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Tue – Fri 8.00am - 2.30pm  
Sat 8.00am - 2.00pm  
See inside for Christmas Hours

BOORAGOON CAMPUS

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### Cafe

**Sunday Morning**  
7.45-8.45am, 10.00-10.40am  
WHERE: Infuse Cafe, Booragoon Campus

### Children & Families

**MPK Graduations**  
WHEN: Sunday 8 Dec, all AM services  
WHERE: Booragoon Campus  
Come and support our children as they graduate from SKIP to Runners, and from Sprinters to our Keystone ministry

**MPK Christmas Parties**  
WHEN: Sunday 15 Dec, all AM services  
WHERE: Booragoon & Coolbellup Campus

### General

**Cooby Prayer Meetings**  
WHEN: Every Tuesday 6-7pm & Friday 7.30-8.30am  
WHERE: Coolbellup Campus

**Church Family Meeting**  
WHEN: Sunday 8 Dec, 12pm  
WHERE: Booragoon Campus Auditorium  
All who call MPBC home are encouraged to come and hear ministry plans, strategic direction and budget information for 2020.  
**Info Pack and Our Vision & Strategic Direction 2020 Booklets are available from the Info Point and website.**

### Community Ministries

**Be connected with Church family news**  
We would encourage everyone to complete a HUB card, so that you can receive the Weekly Communications and stay linked in with church family news.

**Seniors Christmas Dinner**  
WHEN: Thursday 5 Dec, 6pm  
WHERE: Booragoon Campus Function Room  
Cost is \$10, tickets available at the Info Point

**Christmas Hamper Pack and Wrap**  
WHEN: Thursday 12 Dec, 10am-12pm  
WHERE: Booragoon Campus Hall  
If you would like to join us to pack and wrap Christmas Hampers please sign up at the Info Point on Sundays or contact Church Reception.

**2020 TIMES ARE CHANGING**  
BOORAGOON CAMPUS  
NEW Sunday Service times  
**8.30am & 10.30am**  
FROM Sunday 2 February 2020  
\*Coolbellup Services remain unchanged

### Ministry Holidays

**AMP Youth** – final youth night is Friday 13 Dec. Camp *Light* runs 4-7 Jan 2020 and Youth will return on Friday 7 Feb

**Context Café** – last meeting of the year on Sunday 8 Dec in Room 10, resumes on Sunday 9 Feb

**Coolbellup Prayer Groups** – will take a break after Friday 20 Dec, and resume again on Tuesday 7 Jan

**Coolbellup Tumble Tots** – in recess Dec and Jan, resumes on Wednesday 5 Feb

**Craft Connection** – Christmas break up on Wednesday 5 Dec, will resume Wednesday 6 Feb

**Flourish** – in recess Dec and Jan, next meeting Saturday 9 Feb

**Good News Club** – in recess Dec and Jan, resumes Thursday 14 Feb

**House of Prayer** – will continue as normal on first and third Fridays of Dec and Jan, 6.00am Booragoon Campus Auditorium

**House of Prayer & Worship** – Thursday 12 Dec, 6-7.30pm

**House of Worship** – Thursday 9 Jan, 7-8.30pm

**International Bible Study and Culture Group** – last meeting Sunday 22 Dec, will resume 2 Feb

**Ladies Book Club** – social meeting 19 Dec, no meeting in Jan

**Marketplace98%** – in recess Dec and Jan, resumes 7 Feb

**Men's Bible Study** – last meeting Thursday 5 Dec, in recess for Jan, resumes Thursday 13 Feb

**MPK/Keystone** – finish on Sunday 15 Dec and recommence Sunday 9 Feb

**PIE Nights** – in recess until Thursday 20 Feb

**Seniors Communion Lunch** – in recess until Thursday 20 Feb

**Soul to Sole Dance Group** – in recess Dec and Jan, resumes Feb

**Tumble Tots** – end of year parties are Tuesday 10/Wednesday 11/Thursday 12 Dec. Groups will resume 4/5/6 Feb

**Women in the Word Together** – in recess Dec and Jan, resumes Tuesday 18 Feb

**Salt** – End of year dinner 11 Dec and resumes 26 Feb

## FINANCES

YEAR TO DATE BUDGET:

