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# **ANNUAL REPORT**

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**Enfield Baptist  
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**1-7 Francis Avenue,  
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## Mission

We are here to make disciples who make disciples; to announce and action the abundant life promised by Jesus and to fulfill Jesus' mandate in Luke 4 towards whole person care and restoration.

## Vision

We long to see more people more like Jesus; people living life well and people engaging with God's plan to restore all things under Jesus as the rightful Lord of life.



# About EBC

## OUR EBC LIFE

- We gather: being together in community.
- We grow: belonging in deep fellowship.
- We go: building relationships with others.

## PEOPLE & PLACE

EBC is a gathered faith community of over 260 people, averaging a total Sunday attendance of 124 adults, youth and children, as well as an additional 45 online each week.

According to the NCLS report 65% of people most value the preaching of the Word. 57% appreciate the wider community care and Social Justice emphasis. 40% of attenders said that they have experienced significant growth in faith in the last 12 months.

The EBC facility comprises the church auditorium, hall, Lifewell, and the Community Partnership Centre.



# Lead Pastor Report

This last year has flown by and yet as I reflect on the last 12 months I have been so greatly encouraged as I have seen God's work amongst us.

As the leadership team have continued to navigate the effects of a global pandemic, I have been greatly encouraged to see our community have **FAITH TO FOLLOW JESUS** in the midst of this. Seeing people diving deeper into God's Word, depending on Him in prayer, genuinely enjoying Jesus and connecting deeply with one another has absolutely thrilled my heart.

Through this, we have seen beautiful growth in so many people's lives which is reflected in the NCLS with 40% of people saying they have experienced significant growth in faith in the last 12 months and 60% saying they spend time in prayer, bible reading and meditation most days. This has been partly due to the large uptake of the resources we have shared such as Lectio 365, The Bible in a Year and the 5x5x5 reading plan's. One of the most common points that new people have made is that they have felt seen and welcomed. This is reflective of the beautiful people that make up the body at Enfield. As well as this we have seen the body rise to occasions when they are moved to give. This is reflective of the multitude of ministries and charities that EBC supports, these are highlighted in this report and are a testament to their heart for Jesus.

I want to thank the Board, Staff and Ministry Community as well as the wider body at Enfield who have demonstrated resilience, faith and courage in the midst of a global pandemic and come through shining even more brightly than before.

To King Jesus be all the glory.

**Nathan Randall**





# Finance

## INCOME

**Offerings** \$343,049.24

**Other income** \$99,445.08

**TOTAL INCOME** \$442,494.32

## EXPENDITURE

**Governance and Administration** \$63,537.30

**Employment** \$312,101.22

**Property** \$32,850.00

**Ministry Allocations** \$22,454.97

**TOTAL EXPENDITURE** \$430,943.49

## ASSETS

**Cheque Account** \$17,380.37

**Property** \$4,000,000.00

**Other EBC Accounts** \$ 112,087.82

**TOTAL ASSETS** \$4,129,468.19

## LIABILITIES

**General Liabilities** \$2,299.18

**Loan** \$435,042.22

**TOTAL LIABILITIES** \$437,341.40



# Leadership Team

## Pastoral Team



**Nathan Randall**

Lead Pastor



**Jenni McKee**

Associate Pastor –  
Community Life



**Erin Spavin**

Associate Pastor –  
Discipleship





## Staff & Leaders



**Brae McKee**

Operations Manager



**Casey Burgess**

Community Programs  
& Children's Support  
Worker



**Natalie Maegraith**

Celebration Team  
Leader



**John Beasy**

Community Visitors  
Scheme Coordinator /  
Pastor Emeritus



**Preston Natale**

Intern



**Justin Langman**

Sight & Sound Team  
Leader



## Board Members



**Daniel Badger**

Compliance and  
Diligence



**Nathan Randall**

Executive Officer



**Jess Frost**

Elder



**Martin Crabb**

Ministry Community



**Evan Morrish**

Planning and  
Development



**Jenni McKee**

Operations





# Chair Report

As chair of the board I'm very pleased to see details in this annual report of all the successes that God has brought us over the last year. "Come and see what the Lord has done, the amazing things he has done on the earth" (Psalm 46:8 NCV).

