



Newsabout

Epping Church of Christ

14 August 2026

Growing in Christ † Gathering in Love † Going in Grace

Time for
Questions

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Matthew 19:25-26 NIV

Sunday 16 August 2026

**Join us for morning worship at
9:30am on Sunday**

*If you can't make it, click the link
or scan the QR code below to join us online*

LIVE STREAMING



Our Values Statement

***Epping Church of Christ –
Disciples from all generations
and nations, Growing in Christ,
Gathering in Love, Going in
Grace.***



Rees Wilson will be bringing the
message this Sunday.



S E N T
A COURSE ON MISSIONAL LIVING
An 8-week journey of prayer, presence & invitation

CURIOSITY Asking Spiritual Questions

Just then a man came up to Jesus and asked, "Teacher, what good thing must I do to get eternal life?"

¹⁷ "Why do you ask me about what is good?" Jesus replied. "There is only One who is good. If you want to enter life, keep the commandments."

¹⁸ "Which ones?" he inquired.

Jesus replied, "'You shall not murder, you shall not commit adultery, you shall not steal, you shall not give false testimony, ¹⁹ honor your father and mother,' and 'love your neighbor as yourself.'"

²⁰ "All these I have kept," the young man said. "What do I still lack?"

²¹ Jesus answered, "If you want to be perfect, go, sell your possessions and give to the poor, and you will have treasure in heaven. Then come, follow me."

²² When the young man heard this, he went away sad, because he had great wealth.

²³ Then Jesus said to his disciples, "Truly I tell you, it is hard for someone who is rich to enter the kingdom of heaven. ²⁴ Again I tell you, it is easier for a camel to go through the eye of a needle than for someone who is rich to enter the kingdom of God."

²⁵ When the disciples heard this, they were greatly astonished and asked, "Who then can be saved?"

²⁶ Jesus looked at them and said, "With man this is impossible, but with God all things are possible."

²⁷ Peter answered him, "We have left everything to follow you! What then will there be for us?"

²⁸ Jesus said to them, "Truly I tell you, at the renewal of all things, when the Son of Man sits on his glorious throne, you who have followed me will also sit on twelve thrones, judging the twelve tribes of Israel. ²⁹

And everyone who has left houses or brothers or sisters or father or mother or wife or children or fields for my sake will receive a hundred times as much and will inherit eternal life. ³⁰ But many who are first will be last, and many who are last will be first.

Matthew 19:16-30 NIV

Session Videos →

Sermon Videos →

KIDS SPOT



Friday Bridge St Youth

Join us from 7:00–9:00pm at Epping Church of Christ for a fun night of hanging out, games, and great conversations. Don't forget to bring \$5 for dinner—we can't wait to see you there!



Sunday Bridge St Youth

We'll begin by joining the church family for worship in the chapel, then head out for a great group discussion before returning to the main service for communion.

Bring your Bible, bring a friend, and come ready for a fun and faith-filled morning!



Word of Wonder

God is able to do far more than we could ever ask for or imagine. He does everything by his power that is working in us.

Ephesians 3:20



Wonder Truth

God Cares about Our Needs

Scripture

Exodus 17

God's Big Story

God has faithfully rescued His people, but they're now thirsty and complaining in the desert. God responds with kindness, providing water for them from a rock because He cares about our needs.

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

Our AGM will be held on Sunday, **13 September**, following a Potluck Lunch after the morning service.

Key Dates

- **19 July** – AGM potluck sign-up opens.
- **9 August** – Elder nomination process opens.
- **23 August** – Annual Report released and Notices of Motion open.
- **30 August** – Elder nominations and Notices of Motion close.

Our Elder Nomination ballot was emailed to all church members last Sunday. Thank you to everyone who has already submitted their nominations! If you haven't voted yet, we encourage you to do so soon. If you can't find your voter invitation, please check your spam or junk folder, and contact the church office if it's still missing.

A few important ballot updates were also emailed this week. If you haven't received these updates, please check with the church office.

While only members can participate in the Elder Nomination vote, **everyone is warmly welcome** at our AGM.

Our AGM Potluck sign-up is open, so please let us know if you're coming and what you'll be bringing—it really helps us plan and organise the day. We'd love to have you join us!



