

**BALD HILLS
PRESBYTERIAN
CHURCH**



Annual Reports

2021

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Pastor's Report

2021 was a year in which we moved forward with plans and activities that were stalled or put on hold in 2020, a year which taught us to embrace live streaming, and this has continued to be a useful tool for our Sunday Gatherings, for Growth Groups, and even for our Church Camp. We were able to finally hold our Church Camp just before Easter, which was well attended, albeit mainly by the younger demographic. But those who couldn't be there in person were able to join in the main sessions online and benefit from the teaching on the Great Commission, by David Pitt. The theme of the Great Commission and Discipleship as a way of life continued through the year. Term 2 saw us thinking practically about sharing our faith with the 'Unawkwarding Jesus' series. Term 3 was focused on living out God's wisdom in our lives, in the Book of Proverbs. In term 4 we began studying the Gospel of Matthew. As we consider what it means to follow Jesus, we take in the rich teaching that this Gospel provides. We are to be like the wise man who hears Jesus' words and puts them into practice (Matt 7:24). We are to pray to God to send out workers into his harvest field (Matt 9:38). We are to deny ourselves, take up our cross, and follow Jesus, because that is what is required of all who wish to be a disciple of Jesus (Matt 16:24). The salvation Jesus freely gives, is the gift that motivates us to imitate him and glorify him with our lives.

As we roll into 2022, we continue in the Gospel of Matthew and will come full circle as we return to the Great Commission again at Easter. We will continue to encourage personal discipleship in the Church. Read a copy of 'The Trellis and the Vine' if you haven't had a chance yet. We'll delve into God's word in the Pentateuch, and revel in the victory of Jesus in the book of Revelation. We'll gather on Sundays and in Growth Groups during the week. A new growth group started this year. Are you in a group? We'll encourage hospitality. We'll learn more about Mission, and support those spreading the Gospel in other places. And the Elders will care and shepherd, and encourage growth in a variety of ways, so that we can keep maturing as a Church family.

Our Vision Statement as a Church reads that we are: "A community that works to see people loved, saved, and changed by Jesus". **Ask yourself this year**, how are you working to see people loved by Jesus? How are you seeking to see people saved by Jesus? How are you growing and being changed by Jesus, and how are you helping others to grow and be changed? How are you denying yourself, taking up your cross and following Jesus? **Please be praying** that we would go forward together in God's strength, growing in unity and maturity as disciples of Jesus, and reaching those around us with the good news of salvation, to the glory of God.

Brad Fletcher

Session Statement

“It was he (Christ) who gave some to be apostles, some to be prophets, some to be evangelists, and some to be pastors and teachers, to prepare God's people for works of service, so that the body of Christ may be built up until we all reach unity in the faith and in the knowledge of the Son of God and become mature, attaining to the whole measure of the fullness of Christ. Then we will no longer be infants, tossed back and forth by the waves, and blown here and there by every wind of teaching and by the cunning and craftiness of men in their deceitful scheming. Instead, speaking the truth in love, we will in all things grow up into him who is the Head, that is, Christ. From him the whole body, joined and held together by every supporting ligament, grows and builds itself up in love, as each part does its work.” Eph 4:11-16 NIV

As the Session looks back over 2021, it does so with a sense of wonder for God’s grace and appreciation for the faith of the congregation, which has remained strong in the face of ongoing government restrictions. This past year has continued to be one of great turmoil in the world, with the spread of different variants of COVID_19 and the continuation of restrictions imposed by governments both State and Federal, to try to contain its’ spread. Despite this, Gospel work continued largely unaffected, and we are thankful for the availability of technology that permitted us to continue meeting together on Sunday mornings and in various groups, even when face to face contact was not possible. Session would like to again express its’ appreciation to our tech team for videoing each week’s sermon so that those who were unable to meet face-to-face could continue to worship God, from home.

Given members concerns about the pandemic, the number attending the Sunday service has held up remarkably well with average attendance for the year being 64 adults and 10 children. It is particularly pleasing seeing the growth in the number of children attending, from an average of 7 in January to 13 in December. During the year we farewelled Enoch Kwei who moved to Alice Springs, the Hanhiniemi family who moved to the southside and Norman and Ross Pantell who relocated out of the area. We also miss seeing Beryl Cane who moved into care towards the end of the year. We welcomed Rob and Margaret Caitens, Shirley Moes and Pearl and Annette Moran on transfer from other churches and Judith Coakley by profession of faith. Unfortunately, Pearl Moran (who was elderly, and home bound) passed away shortly after joining us.

We have very much appreciated Brad’s ministry in faithfully pastoring the congregation through his preaching, teaching and discipleship, leadership of study groups, pastoral care and visitation, and his general enthusiasm and encouragement. We give praise to God for His providence in sending Brad, Jo and the family to BHPC, and for the way in which they have become an integral part of our church family.

In 2019 we proposed to hold a Church Camp in early 2020. This did not go ahead because of government COVID restrictions in place at the time. Fortunately, the camp-site permitted us to defer our booking and the Church Camp was eventually held in late March 2021 and was thoroughly enjoyed by all who attended.

