

Coming soon to Ormiston Christian Faith Church . . .

New series February 8, 15 & 22



YOU  
DON'T  
HAVE  
WHAT IT  
TAKES

This is not a circus,  
and you are not a  
performer!

Starts Sunday Feb 8

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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## Meeting Times

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

**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!  
This morning Pastor Peter Barfoot will preach.

## News



- **Tomorrow:** Australia Day BBQ—All welcome 11:00 am Paul & Sally's place (52 Hilliard Street Ormiston) BYO food & drinks (& esky with ice!) Insect repellent highly advisable! Come & enjoy a day together!
- **Saturday 31st January** "Church Working B" - windows, gardens, kitchen and a lot of other small things. 9am-lunch (BBQ included).
- **Fellowship lunch:** With our Aussie Day BBQ & working B BBQ in close proximity we've decided to move our fellowship lunch back to Sunday March 1st after the morning meeting.
- **Pastor Peter & Ann Sutcliffe** will be with us next Sunday morning, February 1st. Come along and hear Pastor Peter teach the Word in 2009!
- **Sunday night meetings** resume in February. We're expecting to have a great time and these night meetings engender a more relaxed atmosphere where we can have more of the "Word and the Spirit" in an interactive way. Are you wanting to get closer to God? Are you wanting to learn how to be used by God to touch the lives of others? This is where it starts!
- **DVD's** of our meetings are available by order. Some titles are available this morning at the media table at the back of the church. All currently available video and audio titles are listed on the order sheet. Cost is \$6 per DVD (or more if you like) and this is to cover production costs as this ministry grows and develops.
- **Volunteer register:** is available at the back of the church. Please get involved and a roster will soon be available. Thanks!



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## What Kind of Church Do You See?

- We see a church filled with followers of Jesus Christ whose hearts are ablaze with love for God, love for one another, and love for a needy world.
- We see a church where the Great Commission is the first priority. People share their faith, the gospel is preached, lives are transformed.
- We see a church of great compassion where the needy and hurting are drawn to find hope and answers to their problems. People are healed, set free and made whole as their lives are transformed.
- We see a church of friendly, loving people who ensure that each person feels accepted, valued and has a sense of belonging.
- We see a church where the very atmosphere is charged with faith and expectancy, joyful praise, intimate worship, and a spirit of victory.
- We see a church filled with the Holy Spirit, demonstrating His fruit, moving in His gifts, and flowing in His power and presence.
- We see a church where God's Word is taught in such a way that people align their values, attitudes, and lifestyle to God's kingdom.
- We see a church with such passionate devotion, radical conviction, and total commitment to the cause of Jesus Christ that the very gates of hell can't stop it! *This is the church that we see ... this will be our church!*

### Eph 3:20-21—what can you imagine?

#### IT'S BIG!!!

God has called us to reach a lot of people – in our community, city, nation and even other nations of the world. He's challenging us to lift our vision and to really believe that he is able to do exceedingly abundantly above what we could ever ask, think, or imagine (Eph.3:20).

#### IT'S SMALL TOO!!!

Although the vision is very BIG, we must never forget that it's about people. It's also a small vision where – individual people who God loves really matter. It's about reaching out to your friends, your family, your neighbours, your classmates, and your work-mates. It's about every one of us having a sense of belonging and friendship.

#### IT'S HOLY SPIRIT EMPOWERED!!!

All of this is only possible through the work of the Holy Spirit in and through us. This year we'll be seeking to lift the level of prayer in all of our lives as we seek a greater dependency on the Holy Spirit to do the miraculous!

#### IT NEEDS TO BE YOUR DREAM TOO!!!

This is our dream of what our church will be like. Is it your dream? After all, the church is US. Our church will only be what each one of us makes it to be. In fact, whatever you want our church to be – you be that kind of a person (friendly, enthusiastic, prayerful, generous, loving, compassionate, etc). It's about 'ownership'. Your involvement and contribution is essential. The church is like a team where every person is absolutely necessary. As you contribute, the church grows, people are reached, and you will be blessed in the process.

*Notes from Vision 2009 by Pastor Paul Barfoot—DVD available.*

## Preachers Need the Prayers of the People (By E.M. Bounds)

Somehow the practice of praying in particular for the preacher has fallen into disuse. Prayer, to the preacher, is not simply the duty of his profession, a privilege, but it is a necessity. Air is not more necessary to the lungs than prayer is to the preacher. The preacher must pray and the preacher must be prayed for. It will take all the praying he can do and all the prayers of God's people for him to succeed in his work. God's gifts and call only heighten the need for the preacher to pray and to be prayed for.

The more the preacher's eyes are opened to the nature, responsibility and difficulties in his work, the more will he see and feel the need for prayer; not only the increasing demand to pray himself, but to call on others to help by praying for him.

Paul is an illustration of this. If any man could project the gospel by reason of personal force, brain power, personal grace, God's apostolic commission and extraordinary call, that man was Paul. Paul is a preeminent example that the true apostolic preacher must have the prayers of other good people to give to his ministry its full quota of success. He asks for and values the help of the people he serves. He knows that in the spiritual realm, as elsewhere, in union there is strength; that a concentration and build-up of faith, desire, and prayer increases the volume of spiritual force until it becomes overwhelming and irresistible in its power.

Called, commissioned, chief of the apostles as he was, all his equipment was imperfect without the prayers of his people. He wrote letters everywhere, urging them to pray for him.

The purpose of Paul's pleas was to motivate the church to pray. He was not ignorant of the place that religious activity and work occupied in the spiritual life; but none of these could compare with the necessity and importance of prayer. Paul used the most sacred and urgent pleas and fervent exhortations and the most comprehensive and arousing words to enforce the all-important obligation and necessity of prayer. "Put the saints everywhere to praying" is the burden of the preacher's effort and the keynote of his success. Jesus Christ had striven to do this in the days of his personal ministry. As he was moved by infinite compassion at the ripened fields perishing for lack of laborers---and pausing in his own praying---he tries to awaken the dull sensibilities of his disciples to the duty of prayer as he charged them: "Pray that the Lord of the harvest will send out laborers into his harvest." "And he spoke a parable to them with this purpose in mind: that people should always pray and not give up."

