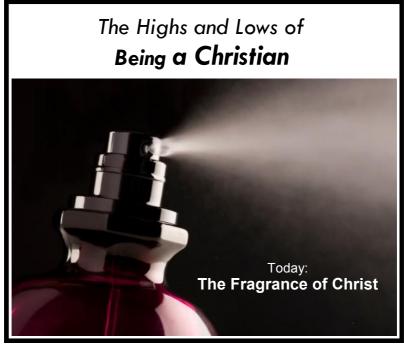
# Penshurst Anglican Church

We welcome you to our celebrations this morning! If you are a visitor here today, we pray that the Triune God of grace will richly meet you where you are, in the fellowship of His people here at PAC. We also invite you to make yourself known to us through the visitor forms found in the pew holders.





Sunday, 10 September, 2017



# Sermon Series: "The Highs and Lows of Being a Christian"

Today, we begin a new series of sermons based in *Paul's Second Letter to the Corinthians.* 

Unlike his first letter, this letter offers many insights into Paul's personal life. Paul wrote 2 Corinthians at a very vulnerable time in his life, when personal suffering had almost become unbearable. As such, this letter resonates with anyone who is facing personal struggles. Maybe you are such a person?

Sept 10	The Fragrance of Christ	2 Corinthians 1:23- 2:17 John 8:3-11
Sept 17	The Glory of the New Covenant	2 Corinthians 3:7-18
Sept 24	Blindness and Decay	2 Corinthians 4:1-18

# **Newcomers Lunch Today**

If you are new to our church and would like to hear all about who we are, what we do, and how you belong, grab lunch after church and join us in the hall.

## **Missions Month is Coming!**

Starting October 8, we will be focusing our attention on the African nation of **Nigeria**.

Nigeria is often referred to as the "Giant of Africa", owing to its large population and economy. With approximately 188 million inhabitants, it is the most populous country in Africa and the seventh most populous country in the world. Nigeria also has one of the largest populations of youth in the world. The country is inhabited by over 500 ethnic groups with over 500 different languages and is divided roughly in half between Christians (living mostly in the south) and Muslims (living mostly in the north).

Date	Welcome	Music Team	Prayer	Bible Reader	Counters
Sep-10	Marina, Ronny	Team 4- Kat, Subash, Rueves, Joshua, Lucy, Karen, Amy, Sarah, Hua	Gaye	Bing	Cliff, Merilyn
Sep-17	Kim, Phil	Team 1- Brian, Gordon, Andrew, Aisen, Bart, Nancy Lee, Michelle H., Wei Wei, Catherine		Kim	Merilyn, Geoff
Sep-24	Andrew C, Naomi	Team 2- Joy, Bing, Michael, Ruevern, Joseph, Millie, Tina, Lucy, Vivienne	Merilyn		Geoff, Doris

Sunday, Sept. 10	Newcomers Lunch (12:15pm)		
Sept 18 to Oct 4	Bart away on holidays		
Oct 8 to Nov 5	Missions Month—focus on Nigeria		
Sat., Nov 4	<b>'Stand up for Nigeria'</b> (evening of prayer and worship—7pm)		
Sun., Nov 5	<b>'Walk to Water'</b> (10:30am)		

### Pray against worker exploitation in global supply chains

Did you know that exploitation, slavery, and human trafficking are woven into the supply chains of many of the products that we buy? The world's garment factory is the Asia-Pacific, with more than 40 million workers employed in manufacturing apparel and textiles across the region. And the wages of most of these workers remain at levels well below what is needed to lift them and their families out of poverty. All across the Asia-Pacific, people are working in unsafe conditions, working excessive overtime hours, and being paid poverty-level wages, to make our clothes. In countries where worker protections are weak or non-existent, the use of slavery, forced labour, and exploitation is rife.

In fact, exploitation exists at every stage of the supply chain. The International Labour Organisation (ILO) estimates that more than half of the world's forced labourers (11.7 million) and 78 million of its child labourers are in the Asia-Pacific. The US Department of Labour reports forced and/or child labour is used in garment, textile and footwear manufacturing throughout the region, including in China, India, Bangladesh, Malaysia, Vietnam, Indonesia, Cambodia, and Pakistan.

But worker exploitation can be ended!

As consumers, we can choose to preference those companies doing the most to uphold the rights of workers in their supply chains and calling on those who aren't to do better. Learn more about this important issue with the help of our <u>2017 Ethical Fashion Report</u>, End of Greed resources (book and bible study), and <u>Fashion Victims Factsheets</u>.

As advocates, we can call on our Government to introduce legislation that would require companies to publicly report on the measures taken to address slavery and exploitation throughout their supply chains. We can also write letters to *Roger David*. This Australian brand received an F grade in our 2017 Report, and have consistently refused to be transparent about what they are doing to protect workers from exploitation.

The **Check the Chain** campaign will help you and your community fight the injustice of worker exploitation in the global fashion industry. **Raise Awareness** about the injustice of worker exploitation in your church or community with the help of our <u>True Cost</u> <u>Screening Pack</u>.

('Check the Chain' campaign is a programme initiated by Baptist World Aid, Australia.)

# Cell Groups at Penshurst Anglican Church

Our church calls itself a 'cell church', built upon the Biblical idea that the primary way that God's people can truly live out the Gospel is through small, intentional communities (called 'cells'). It is here where Jesus is given a far more intimate opportunity to do His work of transformation.

English-Speaking Cell Groups/	Day/time/frequency		
Bart & Kim VandenHengel	Tuesday/ 7:30pm/weekly		
Gaye Bishop	Tuesday/ 7:30pm/ fortnightly		
Megan & Jeff Powys	Thursday/ 7:30pm/ weekly		
ReCharge! (University+ group)	Wednesday/ 8:00pm/ weekly		
PAC Youth Group	Sunday/12:30-2 pm/ weekly		
'The Quiet Place' prayer meeting	Sunday/7pm/weekly		

If you are interested in joining one of these cells, you can either talk directly to one of the group leaders or to Bart for more guidance on which cell will fit you best. You may even want to start your own!

### Sunday School:

Our Sunday School program runs during the 10:30am service, and only during school term. There are four classes available, based roughly on a child's age and year at school:

- Ages 3-5 Coordinators: Tina Ung (in basement of hall)
- Years 1-3 Coordinator: Hua (Nancy) Feng (in upper hall classroom 1)
- Years 4-6 Coordinator: Andrew Ung (Upper hall classroom2)
- Years 7+ Coordinator: George Chan (in upper hall classroom 2)



### **Penshurst Anglican Church**

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 Pastors: Bart VandenHengel (English speaking congregations) Aisen Ju (Mandarin speaking congregations)
Sunday Services: (8am) Prayer Book Service w/ Holy Communion (10:30am) Bi-lingual Celebration service in English and Mandarin (6pm) Bi-lingual Celebration service in English and Mandarin

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