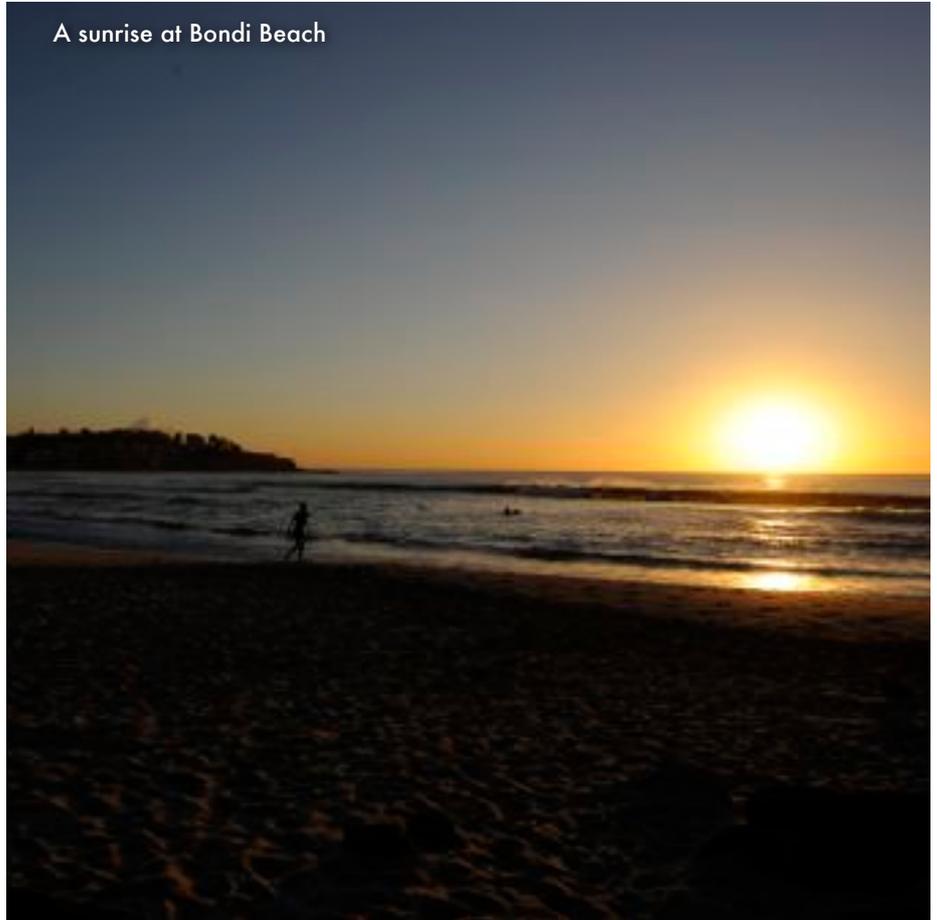


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A sunrise at Bondi Beach



WELCOME

Welcome to Epping Church's Newsletter!

The CHIP (Complete Health Improvement Program) is still continuing Tuesday nights! Congratulations to those who completed the program. Definitely some stories to be shared on the success of the program!

If there is any information or images you would like to share in future editions, please email it to Alvin or Stephanie at the addresses below:

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This newsletter can also be downloaded on our website:

[http://
www.eppingsda.org.au](http://www.eppingsda.org.au)

This Sabbath at Epping

28th September

The speaker this week: Pr Daniel Przybylko

Elder in charge: Eva

Offering: Local Budget

Last Sabbath at Epping

28th September

Title of Sermon: One body

with talent

Taken by: Eva

My sermon was about two texts 1 Corinthians 12:12-20,27 and Matt 25:14-29, the Body of Christ and the Parable of the Talents.

The Epping Church Body of Christ has many parts, all very useful, and I named each department and where they were represented on the body, for example the Communications team were the eyes and nose, and the Pathfinders and Adventurers were the feet.

We are all equally as important as each other, and have a function to serve. How is the Body effective? Through good planning and coordination, good communication, and giving God control of our lives.

The question was then asked are we doing enough? The Parable of the Talents was about three servants, the first two were very good and diligent, multiplying their talents, and their Master said Well Done! Share in my happiness. However the third servant did nothing with his talent, and the Master was very angry and banished him into the darkness.

We all have talents that God gives us, and these include our time, our power of speech and our influence. God expects us to do the best we can with our talents, to serve Him and each other.

Scripture readings were:

1 Corinthians 12:12-20, 27 (read by Vanessa)

Matthew 25: 14-29 (read by Madeline and Ethan)



PERSONAL MINISTRIES

CELL GROUPS

Term 3 Cell groups have finished for the term. More information regarding next term's cell groups will be posted soon.