While COVID19 hasn't gone away completely, it is affecting our lives much less than before and we can now be together every week with confidence. We keep in our prayers those who are being affected long term and also that numbers of people will continue to become seriously ill and die from this disease.

This year has seen a lot of visible physical change: The demolition of the building on Hampstead Road, the coffee machine cart appearing in the foyer. There has also been change in who we see - many new people attending Sunday services and other events.



The coffee machine introduction was well supported by members and has proved to be very popular both before and after the Sunday service. It is great to see so many people catching up and getting to know each other, especially the person taking the coffee orders - as they need to know your name to write it on your cup...

New Beginnings has gone through a significant change with the loss of the building, but as a fundamental part of the community interaction of EBC it is back and looking forward to continuing to change lives

In this annual report you'll see the many areas where God is working through EBC to change lives. There are of course many things that happen behind the scenes, and I would like to thank the members of the board, the EBC staff and ministry leaders for all the time and effort they put in to make things run smoothly and efficiently.

**Daniel Badger**



# Community Life

## Jenni McKee

We continue to see God work across our Community Life ministries. There have been a number of significant moments in the last year as we have continued to learn and grow together to love and serve Jesus.

Notably, the house that homed New Beginnings needed to be demolished. This brought a lot of sadness and mixed emotions to the team who many have so diligently served for 18 years. We recognize every person over those years who has contributed to this beautiful community focussed ministry. In particular, Barbara Bowden who had Coordinated for 11 years. To celebrate all that had been done in and through New Beginnings we held a dinner for the current people serving there and a farewell to Barbara as Coordinator as she retired. John Beasy also led a celebration and moving on ceremony when the house was midway through being demolished. This was a significant and special time for the team.

### **NEW BEGINNINGS CELEBRATION AND MOVING ON CEREMONY**



Going forward - Plans have been underway to reset and for New Beginnings to continue, but in a smaller way, from the New Beginnings garage. We are excited for this next stage as we commence in October 2022. NB is one of the most community engaged and missional ministries of EBC. It helps people with clothes and some bric a brac - but it is the conversations and the care that the volunteers share with the clients as they express Jesus' love - and the financial help to support LifeWell's disadvantaged clients that are both so significant.





## Community Partnership Centre

Community Partnership Centre – this past year we said farewell to the Baptist Care team but welcomed more of the Prison Fellowship staff, who support Ian Townsend and the work he is doing. We are grateful to be able to support Ian, particularly with a team from EBC assisting the Angel Tree project.

## ESL

The English as a Second language classes have been an incredible blessing to both teachers, students and mentors. Baptist Care SA have funded 3 years which is now coming to an end and the state government has funded a year of ESL at the Lights Community Centre. I am happy to report all of our classes will continue post our funding agreements.

There are so many wonderful stories from ESL – of the fun, the learning, and the community that has formed. It has been a joy to see some of the students now connecting into Friendship Centre and the Magic harvest program, and one guy has joined Men's Shed. A couple who had never heard of Jesus came to our Easter Services. I would like to acknowledge our ESL teachers, Mandy Fairbank, Peter Wiskich, Judith Carr and Casey Burgess – and also our team of mentors who get alongside students each week.

Do you have any suggestions on how the class can be better?

The class is very good.  
my teachers <sup>are</sup> very great I love you  
I want ~~to~~ take a little longer.  
(the classes to be)

Do you feel you are more confident in your English?

My English <sup>is getting</sup> very better and better  
I can <sup>listen</sup> ~~righting~~ better to the English. to me.

"Peter I wrote this letter just to say thank you for helping us with the English classes, I find you are a very good teacher, you have patience with us and special with me, because I talk too much, I have learnt a lot listening the others students.. I never learned to speak and write good English, but with your help and Mandy help and patience I think I will improve myself." – Rafael



In the past year we have run a Magic Harvest program from Den's Community Garden, along with a CAP budgeting course. Martin Crabb continues to oversee the garden with Casey Burgess coordinating the courses.