Need a JP?

Did you know Gordon Bromhead is a registered Justice of the Peace (JP)?

If you need documents witnessed or certified, Gordon is happy to assist members of our church family. You can contact him on 0432 449 077 or at gordybromhead@gmail.com.

SYNC & Drastic Camps

SYNC and Drastic Camps are coming up soon, and there are still places available for young people! These camps are a wonderful opportunity to connect with others, grow in faith, and spend a week learning more about Jesus. If you know a young person who might benefit, it's not too late to encourage them to come along. More info about both camps [here](#).

Drastic Camp is also looking for a few more leaders (18+). If you're a mature, Jesus-loving adult who would enjoy investing in young people, expressions of interest close this Sunday, 16 August. Leaders must have recently completed Creating Safe Spaces training. Potential leaders can register using the Drastic Camp [online registration form](#) here, using the leader code DCLR26.

Have Your Say

Boronia Park playground is getting an upgrade! Council is inviting the community to share ideas for the new playground through an [online survey](#) by **5pm Monday, 24 August**, or **in person** at Boronia Park on **Wednesday, 19 August, 3–5pm**. Have your say and help shape this much-loved local space!



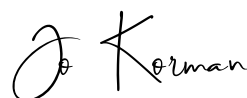
There is a lot happening and we are praising God for many growth opportunities.

What's new or on the horizon?

- Families Together program is in the establishment phase – we have engaged an experienced consultant to assist in this vital process.
- Australian Drug Foundation Local Drug Action Team – we are in conversation about commencing youth initiatives to address risk factors of Alcohol & Other Drugs
- We have been invited to tender for the Thriving Kids program. This program runs supported playgroups and parenting groups for kids 0-8 with learning difficulties and developmental delay.

Please be prayerful about the following:

- Recruitment of staff for our Family Support programs – that God will bring the right people.
- Pray for the families we will encounter, for God's grace, love, provision and protection.
- Wisdom as we plan for community initiatives in the expanded Wade Street facility.
- Favour for our funding applications.



Director of Community Initiatives

Receptionist



Hope Connect is seeking a casual team member to provide reception desk cover during staff sick leave and annual leave. Full training will be provided, making this a great opportunity to serve and support the community.

If you're interested, please contact Jo Korman at jo.korman@hopeconnect.org.au

OpenDoors®

Joyce Chew and Open Doors extend to you this special invitation to join **Open Doors Live**, featuring Ps Fred, a pastor from Nigeria. This is a rare opportunity to hear first-hand from someone serving on the field and to be encouraged by what God is doing through His people in challenging places. The event is open to everyone, with one of the gatherings being held at Northside Church. Follow [this link](#) for more details and to register.

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OPEN DOORS LIVE 2026

Join us for a time of prayer and worship at Open Doors Live, and be inspired by stories from persecuted believers.

Special Guest Speaker: Pastor Fred Williams
bringing stories of persecution from Nigeria to a city near you.



Saturday 29th August 2026
Eastcoast Church, Carringbah

Sunday 30th August 2026
Northside Church, Crows Nest

For information on tickets and venues
scan the QR Code,



Visit opendoors.org.au/live
Email: churchteam@od.org.au
Or phone: 02 9451 2999

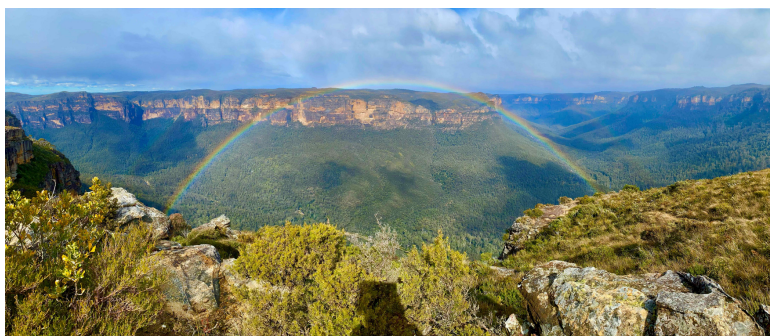
Seen & Shared

Little glimpses of life from our church family.



