

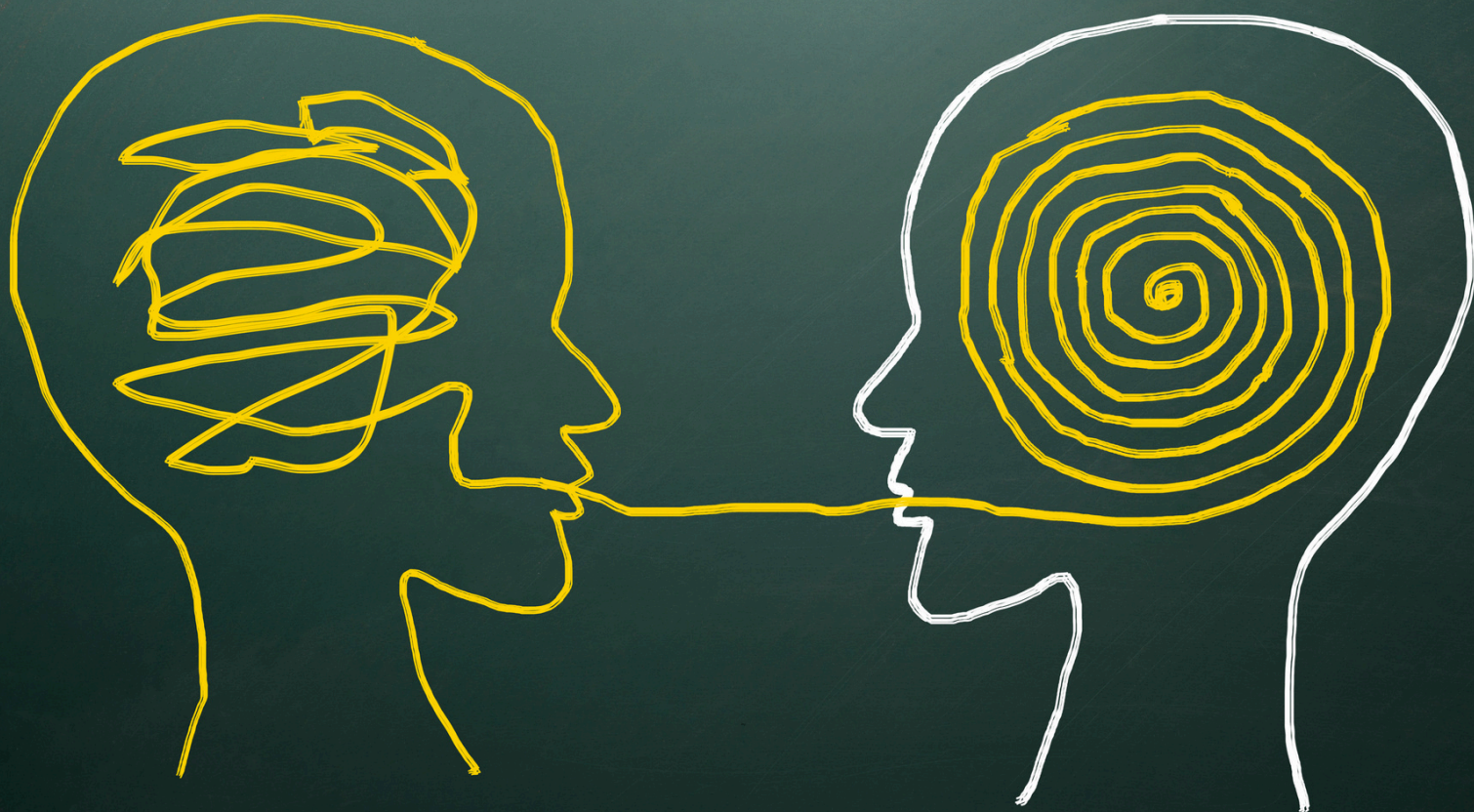


Newsabout

Epping Church of Christ

21 August 2026

Growing in Christ † Gathering in Love † Going in Grace



Paul then stood up in the meeting of the Areopagus and said: "People of Athens! I see that in every way you are very religious. For as I walked around and looked carefully at your objects of worship, I even found an altar with this inscription: to an unknown god . So you are ignorant of the very thing you worship—and this is what I am going to proclaim to you."

