

# Announcements

**December-January editions of ConneXions and Challenge are now available.**

**Today:**

- 9.00-9.20am: Prayer meeting
- 9.30am: worship – Gary Ware
- 5.30pm: evening fellowship – Psalm 1. Supper to follow.

**Next Lord's Day:**

- 9.00-9.20am: Prayer meeting
- 9.30am: worship – Gary Ware
- 5.30pm: evening fellowship – Psalm 2.
- Nelson: 9.30am (Victorian time) – Ian Touzel.

**Ian Touzel and family** are on holidays from this Thursday (22<sup>nd</sup>) until 14<sup>th</sup> January. They thank everyone for their prayers, support and encouragement during 2011 and wish you the Lord's blessing for Christmas and 2012.

**Holiday Muster 2012:** January 16-20. Monday-Thursday: morning programme. Friday: evening programme. Volunteers need – contact Christine Ware – M: 0412 501 213.

**Christmas Eve & Christmas Day offerings for Pres-AID** totalled \$1710.45

**All Age Sunday School** resumes on 5<sup>th</sup> February.

**Church Camp:** Friday 2<sup>nd</sup> – Sunday 4<sup>th</sup> March at Karnkendi. Speaker: Darren Middleton, Pastor, North Geelong PC, on *Revelation: Heaven Opened - making sense of the seals, trumpets, dragon and whore!* Brochure now available.

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*...growing God's family...*

**Lord's Day, January 8, 2012 AD**

# Worthy Of The Name

**2 Thessalonians 1: 5 - 12**

**"Welcome", as you worship with us today**

## Order of Service

*Please speak to God before the service and to everyone else afterward.  
Those who are able are invited to stand for the items marked \**

### 9.20am Prelude to Worship

*Gathering God's People*

Blessed be Your name

\*O worship the King all glorious above

**Announcements:** Graeme Hamilton

### 9.30am Worship

*Call to worship:*

*Responding To God's Presence*

**\*Prayer of Confession:**

**Song of Assurance:** Stop! Go! Watch!

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**\*Assurance:** 1 John 1:9  
If we confess our sins, he is faithful and just to forgive us our sins and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

**\*Affirming our Faith:** The Apostles' Creed

**\*Praise:** Glory be to the Father

### ***Experiencing God's Word***

**Bible Reading:** Isaiah 34: 1 - 17  
The day of the LORD shall be a day of destruction for the nations, represented by Edom, Israel's ancestral enemy.

**\*Praise:** You sons of the gods

**Bible Reading:** 2 Thessalonians 1: 5 - 12

**Sermon:** *Worthy Of The Name* – Gary Ware

Those who are worthy of Christ's name take our:

1. Relief from God's repayment;
2. Refuge in God's rescue;
3. Rationale from God's resolve.

## ***Responding To God's Grace***

**How does God want me to respond to His word?**

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**\* Praise:** When on the night

### ***The Lord's Supper***

Visitors or guests who are members of any Christian church are invited to share in the supper. If you are uncertain about your situation don't feel under compulsion to participate. Talk to one of our elders or pastors after the service

**Pastoral Prayer & Lord's Prayer:** Graeme Hamilton

### ***Tithes & free will offerings***

Visitors are not obligated to give an offering. Please stand as the offering is brought forward.

### ***Blessing***

**\* Praise:** Father, we come to You now (Revive us, O Lord)

### ***Next Lord's Day:***

- Continuous reading plan: Isaiah 35:1- 10
- Passage for preaching: 2 Thessalonians 2: 1 – 12
- Songs: Hosanna; There's a royal banner (Rejoice 459); Blessing and honour (Ancient of days); Search me, O God (Rejoice 515); Meekness and majesty; Great is Your faithfulness (Rejoice 25)

## **Words Worth Thinking About**

"There is a thirst for happiness in the soul of man, but there is a drought in all things but in God."

— Edward Griffin

*Christ, A Refuge From The Tempest*

<http://firstimportance.org/2012/01/thirst-and-drought/>