

We extend a warm welcome to you on this beautiful Sabbath morning. If you are visiting us for the first time, we pray that your time with us will be blessed as we worship together. Feel free to visit with us again.

## Today at Waitara Church

**Sabbath, 27 August 2022**

**SABBATH SCHOOL - 09:20am**

Song Service	632 - 12 - 229	Jerry Peng
Welcome		Ngozi Jill Emeh
Prayer		Christian Thomas
SS Feature	Prayer ministry	Fiona Carter
Mission Spotlight	"A Missionary Nucleus in Amazon" (Brazil)	Ngozi Jill Emeh
Offering & Hymn	The Wonder of It All	No. 75
Bible Study	A Life of Praise	By Classes

**DIVINE SERVICE - 11:00am**

Announcements		Daniel Vokurka
Song Service	499 - 493 - 214	Jerry Peng
Welcome		Denis Carey
Hymn of Praise	In the Garden	No. 487
Children's Story		TBA
Offering	Local Church Budget	Daniel Vokurka
Special Music	"Hallelujah"	Sohpia Thomas
Invocation	Now, Dear Lord, As We Pray	No. 671
Main Prayer		Daniel Vokurka
Scripture Reading	John 1:12,13	Charlotte Oun
Sermon	"Identity"	Christian Thomas
Benediction		Christian Thomas
Hymn of Dedication	My Lord and I	No. 456
Conclusion		Denis Carey

### Sermon Blurp

IDENTITY... In a world where identity has been part of many hot discussions the last few years, today, we will focus on identity with true Biblical meaning. God does have a plan to show us our identity in Him. With this however, because of freedom of choice, there is before us two paths to choose from: We either have an identity with Him which is everlasting, or one of our own making without Him... There is truly no middle ground!

## This Week's Reflection

**The** Asian tsunami of 2004 which registered between 9.1 and 9.3 took the lives of nearly 230,000 souls. Out of that catastrophe came a story hard to believe yet validated by journalists.

**Daylan Sanders**, the Director of The Samaritan Children's Home, by the beach in Sri Lanka, had come back from the U.S. to help abandoned children have a chance at life. At 8.45am while reading His Bible and praying, he heard a frantic voice calling out: "The sea is coming!" Without thinking, he shouted orders for all 28 children and staff to head to the boat at the beach! They followed his instructions. The outboard motor had been left on the boat overnight - normally an oversight. A 30 foot wall of water was coming at them. You would think instinct would scream at you to run as fast as you can in the opposite direction. Sanders, however accelerated the motor having decided to face the wave!

**The** verse that came to his mind clearly was: "When the enemy comes in like a flood, the Spirit of the Lord shall raise up a standard against it." Isaiah 59:19

**"The massive wall of water, it stood! I saw as if something hold it back, some invisible force or hand.... It just stood."**

**Witnesses** perched on tree tops confirmed later how, amazingly, that little boat simply went up the massive wall of water and over it, as if that were the most natural thing in the world.

**Here** is the voice of God at work, because the Word of God was real to this man. Because Saunders assimilated the written word, God was free to apply it at the right time, and in the right place.

**Time** is closing in on this world, let the Word of God be our meditation and apply it to our hearts.

**Jesus is coming soon, let's be ready !!!!**

## *This is happening at Waitara!*

### Prayer Ministry Invitation

Join us this coming Week for Prayer.

**August 31st -Wednesday Mid-Week Meeting : 7-8pm** (Waitara On Zoom, link below)

As our interactive Bible study with Pastor Barend is paused for another 2 weeks.

We will be starting the meeting with prayer, followed by some key areas from the book **"DARING TO ASK FOR MORE" by Melody Mason**

Allowing time for prayer and sharing during the hour.

**September 2nd - Friday Night Prayer Vesper : 6:30-8:30pm** (In Person @ Waitara Church)

We will kick off our Annual Week of Prayer with a time to Open the Sabbath together in person to Pray, Sing, Share with ALL our Waitara Church Family.

**September 3rd - Sabbath morning: 8:45- 9:15am** (Waitara On Zoom & In Person in the Teen SS classroom)

**Topic: "DARING TO ASK FOR MORE"**

### **Sabbath School Offering Schedule:**

2 July - Mission	6 Aug - Mission
9 July - Mission & Asian Aid	13 Aug - Mission & Asian Aid
16 July - Mission	20 Aug - Mission
23 July - Mission	27 Aug - Mission
30 July - Mission	

**September 3rd-10th GSC Annual Week of Prayer 2022 : 7-7:30pm each night** ( Waitara On Zoom, link below )

**Theme: Developing Disciples**, In the Adventist World it is titled " Growing Disciples"

Download Prayer Readings link:

[https://issuu.com/adventistmedianetwork/docs/aw-2022-wop\\_web?e=3527810/49714073](https://issuu.com/adventistmedianetwork/docs/aw-2022-wop_web?e=3527810/49714073)

Zoom link Meeting ID: 635 245 706

Password: (is posted in Waitara's WhatsApp group and in Church email sent out to members each Friday )

**We** Welcome your prayer requests,

**Email to:** [prayer.ministry@waitarachurch.org.au](mailto:prayer.ministry@waitarachurch.org.au)

**Text Us** on 0409234235

**Whats App Us** (Waitara Church)

**Write Us:** (Blue Prayer Cards in foyer and place in Prayer Box)

### New Discipling Study Classes

All available spaces in the Discovery Class have been filled. There are a couple of open seats remaining in the Discipleship Class so anyone considering enrolling in that course is encouraged to do so ASAP! Registration will remain until 3 September unless all available spaces are filled prior.

**Next Week's Offering:**

**Sunset Times:**  
(times are approximate)

Local Church Budget

Tonight at 5:32pm

Next Friday at 5:36pm