Our Lavender Ladies Connect Group recently gathered for a meal at The Epping Club and took the opportunity to catch up with a member who is no longer able to attend their regular Connect Group gatherings. What a lovely example of what we're exploring together through SENT – moving beyond our usual gatherings, staying connected, and putting missional living into action through simple acts of love and friendship.

John Fox captured this beautiful full rainbow while bushwalking at Mt Banks in the Upper Blue Mountains. Rainbows are a wonderful reminder of the beauty and handiwork of God's creation – and, as we remember the story of Noah, a reminder of God's faithfulness and that He keeps His promises. What a spectacular sight to come across on a bushwalk!



Worth Remembering

Slides from Sunday's SENT message – a reminder that missional living is about presence, relationships, and sharing everyday life with others, just as Jesus did. Are you living a “questionable life” – one that makes others curious about the hope you have?

SENT | Missional Living

Five Incarnational Principles

1. God sent Jesus into the world; therefore, God sends the Church into the world.
2. Mission happens through presence before programmes.
3. Relationships usually precede gospel conversations.
4. Christians become deeply embedded in local communities.
5. The Church is called to be sent rather than merely attracting people to itself.

**We don't simply invite people into our world.
We enter theirs.**

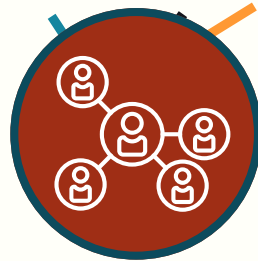
SENT | Missional Living

Questionable Lives looks like...

-  Opening your home
-  Moving into a marginalised community
-  Sharing a meal with people who have nothing
-  Giving generously
-  Forgiving someone who hurt you

Hooray for You!

August



Connect Groups

Harris Connect Group

Fortnightly: Tuesday 7:30 pm
Bill & Anne Harris
@ Epping

Know Your Bible (KYB)

Weekly (in school term): Friday 10:30 am
Maisie Kew
@ Telopea

Lavender Ladies

Weekly: Thursday 10:00 am
Margie Kennard
@ West Pennant Hills

Prees Connect Group

Fortnightly: Tuesday 7:30 pm
Lyn & David Prees
Online

Sendama Connect Group

Fortnightly: Friday 8:00 pm
Robinson Sendama
Online

Telopea Connect Group

Fortnightly: Thursday 7:30 pm
Sue & Mike Fewchuk

Thursday Night Connections

Fortnightly: Thursday 7:30 pm
Heather & Rick Lewis
@ West Pennant Hills

Variety Hours (Young Adults)

Weekly: Tuesday 7:00 pm
Tom & Rees
@ Epping Church of Christ

Hearts & Homes (Families)

Monthly: 2nd & 4th Sundays, 11:30 am
Carol & Tim Yeo, Karen & Jonathan Cheung
@ Epping Church of Christ

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SAVE THE DATE

The first Under The Canopy gathering will be held on
Saturday 17 October, 9:30am–3:30pm, at Connect Church Engadine

 [Register your interest](#)

The course organisers will be in touch with further details closer to the event date.



Standard Registration \$460.00pp

Payment plan available

*Pay \$100 when you register and pay
the rest in instalments (min \$25 per
payment) up until 1 September.*

Years 7 -12. 5 - 9 Oct. The Tops

Standard Registration \$470.00pp

MORE INFORMATION



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Find Your Place to Serve

Church is a family, and every person matters. Whether you're new or ready to re-engage, there are many simple and meaningful ways to serve. Take a step today – use your gifts, get involved, and serve at Epping Church of Christ.

Here are some positions you can consider:

- SMK leader
- Youth leader
- mainly music volunteer
- During the morning service
 - Announcements Leader
 - Bible Reader
 - Corporate Prayer Leader
 - Communion Server
 - Communion Talk
 - Worship Team
 - Sound Tech
 - Presenter
- Pre/Post Service
 - Door Hosts
 - Morning Tea Crew
 - Communion Prep
 - Communion Wash-up
 - Offering Count
- WAZZAS – dinner to serve the community in Telopea every Thursday during school term at 16 Shortland Street, Telopea



Want to serve at church? Fill in our volunteer interest form online ([link here](#) or scan the QR code) or sign up in person at the church office!