## CVS

The Community Visitors Scheme has had a solid year despite the ongoing challenges within the Aged Care Home settings due to Covid. The Northern Lights Consortium, of which we are the lead, has run a couple of combined training sessions throughout the year. There has been some movement within the Consortium and better-performing agencies have been reallocated higher numbers. EBC is now funded for 43 visitors – up from 35. This has seen a big recruitment drive and a lot of dedicated focus by John Beasy. We are grateful for the number of EBC people who have taken up the role to visit isolated and lonely people in Aged Care Homes. This brings the EBC participation to around 25% of our total visitor numbers. It is an incredible program, that has many wonderful stories of both residents and visitors' lives being enhanced.

A beautiful testament to one of those relationships is that of Judy Brown and her friend Christine N. Judy visited Christine and brought her to Church for a number of years, where Christine came to faith and enjoyed fellowship. Upon Christine's recent passing a Service of tribute and memory was held for her at EBC.





## LifeWell



God continues to grow LifeWell and we are seeing many lives restored, with stories of people coming to or renewing their faith. This year LifeWell South moved from South Road to Trinity Baptist and LifeWell North was launched at Playford Baptist. In the 2021-22 financial year 3246 sessions were held at LifeWell Central (EBC) with half of these being subsidised in varying degrees from the full cost. This number does not take into account the families and parents of children that receive help and the positive life change for those people as well.

Our network of LifeWell Practitioners continues to grow. At Central (EBC) alone we have 8 counsellors, 1 psychotherapist, 1 online psychologist, 1 masseuse, 1 social worker, 1 naturopath/nutritionist, 1 Art Therapist, 1 Speech pathologist, 1 Mediator. We also provide service to schools and businesses for staff and students. Check out the website to keep updated on the team [www.lifewell.org.au](http://www.lifewell.org.au)

LifeWell has held courses – Search for Life, Woman to Woman, Door of Hope and Valiant Man – all leading to significant change and releasing strongholds in belief and action. Along with the courses we hold a weekly online Christian meditation group. There is a dedicated and expert team of facilitators – Ange McKenna, Belinda Allevi, Judy Howie, John Beasy, Lindsay Rowson and Elizabeth Beasy.

*“It has been a privilege to help facilitate Search for Life and Door of Hope this year with participants being open and willing to be challenged in both courses. It’s a beautiful thing to see women being willing to be open and to grow and apply God’s Truths In their lives” – Ange*

*"My faith has deepened and taken a significant turning point having completed the Search for Life course. It has given me a deeper sense of the awesome supernatural nature of my Creator God, my justification as a child of God, and a much better understanding of the separation from God that we all experience following the fall of humanity. The excitement of being transformed into a new life in Christ leaving my old self behind is most significant to my restoration as a loved child of God. Thank you for this learning experience that has given me the impetus to change with the deep desire to grow in my new life in Christ and know the sovereignty of God the Father intimately. I am grateful for the facilitators at Lifewell who compassionately and gracefully facilitated this course. I am glad to receive ongoing support from LifeWell. I can happily report that my life journey is dedicated to my Lord Jesus and my desire to learn, change and grow is ongoing as I continue to receive support from Lifewell – and I simply say thank you with all the glory and honour to my Lord Jesus. I so look forward to registering for the Valiant Man course." – Search for Life Participant*

**Please remember to pray for LifeWell and all of the children and adults that come to discover what it is to live life well.**

## **MASTER CLASSES GROW AND STRENGTHEN LIFEWELL ASSOCIATION PRACTITIONERS**



## **NEW LIFEWELL CENTRES LAUNCHED AT SOUTH AND NORTH**







# Youth

I have seen the love of Jesus and disciples being made through Caity making the decision to be baptised this year, and then also stepping into a junior leader role alongside that. It has been awesome to see the commitment she made to Jesus, and see the fire burning inside of her to spread the word of Jesus's love. The Youth space has been a genuine struggle over the course of the start of this year with covid still affecting numbers and the ability to build momentum. However, as the year has continued to unfold there has been a shift with greater consistency of young people attending and a really exciting vibe fill this space. Through Preston's leadership we have also seen Youth connecting in discipleship relationships and having deep life and faith conversations that are not limited just to Sundays. This is exciting. We currently have 10 youth, with Preston, Joel Zerner, Nate and Caity (Jnr Leader) who are getting alongside our young people.

