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Welcome to LifeWay. We are thrilled to have you here with us, whether you are a visitor, checking us out to see if this is the Church for you, with family or friends, or are a regular. Here at LifeWay, we are on a journey as God calls us to be a people who are living, sharing and growing in his life. Wherever you are at, we would love to walk with you in the next stage of your journey. Please fill in a visitor card at the door with your details and leave it with the ushers or on your seat – we would love to keep in contact with you and acknowledge your time with us today.

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"What's the point?" "Why keep going when it seems that no change is evident, no growth is occurring, no progress is being made?" If you have ever been ready to give up, to throw in the towel, to walk away defeated, then you have experienced discouragement. If you have ever thrown up your hands in frustration and said, "God, what do you want from me?" then you know the despair that discouragement can bring to your life, your work, your relationships or your ministry. Today as we continue with major questions from the minor prophets, God speaks through his prophet Haggai to give us courage in times of discouragement and to answer plainly the question, "What does God ask of me?"

WEEK 4 OF SERIES:



**MAJOR** FROM THE **MINOR**  
QUESTIONS PROPHETS



**WHAT DOES GOD ASK OF ME?**

**MAJOR** FROM THE **MINOR**  
QUESTIONS PROPHETS

TODAY'S READINGS  
**Haggai 2**

If you are visiting with us,  
we extend a special welcome  
to you and invite you to stay  
for morning tea with us  
after the service.

# MISSION TEAM UPDATE

By the time that you read this, the Mission Team will have almost finished building the house for a widowed mother and her family. We had several of the Khmer Army officers help us on the building project. Unfortunately the second house has run into problems with family fights so please keep praying that it may be resolved. We have met some of the students we are sponsoring and seen how the work of previous teams has continued to be a blessing to Pastor Vibol and his work in Tang Krang and Bak Peang villages. Thank you for your prayers and support.

## Video Producers

Now that we are Livestreaming, we are looking for a team of people to train in running the video equipment and producing the Livestream each week. If you are interested, please speak with Karina Mackenzie or Pastor Mark Schultz.



## WORSHIP IS NOW LIVE!

Worship is now available live each week at 9.30am AEST from Epping on Youtube Live. Simply go to our website and click on the LW Play icon to join us each Sunday if you cannot make it in person. Or else just go to Youtube and search for LifeWay Lutheran Church.

Want to know what the Mission Team are up to?

**STAY IN TOUCH**  
through LifeWay's Facebook and Instagram pages.

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We will try to give a little update each night so you can stay in touch and pray for the work God is doing through our team who represent all of us here at LifeWay.

## MYSTERY Soup Sundays

*Warm up after church with a hot cup of home-made soup!*

The soup flavours will remain a mystery until they are served.

**\$3 per cup**  
(cash only)

**TAKE AWAY AVAILABLE!**

**Sunday 14 July | Sunday 21 July**  
**Sunday 28 July | Sunday 4 August**

## barista made coffee

NOW AVAILABLE AT EPPING

## GOLD COIN DONATION

Thanks to the generosity of the Ryde Salvation Army, we have our own professional coffee machine. Coffee and Hot Chocolate for just a gold coin donation. All proceeds will support our mission initiatives.

# WHERE WILL YOU BE FOR EASTER 2020?

**How about spending Easter Sunday morning with Christians from all parts of the world, celebrating "He's Risen!" in front of the garden tomb? Perhaps sitting where Mary once sat...**

Join this amazing Israel tour and travel at a unique time, when the Jewish Passover coincides with Easter! If you only plan one overseas trip in your life, make it this one! God will speak in ways you can't predict.

