

Nepal Prayer:

5th September



On September 5, a Nepal Prayer was held. Most of the participants, including the monks, came from Drol Kar Buddhist Centre in Paraparap, near Torquay. Helen coordinated their visit and supported their participation in the event.

Rev. Daniel traveled from Belgrave to Geelong to attend the event and support the gathering. Anchi, a member of the Sherpa Association of Victoria, also traveled from Melbourne after finishing work to attend the gathering and spend time together with the other participants.



On September 6, an outdoor worship service was held. The church members gathered at Kings Domain for worship and then visited Father Holy Tree, where they had a time of prayer.

After the worship service, everyone shared the food they had brought and enjoyed a picnic together. In celebration of Father's Day, we also took time to celebrate and express our appreciation to the fathers, presenting them with prepared gifts.

Under the clear and pleasant weather, the church members were able to enjoy meaningful fellowship together and share love and gratitude with one another.



New steps were installed at the front of the bonfire area to improve access and safety for church members and visitors.

We would like to express our sincere appreciation to Rev. Daniel for taking the time and effort to build and install the new steps. The new steps will provide safer and more convenient access to the bonfire area and contribute to creating a more comfortable environment for future church activities and gatherings.



On September 12, a Bunnings fundraising event was held. Rev. Daniel, the missionaries, and youth from the Melbourne Church gathered together to prepare and sell sausage sizzles.

The fundraising activity was held from 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m., and we were able to raise approximately \$2,600. The funds raised through this fundraising activity will be used to support gatherings and activities for the youth.

Through this fundraising activity, we were able to spend meaningful time together and create many good memories with the youth. It was a valuable opportunity to strengthen our relationships and build a sense of community.



On Friday, Auntie Debbie and Auntie Candace visited two local mosques to introduce the upcoming UPF event and deliver invitations.

At the first mosque, they briefly met with the Imam and the treasurer. The Imam had already received an invitation from John Bellavance and expressed his appreciation and interest in attending the event together with the treasurer. At the second mosque, they met with someone who had access to the Imam and were able to entrust the invitation to them for delivery.

As Friday is an important day for Muslim communities, both mosques were filled with hundreds of people. They experienced a welcoming and vibrant atmosphere at both locations and had the opportunity to connect with members of the local Muslim community. It was a meaningful opportunity to introduce the UPF event and build connections with the local Muslim community, with the hope that some of those who were invited will be able to attend the upcoming event.



Youth Service held on the 19th. Total six youth in attendance. Seonmin gave the lecture, continuing our weekly series on how we can understand, develop, and strengthen our faith step by step. After the lecture, we had an activity where the participants explored what type of faith they have.

The youth members are gradually becoming more familiar and comfortable with the Youth

Service. We will continue to prepare carefully so that we can have another Youth Service this month.

Spring workshop:

20-22th September



From September 20 to 22, a three-day Spring Workshop was held at the Melbourne Church. A total of 12 children participated, along with three young adults who served as staff members.

The theme of the workshop was **“God Is Always by My Side.”** The program focused on helping the children learn about the existence and heart of Heavenly Parent, as well as exploring how they can grow closer to Heavenly Parent in their daily lives.

Rev. Daniel prepared and delivered the lectures for children under the age of eight, while the missionaries prepared and conducted the lectures for children aged eight and above.



Following the lectures, the children had opportunities to ask questions through Q&A sessions and reflect more deeply on what they had learned through various activities. They also played games and participated in team activities together, allowing them to cooperate, build friendships, and strengthen their relationships with one another.



This workshop was especially meaningful because several children were attending a workshop for the first time. It provided an opportunity for them to experience the church community in a positive and welcoming environment while learning about Heavenly Parent. Moving forward, we hope to continue building meaningful relationships with the children through regular activities and communication, encouraging them to remain connected to the church community and eventually participate in the next summer workshop.



Rev. Daniel and his family visited Adelaide to meet with Blessed Families in South Australia. They were warmly welcomed by the Rev. Daniel's families, and it was a very meaningful time to share fellowship and strengthen our connections with them. They are such a warm and loving community, and it was really grateful to spend time together.

Afterward, Rev. Daniel and his family visited the Holy Tree in Adelaide together. It is located in a very beautiful park, and the seven trees there are regarded as holy ground.

It was a meaningful opportunity to visit the Holy Tree together and reflect on the history and spiritual significance of the place.