



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, 18 September 2021

Our Virtual Church Program will start at 9:30am

Table with 3 columns: Activity, Song/Topic, and Leader. Includes Welcome & Opening Prayer, Congregational Singing, Mission Feature, Mission Offering, and Lesson Introduction.

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

Table with 3 columns: Activity, Lesson Link, and Location. Includes Bible (Lesson) Study and Closing Prayer.

Everyone joins back in the main Zoom session

Table with 3 columns: Activity, Song/Topic, and Leader. Includes Announcements, Profession of faith, Welcome, Opening Hymn, Tithes & Offering, 2nd Hymn, Scripture Reading, Prayer, Spring segment intro, and multiple Special Music items.

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

Table with 3 columns: Activity, Sermon Title, and Leader. Includes Sermon.



A Message from the Pastor

"The devil's most destructive tools"

C. S. Lewis noted, "It is pride which has been the chief cause of misery in every nation and every family since the world began." Lewis is not simply giving us his private opinion but summarizing the thinking of great saints through the ages. Augustine and Aquinas both taught that pride was the root of sin. Likewise, Calvin, Luther, and many others.

"Make no mistake about it: pride is the great sin. It is the devil's most effective and destructive tool."

Consider two ways pride manifests itself in our lives today.

1: Time

"We have come to believe that we, not God, are the masters of time.

2: Prosperity

In 2013, Margaret Loughhrey won \$37 million in Ireland's EuroMillions lottery. Six years later she said; "Money has brought me nothing but grief. It has destroyed my life. I don't believe in religion, but if there is a hell, I have been in it." She was recently found dead in her home.

The philosopher Friedrich Nietzsche claimed that the "will to power" is the basic drive in human nature. The more we have, the more we want. "The love of money is a root of all kinds of evils" (1 Timothy 6:10).

Plan to close your week with practical ways to defeat pride and to experience transforming intimacy with Jesus each and every day.

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?p-wd=OG9vbnFzdXZ0ZDBpUldUeIBZUVZ-VZz09>– 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)

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!

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

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:

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| 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 5:47pm

Next Friday at 5:51pm

Church Directory

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