Service 10:15am
Guest Speaker: Pastor Joe Leone
Mon 16th–20th Connect Group Week
Tue 17th Table Tennis 8:00pm
Wed 18th Prayer Meeting on Zoom 7:00am
Fri 20th "Little Stars" Mums & Bubs 11:00am
Fri 20th Unite Youth & Young Adults 7:30pm
Sat 21st Men's BBQ at Karkarook Park 10:00am
Tue 24th Alpha 7:00pm (Week 1)
Tue 24th Table Tennis 8:00pm
Wed 25th Prayer Meeting on Zoom 7:00am
Thu 26th Ladies Connect Group 10:30am
Thu 26th Upper Room Prayer 7.30 pm
Sun 29th Healing & Miracle Service 5:30pm
Mon 30th–3rd Nov Connect Group Week
Tue 31st Alpha 7:00pm (Week 2)
Tue 21st Table Tennis 8:00nm

UPCOMING EVENTS

NOVEMBER

Wed 1st Prayer Meeting on Zoom 7:00am
1st–3rd Connect Group Week contd
Fri 3rd Unite Youth & Young Adults 7:30pm
Sat 4th Ladies Afternoon Tea 3:00-5:00pm
Guest Speaker: Pastor Debra Dissanaike
Sun 5th Morning Service 10:15am
Guest Speaker: Rev Mike Dissanaike
Tue 7th Alpha 7:00pm (Week 3)
Tue 7th Table Tennis 8:00pm
Wed 8th Prayer Meeting on Zoom 7:00am
Thu 9th Upper Room Prayer
Mon 13th–17th Connect Group Week (Final Week)
Tue 14th Alpha 7:00pm (Week 4)
Tue 14th Table Tennis 8:00pm
Wed 15th Prayer Meeting on Zoom 7:00am
Fri 17th "Little Stars" Mums & Bubs 11:00am - TBC
Fri 17th Unite Youth & Young Adults 7:30pm (Final)
Tue 21st Alpha 7:00pm (Week 5)
Tue 21st Table Tennis 8:00pm
Wed 22nd Prayer Meeting on Zoom 7:00am
Thu 23rd Upper Room Prayer 7:30pm
Sun 26th Healing & Miracle Service 5:30pm
Tue 28th Alpha 7:00pm (Week 6)
Tue 28th Table Tennis 8:00pm
Wed 29th Prayer Meeting on Zoom 7:00am

TESTIMONIES

Whilst Tia was on one of her routine walk, she experienced severe chest pains and shortness of breath. She then made an appointment with her G.P for a check up and he sent her for several tests. An ECG had shown she had some blocked arteries and she was then referred to a Cardiologist who immediately requested an angiogram. The procedure was then carried out and to their amazement, the doctor could not find any blocked arteries and he declared that she was in good health. Before Tia was admitted to hospital, she requested the congregation to pray for good result and the Lord Jesus answered her humble request. She now walks with no chest pains. Praise the Lord Jesus, Tia also would like to thank everyone for their prayers.

Tiuta (Tia) Maya

For years after I was baptised I heard messages on the importance of "being born again", which I was. I knew there must be more and longed for it. Then I found out about the Holy Spirit, and was overwhelmed with gratitude to know how real He was, how powerful and how ever-present.

He proved how real He is by granting me many instant miracles. These miracles included healing of back pain due to approaching arthritis in my young days and found travel to work by train hard. Husband prayed, I found out later, really to test out what we had been hearing. Found out the pains left the time he had made that prayer. Shortly after received separate instant healings, at different times, for arthritis in neck, fingers and feet, which specialists told me would cripple me rapidly; frozen shoulder, instantly healed at an altar call for healing after I had already had more than one ineffectual treatment; large burn wound caused by scalding (healed by the end of day after prayer at a ladies' meeting, leaving no scab but just new skin), and more. Even badly injured pets healed and recovered miraculously. It didn't matter who prayed for me or if it was just me, the results were instantaneous! Also answers to anxious prayers for family overseas and possibly in dangerous situations by phone calls very shortly after praying. The Lord must have thought I needed a lot of convincing!

