

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.

upcoming events

Celebration Service Café

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

The Heart of Man

WHEN: Sunday 22 July, 5.30pm
WHERE: Booragoon Campus

This popular movie will be shown at the PM service. It is a retelling of the parable of the prodigal son, interwoven with true testimonials of personal and sexual brokenness, which reveal the compassionate heart of God and the age-old truth: shame is not a barrier to God's love, but a bridge to absolute transformation, victory, freedom and hope. A love offering will be collected.

Hike for Bibles

WHEN: 22 - 25 September
WHERE: Coalfields Hwy - Dooganally Rd

Bible Society's Bibbulmun Track Hike is celebrating 21 years of walking for a great cause - funds from this 65km hike will help provide bibles for chaplains in hospitals, schools, prisons, emergency services and the defence force. For more information please visit: biblesociety.org.au or contact Marcus on marcus.ngoi@biblesociety.org.au

Community

Mounties Golf – All welcome to join the group of golfers that meet on the first Saturday of each month around 3.00pm for a social 9-hole game, and to share fellowship. More details from **Bertus de Villiers** at bertusdev@gmail.com

Connect Lunch

WHEN: Sunday 12 August, 12.15pm
WHERE: Booragoon Campus Function Room

For all those who are new to MPBC.

Be connected with Church Family

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.

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

PM EATS

WHEN: Sunday 29 July, 6.45pm
WHERE: Booragoon Campus Cafe

All welcome to join us for fine food and live music after the PM service.

Children & Families

Baby Dedications If you are interested in having your child dedicated, please contact the Church Office 9329 1777.

SKIP Orange Morning Tea

WHEN: Sunday 5 August, (when MPK heads out of Auditorium)
WHERE: Booragoon Campus Room 10

All parents and caregivers of children in SKIP are invited to join children and MPK leaders for a time of encouragement and connection.

Courses at Mounties

Marriage Course

WHEN: Thurs 9 Aug -20 Sept, 7.15pm - 9.30pm
WHERE: Booragoon Campus Function Room

The Marriage Course is for any married couple who wants to invest in their relationship.

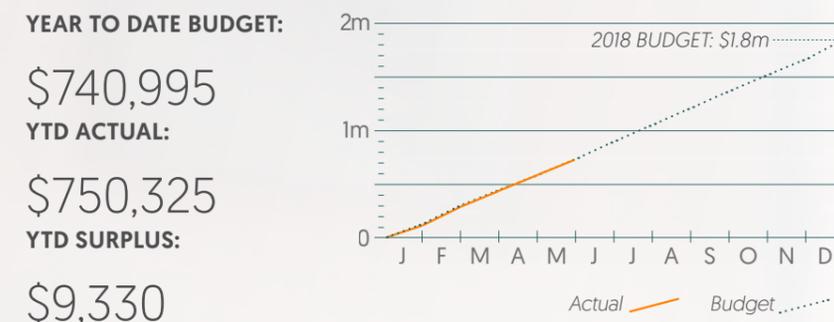
www.mpc.wa.edu.au/marriage

More details and registration for these events are available at the **Info Point, Church Office**, or online at www.mounties.org.au or www.facebook.com/mpbcperth

FINANCES

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

Giving to the **Church Operating & Missional Links** account as at 31 May 2018:



Giving to the Building Fund as at 31 May 2018:	YTD ACTUAL:	ANNUAL TARGET:
	\$120,220	\$380,000

Building Fund year end tax receipts will be available after AM services from the Info Point at Booragoon Campus on Sundays 15 & 22 July. After this date they will be mailed out, so please ensure the Church Office is informed of any recent change of address.

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:

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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]
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BSB 066-163
Acc No. 1036 7858
Please include your full name

There are some excellent devotional books in the Book Shop this month. Also a pile of great fiction – who can resist curling up with a good book in the cold winter evenings! Come on in for a browse...