Several of our church family have struggled with serious illnesses, the death of loved ones, and other major issues, and we are thankful for the ongoing support and encouragement evident across our church family. We recognise that there are those in our fellowship who suffer from ill health and the effects of age, and we pray for a measure of improvement and the ability to continue in fellowship with us. There are also those who face personal issues, and we seek to prayerfully support them also as they face difficult times.

Our Growth Groups continued this year meeting regularly both face-to-face and by video chat software where restrictions prevented face to face meetings. The Session encourages all who are

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able, to join a suitable group as we see this as a primary means of growing in our maturity as Christians. In 2022 we will be commencing a night-time growth group for women.

COVID_19 restrictions once again interfered with our face-to-face involvement with the Chaplaincy work at Bald Hills State School. We continued our support of the School Breakfast Club on most school days in Terms 1-3, and the Committee of Management graciously provided monetary support each week that Breakfast Club was cancelled, assisting Chaplain (Kylie Conomos) as she supported the school children and their families. In Term 4 and continuing into 2022, Breakfast Club has been unable to function due to building works at the school. The school Chaplaincy's major fundraiser, a Disco and sausage sizzle, was cancelled in 2020, but in 2021 was held with a modified format during school hours, and we give thanks that it's financial success along with other generous donations has enabled chaplaincy at BHSS to continue.

The congregation was once again able to share God's love with the community by contributing to the Pine Rivers Care Network Christmas Hamper Appeal. A significant number of food items were collected and were gratefully received by the Care Network.

Kid's Church during the service time has again proved to be effective in meeting the needs of young families. The teaching was shared between two teams and was a very valuable ministry to the children. We appreciate the commitment of those involved and thank them for their valuable work.

The Session continues to be greatly encouraged with the ongoing ministry of the Women's Connect group which ran a number of successful events during 2021, ranging from simple afternoon tea get togethers to functions in the church hall with interesting speakers.

Two successful Men's activities were held during 2021. A hike (stroll for some) at Mt Mee State Forest Park followed by lunch and in November a very entertaining afternoon of barefoot bowls at Kallangur.

The Mission Action Team (MAT) was again diligent in keeping us focussed on gospel ministry work outside our congregation. Four missionary speakers were invited to speak during the year. MAT also successfully conducted our usual involvement with Missionary Christmas parcels and Samaritan's Purse appeal.

Elders Frank van der Ros and Peter van der Linde advised Session in November 2021 and February 2022 respectively of their resignation from Session and their intention to worship elsewhere. We thank Frank and Jeanette, and Peter and Robyn for their many years of service and fellowship with us and pray that they will continue in fellowship with the Lord and with their many friends here at Bald Hills. Session approved leave for Elder Geoff Reed in June 2021, and he returned to Session in early 2022.

Towards the end of the year, the Session applied for the placement of a student minister. Subsequently, Mr Adam Hess was appointed to Bald Hills (commencing in January 2022) and we extend a warm welcome to Adam and Christine and their son Robert as they join our fellowship. We look forward to working with them in gospel ministry at BHPC in the months ahead.

During the year, debts incurred by PresCare forced the Presbyterian Church of Queensland to appoint a Receiver. This unfortunate situation continues to restrict our ability to undertake any new or capital projects, though the normal running expenses of the church have not been affected. We appreciate the positive and responsible stewardship of the Committee of Management in their oversight of the church's finances and assets.

The year culminated with our Carol's Service on 19 December, which was extremely well supported, with 115 Adults and 34 children enjoying a sausage sizzle and the carols. We are thankful to all the many helpers who assisted in the Carol Service and in preparing and serving the food.

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The Session is very grateful for the hard work and commitment of all who are involved in the life of the Church at Bald Hills over the year, despite the less-than-ideal conditions forced upon us. Your contribution to the Church's activities, regular events and programs is greatly appreciated, and the Church has continued to benefit accordingly. On behalf of the congregation, we extend special thanks to the leaders, convenors, teachers, assistants, musicians, office bearers, console operators, kitchen helpers and 'behind the scenes' supporters for your diligent preparation, offering of time and resources, and your dedication to the task. We give thanks to our Lord that we have a Godly and committed group of dedicated Christian people here at Bald Hills Presbyterian Church and we pray that God will bless the ongoing ministry and mission work of preaching, teaching and discipling into 2022.

At the end of 2021 Bill Harvey indicated his wish to resign as Session Clerk due to ongoing health issues. Barry Sims was elected as Session Clerk on 27 January 2022.

For and on behalf of the Bald Hills Kirk Session

Bill Harvey

Committee of Management

The Committee of Management held seven meetings in 2021. The elected members were Sarah Bowden (Treasurer) Evan Penny (Vice Chairman), Barry Aston, Len Croker, Kris Croker, Josh Smith, Michael Young and Sharyn Bellamy (Secretary). Josh Smith resigned during the year. Brad Fletcher (Moderator) chaired the meetings. Howard Morgan and Paul Cotton attended in an ex-officio capacity along with other elders on an ad hoc basis.

Rosters were drawn up for safety audits, mowing, morning tea and welcoming duties on Sundays. We have appreciated the support of the congregation in assisting with these tasks. A commercial cleaner is continuing to carry out a weekly Saturday clean of the church facilities. Extra cleaning has been requested as needed to comply with COVID 19 guidelines.