Want to volunteer at WAZZAS? Email **Gordon & Gwyn Bromhead** at wazzas@eppingchurchofchrist.org.au.

Together, let's build up God's church and bless our community!



The **National Grandparents Conference** hosted by EV Church Erina will be held on **29 August 2026** with the theme "Leaving a Legacy that Impacts" and the reminder that "Grandparents are the footsteps for future generations."

[MORE INFO](#)

Registration options include:

- Regular Registration: \$98 per person, closing 23 August
- Online Attendance: \$30 per person, closing 25 August, with discounts available for group bookings.

[REGISTER HERE](#)

If you are interested in attending, pamphlets with more information are available to pick up at church.



Grandparents are joyful in hope, patient in affliction, faithful in prayer.

WHEN: **29TH AUGUST 2026**

WHERE: **EV CHURCH ERINA**

A day of inspiration and encouragement in person and online. This conference focuses on equipping and encouraging grandparents who have a desire to leave a living faith legacy for their grandchildren. An exceptional range of speakers will share their insights and experiences; Rev. Ian Barnett, Dr. Leisa Aitken, Mark McCrindle, Dr. Glenn Davies, Dr. Bill Anscombe, and Leigh Hatcher.



Know Your Bible (KYB) meets at 10:30am on Fridays, at 16 Shortland Street, Telopea, with a study covering Romans 9-16.

Everyone is warmly welcome to join us. The study concludes around 12:30pm, and those who are able are invited to stay for a BYO lunch afterwards, finishing by 1:30pm.

For more information, please contact Maisie on 0412 535 553.





2026 National Church Life Survey

This September, our church will be taking part in the 2026 National Church Life Survey (NCLS). The survey helps us better understand our church community, identify our strengths, and plan well for the future. It also contributes to a nationwide picture of church life across Australia, helping churches learn from one another and informing wider society. We'll let you know the survey date and how you can participate closer to the time.



WHY SHOULD YOU *take part?*

YOU CAN HEAR ALL VOICES
& TAKE TIME TO LISTEN



IDENTIFY YOUR STRENGTHS
& USE THEM TO GROW

MAKE INFORMED CHOICES
IN MINISTRY & MISSION



SEE HOW YOU COMPARE
TO OTHER CHURCHES

FIND OUT ABOUT
ATTENDERS' WELLBEING



SUSTAIN & SUPPORT
LEADERSHIP PRACTICES

UNDERSTAND THE
HOPES OF ATTENDERS



ADD TO THE PROFILE OF
YOUR DENOMINATION

TAKE STOCK OF YOUR
CHURCH'S HEALTH



INFORM WIDER
AUSTRALIAN SOCIETY

2026ncls.org.au

2026 National Church Life Survey

Pastor Justin is available each week for one-to-one appointments, and we encourage you to connect with him outside of Sunday services.

Need some guidance, support, prayer, or just a friendly chat?

Appointments are 30 minutes each. If you'd like a longer conversation, you're very welcome to book two (or more) sessions back-to-back.

Booking is easy — just click [\[here\]](#) or scan the QR code to choose a time that suits you.



Prayer & Praise

We've introduced a simple way for you to share prayer requests and praise reports — through our [online form](#) or the prayer box at the chapel entrance.

Submissions are collected weekly and prayed over in our services and by our prayer chain. We encourage you to share and let us stand with you in prayer.



Elvanto

Stay connected with our church community! Log in to the database to check the directory, serving roster, groups, and update your details today.

Click "LOG IN" or scan the QR code. Need help? Contact the church office.

LOG IN



Elvanto Video 101



WATCH NOW

Sunday Morning Service

REAL TIME TRANSLATION



SCAN THE QR CODE TO ACCESS REAL-TIME TRANSLATION IN YOUR PHONE'S WEB BROWSER DURING THE SERVICE.

PLEASE USE THE SOUND OPTION ONLY IF YOUR PHONE IS CONNECTED TO HEADPHONES.

Want to Pray for Others?

If your heart is moved to support others through prayer, we warmly invite you to join our prayer chain. Simply email the church office, and we'll gladly welcome you onto the team.

Together, we can carry each other's burdens, celebrate each other's joys, and surround our church family with the powerful gift of prayer. Your prayers make a real difference — let's stand together and lift one another up in faith and love.