OPENING TIMES

Sunday
9.45am-10.30am
11.45am-12.30pm

Wednesday
9.00am-1.30pm
(during school terms)

Order online now at mounties.org.au/bookshop

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THIS MONTH



IDENTITY

In Matthew 16:13, Jesus asks Peter, "Who do people say that I am?" In our society, we are often in great danger of allowing ourselves to be identified and defined by unreliable or superficial factors. We assess our own intrinsic value, or lack thereof, according to our personal wealth or the social standing afforded us by our occupation or title. We draw identity 'status points' from what others think or say about us, even from the number of 'likes' or comments our most recent social media post has attracted.

But, who am I? Who am I really, when no one is looking? Charles Finn famously penned the line, "I wear a thousand masks that I'm afraid to take off, and none of them is me". Many of us live in abject fear that people will discover what we are really like, and that they will reject us. But the good news of the gospel is that God accepts us as we are, then sets about transforming us from within. It's only when I see myself as God sees me that I discover who I really am. And it's only then that I can fulfil the destiny for which God has created me. – Nick Scott

Coolbellup Update

One cannot believe that it is the middle of the year already. With all of that in mind, one naturally reflects on where one is at – successes, failures, etc. When reflecting on what has taken place over the last year at Cooby, we need to boldly say, "God has been at work, to God be the glory!"

It has been a time of much activity, much interaction in the community of Coolbellup and much time spent in developing relationships with people. People have been praying, lives have been changed and we have seen the hand of God touch people's lives. We have enjoyed having new people come and feel the "safety" of the congregation. Again, to God be the glory, great things He has done! – Peter Christofides.

Marriage Course

The Marriage Course is for any married couple who wants to invest in their relationship – whether you have been married one year or sixty-one years, whether your relationship is strong or needs strengthening.

When: Thursday evenings 7.15pm – 9.30pm | 9 Aug – 20 Sept inclusive.

For more details go online or register interest at the Info Point.

mpc.wa.edu.au/marriage



essence EVENTS

What It Means To Be A Woman In Today's Culture

SATURDAY 28 JULY

Enjoy a time of fun, friendship, worship, talk by **Patricia Weerakoon**, Q & A and a delicious supper in the usual Essence style. This is for all women 15 years and older – single or married. While women in our culture are expected to be independent, strong and self-reliant, they are also pressured to comply with sexualized images of womanhood.

Patricia will speak on the topic of women and where they place their

identity; what gender roles women are expected and willing to live by. How does this affect life and relationships? Being aware of these issues will help us navigate through life and support others as we journey together.

Book Shop open and hot drinks available from 7.00pm. Cost \$15 – register online:

mounties.org.au/sexuality or at the Info Point on Sundays

India Mission Trip

Our Salt young adults will be going on a short-term mission trip to India in January 2019 to teach at a Baptist Bible College and also to work and assist at Living Word Children's Home. We would encourage people who are passionate about missions to join us. If you are interested, please come to the **Information Session on Sunday 22 July at 2-3pm in Room 10** to find out more.



SAVE THE DATE – Sat 25 Aug – India Dinner

Silent Retreat

Our eighth annual Silent Retreat will be held on Friday 3 - Sunday 5 August and will be led by Graham and Merle Mabury.

Graham is no stranger to leading retreats, having led them at MPBC back in the 1990s and more recently for various other church groups and schools. It will be a real blessing to have his beautiful insights, wisdom and experience.

The highlight of the weekend is expected to be the Sunday Morning Communion when silence is broken and people share quite powerfully their journey over the weekend.

More details online. Registration forms are available at the Info Point.

mounties.org.au/silentretreat

Baptism

Our next Baptism service will take place on **Sunday 5 August at 5.30pm**.

If you are interested in taking the next step in your faith journey and getting baptised, please speak to one of the pastors or other leaders.



