We are delighted to have you with us at this time, and pray that you will experience the deep love of God the Father as you share in the life of his church.

## Vose Seminary Graduation

On Monday 13 March, MPBC was honoured to host the Vose Seminary Commencement and Conferral Service, where Graham Mabury was the keynote speaker. Congratulations to our Youth Pastor, Michael Yoo, who graduated with a Master of Divinity. From our Coolbellup Campus.

Robyn Christie received her Graduate Diploma of Divinity and Wayne Hicks



was awarded a Certificate IV in Theology.

# Missions Trip Opportunity

Another Salt short-term missions trip to Bangalore, India is being planned for January 2018. If you are interested, find out more at the India info session on **Sunday 30 April at 2.00–3.00pm** in Room 10 at our Booragoon Campus. The team that went to India last December was deeply impacted by their experience and this will be an opportunity for others to come along. Looking forward to seeing you there!

## MPK Youth Leaders

MPK values the contribution of every Youth Leader! At the moment, thirty Youth Leaders are serving in MPK and they add a unique dimension to every Sunday. We are also very excited about 15 new recruits who might be joining the MPK team soon. The recent MPK Youth Leader Training was an inspiring morning which equipped and encouraged. It is clear that God has shown these youth that He has plans and



a purpose for them. The MPK Team praises God for raising up enthusiastic MPK Youth .eaders who want to serve God by impacting ounger/ children's lives.

# Family News:

### PRAYERS AND SYMPATHY

to the family and friends of:

Heather Merlino, on the passing of her mother on 17 February.

Pauline & Carl Hough, on the passing of Pauline's mother, Gwen, on 15 March.

### **CONGRATULATIONS** to:

Chelsea Taylor and Mitchell Peck who were married on 4 March.

Ferg and Rachel Inglis on the birth of their son Samuel Fitzgerald, born on 4 March, weighing 3270g.

Valma Platt on recently celebrating her 90th birthday. She sends her thanks for the many wishes, cards and presents.

### **MEMBERSHIPS**

Aaron Kim & Selina Kim

If you have items of family news that you would like included in this section in future months, forward details to the Church office.

If you have any pastoral or prayer needs, please out a Request CARE Card at the Info Point. This will give us the opportunity to care for you. ••••••

### RZIM / AMP Youth Weekend

AMP Youth partnered with Ravi Zacharias International Ministries (RZIM) to host a cross-denominational youth event over 17-18 March at our Booragoon Campus. On Friday evening 600+ youth and leaders gathered together for fellowship, worship, and to hear Dan Paterson present the story of the gospel in five acts in relation to the question 'Is God Relevant?' It was a blessed night where the Gospel resonated with many of our youth committing their lives to Jesus. Saturday afternoon was the first REBOOT:Local Perth, a one day apologetics conference where speakers Dan Paterson, Jordan Thyer and Sandy Dent addressed the questions: 'Why Trust the Bible?', 'Hasn't Science disproved God?', and 'Why does God allow suffering?' An insightful Q & A session encouraged, equipped and empowered those who attended (recordings available online). A big thank you to all who served at these events.



# FINANCES

Our financial reporting is based on a calendar year [January to December]

Giving to the Church Operating and Missional Links account



YEAR TO DATE BUDGET [28 FEBRUARY 2017] \$284,073

YTD ACTUAL: \$275,555

-\$8.518

Giving to the Building Fund as at 28 February 2017

YTD ACTUAL:

\$55.944

**ANNUAL TARGET:** 

\$400.000

For all giving enquiries:

finance@mounties.org.au or 9329 1777.

You can pay for church related events including camps via our EFTPOS machine at the Info Point each Sunday morning, or online any time at: www.mounties.org.au/payment

For Electronic Funds Transfer (EFT) of offerings and donations visit our website at www.mounties.org.au/giving, or use the Commonwealth Bank details adjacent:

Church Offerings: (No tax receipt) Mount Pleasant Baptist Church BSB 066-124 Acc No. 0090 3735

College Donations: (No tax receipt) Mount Pleasant Baptist Community College BSB 066-163 Acc No. 1036 7831

Building Fund Donations: [Tax receipt] Mount Pleasant Baptist Community College BSB 066-163 Acc No. 1036 7858 Please include your full name

Ladies' Book Club book of the month for April: The Spirit-Controlled

Woman by Beverly Le Haye, exploring the basic temperaments (melancholy, sanguine, choleric, phlegmatic). Beverly helps women discover their strengths and weaknesses and reveals how the Holy Spirit maximises and minimises these to fulfil God's purpose. We welcome you to join our book club for meaningful discussion, fun and fellowship.

# **OPENING TIMES:**

9.45am-10.30am Sunday:

11.45am-12.30pm

Wednesday: 9.00am-1.30pm

(during school terms)

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Margie and I love our garden. It's beautiful, healthy and flourishing! But now and then we'll come across a plant that is not doing so well. There have been times when I have grasped the base of such a plant only to discover it comes up with surprisingly little effort. The plant is shallow-rooted and unhealthy.