**Preston Natale  
& Nathan Randall**

# Kids Ministry

We currently have a total of 35 regular attending children who come along to Kids Church at least once a month. On average, there are at least 20 children who attend every Sunday.



We have 26 amazing people who serve in this space and help disciple our children with 6 new volunteers joining the Kids Ministry team in the last 12 months, including 2 junior leaders (Elliot Crabb & Lili Randall).

It has been an incredible blessing to serve alongside our dedicated team of Kids Ministry volunteers, and minister to the young people of EBC this past year. It has been wonderful to see them interact with Jesus and grow in their faith each time they learn something new about this amazing God that we serve. I can still remember the things I learnt when I attended Kids Church, and that has been foundational in my own personal faith in Christ. I pray the same over our young people today. It is a privilege to serve alongside such a wonderful team of people and take part in building God's Kingdom in this way.

**Casey Burgess**





# WOW (Women of Worth)

WOW (Women Of Worth) consists of a committee of 7 volunteers, who plan and run the events co-opting others to help when needed. Around 60 women attend the four times we meet each year. We have been very thankful this year to have the help of Neil Low with sound and Daniel Badger making Coffee at these events.

Each year we have an opportunity to bless those who are doing it tough. This year we chose WestCare. At our May event the women brought new blankets, warm clothing, children's books and food that were delivered to WestCare for distribution. I am continually amazed by the generosity of the women. Many of these women have no other contact with the church but WOW.



I have been encouraged by the number of new people attending EBC this year. God has challenged me to speak to a number of them and build relationships. One couple has joined our home group and others have attended WOW. God's blessings overflow as we share with each other.

*From one of the church women, "My neighbour who expressed very definite views on Christians and churches as being hypocrites agreed last year to come to WOW. The change has been remarkable, she always comments on the warmth of the people and on the message. Now she is far more open to accepting offers for prayer."*

**Di Berry**



# Friendship Centre

Friendship Centre meets weekly, except in the school holidays and it has a membership of 45 people, with up to 35 attending each week. This is a missional community where we aim to provide a caring Christian environment where people can chat, share their ups and downs and to have and be a friend. We make and donate... a huge range of things from knitted jumpers, cardigans, hats, gloves, scarves, rugs, booties and toys.



**Judith Carr**

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Just dropped off 40 items to go to children in camps in Syria. Thank you supporters of Friendship Centre at Enfield Baptist Church.

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*"Friendship Centre to me has meant folks helping me to get back on track (not able to concentrate on anything etc.) after the loss of my husband." - Adrienne Gronow*

*"I retired 6 years ago and was looking to do charity work. Then Judith asked me to come to Friendship Centre. I have been there for 3 years. My sewing and teaching skills are much appreciated, plus I have made many friends. Everyone talks to each other. The atmosphere is great. I look forward to every Wednesday." - Lana*

*"I find Friendship Centre, being in the middle of the week, and living on my own, is a nice time to be able to go out and meet with other people. I can do a little or a lot depending on how I am when I go, which is good. I am also grateful for the friendships I have made whilst being there, Christian and non-christian, it does not matter. I seeing smiling faced always lifts me up." - Valerie Baker*

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Through the work, community and care of Friendship centre, numerous charities and ministries are supported in the following ways...



### **PRISON FELLOWSHIP**

A total of 245 items of children's clothing, 126 pairs of thongs, \$100 cash and we pay for transportation of items to Alice Springs.

### **ALICE SPRINGS HOSPITAL**

A total of 181 items of children's clothing. Many going to premature babies with any excess going to Alukura, a women's refuge run by Aboriginal grandmothers in Alice Springs.