All parents and caregivers of children attending Small Kids in Praise (SKIP) are invited to a special Orange Morning Tea on **Sunday 5 August**. Come and join us in Room 10 when MPK is released from the Auditorium for a time of encouragement and connection. For more information on the Orange Morning Tea, please contact Shirley Seah or Ina-Marie Robinson.

shirley.seah@mounties.org.au
ina-marie.robinson@mounties.org.au

The Tea Maker's

Daughter

Tuesday 24 July, 10.00am -11.30am

Cost \$5 – includes Devonshire Tea
MPBC Function Room

While you enjoy good quality Sri Lankan tea with scones, jam and cream, Patricia Weerakoon will share her faith journey - from growing up in the tea plantations of Sri Lanka, being the only daughter of first generation Christian parents, attending missionary boarding school and her introduction to professional life in Hawaii – a story told in her novel 'Empire's Children'.

Sign up at Info Point or phone the Church Office on 9329 1777

Mega Music Kids

The Tiny Tappers program is a 30-minute music class for children with special needs. The songs and rhymes, along with the use of percussion instruments, parachutes, puppets and ribbons, encourage attention, social communication, motor skill development and social interaction. The class size is limited to 5 children, each with a parent/carer and the program will be individually tailored to ensure the children get the most out of the experience.

The class is run by a qualified music teacher with experience in early childhood music teaching and with children on the autism spectrum. More details and registration for this class and all others is available online.

megamusiconline.com.au/academy



With just over 2 weeks to go before we officially open **Infuse Cafe**, it's all go in the kitchen!

Our Cafe Manager Nicole Smith has been working tirelessly to ensure everything is in place for our grand opening **Tuesday 17 July, 2018**.

The Cafe will be a link for church and community; it will provide great coffee and tea along with home cooked brunch styled meals in a welcoming environment. In the week leading up to the grand opening Nicole and Pauline would greatly appreciate the patronage of the church community to gain some experience. The cafe will be open to the church with the full brunch menu available *Monday 9 July through to Friday 13 July, 7am - 2pm*. Please keep the Cafe in your prayers.

PIE Night

Our last PIE Night on Saturday 23 June was actually a very successful breakfast, with guest speaker **Mark Purser, Chaplain to the Essendon Footy Club**. After a kick of the footy there was a delicious breakfast of cereals, fruit, yoghurt, juice and warm drinks. Mark then shared some inspiring stories about his previous involvement with the Adelaide Crows players and more recently his role with Essendon.

Wow, what a crucial role he plays in these teams as their Chaplain.



Our next speaker is **Dr Patricia Weerakoon** and she will speak on "Purity, in a Pornified World" explaining what it means to be 'pure' in thought and action. Men of all ages welcome. This will be on **Thursday 26 July, 7.00-9.00pm**



Friday 10 August

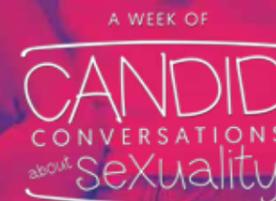
Keynote Speaker: **Dr John Dixon**

To register visit gpbwa.org

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FEATURED EVENT

Just last week Patricia Weerakoon was in Jerusalem presenting three sessions at GAFCON (Global Anglican Future Conference), a gathering of 2,000 Anglican leaders from around the world. Patricia, an evangelical Christian, is a well recognised speaker in the area of sexuality. Her work flows from a Biblical, Christ-centred worldview and she will be speaking across many topics, relevant to specific audiences – including youth, young adults, men/women, parents of young children, leaders, parents of teenagers, couples, etc. We encourage you to take up this opportunity and register for events relevant to you. Also pass on flyers to others you think might be interested. More information about specific events on the website: mounties.org.au/sexuality



Family News:

Our prayers and sympathy go out to the family and friends of Antonia Goemans who passed away recently.

WEDDING – congratulations to: Steph Miles and Jan Bochat who were married on 23 June

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.

CARE Ministry

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.