A working bee was carried out at the church on 15th May and the numbers attending allowed a thorough clean and tidy of the property both inside and outside. Thanks to Dad's Army and other volunteers who gave freely of their time and talents to carry out repairs and maintenance of the property to maintain a neat and well cared for environment.

Paul Cotton supervised a successful Fire Evacuation Exercise on 12th September 2021. Annette Smith has been appointed as Care Ministry Co-Ordinator to ensure a loving and structured response to pastoral needs as they arise.

We praise God that we have been able to meet our budget commitments and are continuing to provide support locally in areas such as BHSS Chaplaincy and Mission Action Team as well as PCQ obligations. We were also pleased to be able to afford to bring on a student minister in 2022.

Following a request from Session to utilise the JobKeeper payments to support a congregation experiencing financial difficulties, Committee has begun support of the Peace Charge at Deception Bay.

The Committee appreciates the support, both practical and spiritual, provided by the congregation this past year.

"For I know the plans I have for you, plans to prosper you and not to harm you, plans to give you hope and a future." Jer 29:11

Sharyn Bellamy (Secretary)

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BALANCE SHEET for the year ended 31 December 2021

CURRENT ASSETS	2021	2020
Main Cheque Account	97,988	66,272
NAB Business Cash Maximiser	15,564	15,563
NAB BHPC Women A/c	797	797
PCQ Capital Fund	77,491	74,386
GST Receivable	352	314
TOTAL CURRENT ASSETS	192,192	157,331
NON-CURRENT ASSETS		
Plant & Equipment	164,665	161,566
less: Accumulated Depreciation	-47,272	-36,965
TOTAL NON-CURRENT ASSETS	117,393	124,601
NET ASSETS	309,585	281,932
MEMBERS' FUNDS		
Accumulated Surplus	309,585	281,932
TOTAL MEMBERS' FUNDS	309,585	281,932

NOTES TO AND FORMING PART OF THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS For the year ended 31 December 2021

Note 1: Statement of Significant Accounting Policies

This financial report is a special purpose financial report prepared in order to satisfy the financial reporting requirements of the Associations Incorporations Act. As a result, the financial report may not be suitable for another purpose. The committee has determined that the association is not a reporting entity.

The financial report has been prepared on an accruals basis and is based on historical costs and does not take into account changing money values or, except where specifically stated, current valuations of non-current assets.

Audit Option

In our opinion, the financial report presents fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of Bald Hills Presbyterian Church as at 31 December 2021 and its financial performance for the year then ended in accordance with the accounting policies described in Note 1 to the financial statements, and the requirements of the Associations Incorporation Act of Queensland 1981

Emphasis of Matter

Without qualification to the opinion expressed above, attention is drawn to the following matter. Due to the inherent nature of such Associations, controls over cash are weak, which is largely due to small number of staff and the lack of segregation of duties. Our audit is limited to testing receipts from their first recording in the Association's books of original entry and may not detect where cash is received and not recorded in the books and records of the Association.

Melissa Smith CPA
Stratus Accounting Services Pty Ltd

INCOME & EXPENDITURE STATEMENT

For the period 1st January 2021 to 31st December 2021

Income	2021	2020
	\$	\$
Bank Interest	3,114	2,284
BHPC Women	190	-
Craft	1,269	240
Jobkeeper		13,500
Mission Action Team Receipts	605	50
Offerings	172,652	174,148
Other Income	2,627	77
Special Collection		2,540
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TOTAL INCOME	180,457	192,838

INCOME & EXPENDITURE STATEMENT

For the period 1st January 2021 to 31st December 2021

Expenditure	2021	2020
	\$	\$
Accounting & Bookkeeping	639	
Bank fees	-	2
Christian Support - APWM	1,291	-
Christian Support - Compassion Australia	576	576
Christian Support - BHSS Chaplaincy/SU	2,944	2,480
Christian Support – BHSS RI (Net Contributions)	1,184	
Christian Support - MAF	605	
Christian Support - PIM		1,749
Christian Support – R & L Quinn	1,000	950
Christian Support – Samaritan’s Purse	885	
Christian Support - Wycliffe	1,200	1,200
Christian Support - Other	4,709	3,305
Church Functions	4,532	3,465
Church Ministries Other	1,566	1,958
Contractors	976	4,538
Depreciation	10,307	8,897
Electricity/Gas	1,921	2,839
Insurance	11,441	249
Office Expenses	862	694
PCQ = Assembly Assessment	11,928	12,012
PCQ – Ministry Support (Sustentation) Fund	4,776	4,776
PCQ - State Mission Program	5,233	4,992
Rates	3,971	4,426
Repairs & Maintenance	8,077	5,304
Stipend	58,368	57,756
Subscriptions	1,110	391
Sundry Expenses	1	1,444
Superannuation	10,625	10,488
Supply/Relieving Minister	1,200	1,200
Telephone & Internet	879	1,122
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TOTAL EXPENSES	152,804	136,813
OPERATING SURPLUS	27,653	56,025
Opening Retained Profits	281,932	226,315
Net Profit attributable	27,653	56,025
<i>less</i> 2019 GST Adjustment		- 408
Closing Retained Profits	309,585	281,932

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Plant & Equipment/Capital Works Depreciation Schedule for the year ended 31 December 2021

