



Weekly Newsletter of the  
Christian Reformed Church of  
Perth Inc.

17<sup>th</sup> of July 2016

## Welcome

A warm welcome to all who have come to the services today, and a special welcome to visitors. May the Lord bless each of us as we worship together, that His Name may be glorified and that we are encouraged and strengthened in faith. A crèche is available at the back of the building for those who wish to use it for children aged 0-4 years of age. Please join us for refreshments and fellowship after the service.

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**9:30am:** R. Noppers

**Readings:** Ephesians 5:1-20, 2 Peter 1:5-11

**Sermon:** Titus 2:6-8 “Training Godly Young Men”

**5:30pm:** R. Noppers

**Readings:** Job 28, 1 Corinthians 1:13-2:16

**Sermon:** James 3:13-18 “Wisdom that is from God”

## Meditation

Paul’s letters have a lot of practical instruction in them: instruction that includes every single one of us. In Titus chapter 2 he commands what needs to be taught in accord with sound doctrine; singling out first the older men, then the older women, who in turn train the younger women and men. However, these are not distinct commands for each group, the “similarly” in verse 6 reminds us that each section in some way applies to us all: the standards described are those we all ought to follow, and the development of Christian character ought to be the entire focus of our life! For young men, apart from all the details already given, Paul pinpoints the matter of self control, a very appropriate focus considering the world we live in and the temptations faced. Hot blooded, passionate young men have many temptations around them, and through them all integrity and godliness must shine.

However, we all recognise to be consistent in Christian character is no easy task, in fact, it is impossible without wisdom from God. That is why James, after reminding us of the evil of the tongue, calls us to seek wisdom from above. We may be extremely bright, and know the names of all the stars, but that counts for nothing if we do not know the God who made them. Students may read every piece of literature written on their subject, but unless that knowledge is centred on God it will do them no good. So who is truly wise? Who would we consider to be a wise person? According to James, it is those who walk closely with God, who exhibit humility in their words and actions, who show in their life the character of Christ. It is those who submit their entire life to His lordship. The wisdom from above, as James describes it, is a string of seven lovely pearls that is “*first of all pure, then peace loving, considerate, submissive, full of mercy and good fruit, impartial and sincere.*”

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## Worship Service Snapshot

A typical service includes a time of singing praise to our God, an opportunity for prayer and a message is given by the Pastor.

There is also a time for us to give financially. If you are not a member or regular attendee of CRC Perth, please don't feel obligated to participate in the offering.

In the morning service, children (4-9 years old) attend church for the first part of the service and leave for Sunday school during the offering.

At the end of the evening service there is a time to ask questions pertaining to faith.

## Please utilise the church's electronic banking

### Banking details:

Commonwealth Bank of Australia  
Christian Reformed Church of Perth

**BSB:** 066 153 #: 1002 5589

Mark as tithe or first offering or the name of the second offering (e.g.: Diaconate)

### First Offering

For the ministry of this church

### Second Offering

17-July- Diaconate

24-July-

Christian Wheatbelt

Fellowship

31-July

World Transform

## Pastoral

Next Sunday, DV, Joshua de Haan will receive the sign and seal of the covenant in baptism. We rejoice with Evan and Rebecca on this occasion as well as grandparents Peter and Sugi Kossen, with Peter leading the service.

Hetty Zoethout will be having surgery tomorrow to repair a hole in the retina of one eye, and if everything goes well should be home again Tuesday. We do pray that God will guide the surgeon and that the surgery will be a success.

Please remember to keep in your prayers our elderly and infirm, and also take the opportunity to visit or simply phone to encourage one another.

Catechism is on today after the morning service, but no catechism tomorrow.

I spent a morning with Tony McLennan from the Bible League this week, and we spoke at length about sharing the gospel. He is willing to come and meet with us and share his method. If you are interested in joining us for such an event, we will organise an evening in mid August. Please let me (Reinier) know if you would like to learn more about sharing the gospel.

Gosnells congregation have once again extended an invitation to us to join with them in their Family Camp, which will be held from 14<sup>th</sup> -16<sup>th</sup> October. It would be a wonderful opportunity to have fellowship together, so may I encourage us all to consider this. They also ask if someone is willing to act as liaison with their committee, and even help in organising the camp. Anyone interested in assisting in this way please let me know.

Our AGM is planned for Sunday 7<sup>th</sup> August, after the morning service. Any groups wanting to submit a report should do so to the session clerk, Sam Assaad, in the next week or so. All paperwork should be in your pigeonholes next Sunday.

## Thankyou

The van Es family would like to thank the Church family for their love and support over the past few weeks in the passing of Gerrie. We are thankful to our Heavenly Father for His provision, love and encouragement that has been displayed through His people.

## News From Other Churches

### Australind:

Peter and Connie Plug celebrated their 25th wedding anniversary in this past week!

We pray for Tim and Maureen Biersteker who, sadly for us, are moving up to Broome.

## Announcements

### SENIOR MEN OF OUR CHURCHES

We plan to meet again THIS TUESDAY 19th JULY, at the Peletier home, 26 Bridge street, Wilson, 10am.

A guest has been invited to join us.

All very welcome.

### CANNING BIBLE STUDY

Canning Bible study will meet coming Wednesday July 20th, 7:30 p.m. at the home of Bardi Bester. If you are looking to join a fellowship group please join us for a time of fellowship, prayer and study. Any questions regarding material or location speak to Pastor Reinier or Trudy Noppers

**WHAT'S ON THIS WEEK**

- Catechism class today after Church
- Tuesday 10 a.m. Senior men of our Churches
- Wednesday 9:00 a.m. Bread @ Church
- Wednesday 7:30 p.m. Canning Bible study @ Bardi's house

**WORSHIP MINISTRYS**

Date	Preacher	Duty elder	Greeters	Reader	Data	Sound	Video	Musician
17 July AM	R. Noppers	Sam	Bardi & Hetty	Jacqueline	Evan	Johan	James	Ralph
17 July PM	R. Noppers	Sam	Bardi & Rob		Paul . N	Nelson	James	Ralph
24 July AM	P. Kossen	Willem	Sam & Jill	Raymond	Johan	Paul N	James	Rachel
24 July PM	R. Noppers	Willem	Sam & Jill		Paul N.	Nelson	James	

**Please arrange your own swap if you are unable to do your duty**

**HELPING HANDS**

Date	Coffee Fellowship	Crèche	Sunday School
17/07/2016	de Jager, Janny	Melody, Jordan	Holidays
24/07/2016	Oostryck, Slooter	Jacqueline, Nelson	Yvonne, Bethia
31/07/2016	Alberts, Jill	Rebecca, Beslin	Emma, Rebekah

**Birthdays this week**

None this week