Acts 17:22-23 NIV

Sunday 23 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

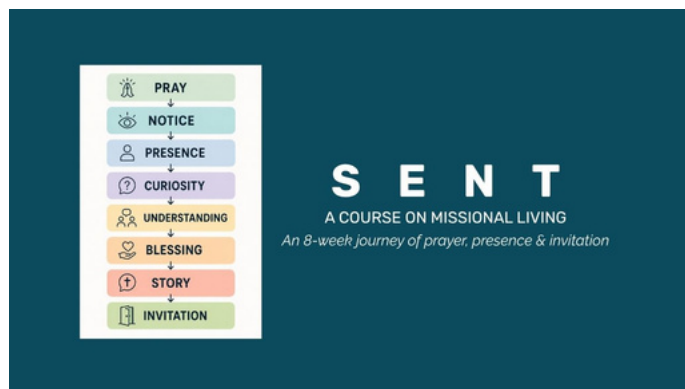


Our Values Statement

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



Justin Campbell will be bringing
the message this Sunday.



Session Videos



Sermon Videos



UNDERSTANDING: Contextualisation

In Lystra there sat a man who was lame. He had been that way from birth and had never walked. He listened to Paul as he was speaking. Paul looked directly at him, saw that he had faith to be healed and called out, "Stand up on your feet!" At that, the man jumped up and began to walk. When the crowd saw what Paul had done, they shouted in the Lycaonian language, "The gods have come down to us in human form!" Barnabas they called Zeus, and Paul they called Hermes because he was the chief speaker. The priest of Zeus, whose temple was just outside the city, brought bulls and wreaths to the city gates because he and the crowd wanted to offer sacrifices to them. But when the apostles Barnabas and Paul heard of this, they tore their clothes and rushed out into the crowd, shouting: "Friends, why are you doing this? We too are only human, like you. We are bringing you good news, telling you to turn from these worthless things to the living God, who made the heavens and the earth and the sea and everything in them. In the past, he let all nations go their own way. Yet he has not left himself without testimony: He has shown kindness by giving you rain from heaven and crops in their seasons; he provides you with plenty of food and fills your hearts with joy." Even with these words, they had difficulty keeping the crowd from sacrificing to them.

Acts 14:8-18 NIV

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!



This Sunday, SMK and Sunday Bridge St Youth will look a little different as our older children will be joining the youth to learn from Alison Roeth about her experiences in being Sent.

Meanwhile our youngest children will be learning about how their lives can tell of God's Wonder!

"But whoever loves God is known by God."

- 1 Corinthians 8:3 NIV

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.

One week to go! If you haven't yet submitted your Elder Nomination ballot, please remember to vote before nominations close on **30 August**. If you can't find your voter invitation, check your spam/junk folder or contact the church office.

Notices of Motion are also invited from church attendees. If there is a motion you would like considered at the AGM, please submit it in writing by **Sunday, 30 August**. You can either use this [Notice of Motion form](#) or simply email your written motion to office@eppingchurchofchrist.org.au — whichever is easiest for you.

While only members can participate in the Elder Nomination vote, everyone is warmly welcome at our AGM. Church members who are unable to attend are asked to please send their apologies to the church office.

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!