			DISPOSAL		ADDITION		DEPRECIATION			LOSS		
			Total	OWDV	Date	Date	Cost	Value	T	Rate	Deprec	CWDV
Roof	14,852.18	4/07/10	14,852	10,958		-	10,958	P	2.50	371	10,587	-
Church Post Sign	3,881.82	10/03/10	3,881	350		-	350	D	20.00	70	280	-
Projectors	5,581.27	31/05/11	5,581	661		-	661	D	20.00	132	529	-
Microphone	701.82	30/09/11	701	9		-	9	D	55.00	5	4	-
Air Conditioner - Cry Room	350.00	15/01/12	350	47		-	47	D	20.00	9	38	-
Screen Door	339.09	13/07/12	339	195		-	195	P	8.00	27	168	-
Building Ventilation	320.00	23/11/12	320	183		-	183	P	8.00	26	157	-
TV & DVD	448.00	20/09/13	448	88		-	88	D	20.00	18	70	-
Kitchen Cabinets	1,825.00	20/11/13	1,825	1,498		-	1,498	P	2.50	46	1,452	-
Cajon (Drum)	250.00	27/03/15	250	70		-	70	D	20.00	14	56	-
Microphones	916.36	30/04/15	916	260		-	260	D	20.00	52	208	-
Projectors	2,408.18	30/12/15	2,408	788		-	788	D	20.00	158	630	-
Old Church - Painting	24,260.01	30/09/16	24,260	21,682		-	21,682	P	2.50	606	21,076	-
Hall Door Extension	4,610.90	23/12/16	4,610	4,148		-	4,148	P	2.50	115	4,033	-
Canon Photocopier	7,910.00	10/06/17	7,910	1,325		-	1,325	D	40.00	530	795	-
Gutter Guard	1,590.91	31/08/17	1,590	1,458		-	1,458	P	2.50	40	1,418	-
Manse Renovations	47,728.76	1/12/18	47,728	45,242		-	45,242	P	2.50	1,193	44,049	-
Sound System	11,227.27	29/10/18	11,227	6,933		-	6,933	D	20.00	1,387	5,546	-
Cabinets	4,195.00	18/7/19	4,195	4,042		-	4,042	P	2.50	105	3,937	-
Manse Renovations	1,640.00	12/3/19	1,640	1,566		-	1,566	P	2.50	41	1,525	-
2 Air Conditioners – Manse	1,500.00	21/1/19	1,500	973		-	973	D	20.00	195	778	-
Fridge – Church Kitchen-	1,110.91	9/12/19	1,110	878		-	878	D	20.00	176	702	-
Cupboards	3,808.00	17/8/20	3,808	3,772		-	3,772	P	2.50	95	3,677	-
Video Camera & acc.	3,631.82	1/6/20	3,631	2,783		-	2,783	D	40.00	1,113	1,670	-
Projectors	1,520.00	12/6/20	1,520	1,183		-	1,183	D	40.00	473	710	-
Computer hardware	1,593.35	26/6/20	1,593	1,182		-	1,182	D	50.00	591	591	-
Steam Cleaner	113.75	10/7/20	113	60		-	60	D	100.00	60	0	-
Microphone Headsets	1,786.53	20/8/20	1,786	1,525		-	1,525	D	40.00	610	915	-
Solar Panels	11,466.64	15/5/20	11,466	10,743		-	10,743	D	10.00	1,074	9,669	-
Sound Equipment	792.95	10/3/21	792	0	10/3/21	792	792	D	40	258	535	-
Tech Booth	2,186.71	10/3/21	2,186	0	10/3/21	2,186	2,186	D	40	712	1,475	-
Cabinets	120.00	12/10/21	120	0	12/10/21	120	120	D	20	5	115	-
			164,668	124,602			3,100	127,702			10,307	117,395
							Net Depreciation				10,307	

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PROPOSED BUDGET 2022

	2021	2021	2022	Comments
	Actual	Budget	Budget	
Income				
Total Offering	166,853	169,000	169,000	
<i>(Offering per week)</i>	<i>(3209)</i>		<i>(3250)</i>	
Special Collections	5,798	2,500	2,500	
Donations	0	0	0	
Mission Action Team receipts	605	1,500	1,500	
BHPC Women Receipts	0	0	0	
Church Function Receipts	0	0	0	
Total Other Income	7,200	2046	2,102	Capital Fund Interest
Job Keeper	0	0	0	
Total Income	180,457	175,046	175,102	
Expenditure				
<u>Minister</u>				
Stipend	35,416	34,956	36,005	
Superannuation	10,625	10,488	10,803	
Ministry Allowance	10,820	10,668	10,988	
EPFB	12,132	12,132	12,496	
Manse Allowance	-	-	-	
Student Placement Minister	-		10,240	
<u>PCQ Assessments</u>				
Assembly Assessment	11,928	11,926	11,926	
Ministry Sustentation Fund	4,776	4,776	4,776	
State Mission Program	5,233	5,235	5,235	
Presbytery Levy	-	-	-	
Supply Preaching	1,200	1,400	1,400	
Church Ministries	1,566	5,000	3,000	
Church Functions	4,532	6,000	4,500	
Christian Support	13,210	10,000	13,928	
Repairs & Maintenance	8,077	15,000	10,000	
Rates	1,483	1,500	1,600	
Gas & Electricity	1,921	1,500	2,000	
Utilities	2,488	3,500	3,500	
Telephone & Internet	879	1,200	1,200	
Insurance	11,441	5,000	8,000	
Other Expenses	2,612	2,500	3,000	
Capital Works/Purchases	976	41,500	8,500	
Job Keeper Redistribution	-	-	13,500	
Total Expenditure	141,314	184,281	176,597	
Surplus/(Deficit)	39,143	(9,235)	(1,495)	

* Note the above 2021 Actuals excludes depreciation and includes current year asset purchases for comparison to budgeted expenditures.