### **CONTAINERS OF HOPE**

114 items of children's clothing. We have also given them good quality used household items and clothing. Some huge containers recently left for Liberia, Papua New Guinea, Togo and Tanzania.

### **BACKPACKS FOR KIDS**

87 items of clothing and rugs.

### **WESTCARE**

23 adult hats, scarves and gloves.

### **CANCER RESEARCH**

We gave \$100 donation.

The generosity of people surprises, delights and amazes me. I'm regularly handed bags of beautifully made items for the charities we support, made with love and prayers for these vulnerable children. Cash donations as well. People say 'Use this for what ever you need in your ministry '. This is truly following what Jesus said about the way we should treat each other. God bless these givers. All this is a reflection of the messages we hear on Sunday. The real life preaching which helps me to make sense of my day to day living. Thank you!

**Judith Carr**

### **FOODBANK AT WOODVILLE**

91 items of clothing and rugs.

### **CHILDREN IN CAMPS IN SYRIA**

46 items of clothing and rugs. All clothing knitted in wool not acrylic for extra warmth and fire safety.

### **GENESIS SHOP**

35 items of clothing.

### **SAMARITANS PURSE**

40 boxes each contains 2 items of clothing and cloth bags as well as purchased items. Plus \$400 to cover shipping costs.

### **KNIT AND NATTER**

165 items, Cloth bags to support the work this group does and clothing. Delicate baby clothing for a person who fosters babies from drug dependent mothers

### **BAPTIST CARE**

33 items of children's clothing to support the WOW event.

*There has been over 1100 items donated through Friendship Centre which doesn't include all the additional money raised.*





# Men's Shed

Throughout this year I have become aware of how isolated men can be living in the community around us. The highlight of each Monday is when we have morning tea and share about what has been happening in their lives over the last week. We see a confidence to share as they grow more comfortable with the men.

In total there are 16 men who volunteer at the church on Monday mornings to look after the church property with an average attendance 10 guys each week. We have 4 men from the community who enjoy being part of the sheds ministry. Working alongside the men there is opportunity for conversation, to feel part of a group, learning great social skills and feeling accepted. All of this is what happens while at the same time the Enfield property is maintained and cared for.

## David Berry

*"The community at EBC has been blessed with amazing facilities, but that means property maintenance – which in turn provides opportunity for practical hands-on service. In working together, we men get to know and value each other, and appreciate the things we share in common, as well as our many differences. I treasure being part of it." – Volunteer*





# Discipleship & Mission

We are certain that belonging to a community of believers allows us to live authentic and transparent lives. It refines and deepens our experience of Christ. It sparks us to action. It builds resilient disciples, and it encourages the whole church. This year we have seen people growing in their fellowship of Jesus as they have been growing deeper in their relationship with Him, growing in the knowledge of Him through the Word and deepening their dependence on Him in prayer.

We ran our first **New Peoples Lunch** in a number of years and were super encouraged to have nearly 30 people there as well as many members serving. On top of this we have had at least another 30 people who are new to Enfield in the past year and who now call Enfield home and are active in helping others to feel the same way.

We have seen the **Small Groups** grow from 7 Groups to 10 over the last year with 12 small group leaders. It has been beautiful to see the groups themselves growing and new people plugging straight into Small Groups. These are one of the primary places where deeper discipleship happens as we share our lives and faith with one another.

One area of specific growth has been seeing the growth in our youth and young adult spaces. 18 months ago, there were very few people to gather, but we have attended BCSA events with both our Youth and Young Adults and have seen God moving in that space. This is exciting and something to give God Praise for!



# Sight & Sound

Through the Tech ministry we have seen the ability to access content and be included in the community of Enfield broaden greatly. Through Covid suddenly our doors are opened wider than ever as we have a whole community of people that are now able to join us live online and feel welcomed and a part of the community from wherever they are. The ability to do this is attributed to the fact that we have one of the most stellar sight, sound and tech teams around who are dedicated to the mission and vision of Enfield to make disciples and see people come to know Jesus.