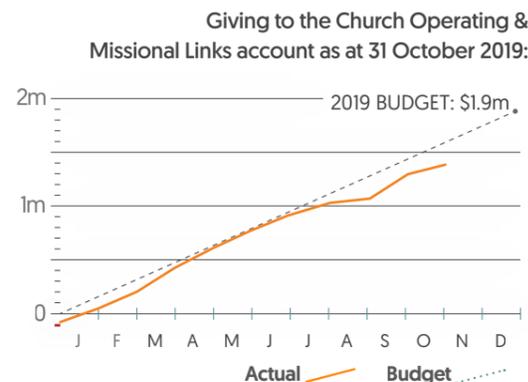
**\$1,588,287**

YTD ACTUAL:

**\$1,560,483**

YTD DEFICIT:

**\$-27,804**



Giving to the Building Fund as at 31 October 2019:

YTD ACTUAL:  
**\$287,508**

ANNUAL TARGET:  
**\$360,000**

Our financial reporting is based on a calendar year (January to December)

**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](http://www.mounties.org.au/payment)

For Electronic Funds Transfer (EFT) of offerings and donations visit our website at [www.mounties.org.au/giving](http://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



### The Book Shop

Warm wishes from us to you! Christmas is full of wonderful opportunities for us to express our love for one another. Cards, books, games, soft toys, calendars and planners - a great range of Christmas gift items is now available at the Book Shop! Please do pop in and make sure you are ready for Christmas.

#### Ladies' Book Club:

Ladies, we will meet for a social evening on 19 December, and then take January off - For further information, please contact Tracy on [tracybeasley@gmail.com](mailto:tracybeasley@gmail.com)

#### OPENING TIMES:

**Sunday 9.45am-10.30am & 11.45am-12.30pm**

**Tuesday & Wednesday 9am-12pm (during school terms)**

Order online: [mounties.org.au/bookshop](http://mounties.org.au/bookshop)

#### BOOKS OF THE MONTH

**"Open to the Spirit"** by Scot McKnight explores what the Bible says about the Holy Spirit. This book is for you if you have questions like who exactly is the Holy Spirit, how can we know him more deeply, and is it possible to tap into his power?

**"Because of Bethlehem"** is a Christmas book by Max Lucado. Behind the carols, presents and lights is the true meaning of Christmas, wrapped up in the story of a baby in a manger, which has a deep and profound meaning for our lives.

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Tuesday - Friday: 9.00am-4.30pm  
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# together

December 2019 -  
January 2020

## This Month

### Extravagant Love

God's love is over and above all our greatest expectations and sums up every other virtue. God's love is extravagant, able to break down all barriers and even empower the loving of enemies. The goodness and beauty of God's love is unfathomable, deeper, wider, higher and more powerful than we can imagine. We are going to explore God's love in the four weeks leading into Christmas where we will be celebrating the reality that God is love and that God so loved the world that he sent his one and only Son to reveal the Father's heart of love for us, that we too might live in the power of the love of God, by his Spirit.

– Simon Ford

#### Bible Readings:

**1 December:** John 3:9-18

**8 December:** Zephaniah 3:14-17

**15 December:** 1 John 3:1-3

**22 December:** Romans 8:31-39

**24 & 25 December:** 1 John 4:7-12

### Thanksgiving Service

**29 December**

Booragoon 9am [only]

Coolbellup 9am

## Coolbellup Update

One cannot believe it is almost Christmas again. We are very excited and grateful to our Lord for all that has happened and is happening. We have had another five people go through the waters of baptism. God has been working in people's lives and they have connected with our church and have publicly declared their faith in Jesus. We were able to hear their testimonies – with not a dry eye in the congregation – and witness their baptisms.