CHIP

CHIP (Complete Health Improvement Program) has a few more sessions to go even though the graduation has been completed. Every session so far has been very interesting and I'm sure everyone has learnt something fascinating everytime! The upcoming sessions and their topics are below:

Tuesday 8th October 7:15-8:45pm- 'Re-engineering your Environment and Stress relieving strategies'

Tuesday 15th October 7:15-8:45pm- 'Stress Relieving Strategies'

Tuesday 22nd October 7:15-8:45pm- 'Fix how you Feel'

Tuesday 29th October 7:15-8:45pm- 'From surviving to thriving'

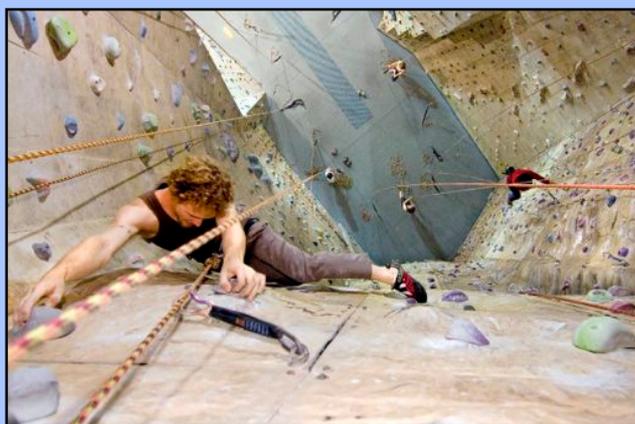
YOUTH

FRIDAY NIGHT MEETING

Youth will be held on the Friday Night 11th October 7:30pm at the Wong's place. We will be continuing with the beyond series! For more details, contact Matt Ing. A facebook event has been made so make sure you RSVP!

SOCIAL EVENT- Rockclimbing

For those who like Rock climbing, an event has been made. Please RSVP on facebook or talk to Jon Ap so he is able to book as soon as possible. It will be held the **26th October** approximately from 6pm-9pm at Villawood. Dinner will be organised prior.



YOUTH CAMP

There has been an annual Youth Camp that has been planned for February 7th - 9th. The back up date will be Feb 14th - 16th. The location will be Bonnie Vale camping ground in Bundeena National Park, just south of Cronulla. For more information, talk to Jon Ap.

PATHFINDERS- Investiture Check this Sabbath

Investiture check begins at 1:30 pm THIS Sabbath. Please make sure you have everything ready.

Special Prayer Requests

- Please pray for those sitting the HSC this year and guide them with their studies.
- Please pray for Ronald and his family during this sad time
- Please pray for Bob McIntyre's family as they struggle through this hard time
- Please remember Dean Ashcroft and his family in your prayers
- Please remember Jeanette Ashcroft, her sister Lucy and family in your prayers
- Please pray for the CHIP program and it's success. May the participants discover a new and healthier life

SABBATH SCHOOL ROOM SWAP

Due to increasing numbers of various classes, there will be a swap of Sabbath School Rooms. We are hoping to do the swap over on **Saturday, October 19, 2013**. There will also be a NEW Cradle Roll Class beginning at this time.

The new order of the rooms will be:

- End room (currently Primary room) ----- is now the new Cradle Roll/ Kindy classroom
- End room (currently Youth room) ---- is now the new Primary room
- Big Junior room ---- is now the new Youth room
- Old primary room/storage room ---- is now the new Juniors room
- Teens will stay where they are

If everyone could please clean out your current room and have it finished cleaning by October 11, this will allow one week October 12-18 to move and set up before the changeover day.

EPHING MISSION PROJECT

Thank you to all who supported the Epping Mission Project. We have exceeded our goal of \$30,000 and have recently had an anonymous donation of \$2000 towards our ICC Mission Project. This raises our total to **\$32,935** for ICC-Sri Lanka. We have been able to support the Brick Making Project and the Sewing project. The latest donations will help purchase a generator for the ICC Village as their power supply is not reliable. Thank you to all our generous donors for their support of this worthy cause.

As you know, some of our church members will be travelling to Sri Lanka on a medical and spiritual mission in early January. We would like to give our Epping Church family the opportunity to make a small donation towards gifts for the children of the ICC orphanage. If you are interested in doing this, please see Belle Tung. The money will be used to buy gifts for the children (crayons, colouring pencils, books etc).

Here are some updated photos of the orphanage:



PHOTO OF THE WEEK



African Elephant,
Cheyenne Mountain Zoo

Photograph by Joel Sartore

THOUGHT OF THE WEEK

“And we know that in all things God works for the good of those who love him, who have been called according to his purpose.” - Rom 8:28