



# CHURCHILL CHRISTIAN FELLOWSHIP

## 30th August 2020

This is the 4th week of our 2nd lockdown where church services are not possible. Hopefully, if infection numbers continue to fall, we may be meeting together again in 3 weeks!

### **Tuesday 1st September, 7.30 pm – Zoom Fellowship Meeting**

Last Tuesday we studied the epistle of Paul to Philemon. This week, we are attempting to answer some of the conspiracy theories that are doing the rounds at the moment. Is the current pandemic a sign of the end? Are there evil forces manipulating events? What does the Bible have to say on the subject? Come prepared for an interesting discussion!

### **Sunday 6th September, 2 pm – Church Online – Fathers' Day**

To access the service, simply go to <https://churchillchristianfellowship.online.church> at the appointed time. The service will be pre-recorded but you can still make comments, post prayer requests, etc, while watching.

Note: it has been suggested that, when we are back to live meetings, the videos will still be posted to the Church Online website for a 7pm showing. This will allow more people to tune in. Two or three “hosts” will be watching these repeats to take prayer requests, etc.

### **MINISTRY ROSTERS**

Sunday services pre-recorded at Moe on Saturday afternoons or other venues as necessary.

|                | <u>Communion</u> | <u>Preaching</u> |
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| 6th September  | Lynn             | Steve            |
| 13th September | Graeme           | Lynn             |
| 20th September | Clasina          | Steve            |

This roster will be updated when we know if we can return to meetings at the Public Hall.

**PRAYER MEETINGS** will not be held during Covid-19 restrictions. But of course, we always have a prayer time on Tuesday evenings. Please pray for an end to the pandemic and for all our family members and friends who have not been in good health.



Offerings can be made by direct deposit to Churchill Christian Fellowship.

**BSB: 063522 Account #: 10097946**

Or mail to **PO Box 214 Churchill.**

If you want to contribute to Sam (Christmas hampers) simply write 'Sam' as your description. The good news is that there was almost \$500 in the account at the end of July. Christmas is not far away now.

**Churchill News** is printing again. We updated our info and included details of our Tuesday night Zoom meetings and Church Online for the next issue.

**BOOK REVIEW – HOPE IN THE DARK - Craig Groeschel**

Craig Groeschel began writing furiously after a close friend miscarried. He wrote about all the usual questions that Christians tend to ask when their world falls apart. Why has God allowed this? Doesn't He care? As a pastor, Groeschel was painfully aware that people do not want or need clichés at such times. So this is a very raw, honest look at the issue of suffering, particularly as it relates to Christian people who want to believe.

Some Christian writers focus on overcoming doubt, as if doubt and uncertainty cannot be allowed to exist in Christianity. They jump very quickly into answers that are unconvincing to hurting people. Groeschel does not do that. In fact, he sees the hard times as necessary in the process of Christian growth and faith. He encourages readers to learn from their valley experiences rather than simply longing to get back to the mountain top highs of life.

Solid Bible exposition and depth of life experience make this a very worthwhile book. Some ultra-faith Christians may feel that Groeschel spends too much time on the problem and not enough on the answer but I believe he has got the balance just right.

This is a book in which genuinely hurting Christian people should be able to find some consolation and hope. Hope in the dark.

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