Cameo Group

We did not meet in 2021 because of mandatory Government restrictions due to the Covid 19 Pandemic and the age of our members.

We hope to recommence when the danger from the pandemic subsides.

Howard Morgan

Care Ministry

Well yet another year of many uncertainties for us due to the Covid pandemic but as Christians we know we must always put our trust in the One true God who we worship and acknowledge that he holds all things together by his powerful hand being Sovereign over all things. Therefore, we need not fear the many uncertainties we face, but be confident that he is working all things out according to his plan for his glory and for our good as his children. We must trust our God, who is faithful to all his promises. I am so grateful that I am no longer alone in this ministry as I have been joined by Judith Coakley who showed an interest in the caring aspect of our congregation and volunteered to work alongside me.

We had a few instances this year when we were able to help those of our congregation who may have needed some assistance either with the provision of meals transport or with some other form of help. It's always a blessing for me to be able to acknowledge the wonderful support many of our congregation give to each other often without any prompting from anyone, it just happens. People are being cared for in many and varied ways by each other and that is so encouraging especially in these difficult times.

I'm very hopeful this will continue because of the love we have for each other but there is an expectation that in 2022 we will be able to have drawn up a list of people willing to participate in a number of helps such as meals, small household jobs, gardening, transport, and maybe many other helps if we have the people to implement them. This may take a while to put together, but it would help if you as a congregation, would think about in what area you might be able to give some assistance and let Judith or myself know so we can at least have names to begin this process. Thank you to the ladies who have already spoken to me regarding this, your interest and participation is very much appreciated.

We thank God for his provision for us in all things and although 2021 was a year with much suffering for many we must always remember his provision for our eternal souls by sending his One and only Son Jesus Christ, to be the sacrifice for our sins and the suffering he endured on the cross for us to be reconciled to God the Father and have eternal life with him forever in glory. The cost was great for both Father and Son and so "Let us consider how we may spur one another on towards love and good deeds." Hebrews 10.24 and be forever grateful for his mercy and grace, riches only to be found in the death and resurrection of his precious Son Jesus Christ on our behalf.

May you all know the blessing of being "in Christ" as we work together for the good of each other, for his glory alone, and in his love and strength.

Annette Smith

Chaplaincy Support

In 2021, our church again participated in and supported the Chaplaincy Program at the Bald Hills State School. This is a very good opportunity to be involved in mission work in our local area, and to help make a difference in the school community. The Chaplain, Mrs Kylie Conomos, is a member of the Bracken Ridge Baptist Church and is very committed to showing God's love and care in her role at the school - with over 500 students, 50 staff and all the families attached this can at times be quite a daunting task. Kylie and the school community are very appreciative of the support given to the program by BHPC.

A ministry that we provide that is considered by Kylie and the school to be of great value is the Breakfast Club, where on Tuesday mornings we supply and prepare a healthy range of food to help provide some nourishment to the children to start the day. There were again major disruptions to this Ministry in 2021 due to COVID restrictions and also with renovation work taking place in Term 4. At this stage it is our understanding that Breakfast Club will resume sometime during Term 2, 2022, God willing. There were eight helpers from our church (Bill & Wendy Harvey (who also purchased the food), Alan & Karen Whyte, Mark & Samantha Fry, Barry & Margaret Sims), who prepared and served breakfast for the school children.

When Breakfast Club has been unable to function, the church also has made regular ongoing contributions to support Kylie using the money that is normally provided to purchase the Breakfast Club supplies.

The church is also represented (by Brad & I) on the Local Chaplaincy Committee, which provides guidance and support to the Chaplaincy work and oversees fund-raising. Brad has also taken on the role of coordination of Religious Instruction at the school.

Thank you to those who gave of their time to participate in this ministry, who gave material and financial donations throughout the year and to those who faithfully prayed for Chaplaincy. Kylie and the LCC would greatly value our ongoing prayers and support as they seek to serve God and show His love for the school community in 2022.

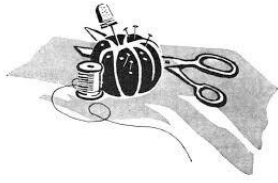
Paul Cotton

Craft Group (Triple C)

The Triple C Club did not meet for most of 2021 due to COVID_19. The group has recommenced in 2022 and meets every Wednesday morning at the Church (Govt Regulations permitting). All ladies are welcome.

No Balance Sheet supplied for auditing

Thursday Ladies Craft Group



In 2021, our craft group met regularly during school terms on Thursday mornings at the church hall, except for a few weeks affected by COVID restrictions. We enjoyed crafting our own projects as well as items to donate while having a cuppa and a chat.