The overwhelming majority of new people all joined us online first before ever setting a foot inside our doors. In fact, Tiffany, who has been at Enfield for the majority of 2022, drove past, saw our sign, looked up our website and joined 7@7 before anything else and yet she now is involved in the coffee ministry and getting to know others in a tangible way. Isn't it amazing how God works!! This is also evidence of how well we as a whole community have been able to pivot and adjust to the changing world and the impact of covid and now posture ourselves to more effectively reach out to our community.

*"Being able to join in with church online has been a real blessing. As well as worshipping each Sunday it keeps us in touch with the people and activities of the church community. We acknowledge and greatly value the skills and the time put in by Justin and the tech team. Thank you so much for sharing your gifts in this way to enable online church to happen each week" – Trevor and Helen Stevens*

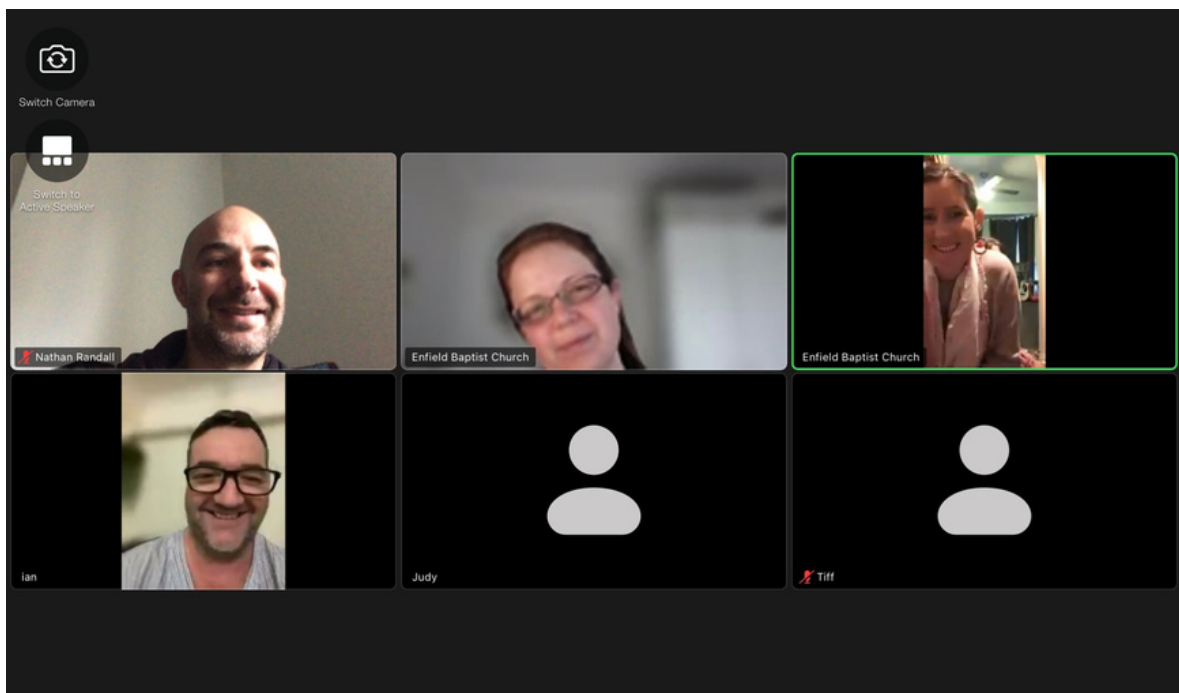




*"It's been approximately 3 years since I joined your community online after Nathan took up the post there and COVID struck. In that time, I have been enriched by the sermons and the talents of your musicians. My brother who lives with me is suffering pancreatic cancer and I feel blessed and at peace knowing your community (through the prayer chain) is praying for him and the faith I have in God for his healing. Due to my association with Enfield Baptist community, I have been impacted by the ministry too and for this I am truly grateful to you all for it. Thankyou" - Judi Andrewartha (Aldinga)*

## 7@7

It was back in February that Erin and Nathan along with Andrew and Rachel Foster from Broadview Baptist started 7@7 as they felt compelled to pray for those who we know that do not yet know Jesus and pray for their salvation. Getting up to pray for 7 minutes at 7am each week day has not been the easiest of tasks at times however we have been thrilled to see an average of 5-15 people attend every day. This has been a significant instrument of growth for all those who are praying as this has deepened our faith and trust in God and we have seen Him work in immeasurable ways as a result.

