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THIS SABBATH

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UPCOMING EVENTS

7TH APRIL	Craftees with a Purpose 2-4pm @Epping Church
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LAST WEEK

EPHING CHURCH SERVICE - 23RD MARCH, 2024



TIMOR LESTE MISSION TRIP UPDATES!

The Mission trip is building momentum. Fundraising is creeping towards the \$25k for building funds. However we do hope to achieve above this which would help towards things like bringing medical supplies (like glucose monitoring devices etc) & even crayons and markers for Sabbath School which they are short on!

Stay tuned for Movie nights or Trivia/Games fundraising nights in the near future. (Save the dates for May 18 & June 1st evenings!)

The team is planning health expos in the open malls for the public & will also run a Vacation Bible School (VBS). Some of the team is going to help with school maintenance and possibly help with building a regional facility.

We are also hoping to visit a preschool & do some hygiene sessions. We thought there were 50-70 kids. We started making teddies... now we've discovered it's more like 150 children at the preschool... so any help from keen knitters would be welcome.

Please contact Luisa (0424081350) or join the Craftees with a Purpose at their next meet on Sunday April 7th 2-4pm in the church hall if you can help knit teddies!





LAST WEEK

BRICKCLUBZ

March was a fabulous month for the BrickClubz!

BrickBubz had a really lovely get together & the kids amazed me with their persistence in building & creating! Check out those little fingers at play... sorry at work! Look how the train track sprawls! Look how high that block tower got!

We enjoyed 4 books & finished with our traditional Hokey Pokey action song!

BrickKidz also had a great time. The kids were asked to channel their inner Lego Master as they had to choose a Lego kit & use it to create the tallest tower that would support a water bottle.

See one of the winning builds below - at 17 studs high & with the smallest set on offer - it was a worthy build by grandmother, father & 4yo son!

After the tower challenge - they then had to race each other to build their chosen sets as fast as possible!

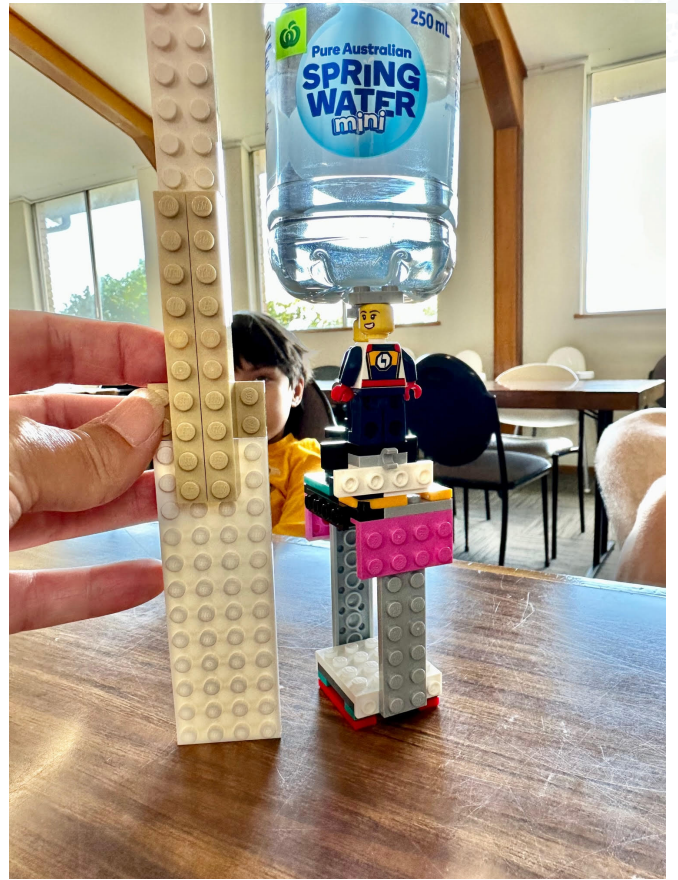
The 2 oldest girls chose an unconventional path - it turns out their chosen bulldozer kit was able to support the bottle when turned upright 90 degrees! Clever thinking!

We finished with a brief message complimenting them all on the fair & kind way they all competed and that they had all undertaken a “good fight, finished what they started & kept a great attitude” much in the way Paul said in 2 Timothy 4:7, “I have fought the good fight, I have finished the race, I have kept the faith.”

Different purposes but same zeal. Great Job kids!

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UNCHANGING LOVE

Love as we know it is like a diamond – tough but brittle. It is our greatest motivation and highest ideal. Yet human love is not constant. We are easily distracted or eventually tire when our love is not reciprocated. People come in and out of our lives causing our love to surge like the tide.

Because we live in a sinful world, not all love is good. Love for alcohol, drugs, and things that harm us is not good. Love for another's spouse is not good. Love for our addictions is not good. The devil's counterfeits of lust and infatuation are not good. Basically, any kind of love that God says is not good – is not good.

But God's love is different. "Human love may change, but Christ's love knows no change" MH 72. God's love for you is always 200%, full-throttle, and never lets up. How much He loved you on the day He made you, is the same as the day He died for you, is the same as the day you committed your greatest sin, is the same love He has for you today. We talk about God's infinite power; well, He uses that power to love you just as hard as He can.

I for one am glad that God's love is constant. My rock when all else fails me. The one thing I can rely on and use as my standard for how I treat others. His love is my safe place and my source of joy. All else is debateable, but His love – His love is unquestionable.

"But God shows his love for us in that while we were still sinners, Christ died for us." Romans 5:8