Now I am resting completely in God's will and His grace, which is sufficient for me, and feel at peace and so grateful to know the Holy Spirit is all-powerful, all-knowing, ever-caring and ever-present.

So don't despair if you don't get instant responses to your prayers. Stay convinced as to who He is and trust Him. If only we kept ourselves aware of His presence with us! He will never leave us nor forsake us.

Marlene Smith



TABLE TENNIS TOURNAMENT Tuesdays at 8:00 pm





DYNAMICS OF WORSHIP

WITH PASTOR LUKE FROM LIFE CHRISTIAN CHURCH ADELAIDE

SATURDAY OCTOBER 14 | 2:00-5:00PM

Worship Team - this is for you!!

Worship Leaders, backup singers, musicians, tech and audio visual & other interested parties

RSVP BY OCT 8

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PASTOR JOE LEONE

GUEST SPEAKER

Pastor Joe Leone is Chairman of the CCA and Lead Pastor of Life Christian Centre S.A., a gifted communicator who imparts the truth of God's Word in a powerful, insightful way.



SUNDAY 15 OCTOBER | 10:15 AM ALL ARE WELCOME

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Friday October 20

For mums with bubs aged 0 - 5 years **Time**: 11:00am (Morning Tea provided)

Please sign up for catering purposes

Contact: Joanne - 0430 170 885



YOU ARE INVITED

Men's BBQ

SATURDAY OCTOBER 21 | 10:00 AM

KARKAROOK PARK, WARRIGAL ROAD, MOORABBIN.

PLEASE BRING A PLATE TO SHARE

- Company

SIGN UP & INVITE YOUR FRIENDS

FOR DETAILS CONTACT KEVIN GREBE / ALLEN BARBUT / ERROL LA BROOY









Is there more to Life than this ... Why am I here

FREE!!!

ALPHA Introduction Dinner Tuesday October 24, 2023 at 7:00pm





Restore Community Church 24 Laser Drive, Rowville VIC 3178

To register your interest please call 03 87367053



Healing and Miracle Service Sunday October 29 | 5:30 PM



^{6uest Speaker} Pastor Debra Dissanaike

Pastor Debra Dissanaike, together with her husband have served in Southern Asia for over 40 years as National Superintendent, Missions Director and in Leadership Development. They are now focusing on Mobilizing National AG Churches in South Asia to become Missionary sending Nations.

An Afternoon with Debbie

Saturday November 4 | 3-5pm Restore Community Church

Invite your friends and join us for a lovely afternoon of food and fellowship.

Please bring a plate to share

GUEST SPEAKER

REV MIKE DISSANAIKE

FORMER GENERAL SUPERINTENDENT/CHAIRMAN ASSEMBLIES OF GOD OF CEYLON AND BIBLE TEACHER.

SUNDAY NOVEMBER 5 | 10:15AM

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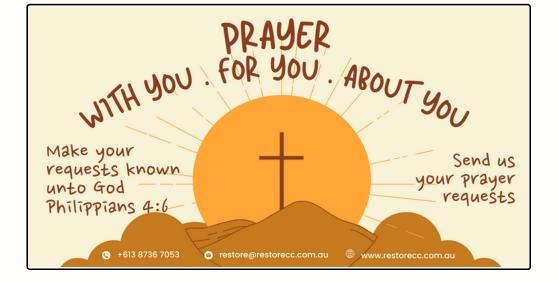




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SERVICE TIMES

Sunday Worship Service | 10:15 am

Gummi Bears Creche (18 months - 5 years) Lamp Lighters Sunday School (Prep - Grade 6)

Sunday Evening Healing & Miracle Service | 5:30pm

(Last Sunday of the month)



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