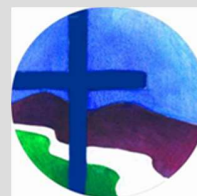




TORAH CLASS

REDISCOVERING THE BIBLE

Gathering Newsletter



July 2019

The Torah

If you want to refresh your memory or catch up on any talks you may have missed then just go the Torah Class website.

<https://www.torahclass.com/>

The teaching is from a Hebraic, original-language and cultural perspective. We will be watching the first 6 lessons on Genesis but there are many other lessons available on other books of the Bible from both the Old and New Testaments. The lessons aim to allow the Scriptures to speak for themselves and avoid predetermined doctrinal biases.

Torah Class is based in Florida but there is a group in Bondi, called Jews for Jesus Australia. Their website is

<https://www.jewsforjesus.org.au/>

This study may help our interactions with our Jewish friends in Bellingen. Books such as 'Engaging with our Jewish friends' by Randy Newman might also add to our understanding of their world and sharing the Good News.

Church Services in July

7 July –Recorded Sermon by Tom Bradford -
Torah Class, Genesis 2
Communion

14 July –Recorded Sermon by Tom Bradford -
Torah Class, Genesis 3 & 4

21 July – Recorded Sermon by Tom Bradford -
Torah Class, Genesis 4, 5 & 6

28 July – Recorded Sermon by Tom Bradford -
Torah Class, Genesis 6

SUNDAY SERVICE 9.30AM

At Bellingen High School

Committee of Management:

Pres: Robyn

Vice Pres : Lynne

Secretary : Cheryl

Treasurer: Leeanne

Committee Members

(General elders):

Andrew, Beth, Colin & Leon.

Honorary Senior Elder: Mike

BANKING DETAILS

Bellingen Valley Christian Gathering Inc

BSB: 533000

Account: 142176

(S24 is needed if BCU member)

REGULAR EVENTS

Prayer meeting at Bellingen Anglican church for SRE
Mon 8.30am

KYB (Know your Bible)
Uniting Church
Mon pm

Gleniffer Bible Study
Tues am.

LifeHouse Pantry
Tues & Fri 10-12

Bible study @ Ken's
Wed 7pm Revelation



7 SURPRISING TRENDS IN GLOBAL CHRISTIANITY IN 2019

1. Christianity is growing faster than the population.
2. Pentecostals and evangelicals are growing the fastest and are still picking up speed.
3. Atheism has peaked.
4. Christianity is growing in cities, but not fast enough.
5. The centre of Christianity has moved to the global south.
6. There are more evangelism opportunities for Christians than ever.
7. The percentage of the unevangelized is shrinking.

It is encouraging to know that there are 2.5 billion of us in the world and that followers of Jesus are expected to outnumber every other faith to at least 2050.

Thanks Ken for this link ➡

News:

Israel Folau's story isn't going away any time soon. Some feel Folau is holding the line against the dominant beliefs in contemporary Western culture on the flashpoints of gender and sexuality. Pray for wisdom for him and all of us as we talk about this issue with others.

Mugs:

Our church has a few mugs with the 'Footprint in the sand' poem on it. If you know someone going through a really tough time and would like to give them one then please see Cheryl.

<https://factsandtrends.net/2019/06/11/7-surprising-trends-in-global-christianity-in-2019/>