

**15TH NOVEMBER 20**  
**DANIEL WAUGH**  
**1 SAMUEL 8**

## Welcome

### Ministry team

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As Christians, we are called to be "in the world, but not of the world". This is a life-long balancing act. We want to immerse ourselves in our culture so as best to both reach those within it and act as agents of cultural transformation, yet at the same time, the closer we are to the evil aspects of our culture, the more we will be influenced by them. The false-promises of pleasure and security can draw us in and lead us astray.

Much of the Old Testament story is of the Israelites falling prey to the allure of the way those around them lived. Today's story, from 1 Samuel 8 is the perfect example. Who wouldn't want the power, prosperity and security that comes from a powerful military leader and king? And yet, such a request reveals a deep lack of courage and trust in God.

In what ways might we be unconsciously drawn towards a way of living that is something less than the fullness God designed for us? What does it mean to courageously trust in God in an age of insurance, investments and interest rates?

Yours in Christ,  
Daniel Waugh

**English Service**  
**Livestreamed at 10am:**  
Access via our website  
[www.carlingford-baptist.org](http://www.carlingford-baptist.org)

Next week:  
Lyn Kidson will be speaking  
on the theme of Domestic  
& Family Violence.

Dates for your Diary:	
Monthly Prayer Meeting 3-4pm by ZOOM	TODAY
Church Meeting by ZOOM at 3pm	22/11
Farewell Gathering Groups for the Hales	29/11
Thanksgiving Service 10am	6/12

### Mission Spot— European Christian Mission



Sharon Hall (Editor of ECM News) writes :

"I've been reflecting recently on how much of missionary work is hard work, behind the scenes, setting up, and cleaning up (both church gatherings and relationship issues amongst believers and unbelievers) Much of their Gospel witness occurs in the mundane, frustrating, complicated arenas of everyday life. Pouring tea from a beautiful silver teapot and writing editorials also involve polishing and hours of work behind the scenes. Missionaries train and prepare to effectively share the gospel and teach the Bible...

But it's vital work. The fruits of gospel ministry will never perish spoil or fade. The ministry itself may be hard, and worked through cracked pots and ordinary vessels, but the inheritance of life with Christ is eternal and beautiful."

*Do not lay up for yourselves treasures on earth, where moth and rust destroy and where thieves break in and steal, but lay up for yourselves treasures in heaven, where neither moth nor rust destroys and where thieves do not break in and steal. For where your treasure is, your heart will be also. Matthew 6:19-21*

# Church News

## Farewell arrangements for Steve, Erica & Jasmine



As the last day of Steve's ministry with us is 29 Nov we want to express our gratitude to him & to God for his ministry. There are 3 ways that as a Church we are planning to recognise the Hales' contribution to our church's ministry:

### 1. Farewell Gathering for Groups of 30 on Sunday 29 Nov from 1 pm

We are planning for Steve & Erica to be with us in Don Moore Reserve, Tiernan Ave, in North Rocks & having groups of up to 30 people at a time including children, to catch up with Erica & Steve.

Each group would catch up for 45 minutes the first starting at 1pm & then on the subsequent hour during the afternoon. We will have some people allocated to manage the movement of people during the day. To make sure we are meeting our obligations to be COVID-19 safe, we request that you pre-nominate an hour on that Sunday afternoon for you to catch up with Erica and Steve. Please use the on-line form to nominate the time. The form is available through the following link- <https://reopen.church/r/TYBH9oOp>

or if you cannot access the form online then please contact Karon in the church office to notify your preferred time. As sharing of food & beverages at this event will create difficulties, we will not be able to provide any catering.

### 2. Gift for Steve

We have created a GiveWay fundraising campaign through the existing giving arrangements we have with Baptist Financial Services. Go to [bit.ly/CBCgiveway](http://bit.ly/CBCgiveway) & select Farewell Gift - Pastoral - Steve Hales campaign or drop your gift into the Church Office Tues-Thurs. Please arrange to make your gift by **Monday 23 Nov.**

### 3. Send a message of thanks & encouragement

We will also get together your individual messages of thanks and encouragement for the Hales. So if you would like to electronically send your message then please send it to [office@carlingford-baptist.org](mailto:office@carlingford-baptist.org) You could also drop a note into the church office. We will put all the messages received together in a card for Steve. We will need you to send us any messages by **Monday 23 Nov. We encourage all involved with our church to take advantage of these opportunities to recognise the ministry of the Hales amongst us.** If you have any questions about any of these arrangements, contact Alan Worsley 0422 819 783 or Karon Linder church office 9872 3022 (Tues-Thurs).

## THANKSGIVING SERVICE 6th DECEMBER—

Please send in any submissions to Emma, email the office or write in person at the office **by Nov 22nd.**

## CBC Offerings: Here are few options to give your offerings:

**Manual Offering** -Please contact any church staff or the office [office@carlingford-baptist.org](mailto:office@carlingford-baptist.org) or **9872 3022**

**Direct Deposit:** Account held with **Baptist Financial Services** Account Name: **Carlingford Baptist Church** BSB No: **704-922**, No: **100016526** or

**Giveway Link:** Go to [bit.ly/CBCgiveway](http://bit.ly/CBCgiveway) or Scan this QR code that will bring you straight to Giveway -



**Monthly Church Prayer Meeting this afternoon 3-4pm by ZOOM**



## PRAYER TIPS:

**Ask God to remind us of His awesome sacrifice & it's impact.**

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**Ask God to show us how to walk in mercy and grace.**

## ELDERS UPDATE

Thanks to David Choi for organising the 7 days of prayer which has helped us to focus on God's direction for us. Please plan to be part of the events over the next few weeks to recognise the ministries of the Hales, particularly Steve's work for God with us. The Church Council & the Elders met with Grae McWhirter, Team Leader, Leadership Development at the Baptist Assoc as part of our annual retreat last Saturday. Grae outlined some options focused on the immediate future, particularly around interim arrangements. There are some possibilities we are exploring & there will be an update to the Church meeting on 22 November Please continue to pray for everyone in our community.. We need God's leading to know the next steps in God's work in us & through us, serving Christ & bringing Christ to the world.

## KIDS CHURCH FAMILY PARK DAY

**15th Nov 11:30am. BYO Lunch**

**Book in: <https://reopen.church/r/s6p7wcYM>**



## CHURCH MEETING 22ND NOVEMBER AT 3PM BY ZOOM

The Agenda and all Reports and will be available from the Admin section of the Church website from 15 November.

There will be an information session relating to the Constitution change, with formal voting to take place early in 2021. Contact: Ian Read,

[secretary@carlingford-baptist.org](mailto:secretary@carlingford-baptist.org)

## MEN'S BREAKFAST

**Saturday 5th December**

Breakfast in small groups & streaming in to hear from our guest speakers. Breakfast from 8am. RSVP to [office@carlingford-baptist.org](mailto:office@carlingford-baptist.org). **Let us know if you will join a hosting house OR if you are happy to host a few men at your place OR if you will just tune in from home!**



## PRISON FELLOWSHIP—ANGELTREE

Margaret Gourlay has names of children and suggestions for a gift from a parent in prison. Any monetary gift is most welcome. Call Margaret on 0478 678 338 for more info.



**Website Admin Password: admin4Carlo!**

## Church Family Prayer

Rosa Chen & Jimmy Yang,  
Swee Fan & Vincent Chong,  
Lucy Chua