

Our Sabbath School and Lesson Study will be held via ZOOM. Visitors can send a request for Zoom details to Waitara Zoom. Please provide your name and location.

## Sabbath, 28 August 2021

Our Virtual Church Program will start at 9:30am

Welcome & Opening Prayer Ngozi Jill Emeh

Be Still for the Presence of The Lord is in This

Place Congregational Singing

86 – How Great Thou Art

Special Item - "All Along"

Project 2 of NAD. A Guitar, a Book and a Bible Mission Feature

video.

Mission Offering **Mission Offering** Ngozi Jill Emeh

Lesson Introduction **AV Team** 

Please let The Zoom Admin know what Lesson class you will be attending.

Zoom Breakout Rooms Bible (Lesson) Study Lesson 9: "The Rhythms of Rest"

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Marleta Fong

Kylie Voo

Closing Prayer By Classes

Everyone joins back in the main Zoom session

**Announcements** Pr Barend Nieuwstraten

Welcome Peter Zuze

532 - Day by Day

518 – Standing On The Promises Congregational Singing Marleta Fong

Instrumental- "My Tribute"

Tithes & Offering **Local Church Budget** Peter Zuze

Scripture Reading 2 Timothy 1:7 Gaba Gwiza

Daniel Vokurka Prayer

Closing Remarks Peter Zuze

The Sermon will start at 11:30am (Please follow link below)

Sermon "fearLESS" Pr Josh Gonzalez







# a Message from the Pastor

#### **How Did Early Christians Face Pandemics?**

Early Christians stepped up to offer care as early as the 2nd century when the Antonine Plague killed roughly a quarter of the Roman Empire. According to the Ancient History Encyclopedia, the Antonine Plague was a ghastly illness much like smallpox. Roman troops came into contact with it during their invasions east and brought it back as they returned home, effectively killing off an estimated 60-70 million people and leading to the decline of the Roman Empire. At first, Roman leaders persecuted Christians, insisting the epidemic was divine punishment because Christians didn't pay homage to pagan gods. But this treatment backfired, as people began to develop positive feelings toward Christians and, soon, Christianity. For while many pagans fled to protect their own lives, Christians heeded a responsibility to care for the sick, providing food, water, and other assistance. Their help both fostered goo will and laid the groundwork for the rise of Christianity. Also, their emphasis on an afterlife brought meaning and hope to a people in crisis.

"So in everything, do to others what you would have them do to you, for this sums up the Law and the Prophets." -Matthew 7:12

Excerpt from Jessica Brodie's article at https://www.crosswalk.com

# Unnouncements

#### **Prayer Ministry**

- Church prayer meeting Sabbath morning 8:45am 9:15am in the Teen SS room & Zoom
- Everyday: 7:00 7:30pm & Saturday 2:30 -3:00pm Evangelistic supplications until 18 September (Zoom) (Zoom - https://adventistchurch.zoom.us/j/635245706?pwd=OG9vbnFzdXZ0ZDBpUldUelBZUVZVZz09- Meeting ID: 635 245 706 Password: 2300C)
- Youth Intercessory Prayer: Mondays 6:00pm 7:00pm (Messenger) We value and appreciate all your prayer requests. Please send to: prayer.ministry@waitarachurch.org.au

#### **Prayer Ministry Invitation**

The prayer ministry team invites the church family to special prayers everyday to uplift our evangelistic meetings in seeking God's blessings for a fruitful harvest. We need your prayers especially on Wednesdays 7:00pm to 7:30pm and Saturdays 2:30pm to 3:00pm [before each session] and other days same time as Wednesday until 18 September. Please join us on Zoom.

Our weekly Wednesday prayer meetings will restart on September 22. ALL ARE WELCOME.

#### ADRA Blacktown & ADRA Macquarie Fields Food Pantry

Thank you for your continuing support in donating to ADRA. With tougher lockdown restrictions and infectious cases on the rise, to minimise Carol's risk exposure and potentially getting fine for travelling more than 11km, an alternative is to donate money to ADRA via Waitara e-giving. The accountant of both ADRA Blacktown and Macquarie Fields centres will treat your donation for replenishing their food pantries. And the donation is tax deductible. Thank you for your continuing generosity and support. From the ADRA team.

#### THANK YOU FOR YOUR GENEROSITY

#### **Outreach**

Please remember to register for the Outreach program. Your participation will be a blessing. Register at https://fact-orfaith.web.app

#### Lesson Study Classes (Zoom Breakout Rooms):

- **David Pennington**
- Rebecca Fletcher
- **David Fong**
- Peter Zuze
- John Chau/Tim Carson
  - Youth

### Sabbath School Offering Schedule:

4 Sep - Mission 7 Aug - Mission

14 Aug - Mission & Asian Aid 11 Sep - Mission & Asian Aid 18 Sep - Mission

21 Aug – Mission 25 Sep - Mission 28 Aug - Mission

**Next Week's Offering:** AUC: Union Offering Tonight at 5:33pm Sunset Times: (times are approximate) Next Week at 5:37pm

Church Director

MINISTRY TEAM

Senior Pastor

Bible Worker Head Elder Audio Visual Leaders Bulletin & Runsheet Editor Email (please send Bulletin Items here) Pr Barend Nieuwstraten

Gayl Fong Peter Zuze Marilene & Eldon Stevenson

Bulletin Cut-off Time - Wednesday 7:00pm SHARP

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