Our Saturday night services have been well attended and much fellowship and community takes place both during the service and the meal that follows. We have been blessed with some of the home-groups cooking for us as well as serving us – thank you so much. Our upcoming highlight is the Cooby Carols. We anticipate a great time of carol singing with the community.

– Peter Christofides

## Christmas Offering

This year our Christmas offering is going to MEDAIR – a humanitarian organisation inspired by the Christian faith to relieve human suffering in some of the world's most remote and devastated places. Since 1989, MEDAIR has been helping families in crisis around the world – regardless of race, creed, or nationality – survive and recover with dignity. Their work in developing countries is shaped by their core values of integrity, hope, compassion, accountability, dignity and faith. They tirelessly bring relief to people who are suffering in hard-to-reach places.

With different volunteer teams in the front line of war, disaster, tragedy and disease we are very privileged to have one of our very own church family, Natalie Page, who is part of the medical team in South Sudan providing medical care to remote villages through vaccination, assisting birth, general health of men, women and children. Let's dig deep this Christmas and make a difference in the lives of people through our generous giving. MEDAIR - Reaching the forgotten. Saving lives. Strengthening communities.

**MEDAIR**

CHRISTMAS  
APPEAL  
2019

*each life matters*

## Christmas Services & New Times for 2020

Sunday 22 December – there will be no PM service at Booragoon

Tuesday 24 December – Christmas Eve – services at 4.30 & 6.30pm at Booragoon only

Wednesday 25 December – Christmas Day – 8.45am at Booragoon, 9am at Coolbellup  
Flyers with these details for you to give to family, friends and neighbours are available at the Info Point.

**From Sunday 2 February 2020**, Booragoon morning services will be changing to 8.30 & 10.30am. Coolbellup Campus remains at 9am.

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

## CARE Ministry

## Women in the Word



The year ended for WITW last Tuesday with an amazing Christmas Lunch. There are now 140 women who have joined this wonderful ministry of studying God's Word. Ladies pray together, discuss God's Word together and receive Bible teaching, while the children also enjoy a great time of fun and learning. WITW commences again on 18 February 2020. All women are welcome.

## Office Closures

Over the Christmas/New Year break the Church and College office will close at lunch time on Tuesday 24 December and reopen on Thursday 2 January 2020. The offices will also be closed from Tuesday 21 – Thursday 23 January for the annual staff retreat. For emergencies during these times, please call 9329 1777 and an emergency number will be given to you.

All the staff from the Church and the College wish you a blessed and joyful Christmas and a happy New Year!

## Summer Sundays

Over Summer Sundays 2020 we will be considering Jesus as our Superhero. We will look at who Jesus is, His Power, His Wisdom, His Love and the difference they make in our lives. As we trust Jesus and humbly walk with Him, the superhero inside of us shines out of us to the world. Services will be interactive and inter-generational, commencing at 9am at both Booragoon and Coolbellup campuses – come prepared for a few surprises!

## Green Team Report

Over 9000 students celebrating leavers' week at Dunsborough were served by 150 Green Team volunteers. This year, an intergenerational team of 47 Mounties volunteers gave up their time, energy and the comfort of their home to be part of the Green Team. This year's theme for the Team was, "Let your light shine in darkness, through love" and that was evident as the team prepared for the week ahead with a prayer walk throughout the zone and daily worship focusing on the theme of love from 1 Corinthians 13.

It was amazing to see the love for the leavers by our team of volunteers from Mounties as they sacrificially served them, looked after them and ensured that they got home safely. Thank you to all who came to be part of Green Team 2019 and to all of you who prayed for us while we were away, as His light shone brightly at the Zone in 2019.

