

Subject: Pastors eLink July 2010



Update on News & Events



Seeking to hear what God is saying concerning our upcoming elections, and daring to say "Thus says the Lord..."

Firstly, it's great to be back in Oz after a month away in Europe and Asia. I'm looking forward to catching up with folk.

We must all be getting our in-trays overloaded with commentaries on recent political events in Australia.

I have an email telling the readers, among other things, that because Australia now has an all female (well almost) cast of political leaders; the nation will pay a price. I have other emails where the writer has told of God speaking personally to him/her (mostly through Scriptures) about God's opinion of the latest events in Canberra.

We have an openly homosexual leader of the Greens, and now we have a new Prime Minister with a 'partner'. It's all quite legal of course, and no one is encouraged to make any judgments. We don't hear the word "sin" much nowadays.

The Australian Christian Lobby (ACL) is already planning a [website](#) to assist Christians in how to vote based on the values of the parties and candidates.

There are many Christian groups calling churches and people to **pray for Australia** at this time, and this is an excellent thing to do, especially right now!

What is God saying?

At times of political activity like this, Christian leaders and even prophets among us rise up and seek to speak to churches, our community and the nation.

Come to the next pastors breakfast (details below) and bring your thoughts, insights or any prophetic inputs of what you believe God is saying at this time.

Here is an interesting [prophecy from 1911](#) as an example. This was given by a Sister Barbara and details can be tracked on the web.

In our previous Pastors eLink, we spoke about **the need to get prayer back up on the top of our pastoral 'to do' lists.**

I will be collecting stories from pastors about their encounters with God and how we are going at keeping prayer up near the top of our 'to do' lists. Stay tuned, watch out, I'm on the scrounge for stories!!! **What does a church look like where prayer is the core activity?**

[Benjamin Patrick: Back from the dead](#) Benjamin Patrick is available to visit churches in the Illawarra and is available Sept 18 to 25th. If you'd like to have him speak at your church, please contact: Florence Ho. 0401 186 352 (Mobile).
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[Coming Events](#) are listed in the 5 Islands Prayer Network website. **There are significant events listed here, please check them out!!!!**(These include major conferences at the Thirroul SCCC, Wollongong Lighthouse Church and the Figtree Church of Christ)

Next **Pastors Breakfast 0700 Friday 30th July at Shellharbour Uniting Church.** The church is in Mary St, next to the school. Hot Topic is "What is God saying to the nation and to our leaders at this time?"

I've had some feedback again asking for a different day for our breakfasts. Any offers to regularly come along if we switched to a day other than a Friday?

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