THERE'S A SEAT FOR YOU



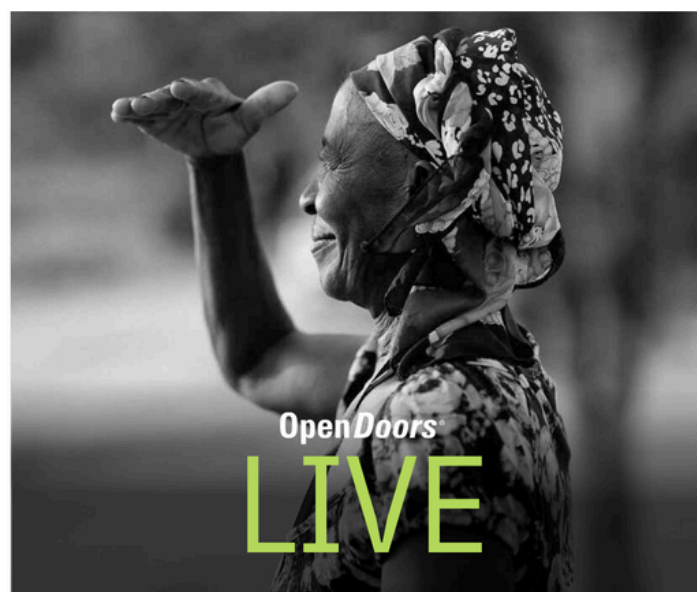
REGISTER NOW

7 Sundays
Ask.
Explore.
Connect.

Begins
18 Oct 2026
5 pm



Alpha begins at ECC on **18 October** for 7 weeks! Come along yourself, or prayerfully consider who you could invite to explore life, faith and meaning in a relaxed and welcoming environment. Scan the QR code above or click [here](#) to register. Printed invitation flyers are available at church to share with friends, or you can use the digital invitation image [here](#) to send an invitation directly.



OPEN DOORS LIVE IS BACK!

You're invited to a special evening of raw, soul-stirring stories from persecuted believers. Pray and worship in unity with brothers and sisters who risk everything for the sake of the gospel.

Special Guest Speaker
Pastor Fred Williams
shares powerful insights from persecuted Christians in Nigeria. His personal experiences offer a unique and deeply moving perspective on the courage, resilience, and hope of persecuted believers.

Visit opendoors.org.au/live
Or contact us:
Churchteam@od.org.au
Phone: 02 9451 2999

Eastcoast Church, Caringbah
Date: Saturday, 29 August
Time: 7pm - 9.30pm

For information on Caringbah tickets, scan the QR Code:



Northside Church, Crows Nest
Date: Sunday, 30 August
Time: 6pm - 8.30pm

For information on Crows Nest tickets, scan the QR Code:



Meet Our Ministry Leaders

This year, we've welcomed several new ministry leaders into their roles at ECC. Some are already familiar faces, while there may be others you haven't had the chance to get to know yet. Here they are! They'd love for you to say hello, have a chat, and learn a little more about the ministries they serve.



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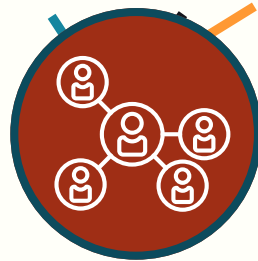
Guest Speaker

We look forward to welcoming Jess Collins from Online Bible College as our guest speaker on Sunday, **20 September**. Join us as Jess shares with us from God's Word and encourages our church family.



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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AGM & Nominations



The Churches of Christ in NSW & ACT Annual Conference (AGM) will be held on **3 November**, with nominations invited for positions on the Conference Executive and Property Trust. Nomination forms and further information are available through the Churches of Christ NSW & ACT website or by contacting board@ccnswact.org.au. If you are interested in learning more or considering a nomination, please speak with our church leadership.

[LEARN MORE](#) ➡



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.

[MORE INFORMATION](#) ➡



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

Standard Registration \$470.00pp

[MORE INFORMATION](#) ➡

ECC Bulletin Board

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!



LEARN MORE



Please note that the **Connect Group Leaders Meeting**, originally scheduled for 6 September, has been rescheduled to **Sunday, 11 October**, after morning tea. Please update your calendars, and we look forward to seeing our Connect Group leaders then.

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."

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.

MORE INFO

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.

WHERE: **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.



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.



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



Receptionist
Hope Connect



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.





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!

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?

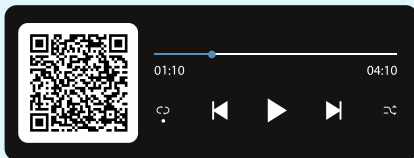
Baptism is a public declaration of faith in Jesus — symbolising new life, forgiveness, and being welcomed into God's family. It's also a step of obedience, following the example Jesus set for us.

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



LOGIN



Stay Connected on YouVersion



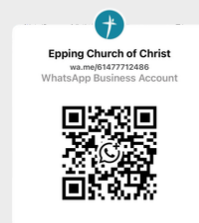
 Use the Bible App?

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.



DONATE



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**

DONATE



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	
30/8	Justin Campbell
6/9	Rees Wilson

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September

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School Holidays



Online Calendar