## Baptist World Aid Big Hearted Gift Cards

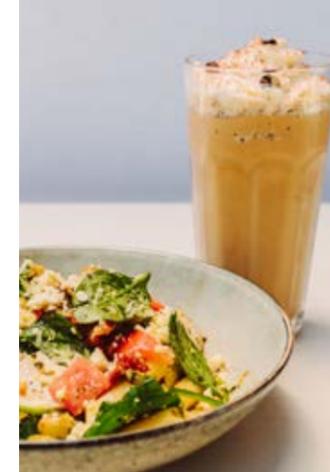
The Big-Hearted Gift Cards stall continues to operate for the first three Sundays in December. Each of the 17 different cards offered represents an opportunity for Baptist World Aid to help a needy community overseas to grow food and develop family businesses. For you, it is a Christmas card combined with a 'virtual' gift so that the receiver of your gift card is participating in your generosity.



*Creative Careers  
Start Here!*

## College Enrolments

The Cert IV Music students recently performed 'Downstairs at the Maj' for their final event of 2019 - a great way to celebrate the end of the College year. Now, our full attention turns to 2020. Many enquiries have been received from prospective students and good numbers of 2019 students wish to continue next year. At the time of writing, we are well over halfway to the recruitment targets that are included in the College budget. Interest is evenly spread across the courses, however it is particularly encouraging to note that the music courses are filling quickly. If you know of family members or friends who may be interested in studying Creative Arts in 2020, please encourage them to make contact in person or via the College website – mpc.wa.edu.au



## THANK YOU from Infuse Cafe



Kate and the whole team at Infuse Cafe would like to thank you for your support throughout 2019. We look forward to serving you again in 2020.

*Infuse Cafe closes for Christmas Saturday 15 December and re-opens Saturday 11 January. Coffee & Drinks will be available 8am-1pm 17-20 December & 8-10 January.*

## Mission Trips

It is very encouraging to see what God is doing among us. We have so many in our church family who feel a strong sense of call from the Lord in their lives, and others who have a strong burden to do something and make a difference by exploring short-term mission (STM). Please remember the following mission trips in your prayers:

- Cambodia STM: 7–18 January, a team led by Hudson & Mandy Lun with Rory, Karien and Dominique Sharp; Ross, Daniel and Emily Hughes; Lisa Flynn and Bronwyn Harmsen
- India STM: 24 Jan–2 Feb, Jonathan Anthony will be leading a team consisting of Dasen & Sarah Christopher, Christine & Phoebe Wardell-Johnson, Jenny Edgar and Sue Ford.
- Japan: 8 Jan–5 Feb, Alistair Smith will be teaching English to secondary students at a school connected to the ministry of Dr. Vee Tetseo in Okinawa, Japan. Alistair has a deep passion for Japan, its people, language and culture.
- Cambodia: Nerine Wright will be volunteering with Cambodia Care Centre - working 3-4 days per week for the entire year. Here's a youtube clip of what they do: [www.tinyurl.com/vqo4o36](http://www.tinyurl.com/vqo4o36) What an incredible journey Nerine has had in the last year, taking a huge step of faith, by resigning from her full-time job to pursue what she feels God is calling her to do. Her step of obedience in this process is inspirational.

## NEW TO PERTH

Last Saturday was our second New to Perth gathering. A delicious meal was enjoyed followed by sharing of information about places to see in and around Perth. Watch out for future gatherings in 2020 - if you are newish to Perth or MPBC come along, or invite anyone you know who is new to our city



## Family News:

### SYMPATHY TO FAMILY & FRIENDS OF

Glens Fowles who passed away on 10 November

### BAPTISMS

Karlien Van Wyk, Matthew & Lagi McCarthy at Booragoon on 10 November

Angelique & Guillaume Contreras, Ted Crouchley, Jing Ma and Luyando Snare at Coolbellup on 24 November.

### MEMBERSHIP

Bruce & Laura Dobson, Lisa Dean, Jessica Ford, Asako Janson, Brian & Isabel Laurance, Alissa Ryan and Edna Lydon

### CONGRATULATIONS TO

Hsiao Wun Moh and Joyce Yii on the birth of their son, Josiah Eden Moh born 11 September 2019

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