**Pick up a tour brochure from the foyer or contact Josi at the church office.**

**CLOSURE  
OF CONCORD  
HOUSE**

**Thursday  
18 July,  
10am**  
15-17 Blaxland Rd,  
Rhodes

**There will be a short rite at Concord House for about a half hour, as the Assistant Bishop officially closes the building.**

**ALL WELCOME.**

**FOR MORE DETAILS, SEE KAYE SIMPFENDORFER.**



**COME WARM UP AFTER CHURCH DURING THE WINTER MONTHS WITH A HOT CUP OF SOUP!**

**AVAILABLE AT NEWCASTLE, AFTER SUNDAY SERVICES FOR A GOLD COIN DONATION.**

## PRAYER FOR THE WEEK

Heavenly Father, when discouragement fills us with despair or what we are building in our lives is far less than what we would have imagined, give us hearts that have courage to trust your promises, hands that are still willing to serve you, homes where you are honoured as Lord, and a hope that finds, in your presence and your promise, all that we need. We ask this in the name of Jesus. Amen.

## WE PRAY...

- For all Christians, that we may never relegate God and his work to the margins of our lives, but serve him faithfully as he calls us to reveal his glory to the world.
- For God to set us free from the fearfulness that turns us inward and give us a renewed generosity with our time, our talents and our treasures.
- For a heart of compassion for those struggling in the community and renewed passion and vision for what it means for us to be his Church in this place and at this time.
- For those who are feeling lonely, disappointed, anxious or fearful that they may know the Spirit of God who is with them.
- For the poor of the world and those like ALWS, Habitat For Humanity, Life With Dignity and other mission agencies who work to lift people out of the poverty cycle they are in and give them a new vision for their lives.
- For our Prime Minister that he would continue to be unashamed of the Gospel and let his faith inform just and equitable policies for all in this land.
- For the welfare of our cities, our rural communities, our industries and services that God would stir up the spirits of all of us – leaders and people – to take personal responsibility and to seek a sustainable and just prosperity and peace.
- For the MT2019 Cambodian Mission Team as they continue to work in building a home for a widowed family that the locals would see that the Spirit is present.
- With thanks to God for the speedy recovery of Sue Gesswein and Matthew Kassulke
- For the sick and those in need in our LifeWay family - especially Jenny Schneider, Emily Cooke, Gordon Mangelsdorf, Hedi Krause, Erna Kutas, Audrey and John Scarce.

# NEWCASTLE GOSPEL MUSIC MINISTRY

Come and enjoy many of your  
favourite Gospel Songs and Hymns  
from 'Yesteryear', performed by  
Newcastle Gospel Music Ministry  
singers and soloists.

**Sunday 28th July**  
**2.30pm - 4pm**

followed by afternoon tea  
at LifeWay Lutheran Church  
48 BLACKALL ST, BROADMEADOW

## THE PERFORMANCE IS FREE

but a love offering will be collected on the  
day to support the ministry of the choir and  
also the Samaritans charity.



## ROSTERS AVAILABLE FOR DOWNLOAD

You can now download a copy of the Epping or  
Newcastle roster on our website and app, located  
under 'News'. Please remember to let Josi or Sabina  
know if you are swapping with someone so that we  
can keep our rosters current.

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## NEXT WEEK SUNDAY 21 JULY



### MAJOR QUESTIONS FROM THE MINOR PROPHETS

Join us as we take a look  
at the book of Haggai and  
explore the major question:

### WHY SHOULD I CARE?

**Epping 9.30am**  
with holy communion

**Epping 11.30am**  
The Gathering

**Newcastle 9.30am**  
with holy communion

Reading Malachi 1 & 2

## SERVING...

### EPPING

Reading	Kaye Simpfordorfer
Prayers	Dianne Bergen
HC	John Weiss, Dianne Bergen
Ushers	Em & Ed Burke
Morning Tea	D Bergen, C Burnett, K Simpfordorfer
Flowers	Mary Pusep
Data	Shane Albances
Music	Band 3
Sound	John Klingberg

### NEWCASTLE

Reading	Carolyn Keane
HC	Sabina Pichler
Ushers	Maureen Macpherson
Morning Tea	Kim & Christine Johns
Flowers	Ruth MacConnachie
Data	Lutzia Uebergang