



Waitara

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, 11 September 2021

Our Virtual Church Program will start at 9:30am

Welcome & Opening Prayer		Remy Leimena
Congregational Singing	206 – Face to Face 240 – Fairest Lord Jesus	Ryan Aitken
Mission Feature		Tendai Mpita
Mission Offering	Mission Offering	Remy Leimena
Lesson Introduction		AV Team

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

Bible (Lesson) Study	Lesson 11 : “Longing for More”	Zoom Breakout Rooms (See next Page)
Closing Prayer		By Classes

Everyone joins back in the main Zoom session

Announcements		Peter Zuze
Welcome		Edric Saw
Congregational Singing	294 – Power in the Blood 317 – Lead Me to Calvary	Ryan Aitken
Tithes & Offering	Annual Sacrifice	Edric Saw
Scripture Reading	Joshua 1:7	Sophia Thomas
Prayer		Bessie Matambo
Closing Remarks		Edric Saw

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

Sermon	“He always goes before you”	Pr Barend Nieuwstraten
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A Message from the Pastor

In Matthew 11, Jesus issues this amazing invitation:

"Come to me, all who labor and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest. Take my yoke upon you, and learn from me, for I am gentle and lowly in heart, and you will find rest for your souls. For my yoke is easy, and my burden is light" (v. 28-30).

- "Come" is better translated as *hurry*
- "To me" is to hurry to Him—not church, or religion, or other people, or ourselves.
- "All" means all. No one is excluded, including you.
- "Heavy laden," by contrast, is passive, referring to burden placed on us. The original context was the Jewish law (613 laws).
- "I will give you rest" could be translated, "I **will** rest you."
- "Take **my** yoke upon you" thus means to submit to Jesus' will completely. To take **His** yoke, we refuse the yoke of our own pride and ambitions, the yoke of others' expectations, the yoke of cultural definitions of success.
- "Learn from me" is an invitation to "Enroll in his school." In Jesus' day, a student gave his life to his teacher, following him twenty-four hours a day. Students were not just learners but holistic disciples and that is what we are invited to be.
- "I am gentle" shows why we should enroll. "Lowly in heart" points to His humility.
- "My yoke is easy"—*easy* means that his yoke fits well. An ancient tradition says that Jesus the carpenter made the best yokes in all of Galilee, and that over his carpenter's shop there was the sign, "My yokes fit well."

Announcements

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 link - <https://adventistchurch.zoom.us/j/635245706?pwd=OG9vbnFzdX- ZOZDBpUldUelBZUVZVZz09-> 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-or-faith.web.app>

Asian Aid

Please note that your *Asian Aid* donation can now also be done through E-giving and the origin of the funds will be linked back to Waitara Church. Please consider supporting this important ministry. Go to <https://egiving.org.au/waitara> and click on the button "**Show Other Gifts**" at the bottom of the list. God Bless you.

Lesson Study Classes (Zoom Breakout Rooms):

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

Sabbath School Offering Schedule:

7 Aug - Mission	4 Sep - Mission
14 Aug - Mission & Asian Aid	11 Sep - Mission & Asian Aid
21 Aug - Mission	18 Sep - Mission
28 Aug - Mission	25 Sep - Mission

Next Week's Offering:

Sunset Times:
(times are approximate)

Local Church Budget
Tonight at 5:42pm
Next Friday at 5:46pm

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