

Cell Groups at Penshurst Anglican Church

Our church calls itself a 'cell church', built upon the Biblical idea that the primary way that God's people can truly live out the Gospel is through small, intentional communities (called 'cells'). It is here where Jesus is given a far more intimate opportunity to do His work of transformation.

| Group name/leader | Day/time/frequency |
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| Trinity Forum | Meets monthly, last Monday of the month |
| Dorcas Fellowship | Meets 2nd & 4th Thurs at 9:45am |
| Gaye Bishop | Meets fortnightly on Tues evenings |
| Cliff Seeto | Meets fortnightly on Weds evenings |
| Megan & Jeff Powys | Meets weekly on Thurs evenings |
| Bart & Kim VandenHengel | Meets weekly on Thurs evenings |
| PAC Youth Group | Meets Friday eve, 7:45-9:45 pm |
| ReCharge! (University+ group) | Meets weekly on Tues. evenings, 7:30pm |

Sunday School:

Our Sunday School program runs during the 10:30am services, and only during school term. There are four classes available, based roughly on a child's age:

- Ages 3-5 Coordinators: Karen Fu (in upper hall classroom 1)
- Years 1-3 Coordinator: Hua (Nancy) Feng (in basement of hall)
- Years 4-6 Coordinator: Naomi Zrno (in library)
- Years 7-8 Coordinator: George Chan (in upper hall classroom 2)



Penshurst Anglican Church

2 Carrington St, Penshurst, NSW 2222

Pastors: Bart VandenHengel (English speaking congregations)
Aisen Ju (Mandarin speaking congregation)

Sunday Services: (8am) Prayer Book Service w/ Holy Communion
(10:30am) Celebration service in English and Mandarin
(7pm) 'The Quiet Place'

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The Voice

Penshurst Anglican Church

We welcome you to our celebrations this morning! If you are a visitor here today, we pray that the Triune God of grace will richly meet you where you are, in the fellowship of His people here at PAC. We also invite you to make yourself known to us through the visitor forms found in the pew holders.



Open Doors®
Serving persecuted Christians worldwide

Today is 'STAND-UP Sunday!'

Today, we will stand up for our Christian brothers and sisters in Syria, Iraq and Egypt.

Our Guest Speaker is Norm McLaughlin



Sunday, August 11, 2013

Preaching program

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| New Sermon Series: "The Uncomfortable Sayings of Jesus" | | |
| 18 Aug | <i>"I came to bring fire on the earth, and how I wish it were already kindled!"</i> | Isaiah 3:1-9 Luke 12:49-56 |
| 25 Aug | <i>"Should not this woman, whom Satan has kept bound for 18 long years, be set free on the Sabbath day...?"</i> | Zech 2:10- 3:4 Luke 13:10-17 |

In this Sermon Series, we will be exploring seven lectionary readings from the latter chapters of Luke's Gospel in which Jesus tackles difficult subjects that we

Church Camp: August 30 to Sept 1



The 'Mid-Autumn Festival' is coming!

Falling on the 15th day of the 8th month according to Chinese lunar calendar, the Mid-Autumn Festival is the second grandest festival after the Spring Festival in China. It takes its name from the fact that it is always celebrated in the middle of the autumn season. The day is also known as the Moon Festival, as at that time of the year the moon is at its roundest. On this day, family members gather to appreciate the bright full moon, eat moon cakes at night, express strong yearnings toward their homes and think of family members who live far away.

We will be celebrating this special day on Saturday, September 21st.

Missions Month will begin on October 6th.

Each Sunday, we will have one of our link missionaries come and give us an update on their work.

Our Market Day will be held on Saturday, Oct. 26.

10:30 Combined Worship Roster

| Date | Welcome | Keys | Guitar | Drums | Vocals | Bible | Count |
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| Aug-11 | Andrew, Millie | Ruevern | Bart, Michelle | Aisen | Michelle, Kathie, Jimmy, Mina | Tam | Cara, Steve |
| Aug-18 | Naomi, Marilyn | Kat | Gordon, Phillip | Michael | Sun-Jae, Amelia, Lucy, James | Louise | Geoff, Cliff |
| Aug-25 | Selina, Geoff | Terence | Bart, Byron | Joshua | Gaye, Kelsey, Hua, Tony | Millie | Geoff, Steve |

Calendar of Upcoming Events

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| Sun., Aug 11 | 'Stand-Up' Sunday (Special Guest Speaker: Open Doors) |
| Aug 18- Sept 29 | New Sermon Series- "The Uncomfortable Sayings of Jesus" |
| Aug 30 to Sept 1 | Church Camp at Galston Gorge |
| September 21 | Mid-Autumn Festival |
| October 6- 27 | Missions Month |
| October 26 | Mega Mission Market |

Pray for the work of Open Doors in the Middle East

Syria: According to the UNHCR, there are currently 1,608,706 Syrian Refugees needing aid. There are nearly 500,000 Syrian refugees in Lebanon and Jordan, and an average of 8,000 Syrians crossing the border each day seeking refuge in neighbouring countries. An estimated 80,000 Syrians have been killed since 2011. The situation in Syria, and of those forced to leave the country, is desperate and becoming more so each day. These refugee families have no homes, income or even the most basic necessities for living.

Iraq: Christians in Iraq are on the verge of extinction. Large numbers have fled abroad or to the (until recently) safer Kurdish region, where they face unemployment and inadequate schooling, medical care and housing. The church faces many challenges – members being killed or abducted, and a lack of capable leaders. In central and southern Iraq, traditional Christians suffer as much as Muslim-background believers, as a result of their visibility.

Egypt: The 2011 revolution that ousted President Mubarak initially brought Muslims and Christians together, but improved relations were short-lived. The Muslim Brotherhood won parliamentary elections in November 2011 and a new Islamist-backed constitution was signed into law in December 2012. However, because this government could not bring necessary law and order, a new revolution has ousted the Muslim Brotherhood from power, leaving the military in control once again. Although persecution of Christians is on the rise and massive emigration of Christians is a concern, still the church continues to grow.