We sold craft items at two stalls during the year - one in winter and one close to Christmas. All money made at these stalls was donated to the Chaplaincy program at Bald Hills State School.

We began and ended our craft year with coffee mornings at the Crepe Place. Our craft group consists of ladies from our church as well as ladies from our local community. We welcome any ladies wanting to join us. If you would like to come for a cuppa and a chat only that is fine too.

Please see either Denise Turner-Jones, Samantha Fry or Karen Whyte if you are interested in coming along.

Karen Whyte

Dad's Army

The three members of Dad's Army continued to carry out gardening and minor maintenance on the Church property during 2021.

I would like to thank Laurie Blee and George Smith who, together with myself, attended to carry out a number of tasks to keep the property in good order.

Laurie has decided to retire from the group, and I would sincerely like to thank him for his fellowship and efforts over a long period of time.

We would appreciate any volunteers who have the time to join us from 8.00 to 11.00 am on Tuesdays

Howard Morgan

Growth Group – Tuesday Morning Ladies

Throughout the year we enjoyed our times of fellowship, sharing, and Bible study and prayer, each Tuesday morning at the church in term time, from 9.30 -11am. Thankfully we were not too affected by lockdowns.

We used the studies provided by Brad which followed the sermons closely and reinforced what we heard on Sundays. This year the general themes were Christian living in light of Jesus' sacrifice, witnessing and, God's grace, Wisdom for living, and the call to discipleship. We looked at 1 Corinthians, Jonah, Proverbs and the gospel of Matthew.

We continued to donate small change to the Bible Societies' project in Pakistan, teaching women to read. This year we sent \$272.55.

Our numbers varied weekly, with members often having to attend necessary medical appointments or on holidays, but we did get up to 11 which was wonderful. Most often we had about 5-9 meeting together. Our knowledge of God's Word and our prayer life has grown, and we enjoy a special bond as sisters in Christ, sharing each other's burdens and joys.

If anyone would like to join in 2022, you would be most welcome. All ages can come, and your young children are welcome too. Please see Joanne if you are interested.

Joanne Millar

Growth Group – Tuesday Afternoon

The Tuesday afternoon growth group have enjoyed another year of fellowship in the word of Our Lord. Helping each other to appreciate what and Who He is and has done for us.

We are small in number and invite others who would like to join us in the Growth Group studies provided for us by Brad. At the present, there are only six people in our group and all of us with health problems from time-to-time impacts on attendance. An increase in numbers would make these times less noticeable.

Please consider joining our Growth Group every Tuesday afternoon from 2 pm to 3.30 pm., for a time of fellowship in Gods everlasting words to us.

May the Lord bless you and keep in 2022.

George & Annette Smith

Growth Group – McDowall

The McDowall growth met entirely by Zoom in 2021 because of ongoing COVID limitations. We had an interesting series of studies in 2021. We continued our discussion of 1 Corinthians from last year. After that, started on “Unawkwarding Jesus” studies which involved watching videos and having a discussion afterwards. This was followed by a series on Proverbs and finishing the year on the book of Matthew. This was good mix of topical and book studies.

It was a privilege to pray for each other and for the church at our Zoom sessions. We look forward to continuing meeting by Zoom in 2022. It’s important to continue meeting and encouraging one another at the time fewer people are attending church services in person because of COVID-19.

Hebrews 10:25 *“not giving up meeting together, as some are in the habit of doing, but encouraging one another—and all the more as you see the Day approaching.”*

Robert Goh

Growth Group – Murrumba Downs

The Murrumba Downs Home Group met regularly throughout 2021 for prayer, Bible study, and fellowship over supper, on the 2nd and 4th Wednesday of each month. Wherever possible we met face-to-face, but on the occasions when we couldn’t, we utilised the Zoom application. We also enjoyed a number of social occasions together.

In praying, studying and fellowshiping together throughout the year, we have been strengthened in our faith, in our friendships, and our commitment to our brothers and sisters in Christ at Bald Hills.

Our heartfelt desire is that each member:

- grows in the knowledge and grace of the Lord Jesus Christ, as we encourage and build one another up, and
- willingly, and faithfully use their God given gifts and talents to the extension of His kingdom, and His glory alone.

We look forward to continuing our study of God’s Word in 2022. If anyone is considering joining a Home Group, you are most welcome to join us on the 2nd and 4th Wednesdays of each Month (in person or by Zoom), for a time of prayer, Bible study and fellowship.

Malcolm & Suzanne Lawson

Blessed is everyone who fears the Lord, who walks in His ways. Psalm 128 v 1.

Growth Group – Strathpine/Murrumba Downs

The Strathpine/Murrumba Downs Growth Group continued in 2021 and enjoyed good times of learning from God’s Word and sharing with one another.

This year we used the study notes provided by Brad, following the four main sermons series in 1 Corinthians, Proverbs, Matthew and the topical series on Personal Evangelism. These studies engendered some good discussion and debate, and we also had some interesting interaction on a range of other issues.

Our meetings were not always consistently regular due to COVID lockdowns, some health issues and general availability.

When the group was able to meet physically together, it did so in John & Kathryn Lewis’s home. We very much appreciate them making their home available and thank them for their warm welcome, hospitality and generous hearts.

