

# Church Family News, October 2023



## Hobart Baptist Church, Sunday 29 October

This Sunday we hear from Matt Henderson as he speaks on *Praying the Lord's Prayer*.

**SERMON:** Forgive Us Our Sins As We Forgive Those Who Sin Against Us

**BIBLE READING:** Matthew 6:9-13

**WATCH:** LIVE on YouTube at 10.00am Sunday

A Q&A session with the speaker takes place after the sermon each Sunday.

To join, text a question to **0491 070 718**.

**Stay on after the service** for fellowship over morning tea, including a coffee from Esteem.

**Kids' Church** and **HBC Youth** will meet during the sermon.

For enquiries regarding room use/hire, please email Kelvin Smith ([kelvin@citynetworks.org.au](mailto:kelvin@citynetworks.org.au)).



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## DATES FOR YOUR DIARY



### OCTOBER

**SATURDAY 28th** 10:00am-2:00pm. Operation Christmas Child shoe box packing, Soundy Lounge.

**SUNDAY 29th** 10am. *Praying the Lord's Prayer* sermon series continues.

### NOVEMBER

**WEDNESDAY 1st** 6:30 for 6:45am. Parliamentary Prayer Breakfast, Hotel Grand Chancellor.

**SATURDAY 4th** 11am-2:30pm. Safe Church Training, Gibson Hall. See below for more details.

**MONDAY 6th** 6:00pm. State Cinema, North Hobart. Premiere showing of *"The Healing"*.

**SUNDAY 12th** 6:00pm-8:00pm. Long Table Dinner. Bangladesh. See below for more details.

**SATURDAY 18th** 9:30am-3:30pm. EmpowHer Day of Courage at Longford. More below.

**SUNDAY 26th** 11:30am. Church Annual Members Meeting following 10am service. All Welcome.

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## SERMON SERIES

### PRAYING THE LORD'S PRAYER – 24 SEPTEMBER TO 12 NOVEMBER 2023

The Lord's Prayer from Matthew 6:9-13 is perhaps the most well-known and beloved prayers in the history of the Church.

It is the example given by Jesus to his disciples and has been used as a model prayer for Jesus' followers everywhere.

Each week we will take a close look at the Lord's Prayer by exploring each of its sections, and asking how it can be applied to our own lives.

As we explore, we will discover how Jesus' model for effective prayer can help us to grow in our relationship with God, with each other and be more effective in our work for the Kingdom.

For more information, [visit the sermon page here...](#)



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### PLEASE HELP US PACK SHOEBOXES FOR OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD 2023!



The Shoeboxes are being packed this **Saturday, October 28 between 10am – 2pm** in the Soundy Lounge. ALL WELCOME!

Financial donations (\$12.50 a box) to help cover the cost of sending the boxes would also be appreciated. For further information please speak to Celia or Kylie. THANK YOU for your generosity!

The packed Shoeboxes will be sent on their way with a prayer during the 10am service this Sunday.

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### FUNDRAISER – CHURCH KITCHEN UPGRADE

Upgrading the Church Kitchen to commercial standard would enable us to fully utilize the facilities that we have, not only for our own church family, but also to serve the community in a practical way.

Kelvin's vision is to make the church kitchen available to different individuals or groups to produce food for distribution or for sale in different ways. Either as one-off or as semi-regular events. It would enable:-

- Esteem to sell food cooked on site
- Different chefs from the multicultural start up programmes to cook food to sell,
- Food to be prepared to distribute to the needy in the community,
- To cater for different events such as Luminous on site etc.

To support Kelvin with this vision, the Diaconate would like to appeal to the Church Community to assist if able to do so.

The estimated cost is around \$3,500. We already have \$200, proceeds from the sale of a gazebo. Fundraising ideas or a donation towards the expenses required to make this a reality would encourage Kelvin and many budding chefs.

Donations can be placed in an offering box on Sunday (in an envelope suitably marked) or transferred directly to the Church Bank Account with the reference "Kitchen Upgrade". For more information chat with Kelvin or Heather.



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## UPCOMING PARLIAMENTARY PRAYER BREAKFAST

Please pray for the upcoming Tasmanian Parliamentary Prayer Breakfast on Wednesday, 1 November. The Breakfast brings together like-minded people from across Tasmania to pray for our State, our leaders, parliamentarians, businesses, schools, communities, and community organisations; our families, youth, and children.

