



# CONNECT

FEBRUARY 2024

## CHURCH PROGRAMS

We have a number of church programs happening each week. Look inside to familiarise yourself with what is taking place.

**Programs on pages 2-3**

## EQUIP COLLEGE

Equip Training College is open for enrolments for 2024. Testimonials from past and existing students can be found inside.

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## HUGHES UPDATE

Pr Warwick Hughes has written an update about his family and their life in Walhalla, South Carolina, United States of America.

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# WELCOME

Welcome to our February edition of the Connect News.

2024 is Adelaide Christian Centre's (ACC) 79<sup>th</sup> year. We are so happy Tennant Creek Christian Family Church is part of the ACC family. The past 78 years have been amazingly fruitful, and God has been faithful over this time. However, we need to continue to pursue all that the Lord has for ACC and our various ministries, New Life Christian Centre, Tennant Creek Christian Family Church, Faith Center Church, Equip Training College, Adelaide City Care, Adelaide Christian Schools and our extensive Global Missions ministry.

Together, we have the responsibility to inspire and to propel all ACC affiliated ministries onto another 75+ years of

fruitful ministry. We are charged with taking Jesus' good news of faith, hope and love to the spiritually lost throughout Australia and to the world through our various ministry expressions. It will be risky and at times messy, but it will be an adventure.

We need to passionately pursue the vision God has given us and to be the churches and ministries that Jesus envisioned us to be, by mobilising our congregations and various ministry teams to fulfil our divine mandate.

Therefore, across our various ministries I present that our theme for 2024, is **A PASSION FOR JESUS = A PASSION FOR DISCIPLESHIP AND THE LOST!**

Let's all pursue our vision together!

Blessings,  
**Pr Mike Groom**

# MISSIONS

**Benjamin and Asinate Wari**  
TCCFC commits \$100 per month

Benjamin and Asinate Wari are serving as missionaries in Vanuatu. Benjamin is from Papua New Guinea (PNG) and Asinate is from Fiji.

They are doing a great job ministering to the community they are located in. At the end of 2023 they began a playschool to reach out to children and families in the area. The playschool was very well received.

In 2024 they will be starting a church on the property they live on, as well as a preschool. Please keep them in your prayers as they continue in their service in Vanuatu.

**Bethel Children's Home**  
TCCFC commits \$200 per month

Bethel Children's Home has been in operation since 1998. All of the children come from the Tamil minority ethnic group that has been discriminated against for many years. The children in our homes have been displaced for a number of reasons. Our homes provide children with a safe environment where they are given access to many opportunities that assist them in their development. TCCFC sponsors two children, David and Manju.

**Door of Hope Preschool**  
TCCFC commits \$100 per month

Door of Hope Preschool is located in Vavuniya in the north of Sri Lanka. It is predominantly made up of Tamil speaking children.



**VOLUNTEERS NEEDED**  
Cleaning and Children's Ministry

We are in need of volunteers to help clean the church and assist in our children's ministry. If you have any questions or if you would like to volunteer, please speak to Pr Jeremiah or Delia.

**PRAYER AND BIBLE STUDY**  
Tuesday Nights

Everyone is welcome to join us at church for prayer and Bible study on Tuesday nights. The nights begin at 6:30pm. If you need a ride to and from church please contact Pr Jeremiah or Miriam and they will organise a ride for you.

**LADIES' BIBLE STUDY**  
Thursday Nights

All ladies are invited to join us for Bible studies at church on Thursday nights. Our Bible studies begin at 6:30pm. If you would like any further information, or if you need a ride, please contact Pr Jeremiah or Miriam.

**CHILDREN AND YOUTH**  
Friday Nights and Sunday Mornings

Our youth are welcome to join us at church on Friday nights at 6:30pm. Our children are welcome to join us on Sunday during the church service. If you would like to help out please speak to Ebony (youth) or Delia (children).