We concluded the year with a ‘break-up’ in December, sharing a meal and a good time of fellowship.

It is a great privilege to be able to gather together as Christian brothers and sisters to open God’s Word together, learn from it and to share insights with each other, and to enjoy encouraging fellowship and friendship. We do thank God for the opportunity to be involved in these times of mutual edification and encouragement.

Paul Cotton

Growth Group - Thursday Night Ladies

Conversations were begun towards the end of 2021 about the possibility of starting a nighttime ladies Growth Group. This was in response to the fact that many women at Church work during the day, and so can’t attend the Tuesday Morning Ladies’ group, but may still wish to study the Bible in a group run specifically for women. Also, because of parental responsibilities, the married couples in our Young Adults group often only have the option to come along separately on alternate weeks, or for one of them not to attend at all.

The group began in February 2022 with Joanna Fletcher leading. Open to women of any age, we hope it will be helpful in giving the opportunity for more women to attend Growth Group more regularly and be encouraged and built up in the Word, and in relationship with each other.

Joanna Fletcher

Growth Group – Young Adults

The Young Adults' Growth Group had a good year in 2021. We experienced some change in membership with some leaving the group and some new members joining. Our members are mostly the young married couples from Church. We met in the manse every Wednesday night, with Brad leading the Bible studies. Our numbers dropped slightly during the year, with a core group of about 8-10 people, and average attendance of 4-5 each week by the end of the year. Because of the nature of the meeting time and parental responsibilities, our married couples often come along separately on alternate weeks.

We have times of robust discussion as we learn, share together, and pray for each other. One new initiative started by the group in 2021, which was inspired by the 'Unawarding Jesus' study series, was to begin having an informal picnic lunch together on the last Sunday of each month. We included all Young Adults and Young families in the invitation to this, with the aim of fostering ongoing fellowship with each other, and creating a relaxed event which we can invite non-Christian friends to, giving them the opportunity to meet our Christian friends, and to hear the gospel in normal conversation. These picnic lunches continue in 2022.

We're looking forward to growing in God's word together again in 2022, now meeting on Monday nights in the Church Hall, and extend the invitation to all in the Young Adult/Young Family age and stage of life, to consider joining us.

Brad Fletcher

Kids' Church

Kids Church rolled comfortably into 2021 continuing with the group of new leaders who began in 2020. We did sadly farewell one leader from 2020 as Chris Millar stepped down from serving in Kids Church. Jenni Bennett stepped in to take Chris' place. It was a pleasure to have Jenni, Barry and Margaret Sims, Samantha Fry, Michelle Penny and Joanna Fletcher as our main leaders from the start of 2021. They have proved to be a very enthusiastic, experienced, and capable team. We have continued to meet each term for planning and training, and the team is always enthusiastic and engaged in this process, offering many good ideas for ensuring we teach the kids at Church effectively from God's word. The craft skills of the team were again skillfully employed in the end of year Advent Devotional packs that each child received.

The Kids Church material is mostly based on the same Bible passages as the sermons each week. We hope that this is helpful as parents and kids share what they're learning together. We've seen some growth in Kids Church numbers through 2021 as the number of young families at Church grows, beginning with an average of 8 kids in Term 1 to an average of 10 kids per week in Term 4. The core group has grown from 12 to 14 and we have regular visitors, who are always made to feel welcome and part of the group. With Creche still on hold we continued to have a small number of preschool aged children in Kids Church, and we've found that, for the most part, they have enjoyed Kids Church and are learning well alongside the older kids.

At the other end of the scale, we have seen two of our older kids 'graduate' from Kids Church. Abi Bennett and Janiel Fletcher now stay in the main gathering after the kids talk each week and meet after Church each week with Michelle Penny and Michal Young respectively, to study the Bible together. You might already have noticed this happening. This is part of a plan to keep discipling

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our youth effectively while we transition to beginning a fully-fledged youth group in the future. Kids Church looks to grow and be an engaging ministry of the Church as we nurture our young children in their faith. Please be in touch with any one of the Kids Church leaders if we can do more to help you as parents and grandparents, in raising your little ones to know and love the Lord Jesus.

Brad Fletcher

Library

There is no report from the Library Convenor as we are still seeking someone to replace Jessica. We are thankful that she left the book collections in such good order that we have been able to continue use of the facility without a convenor.

We do have a collection of fiction and non-fiction for the congregation to use and add to it as books come to our attention. In addition, Elder Lawson has drawn up a list of privately owned books that the owners are willing to lend out as required.

If you enjoy use of these facilities, please consider whether you might be able to help with their care.

Men's Ministry

Two events were held in 2021 to provide the men of the church with the opportunity to enjoy a time of fellowship together whilst at the same time encouraging Gospel outreach to friends, workmates and family.

The first event was a bush walk at Mt Mee State Forest Park, followed by a relaxing lunch at the Pit Stop Café, Ocean View. This event was well attended, with a range of walks to choose from, varying from a short, level, easy walk, to one which could be described as a little more “challenging” (especially chosen by the more adventurous of the group).