This year's guest speaker is John Kamara, Humanitarian and co-founder, Culturally Diverse Alliance of Tasmania and African Communities Council of Tasmania. TAS State recipient Australian of the Year 2023.



Bookings have closed.

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## DO YOU NEED SAFE CHURCH TRAINING?



HBC's Safe Church Training Session is happening this coming **Saturday, 4 November** from **11am-2pm** in the Gibson Hall. Bookings are essential and are required no later than 28 October.

RSVP to Matt Henderson – [matt@hobartbaptist.org.au](mailto:matt@hobartbaptist.org.au) or look out for me on

Sunday morning.

As previously stated, to satisfy the requirements of our Insurance, it is imperative that everyone who works with children or vulnerable people and ALL leaders within the church are signed off on their training by the end of November or they will not be able to continue in their role.

Leaders include: Pastors, Deacons, Kid's Church and Youth leaders, those involved in the 10am service on a regular basis (those who sing, play instruments, read the Bible, pray, lead the service, welcome people, serve morning tea, and also extends to the Karen community, Vietnamese fellowship... pretty much everyone within the church!

Please talk to Matt, your ministry leader or myself if you are uncertain, have any questions, or are unavailable on that day. The in person training is the preferred option, however there is an online version available if required.

Heather Galloway

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## LONG TABLE DINNER – BANGLADESH

Bring your friends and join us for an adventure at the Bangladeshi Dinner on Sunday, 12 November.

Dinner starts 5:45pm for drinks and a meet & greet with the chef at Hobart Baptist Church, 286 Elizabeth Street. To book a seat, call Elle on 0449 540 930.



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## CHURCH ANNUAL MEMBERS' MEETING

The Church Annual Members' Meeting, followed by a General Church Members' Meeting will be held on Sunday 26 November, 2023 following the 10am Worship Service. ALL WELCOME and encouraged to attend.

The main agenda items for the Annual Members' Meeting are the election of Deacons and Officers for 2024 and the reception of the Financial Statements for the Year 1 July 2022- 30 June 2023.

There are many opportunities to contribute to the life of Hobart Baptist.

Do you have skills and gifts that the church could use? Administration, IT, bookkeeping, minute taking, organisation and communication? Able to be an independent thinker but also enjoy working as part of a friendly, caring, nurturing team – you're in!

The Nominations Book is now open.

The Treasurer position is currently vacant, the Secretary is retiring after 8 years, and there are 4 Diaconate positions to be filled. Office Bearer are elected for a 1 year term, and Diaconate positions are for a three year term. To find out more about these roles, talk to the members of the Nominations committee (David Needham, Scott Ambrose and Jing Priest).

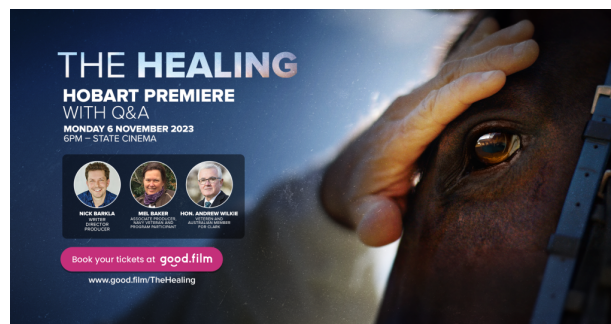
More details can be found on the [HBC Members and Others page](#) or speak to Heather Galloway.

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## DO YOU WANT TO PRAY FOR OUR CITY WITH OTHERS?

*Church Together Tasmania* invites everyone to gather together and pray for Hobart, believing that God will touch the city, making the impossible possible in His name.

Prayer for the City will be at Hobart Baptist Church Hobart Baptist Church on 25th October and 29th November. All welcome at **7.15am for a 7.30am start**.



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## EMPOWHER DAY OF COURAGE

**Saturday 18 November, Longford** | [Find out more >](#)

Carpooling is an option if you need a lift! Get in touch with Jenny.



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## GIVING – YOUR TITHES AND OFFERINGS



*'Each of you should give what you have decided in your heart to give, not reluctantly or under compulsion, for God loves a cheerful giver.'*

**2 Corinthians 9:7**

We thank all who give faithfully on a regular basis, as without this support we would not be able to operate. Your offerings support our budget: and through that it enables the church to continue to be an important part of the North Hobart landscape and the place from where we can prophetically serve the City of Hobart.

It is where we can know the benefit of worshipping with others, where we hear the stories of Jesus and how they apply to us, where we are encouraged in our journey with Jesus, from where we can share God's love with others and help them to know and trust in God themselves. Our influence can also be far reaching – there is no limit to God's love through our deeds and actions. Thank you for your generosity.

