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Jonathans' blog

Last week we had the road in front of our house chewed up! Well, in a manner of speaking. Over the last few months workmen have been renovating the road.

First they dug up the old curbing then formed and poured new a new curb. Then we had the old foot path removed and a new paver one laid. Finally last week they came with a huge big machine that 'ate' the road and in a matter of hours a new surface was laid and then completed the next day. It was incredible to see just how fast it could happen!

If only life could be that simple!! If only our faith could happen like that and our maturity develop so simply.

But as we all know it doesn't. It takes time, it takes failures and struggle and learning and a bucket load of grace. And here is the point; we are so fixated on the end result that we miss the moment, we miss the fact that God is with us now – here. Even as we read this.

A new road is great, it's nice to see and drive on and enjoy. But life with Jesus, here and now, well that's something else!!

Blessings Jonathan

Keeping Others in our Prayers

May God glorify His name in our lives as we believe in Him and bring our brothers and sisters to Him in prayers.

Noreen Bray, Beth Peake, Jan Callen, Trevor and Barbara May, Dorothy and Jo Whitehouse, Evelyn Birnie, Gwen Henderson, Helen Noonan and David, Carolyn Kelly, Adult Fellowship Committee – Elwyn Penna, Barbara Hawke, Bob Matthews, Joyce Philips, Cheryl Nelson and Noreen Bray.

Guest Preacher Dr Sean George

February 19 at Malvern

"Dr Sean George has a compelling story to share. He speaks with the authority of a medical consultant and the humility of a true servant of God. Any Church or organisation that chooses to have Sean share his story will be encouraged and challenged by the power of God. This is one the best documented miracles that I have come across in Australia."

Dale Stephenson, Senior Pastor ~ Crossway Baptist Church



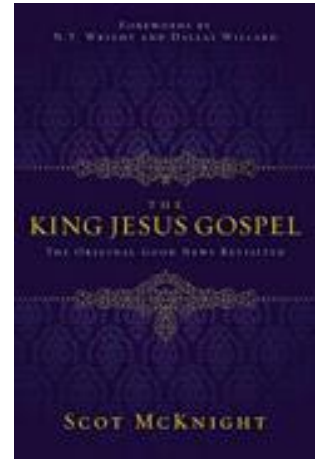
On 24th October 2008, Dr Sean George, a consultant physician in a West Australian hospital, returned from the dead to amaze colleagues who had battled for almost 55 minutes to revive his lifeless heart. His story is one a modern day miracle.

Unley & Malvern shall also be hosting a **Breakfast with Dr Sean George** on **Saturday, 18 February, 8am to 10am** at the Malvern Complex. **Cost \$10** for members of our community - why not invite a friend outside of our community, they can come for free! **RSVP 8271 6817** for catering purposes.

Lenten Studies for 2012

This year we shall be studying the recently published book 'The King Jesus Gospel' by Scot McKnight. Below is a review of the book from Amazon.com. A number of small groups are available for you to be a part of or you may like to start your own, please contact the church office for details or speak with Jonathan, Sheila or Haydn.

"Contemporary evangelicals have built a 'salvation culture' but not a 'gospel culture.' Evangelicals have reduced the gospel to the message of personal salvation. This book makes a plea for us to recover the old gospel as that which is still new and still fresh.... The King Jesus Gospel ends with practical suggestions about evangelism and about building a gospel culture."



Welcome to Sunday at Malvern Church
with Rev Jonathan Davies

MUSIC TO BEGIN

ENTRANCE OF THE WORD *(please stand)*

CALL TO WORSHIP *(responsive on screen)*

SONG What the Lord has done in me *(on screen)*

PRAYER

MUSIC Nicolas Storrie

NEWS OF THE CHURCH *(on screen)*

TIME WITH CHILDREN

HYMN 669 Well Jesus is the Rock

OFFERING AND OFFERING PRAYER *(on screen)*

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

DECLARATION OF FORGIVENESS

READINGS Judges 6:11-24 *(pg 194)* read by Willie Gollan

Mark 1:16-20 *(pg 812)* read by Nigel Fleming

SERMONE God wants me.....?????

MUSIC Nicolas Storrie

COMMUNION

HYMN 547 Be thou my vision

PUBLIC PRAYER *(on screen)*

BENEDICTION