



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, 23 October 2021

Our Virtual Church Program will start at 9:30am

Welcome & Opening Prayer		Mildred Zuze
Congregational Singing	507 – Moment by Moment 524 – Tis So Sweet to Trust in Jesus 469 – Leaning on the Everlasting Arms	Sanja Kitevski
ADRA Feature		Pam Manuel
Mission Offering	Mission Offering	Mildred Zuze
Lesson Introduction		AV Team

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

Bible (Lesson) Study	Lesson 4 : "To Love the Lord Your God"	Zoom Breakout Rooms (See next Page)
Closing Prayer		By Classes

Everyone joins back in the main Zoom session

Announcements		Pr Barend Nieuwstraten
Welcome		Daniel Vokurka
Congregational Singing	476 – Burdens Are Lifted at Calvary 473 – Nearer My God, to Thee Be still for the presence of the Lord	Sanja Kitevski
Tithes & Offering	Local Church Budget	Daniel Vokurka
Scripture Reading	John 5:5-9	Hannah Cooper
Prayer		David Pennington
Closing Remarks		Daniel Vokurka

Waitara Church "Family Time" in Virtual Foyer

The Sermon will start at 11:45am (Please follow link below)

Sermon	"Faith... when it does not make sense..."	Pr Josh Gonzalez
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This Week's Devotional

Should Christians Celebrate Halloween?

As a logical thinking person, consider for a moment what you are celebrating and what Halloween is all about. Is the holiday uplifting? Is Halloween pure? Is it lovely, praiseworthy, or of good report?

Philippians 4:8 says, "Finally, brethren, whatever things are true, whatever things are noble, whatever things are just, whatever things are pure, whatever things are lovely, whatever things are of good report, if there is any virtue and if there is anything praiseworthy—meditate on these things."

Is Halloween based on godly themes such as the idea of peace, freedom and salvation or does the holiday bring to mind feelings of fear, oppression and bondage?

Is it wrong to celebrate Halloween?

Let's look at what the Bible adds to this topic in Ephesians 5:11, "And have no fellowship with the unfruitful works of darkness, but rather expose them." This text is calling us to not only have no association with any type of dark activity BUT ALSO to shed light on this topic to those around us. As stated earlier in this article, Halloween was not exposed by the church for what it was, but rather was incorporated into church holy days. Are Christians responding in the same way today?

As you think about Halloween—its origins and what it stands for—would it be best to spend time dwelling upon its themes or to shed light upon what lies below the surface of this holiday's celebration? God is calling humanity to follow Him and to "come out from among them and be separate, says the Lord. Do not touch what is unclean, and I will receive you" (2 Corinthians 6:17).

Excerpt from: <https://www.bibleinfo.com/en/questions/it-wrong-celebrate-halloween>

Announcements

Prayer Ministry

- Sabbath morning prayer meeting from 8:45am - 9:15am on Zoom.
- Wednesday night prayer meeting from 6:00 - 7:00pm on Zoom.
- Zoom link - <https://adventistchurch.zoom.us/j/635245706?pwd=OG9vbnFzdXZ0ZDBpUldUelBZUVZVZz09> Meeting ID: 635 245 706 Password: 2300C).
- We welcome your prayer requests. Email to: prayer.ministry@waitarachurch.org.au
- Youth Intercessory Prayer: Mondays 6:00pm - 7:00pm (Messenger)

When: Session #1 - Friday 5th Nov @ 7:30-9:00pm,
Session #2 (Family Sabbath Vespers) - sabbath 6th Nov @ 7:00-8:00pm

What: Music, Testimonies, Prayer Sessions, Conversations about Prayer and Kids Session

For more information or to register your interest go to Sydney Adventist page or contact Waitara Prayer Leader Fiona at fiona@no1.com.au for more details.

Prayer Ministry Invitation

Please join us on Zoom for Wednesday night Devotional and Prayers. Jesus prayed frequently and consistently. Not for Himself, but for others. Let us emulate His example, to receive His blessings!

An Open Invitation to all the Waitara Church family to the Online Prayer Summit that will be Live on Facebook on the 5th and 6th of November.

Event by: Sydney Adventists - GSC Prayer Department

What To Expect: Two interesting and engaging Prayer sessions for the whole family.

Theme: " For such a time as this "

ADRA Appeal



THANK YOU FOR YOUR GENEROSITY

Lesson Study Classes (Zoom Breakout Rooms):

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

Sabbath School Offering Schedule:

2 Oct - Mission	6 Nov - Mission
9 Oct - Mission & Asian Aid	13 Nov - Mission & Asian Aid
16 Oct - Mission	20 Nov - Mission
23 Oct - Mission	27 Nov - Mission
30 Oct - Mission	

Next Week's Offering:

Sunset Times:
(times are approximate)

Local Church Budget

Tonight at 7:14pm

Next Friday at 7:19pm

Church Directory

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