



Pastor Connect

26th May, 2009

Ministry

Well, it certainly has been a busy week in the life of our Church. Last week a REVM course was held here for those interested and thinking about entering ministry in MCC. We had a good number of people coming along and it is encouraging to see so many people thinking about their future and God's calling. Of course that doesn't mean that you have to do courses and be ordained to do ministry. Lay ministry is just as crucial to our churches and we wouldn't be able to run without it. If you are ever interested in investigating what this may mean for you, please come and talk to me.



The sub-regional conference was also held from Thursday night through to Sunday afternoon. It certainly was a very busy time from the reports I have heard about it! I was disappointed that I was not able to get to it as I had my graduation ceremony for my Masters of Ministry degree on Friday in Canberra. However I am here if anyone wants to chat about their time over the weekend, as these events are usually intense and jam-packed with activities and it can be good to take some reflection time.

Prayer

Over the past weeks I have felt that there has been a real need within the Church for a time of prayer where we can intentionally set aside some time to come before God in quiet contemplation to bring forward the things that are on our hearts.

So this Thursday evening 28th May the Church will be open from around 7 to 9 for Prayer and meditation and all are welcome, and you can arrive and leave as you feel called.

Please also remember in your prayers Sonia Milner's sister Julie. She was involved in a bad car accident yesterday and is in critical condition in hospital. She has multiple injuries and her recovery is going to take some time. Her son Charlie was also in the car but is fine, and her husband John and other son Jesse are with her. Sonia's grandmother also passed away early Friday morning so please pray for the family as they mourn their loss and come to terms with Julie's injuries.

Baptism

I am happy to announce that on this coming Sunday morning we will be baptising Bradley Falappi in the fellowship of Christ. Bradley has been a loyal member and friend of MCC for many years and I am delighted that he has decided to take this step of of both private and public commitment to God. Remember Bradley in your prayers and I know he has lots of support here at MCC Sydney.

May peace be with you through the rest of the week.

Blessings

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