Thinking about Baptism?

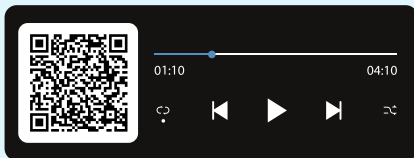
Baptism is a public declaration of faith in Jesus — symbolising new life, forgiveness, and being welcomed into God's family. It's also a step of obedience, following the example Jesus set for us.

If you're curious, interested, or ready to take that step, our pastoral team would love to walk with you. Feel free to contact Justin or Rees to find out more.



ECC Songlist

Get familiar with the worship songs we sing at church – or sing along with your children at home! Our ECC playlist is available for you to listen to anytime. Simply scan the QR code to access the Spotify list or click [here](#).



Wonder Ink WONDER@HOME

A Family Portal, easily accessible online. Inside, you'll find a wealth of resources, including engaging Bible story videos, the series' memory verse, thought-provoking discussion questions, hands-on activities to solidify the lessons from the Bible, and much more!



REGISTER



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Stay Connected on YouVersion



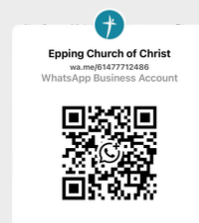
 Use the Bible App?

Add [Epping Church of Christ](#)
as your church on the app
scan the QR code

Access plans, updates & more!
Let's grow in God's Word –
together.

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Donation Opportunities

Medical Santo is facing an increasing demand for medications and rising costs. To address these challenges, they need additional resources to support the clinic.



Your generous tax-deductible donations will help them meet these needs and continue their mission. Thank you for your support.



DONATE



Alison is currently serving as a full-time volunteer staff member with the Sydney Refugee Team and in Member Care/Spiritual Direction. As she dedicates her time and energy to these important ministries, we invite you to consider supporting her financially.



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To support and contribute to the work of OBC, please consider making a donation. Your generosity helps sustain our mission and initiatives.

Make a donation by direct deposit to:

Online Bible College

BSB: **032-501**

ACC: **162151**



or

DONATE



All donations are tax-deductible. You can choose to support a specific program or ministry area, or allow your gift to be directed where it is needed most.



A tax-deductible receipt will be provided by Hope Connect for all eligible donations.

Make a donation by direct deposit to:

Hope Connect Inc - BSB: **082 186**

Account Number: **04609 8955**

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Teloepa and Epping Religious Education Fund (TEREF)

Scripture in schools is a valuable service our local churches offer. Support this fund that enables Rees to teach Special Religious Education (SRE) at Epping Boys High School. Your tax-deductible donation makes it possible.

BSB 082-186

Account No. 533580802.

Include your name in the description so a receipt can be issued.

August

Sunday Speakers	
23/8	Justin Campbell
30/8	Justin Campbell

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Jess Collins

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School Holidays



Online Calendar



GIVING

There are several ways you can process your giving:
Simply visit our website, use Elvanto, direct transfer, in person on Sunday or contact the office if you wish to arrange to drop it off. Thank you for supporting the ministry in and through our church.



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Office hours: Tuesday & Wednesday 10 am - 2 pm
Additional contact hours: Thursdays: 2 pm - 3 pm
(by email, WhatsApp, or phone) Fridays: 1 pm - 3 pm

The Elders are available for various pastoral concerns, ranging from needs or problems you are facing in ministries, counselling, prayer and Christian growth. Please raise your need with them.

KEEP IN TOUCH

Feel free to let us know of things to celebrate and news to share by contacting the church office.



31 Bridge Street,
Epping, NSW 2121



[Safe Church Policy](#)



[Safe Church Concerns Form](#)

Safe Church Safeguarding Contact:

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 **Hope Connect**
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Telopea

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Epping Church of Christ acknowledges God as the Creator of all things — and over all people.

As Psalm 24 says, "The earth is the Lord's, and everything in it."

We recognise that we gather and minister on the land of the Wallumedegal people of the Dharug nation, the original custodians, entrusted by God with its care.

We respect Elders past and present, and we affirm our call, as followers of Jesus, to walk humbly on this land in the way of peace and reconciliation.