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Meeting Times

Sunday mornings: 9:30 am to 11:00 am (*sometimes longer!*)

Sunday evenings: 6 pm to 7:30 pm

Mighty Kid's Church: 10:00 to 11:00 am (downstairs)

Sunday evenings: 6:00 pm to 7:30

Tuesday Bible Studies - Fortnightly at Doug & Margaret Anderson's home 7:00 PM

Wednesday Night Meetings - Weekly at Kathy Elms' home 7:30 PM

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Welcome to Ormiston Christian Faith Church!

News



- **Welcome:** This morning Paul Barfoot will minister. There won't be an evening meeting tonight as many people want to go and hear Roy Fields in his last meeting in Brisbane.
- **More volunteers needed:** If you would like to help with serving or ministry in the church, please place your name on the volunteer roster located at the front door.
- **Prayer is vital** for the church as we develop and grow in our desire to see God's presence poured-out on our church, community and nation. God's Spirit is moving across our land and we want to see the fullness of God's life-changing power spread to those who so desperately need Him.
- **This week** Paul, Sally, Christian and Sarah are away on holidays but will be back for next Sunday's meetings. Keep them in your prayers this week!
- **Mid-week meetings** are held at the home of Doug and Margaret Anderson (every second Tuesday @ 7pm—on this week!) in Thornlands and at the home of Kathy Elms in Ormiston (every Wednesday @7:30 PM). Why not come along and enjoy fellowship around God's Word?

 **New Series: Coming Soon**

[Adjective:]
Smear'd with oil to remove friction

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Little Foxes

"Catch for us the foxes, the little foxes that ruin the vineyards, our vineyards that are in bloom," this was the phrase spoken by the Lover in the Song of Solomon (2:15).

Foxes. Little foxes. How cute? I was in the shopping centre on Saturday and (being school holidays) the centre had provided a children's animal enclosure where kids can get in with goats, lambs and chooks to touch them and feed them. But you never see foxes in there!

Can you image how destructive foxes can be if you're actually trying to produce a harvest? Growing up on a farm in Victoria I remember seeing headless chooks stuck in the wire of the chicken shed courtesy of some local foxes. Perhaps they're not so cute after all.

To keep little foxes, deer, and other animals out of country gardens and vineyards, landowners use all sorts of chain link fences, even with barbed wire across the top for good measure. The people of old and ancient times had an effective method that was a lot more affordable: hedges (Matthew 21:33).

The concept of a hedge is also used figuratively of God's spiritual protection of Job: "Have you not put a hedge around him and his household and everything he has?" (Job 1:10; 3:23).

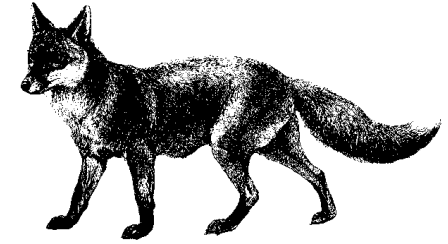
Traditionally it has been said that Pastors must tend and maintain the spiritual hedges around a church, so they don't become broken down "so that all who pass by pluck its fruit ... [and] boars from the forest uproot and wild beasts of the field devour" (Psalm 80:12-13).

I guess we also use the analogy of pastors tending the flock, protecting them from any who would prey upon them. But I think we can't just rely on the pastor for this function. We all should tend the "hedges" by prayer - faithful, constant, and earnest prayer. And it doesn't stop there, we should look out for one another, support one another and together maintain the integrity of the church.

Roster Reminder:	This Week:	Next Week:
Lead Communion:	Peter Barfoot	Kathy Elms
Serving: <i>(communion & offering)</i>	David McCluskey	Vacant
Greeting at the door:	Shane & Janene Green	Vacant
Morning Tea:	Lorraine Barfoot	Shane & Janene Green

Why? Just to keep out those little foxes who seek to destroy the vine. What God is doing here is precious and what we labour to produce is a fruitful harvest for God's Kingdom. Part of owning the vision is standing together to protect what God has placed into our hands.

- Pastor Paul



FLORIDA COURT SETS ATHEIST HOLY DAY

In Florida, an atheist created a case against the coming Easter and Passover Holy days. He hired an attorney to bring a discrimination case against Christians, Jews and observances of their holy days. The argument was that it was unfair that atheists had no such recognized days. The case was brought before a judge. After listening to the passionate presentation by the atheist's lawyer, the judge banged his gavel declaring: "Case Dismissed!"

The lawyer immediately stood objecting to the ruling saying: "Your Honour! How can you possibly dismiss this case? The Christians have Christmas, Easter and others. The Jews have Passover, Yom Kippur and Hanukkah, yet my client and all other atheists have no such holidays."

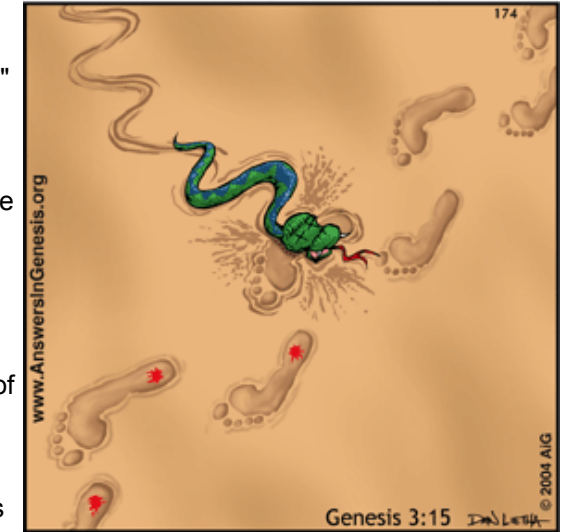
The judge leaned forward in his chair saying: "But you do. Your client, Counsel, is woefully ignorant."

The lawyer said: "Your Honour, we are unaware of any special observance or holiday for atheists."

The judge said: "The calendar says April 1st is April Fools Day. Psalm 14:1 states "the fool says in his heart, there is no God." Thus, it is the opinion of this court, that if your client says there is no God, then he is a fool. Therefore, April 1st is his day. Court is adjourned. You have to love a Judge that knows his scripture!

AFTER EDEN

by Dan Lietha



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Sunday
May 10 & 17
You won't be the same!

THE WARRIOR

Don't be afraid of them. Remember the Lord, who is great and awesome, and fight for your brothers, your sons and your daughters, your wives and your homes.

Nehemiah 4:14

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