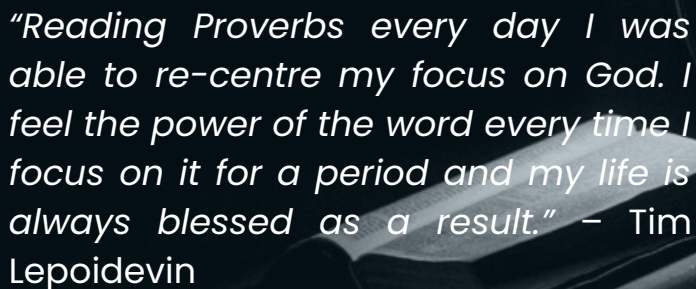




# Alpha

This last year we ran for the first time at Enfield and were grateful to have 5 consistent leaders and 9 attendees who finished the course over 11 weeks. Erin's love for the lost and leadership in this space has been instrumental in this. This will be something we continue to look at running in the year ahead and we invite you to continue to pray fervently for the lost.

*"I was involved in several Alpha courses years ago and was always thrilled by the opportunities it provided to discuss faith while enjoying food together. When I heard our church was to embrace this course I couldn't wait to be involved and experience this. I believe all those who were in my group have benefitted in both faith and interpersonal relationships by spending Alpha time together. I recommend when the next Alpha is advertised by EBC that you invite non-christian friends and family and plan to attend together"* – Judy Brown



*"Reading Proverbs every day I was able to re-centre my focus on God. I feel the power of the word every time I focus on it for a period and my life is always blessed as a result."* – Tim Lepoidevin

conversation. We also ran the first Enfield Family Camp in the Barossa after a couple of years of being unable to due to Covid. It was a wonderful weekend of relaxing, relationships, food and fun as people spent time with one another for an extended period of time.

It has been through these intentional gatherings that we see have seen greater connections happen and a deepening of relationship both with God and one another.

## Family Camp & Picnics

Throughout the course of the last year we have had a number of church family picnics to encourage deeper connection and ongoing





# Baptisms

**4 People Baptised –  
Shawnie, Lili, Mckenzie, Caity**

*"And now what are you waiting for? Get up, be baptized and wash your sins away, calling on his name." Acts 22:16*

*In 2021/22 we have given away 9 New Beginnings Bibles & 24 Pathway books to those exploring faith.*

*"Despite my horrible upbringing and dark past where I saw the devil constantly at work, 10 years ago I felt Gods hand on my shoulder and his voice to fight. Though I didn't quite understand what was happening at the time and what God was trying to do, I ended up fighting with myself. I was experiencing PTSD, anxiety, depression and paranoia. As a result I found myself back in toxic relationships and was selfish and self-medicating. However, through the birth of my daughter Mckenzie and a number of other circumstances, God worked powerfully in my life to bring peace instead of pain and as a result I was no longer a victim to my trauma and mental health. Through Jesus, I became a survivor. It was in these moments I realised I didnt need to fight, I just needed to surrender to Jesus because his power and love was more than enough to win my battles. He was willing to die on the cross for my salvation. I know that In Jesus, I am forgiven, I am accepted and I am redeemed. I am no longer a prisoner or beggar" – Shawnie*



## Farewell

Well done, good and faithful servants.

The Master has received you into His care.

In 2021/2022 we said goodbye to Kevin Rogers, Kevin Blesing and Christine Nyberg, we will see you again in glory!





# Mission & Outreach

EBC also generously supports many different organisations and initiatives. Some that are connected specifically with the Baptist movement and others that are not but that are working for actively seeking to act justly, love mercy and walk humbly with God and one another. Below are some of the main organisations.



## DRESSEMBER