# UPCOMING EVENTS AND INFORMATION

## SUNDAY TEACHING SERIES

### Seven Sayings of Christ on the Cross

Sunday 25<sup>th</sup> February - FORGIVENESS

### Hot Tips for Christian Living

#### Sunday 4<sup>th</sup> February - ENDURANCE

'Keep on keeping on' (James 1:2-4)

#### Sunday 11<sup>th</sup> February - WISDOM

'Making sensible decisions' (James 1:5)

#### Sunday 18<sup>th</sup> February - PRAYER

'Only God can move mountains, but the prayer of faith moves God' (James 1:6-8)

#### Sunday 25<sup>th</sup> February - SPEECH

'Trying to avoid being hung by our tongue' (James 1:26)

## EQUIP TRAINING COLLEGE

Enrol in Equip Training College (ETC) today. Visit [www.adelaidechristiancentre.com.au/equip-training-college/](http://www.adelaidechristiancentre.com.au/equip-training-college/) for more information or email our principal, principal@equiptrainingcollege.com.au.

## Testimonials

"ETC has given me the tools to study the word more effectively and intentionally. The content that Equip Training College provides through their materials and resources has strengthened my personal faith, and has deepened my knowledge and understanding of the word."

Joel Groom

"I love studying at ETC! I am currently enrolled in the diploma course after completing the certificate. At ETC the content is incredibly applicable to life. Each subject has grounded me in God's Word and added value to my daily readings and conversations. A very manageable course - recommended for everyone!"

**Rebekah Manih**

"ETC has been an amazing course. It has given me the flexibility to study at a pace that is achievable as a working father of two. It's depth and scope of teaching has taught and reinforced a lot of foundational truths to my Christian faith and has helped equip me to be more effective in how I express and exercise my faith in the lives of my family, friends and greater community. I highly recommend you consider signing up for ETC!"

**Paolo Manego**

"ETC has given me the tools to study the word effectively. The flexibility of ETC allows me to manage my time with family as well as work. At ETC all subjects have grounded me in God's Word and added to my value of my life. Due to ETC resources it helps me express and exercise my faith in my life as well as my family, church, and community. It is a very manageable and reliable course which I did in English as my second language. It can be challenging, but I would recommend it to others who want to build their Biblical knowledge."

**Dipak Monger**

Our congregation in TCCFC is welcome to enrol in ETC today!

# HUGHES FAMILY UPDATE

Firstly, it was great to have Pr Mike and Kelly Groom and Shekinah Sagun visit us in October. This released our family to go on a vacation which we enjoyed very much as a family, we are thankful and appreciative of them being able to do that.

We visited three cities that we had chosen and we really enjoyed our time as a family. It was great.

They also blessed the family of God here with their visit and ministry of the Word of God and other practical ministry they did while here.

For November myself and Omega started the month off at a three day 40<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Conference with a ministry called Evangel Fellowship International.

Faith Center Church has had connections with this ministry and its global influence for many years. It was a good conference, we got to meet a lot of new people and receive great encouragement from the preaching that was given.

Jethro and Warwick Jr stayed home and took care of themselves for those three days. They did well.

Straight after the conference I went to a men's summit meeting near a city called Greenwood almost two hours away from us. 30 of us men meet at a State Park called Hickory; a very nice place with a great golf course.

It was a great time of fellowship, meeting with others and receiving encouragement through the preaching of the word relating to destiny and being destined in the purposes of God for our lives.

I was asked to minister. I ministered from my journey and how as I obeyed God stepping out in faith, He confirmed it as I journeyed along to where I am with my family today. I came away very encouraged and refreshed.

We have seen a number of our congregation going through various back and hip problems for sometime now and one or two having gout and diabetic issues. Please pray and believe with us for healing in these people's lives.

Otherwise everyone else is doing well and are seeing God move in their lives through various challenges and daily living.

We had one man visit who was in the Marines some years ago (he is at a place where I go regularly and do some teaching). He came to church and gave his testimony of what he had been through, and how he then knew Jesus in his head, but not in his heart. He shared that after going through some bad situations in life after coming out of the Marines, he came to know Jesus in his heart, spirit, and what a real relationship with Jesus is.