Paul's prayer for the Ephesians is that their lives might be deeply rooted and established in the love of God. Easter is a time when we see this extraordinary love of God most clearly demonstrated. It's a love that is infinitely wide and long and high and deep. It's only as we sink our roots deeply into this love and establish our lives on the foundation of Jesus Christ that we discover our own personal security and significance. This Easter may we all discover and experience the beautiful, healthy, flourishing life that the death and resurrection of Jesus opens up for us. - Nick Scott

# Coolbellup Campus Update

In the busyness of life, we see God's Hand at work. In the busyness of life, we are able to find God's presence when we least expect it - if we are prepared to look for Him. Continuing in our series on "Metamorphosis," we have been able to cover great topics such as Hope, Generosity, Blessing, and Humility in the context of *Love* and how we conduct ourselves in relationships. We had a great busy bee on Saturday where we were able to fix the playground we acquired into the ground. It was a wonderful "metamorphosis" to see the place being



transformed into an opportunity to see God's Hand at work – once again. Watch this space for great things to come!

# "Hush" Film Screening

Salt, in partnership with Emily's Voice, is holding a movie documentary night that explores the plight of the unborn. Hush is

an award-winning 'inconvenient-truth' style documentary which follows a pro-choice journalist's investigations into links between abortion and breast cancer,



abortion and pre-term birth in subsequent pregnancies, and the psychological effects on women. It will screen at our Booragoon Campus on Wednesday 5 April at 7.30pm – the evening is open to everyone and will include a Q&A segment. Tickets are \$10, available online at trybooking.com/PALY or at the door on the evening.

# Salty Weekend: Made New

If you are between the ages of 18-30 you are very welcome to join our young adults for our annual weekend retreat from Friday 21 to Sunday 23 April at Orchard Glory Farm Resort, near Bindoon. This is going to be yet another amazing opportunity to connect, deepen relationships, and forge new friendships as we spend time together around the Word of God, and in times of worship and prayer. Registration is online - \$145 for early bird until 2 April; or \$150 for regular registration, closing on Sunday 16 April: www.mounties.org.au/saltyweekend

## Alpha

The Alpha Course will run at MPBC after Easter, with a launch evening on Tuesday 2 May, 7.00pm, at Booragoon Campus. Alpha is an opportunity to explore what life is about, and is designed primarily for people who wouldn't go to Church, or who wouldn't call themselves a Christian. It's also suited to Christians who may be struggling with questions of faith, or new Christians looking to review the basics of their faith. Alpha runs by invitation, so we encourage you to pray about attending and inviting someone to come along with you. Invitation cards containing dates are available at the Info Point. See full course details and regiser via the MPBC website: www.mounties.org.au/alpha

## Connect Lunch

Connect Lunches are a great way for new or "newish" people to get to know others in the church, to speak with pastors, and to find out more about what happens at MPBC – all while enjoying a casual meal together. We have four lunches each year, and the next lunch will be on Sunday 7 May at 12.15pm in the Function Room at our Booragoon Campus. Why not bring someone new along? Register at the Connect Point on any Sunday.

## Vose Book Sale

There is something for everyone at the annual Vose Seminary Book Sale on Saturday 8 April, 9.00am-3.00pm at 20 Hayman Road, Bentley. Choose from children's books, novels, biographies, travel, gardening, cooking, and of course a huge range of Christian books, all at bargain prices. There will also be morning tea, a sausage sizzle, and plants for sale. All proceeds go to help further development of the Vose Library. Sale of unsold books continues during business hours until 28 April.

# Easter 'Good Egg' Guide

The Catalyst team is again highlighting the problem of child slavery in the sourcing of cocoa from which most of our chocolate is there is more to be done. On Sundays 2 & 9 information slips will be available with details made from independently certified cocoa sources. There are also postcards for you to sign, addressed to a well-known Australian manufacturer that has so far refused to take action on ethical sourcing. Thank you - our choices can make a difference!

## The Idea of North

Tickets are selling fast for Australia's leading a cappella vocal quartet and ARIA-award winners. The Idea of North, live in Perth for one night only at our Booragoon Campus on Saturday 27 May at 7.30pm. Their beautifully genres from jazz to classical, folk, gospel, pop, and comedy, so there is something for everyone. Tickets at the Info Point or online at tion.eventbrite.com.au - Do not miss out!