Our second event was an afternoon Barefoot Bowls session at the Kallangur Bowls Club. This event too, was well attended, and a most enjoyable time was had by all. There are three men's events scheduled for 2022, and details will be advised as we get closer to the dates, but be assured, they will be in the same vein i.e. active, fun and adventurous (within reason). So, plan now to invite your friends, workmates and family. These activities will provide us with a wonderful time to get to know one another better, encourage each other, and to build bridges and share the Gospel with those outside the church.

Malcolm Lawson

Therefore, whether you eat or drink, or whatever you do, do all to the glory of God. 1 Corinthians 11:31

Music Ministry

I would like to thank the Music Team for the way they worked through the year. I would like to thank Kathryn and Glen who so faithfully play Sunday after Sunday and thank Peter and Kathryn Fletcher for joining the music team. We enjoyed Alan's guitar playing when he was able to attend and play with us. The group continued to provide joyful and uplifting music and voice to our weekly worship services. It is a great pleasure and privilege to lead the congregation in musical praise to our God.

We seek to provide a blend of both traditional and modern music and are always on the lookout for more God honouring songs to share with the congregation. We thank God for the provision of musical gifts so that we may lead the congregation in joyful praise of our Saviour. We again participated in a wonderful Carols Service, and I wish to thank all those who participated in this event.

During the year we welcomed Sharyn to the team. We thank Frank van der Ros for his many years leading the singing and pray that he will continue to use his vocal talents in his new church. The Music Team thanks the congregation for their support and welcomes your feedback as we lead singing in worship of our God.

We would welcome anyone who wishes to use their God given musical talents to lead our songs of praise. In particular, we would be very grateful for a guitarist as a valuable addition to the team.

Laura Young

Mission Action Team

In 2021, the Mission Action Team (MAT) again aimed to keep the congregation informed and give opportunity for support of missions in various ways. Our theme was, "Love your neighbour, therefore, go and make disciples of all nations". We believe this fitted in well with Brad's theme of "discipleship" for many of the sermons in 2021.

Each week MAT put in the email bulletin a country to pray for with facts and prayer points. This country is prayed for during worship and please remember it in your personal prayer. The whole world is a mission field, but it is also local and some of our speakers this year reflected this.

For Mother's Day 9th May, we provided a special morning tea asking the congregation for donations for Australian Presbyterian World Mission (APWM). This raised \$600.85.

On June 6th, Rachel Kotterer shared with us her work with Australian Fellowship of Evangelical Students (AFES) at the new university campus at Petrie. We shared a light, covid safe, fellowship lunch afterward. It was good to finally be able to do this after so many restrictions. \$ 591.60 was given to Rachel's support.

Continuing with local mission support Kylie Conomos updated us with the chaplaincy ministry work at Bald Hills State School on 25th July. This was followed by a special morning tea and a retiring offering of \$298 was given. \$100 was given earlier from our 2020 balance.

For Father's Day, September 5th, the work of Mission Aviation Fellowship (MAF) was highlighted, and the opportunity was available to purchase cards for Father's Day over two Sundays. We also viewed videos about MAF work. This was well supported and \$605 was donated plus more given privately, via online donations.

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This year, again we supported collecting for and filling shoeboxes for the Samaritans Purse Ministry. 25 boxes and extra fillers were donated to this worthy cause plus others organised a virtual shoebox online, and others donated toward the postage of the boxes (\$150).

To finish the year, on November 14th, we heard Helen Savage speak on her involvement with Wycliffe over many years. A private monetary gift was given to thank her. Also, the congregation donated towards the Christmas parcels which is a love gift for missionaries we support. \$1037.40 was collected for this project and it was divided up to be sent to 5 recipients. We shared a fellowship lunch together afterwards.

MAT would like to sincerely thank the Session and the congregation for their generous support of mission events and when special offerings are taken up at Easter and Christmas. It is indeed a privilege, and what Christ asks of us, to partake of the work of spreading the gospel, both here and to all the ends of the earth.

Members of the congregation are invited to join MAT if you want to be involved in a more hands on way. Please see any MAT member if you are interested.

In 2021 the MAT members were- Mal and Liz Parish, Mal and Sue Lawson, Willie Naude, Robert Goh and Joanne Millar.

Joanne Millar

Women's Connect

In 2021, we were blessed to be able to finally hold some of our Women's Teaching events for BHPC Women's Connect. We held three Bible teaching events, each of which had between 20-30 women in attendance, and monthly coffee catch ups where Covid restrictions allowed, which were also well attended.

Reflecting on our vision for 2021, we realised that we have achieved the goals we set for the year; meeting together around God's Word and encouraging each other, as well as meeting with friends who do not yet know Jesus. 2021 also saw a change in the organising team, as Sarah Bowden took a break and Mercia Van den Heever joined Samantha Fry and Joanna Fletcher.

In 2022, we plan to hold more events (details TBA), in the hope that we can continue to build each other up in Christ (Col 1:28), deepen our dependence on God and understanding of His Word and grow in love for each other as sisters in Christ. We would also like to provide opportunities for those who do not yet know Jesus to meet those of us who do, in the hope that they might come to know Him too.

We would also like to encourage BHPC Women to build each other up, by meeting together to read the Bible regularly, either one to one or in a Growth Group. Questions about BHPC Women for 2022 can be directed to Joanna Fletcher, Samantha Fry or Mercia Van den Heever or to bhpcwomen@gmail.com.

Joanna Fletcher