What was so awesome about him giving his testimony, was that his wife who he had been estranged from for some time, was in church when he gave his testimony. It was the first time for her to hear it. She told him later that she liked the person he is now, compared to the

person she knew before. God is restoring their relationship and marriage. Praise God.

Please pray for this man as he has been told by doctors he has a major heart problem and only has five years to live

Our men's meetings and ladies' meetings are functioning well and it is great to see how everyone is encouraging each other.

One of the men has now taken on board the responsibility of following others up and reminding them of our men's meetings.

Omega follows up the ladies and coordinates the women's committee she put together.

Our children's church ministry is going along well. Mandy Wright is doing a good job with the children. We have mainly had four in attendance.

The three teenagers in the church continue to take a leadership role in the children's church. They have been putting together a Christmas video for us to watch in December at our Christmas party.

We mainly have five teenagers attending our youth nights. Two of them are not yet going to church regularly. I spoke to the father of the two teenagers and invited the family to church as he did say they were looking for a church but are at the moment having church at home. Pray that this family will come in. The wife is having some serious health issues at this time also.

We have a good number of interactive games and we minister the Word to the

teenagers. What's great at this time is that they want to be here. Praise God.

Mr Mizell, one of our congregation members, helps me with the youth night when he is able to do so. One other congregation member has been attending more and helping. He is a single dad with two sons, one a teenager and the other a six year old. At this stage the six year old has been enjoying interacting with the older boys as if they are his older brothers which is good.

We played a game where I had the boys make shields with the noodles you use for floating in a swimming pool. We made swords and we had a competition where you had to touch the stomach, back or feet, but not the head or arms with the sword. It was so much fun. The youngest even got in with only his sword, not the shield but got out each time.

We shared how it's like being with only two of the parts of God's full armour and what can happen without the whole armour yet only having two parts. We emphasised the importance of having the whole armour and not just having two - the shield of faith and sword of the spirit. We also need the gospel shoes to protect our legs and feet, belt of truth, breastplate of righteousness, and the helmet of salvation.

There is much needed renovation work to be done downstairs at the church. Please do pray for this renovation work.

Thank you for your prayers and support as we together harvest these fields that are ripe unto harvest.

**Pr Warwick Hughes**





## **ONLINE PRESENCE**

Web: [www.tccf.com.au](http://www.tccf.com.au)

Facebook Page: [www.facebook.com/tennantcreekchristianfamilychurch](https://www.facebook.com/tennantcreekchristianfamilychurch)

## **CONTACT DETAILS**

Address: 190 Paterson Street, Tennant Creek, NT 0860

Email: [info@tccf.com.au](mailto:info@tccf.com.au)

Phone: 0452 070 536

Service Times: 10:00am and 6:30pm

## **GIVING DETAILS**

### **Option One: Bank Transfer**

Account Name: Tennant Creek Christian Family Church

BSB: 065 005

Account Number: 1076 8547

Reference: Missions or Tithes

Clearly add in the description if your offering is for tithes or missions.

### **Option Two: Sunday Offering**

**Missions:** Please place your missions giving into an envelope. Write missions on the front and place into the offering.

**Tithes:** Please place your tithes in the general offering.

## **OTHER CHURCH LOCATIONS**

### **Adelaide Christian Centre**

Address: 27-33 Sturt Street, Adelaide SA 5000

Web: [www.adelaidechristiancentre.com.au](http://www.adelaidechristiancentre.com.au)

Service Times: 10:00am and 5:30pm

### **New Life Christian Centre**

Address: 105 Dyson Road, Christies Beach, SA 5165

Web: [www.newlifeonline.org.au](http://www.newlifeonline.org.au)

Service Times: 10:00am and 5:30pm

### **Faith Center Church**

Address: 115 Worley Lane, Walhalla SC 29691, United States

Facebook: [www.facebook.com/faithcenterchurchwalhalla](https://www.facebook.com/faithcenterchurchwalhalla)

Service Time: 10:00am