



Drouin Baptist Church

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Sunday 25th November, 2018

Our Mission:

- Engage** the God-seeker,
- Establish** disciples in community,
- Equip** the saints for service,
- Expand** the Kingdom of God into all the earth.

We hope that you feel at home with us this morning as we collectively focus our hearts, minds and activities on God, and desire only that He be exalted. Creche and Sunday School programs are on today for children from 2 to 4, and 5-12 years of age.



The answer to guilt

“If we walk in the light as He is in the light, we have fellowship with one another, and the blood of Jesus Christ His Son cleanses us from all sin” 1 John 1:7. Guilt is a fundamental human problem. In this verse we discover two aspects to the remedy for guilt.

1. The Divine provision of this remedy

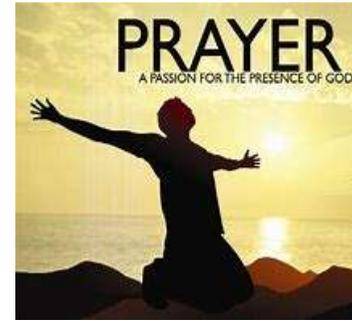
The blood of Jesus Christ (God’s Son) cleanses... Only God has the remedy for our sin and guilt. It necessitated the death of His Son Heb 9:22. The shedding of His precious blood means that:

- A. Christ’s death was *vicarious*. Jesus bore our sin and guilt on the cross. He took our sinfulness so that we might take His righteousness 2 Cor 5:21
- B. Christ’s death was *victorious*. The cross was a single event, but its efficacy is eternal. All people of all time can be set free from sin.

2. The Divine condition for this remedy

People are not automatically set free from sin and guilt because of Jesus’ death. God lays down two conditions for cleansing from guilt.

- A. There must be a truthful transparency in the presence of God. “..if we walk in the light..” We have to be open and honest with God. We must allow His Word to expose our sin.
- B. There must be a trustful dependency on the person of God. “..we have fellowship..” This fellowship is firstly with the Father and His Son, and then with one another v.3.



Be exalted, O LORD, in your strength;
We will sing and praise your might.

Psalm 21:13

We will only understand prayer if we start with God. Too many of us start with ourselves. A child does that. The world revolves around him. Others are there to serve him, provide for him, love and help him. A child yells and sulks. Adults are more sophisticated, but we easily bring the same selfish attitude to prayer. Prayer, as with any pursuit, is about God from beginning to end.



Recently Liz was involved in a Bloom workshop at the East Asia conference for the International Council for Education of People with Visual Impairment (ICEVI). As Certified Bloom Trainer-consultants Liz Pfeifer and Manny Tamayao worked to install the Bloom software on the attendees’ computers, SIL LEAD executive director Paul Frank introduced Bloom and took them through the creation of a short book. As participants tried out Bloom for themselves, Paul asked what could be done to improve accessibility for the visually impaired. And when Paul introduced the Talking Book Tool, the level of excitement in the room noticeably increased. Participants recorded the texts of the books they themselves were making and added image descriptions. They learned how to convert their books into two-language books, and how to change the Bloom interface into other languages.

The workshop was an illuminating experience for everyone involved. Attendees got an introduction to the possibilities Bloom affords them, and Paul, Liz, and Manny gained valuable insight into how the visually impaired use their computers, how to modify training workshops for the visually impaired, and what needs to be done to increase accessibility for the visually impaired to use Bloom themselves (not just for others to make materials for them).

Liz will be in Australia from 29 November to 2nd January and needs a car to get to the various meetings in which she will be involved. As this is a short trip, she will not be able to visit all supporters.

Please stay behind after our service this morning for a time of fellowship over tea or coffee – cappuccino, latte, hot chocolate, chai. Soy milk available



We need to stack the chairs after our service this morning.

“...Pray for one another...”

Sunday:

Neil and Lola Grant

Monday:

Phil and Joy Grant *Clara, Cheska*

Tuesday:

Rod and Annie Hardy

Wednesday:

Hayno and Di Haynes *Bobby, Libby*

Thursday:

Gordon and Judy Holliday

Friday:

Ashley and Karrin Hotchkin *Reece, Sophie, Charlie*

Saturday:

Glenn and Lorelle Hotchkin

What's on this week

Sunday	10.00am	Worship Service
Tuesday	10.00am	Linking Hands Craft Group
Wed, Thurs, Fri	9.30am	Bizzy Butterflies Playgroup
Wednesday	7.00pm	Missions Committee Meeting
Friday	7.00pm	LifeQuest Diamond Smuggler
Sunday	10.00am	Worship Service
	12.00noon	Quarterly Business Meeting

A number of Home Groups meet on various days/evenings through the week

Baptism

Pastor Stephen will be baptising Rhian Dickerson after the service this morning.

Carols Service

8.00pm Sunday, 23rd December

The Linking Hands Craft Sale raised \$1,100.00 which will be donated to The Crossing, Breast Cancer Comfort Cushions and the playground equipment

Alex White has **notes on Revelation** for those who may be interested in pursuing studies of this book. The notes are available online or in printed form.

The "be a barnabas" fun run saw 40 people participate on the day, which raised over \$3000. This will help our Yemeni brothers and sisters who are desperately in need of the basics of life. Donations have still been coming in, so if anyone would like to contribute you can still do so until Sunday, 2 Dec via Danielle Smith or BSB 633-000 Account 163973159. Heartfelt thanks to everyone who has contributed.

A message from the Baptcare CEO

Regional acquisition

I am excited to inform you Baptcare will be extending our footprint in Gippsland, from February next year, after acquiring three aged care homes.

Baptcare has chosen to purchase these homes to extend our vision of creating communities where every person is cherished.

The properties provide care for 310 residents, employ 435 staff and include:

- Abbey Gardens Aged Care in Warragul
- Amberlea Aged Care in Drouin
- Heritage Manor Aged Care in Morwell

The properties are currently owned by Alliance Care Services Group, who believed the time was right to allow these homes to grow and thrive under a bigger aged care organisation. They sought a purchaser that specialises in providing quality aged care which supported their values and care philosophy. We have showcased this at our St Hilary's Community in Morwell, within our other aged care homes and within our In Home Care services throughout the Gippsland region.

The Baptcare Board recognises regional areas have need of community and aged care, and that these three communities will benefit from Baptcare's care model. Back at a planning session in November 2016, the Board expressed a commitment to keep a presence in the Latrobe Valley and to consider innovative ways to grow in the area.

Nearly two years later, it is exciting to see that vision come to life. It not only reflects our commitment to regional communities, but also feeds into one of our key strategic outputs - growth.

On an operational level, residents will retain their places at the three homes, with no additional costs as a result of the sale, and all staff will be offered continued employment with their existing conditions within Baptcare. Day-to-day operations at our St Hilary's Community will remain unchanged.

We look forward to continuing to provide the best possible care to the people in Gippsland and through our values, partner with people of all ages, beliefs and circumstances so that they can continue to live full lives.

I also encourage you to warmly welcome the staff from the three aged care facilities, who will become part of the Baptcare family next year.

Kind regards,
Graham Dangerfield
CEO

Baptcare's recent 150km 'Cycle for Hope' event raised \$25,000.00 which will benefit disadvantaged children and families throughout Victoria.

The dessert and silent auction night raised \$2,500.00 for new playground equipment