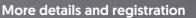
made. Much progress has been made and this year the range of options is much greater, but April, Catalyst will have a table in the foyer and of where you can buy Easter Eggs and the like

distinct sound and style crosses many musical



# A Month in the life of MPBC

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY		SATURDAY	
7.45am - Café open	Office closed	7.00am - Call To Prayer (Boooragoon 11 April)	9.15am - Craft Connection	9.30am - Tumble Tots Playgroup	6.45am - Marketplace98% [7 & 21 April]		10.00am - Flourish (8 April)	
8.45am - International/ESL Bible Study Group		9.30am - Women in the Word Together	9.30am - Tumble Tots & Cooby Tots Playgroups	9.30am - Men's Bible Study	7.30am - Coolbellup Prayer Group		10.00am - Saturday Craft (29 A)	pril)
8.45am - Booragoon AM Service		6.00pm - Call To Prayer (Coolbellup 25 April)	10.00am - Coolbellup Ladies Bible Study (H2H)	11.30am - Seniors Communion & Lunch (20 April)	6.30pm - Friday AMP Youth (School years 7-12)			
9.00am - Coolbellup Service		6.00pm - Prayer and Healing	6.00pm - Revival Prayer (5 & 19 April)	11.30am - Men's PIE Night (20 April)				
10.30am - Booragoon AM Service		7.30pm - Creative Ministries	7.30pm - Salt - Young Adults (5 & 19 April)		?	GOT A QUESTION? Email us: contact@mounties.org.au or phone the church office on 9329 1777.		
5.30pm - Booragoon PM Service								



(where required) for these events are available at the Info Point. through the **Church Office**, or online at www.mounties.org.au or www.facebook.com/mpbcperth

### **Celebration Service Café**

WHEN: Sundays 7.45-8.45am. 10.00-10.40am WHERE: Booragoon Campus Café

### **Easter Services**

GOOD FRIDAY: Friday 14 April: "Established" **BOORAGOON:** 8.45am & 10.30am COOLBELLUP: 9.00am

EASTER SUNDAY: Sunday 16 April: "Empowered" BOORAGOON: 8.45am, 10.30am & 5.30pm COOLBELLUP: 9.00am

### **Annual General Meeting**

WHEN: Sunday 30 April, 12.00noon WHERE: Booragoon Campus Auditorium

### **Vose Book Sale**

WHEN: Saturday 8 April. 9.00am-3.00pm WHERE: Vose Seminary, 20 Hayman Rd, Bentley

Great bargains on a wide range of books, along with teas, plants, and a sausage sizzle.

## **Hush Film Screening**

WHEN: Wednesday 5 April, 7.00pm **WHERE:** Booragoon Campus Auditorium

Presented by Emily's Voice and hosted by our young adults, this award-winning documentary follows investigations into abortion and its adverse affects. Tickets \$10 – book online at www.trybooking.com/PALY

## Men's PIE Night (Purpose, Inspiration, Encouragement)

WHEN: Thursday 20 April, 7.00pm WHERE: Booragoon Campus Function Room

Peter Christofides will share on the commemorating ANZAC Day. For more information contact Stephen Armstrong at pienights@gmail.com — All men welcome.

# **Connect Lunch**

WHEN: Sunday 7 May, 12.15pm WHERE: Booragoon Campus Function Room

See accompanying article for details.

**Singles Alive** – Details of events for this active singles group coordinated by Elsie and Neil Murray are available at the Info Point and on the noticeboard.



# Salty Weekend (Annual Retreat)

WHEN: Friday 21 – Sunday 23 April WHERE: Orchard Glory Farm Resort, Bindoon

See accompanying article for details.

### Winter Camp 2017: Radiate

**WHEN:** Saturday 1 – Tuesday 4 July WHERE: Nanga Bush Camp, Dwellingup

Save the date for *Radiate*! Watch for full details and registrations coming end of April.

# **Auslan Classes (continuing)**

WHEN: Saturdays. 10.00-11.00am WHERE: Booragoon Campus Library

Learn how to sign for deaf people in our Church. There is a need for more Auslan signers at Booragoon and Coolbellup, so if you do already know Auslan, please contact Katie Hope via the Church Office.

# **Digital Photography for Beginners**

WHEN: Thursdays, 27 Apr - 25 May, 7.00-9.00pm **WHERE:** Booragoon Campus

Beginner-level course teaching basic photographic techniques with DSLR cameras. Cost is \$50 for the 5 weeks. Presented by Mick Stringer. Register at the Info Point or online: www.mpc.wa.edu.au/beginnerphoto

### Alpha

WHEN: Tuesdays, 2 May - 15 August, 7.30pm WHERE: Booragoon Campus Function Room

Alpha is a series of talks about the Christian faith, each followed by discussion groups where you are free to ask anything or just listen. It's relaxed, friendly, and fun. Introductory dinner on Tuesday 2 May, 7pm. See accompanying article for more details.

## Follower 4x4

**WHEN:** Wednesdays, 10 - 31 May, 7.30-9.30pm **WHERE:** Booragoon Campus

A 4-week course on equipping committed disciples of Jesus, presented by Peter Christofides, ideal for all Connect Groups. Format is 1 hour teaching sessions followed by discussion groups. Cost is \$20. Details and registration at the Info Point or online www.mpc.wa.edu.au/follower4x4