EFT is a great way to ensure regular giving and as well there are offering boxes available for use as you leave the Sanctuary.

**[You can give online here](#)**

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# Praying the Lord's Prayer



## 24 September to 12 November 2023

**T**he Lord's Prayer from Matthew 6:9-13 is perhaps the most well-known and beloved prayer in the history of the Church. It is the example given by Jesus to his disciples and has been used as a model prayer for Jesus followers all across the world ever since.

The Lord's Prayer does not have special properties, and is not a magic formula, nor does it guarantee we will receive everything we ask for when we pray. However, it is a guide to how to pray in a way that is both meaningful and effective.

Each week we will take a close look at the Lord's Prayer by exploring each of its sections, and asking how it can be applied to our own lives. It is amazing that Jesus fits so much into just a few sentences. As we explore, we will discover how Jesus' model for effective prayer can help us to grow in our relationship with God, with each other and be more effective in our work for the Kingdom.

*Read more below the table*

### Series Schedule – click the sermon title to watch

1	24 Sept	<a href="#">Ephesians 1:3-10</a>	<a href="#">Introducing the Lord's Prayer</a>	Joel Ortiz
2	1 Oct	<a href="#">Matthew 6:9-13</a>	<a href="#">Our Father in Heaven</a>	Stephen Baxter
3	8 Oct	<a href="#">Matthew 6:9-13</a>	<a href="#">Hallowed Be Your Name</a>	Matt Henderson
4	15 Oct	<a href="#">Matthew 6:9-13</a>	<a href="#">Your Kingdom Come, Your Will Be Done</a>	Stephen Baxter
5	22 Oct	<a href="#">Matthew 6:9-13</a>	<a href="#">Give Us This Day Our Daily Bread</a>	Michael Henderson
6	29 Oct	<a href="#">Matthew 6:9-13</a>	<a href="#">Forgive Us Our Sins As We Forgive Those Who Sin Against Us</a>	Matt Henderson
7	5 Nov	<a href="#">Matthew 6:9-13</a>	<a href="#">Lead Us Not into Temptation</a>	Stephen Baxter
8	12 Nov	<a href="#">Matthew 6:9-13</a>	<a href="#">Deliver Us from Evil</a>	TBA

### September 24: Introducing the Lord's Prayer (Matthew 6:9-13)

This week we will begin our exploration of the Lord's Prayer with a broad overview of the prayer looking at its structure and how it is a model for our praying.

### October 1: Our Father in Heaven (Matthew 6:9a)

This week we will explore the meaning of the first line of the Lord's Prayer, "Our Father in Heaven," and talk about what it means to call God "Father" and believe that He is in heaven.

### **October 8: Hallowed Be Your Name (Matthew 6:9b)**

This week we will explore the meaning of the second line of the Lord's Prayer, "Hallowed be Your name," and talk about what it means to honour God's name and how we can do that in our lives.

### **October 15: Your Kingdom Come, Your Will Be Done (Matthew 6:10)**

This week we will explore the meaning of the third line of the Lord's Prayer, "Your kingdom come, your will be done," and talk about what it means for God's will to be done both on Earth and in Heaven, and what it means to submit our will to God's will and how we can do that in our lives.

### **October 22: Give Us This Day Our Daily Bread (Matthew 6:11)**

This week we will explore the meaning of the fifth line of the Lord's Prayer, "Give us this day our daily bread," and talk about what it means to ask God for our daily needs and how we can do that in a way that is both humble and grateful.

### **October 29: Forgive Us Our Sins As We Forgive Those Who Sin Against Us (Matthew 6:12)**

This week we will explore the meaning of the sixth line of the Lord's Prayer, "Forgive us our debts," and talk about what it means to ask God for forgiveness and how we can do that in a way that is both honest and sincere. We will also talk about the importance of extending forgiveness to others.

### **November 5: Lead Us Not into Temptation (Matthew 6:13a)**

This week we will explore the meaning of the seventh line of the Lord's Prayer, "Lead us not into temptation," and talk about what it means to ask God to help us resist temptation and how we can do that in our lives.

### **November 12: Deliver Us from Evil (Matthew 6:13b)**

This week we will explore the meaning of the eighth and final line of the Lord's Prayer, "Deliver us from evil," and talk about what it means to ask God to protect us from evil and how we can do that in our lives.

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