

South Yarra Community Baptist Church Decisions and Questions from the Host Group Meeting

3 May 2017

Listed below are the main decisions and questions from our recent Host Group meeting. This is not the full minutes, but a summary of the main decisions and questions. In line with our church policy, these are circulated not only for your information, but to allow you to consider the decisions and ponder the questions and, if you have any concerns about any of them, to seek more information or ask for them to be reconsidered. Where possible, we will not implement the decisions for at least seven days, in order to allow time for people to respond. Questions or concerns can be raised with any member of the Host Group, or by emailing all of them at once at hosts@southyarrabaptist.church

Those in attendance at the recent meeting were Eliz Cook, Ian Cook, Nathan Nettleton, Sylvia Sandeman, Shelley Taylor and Samara Pitt.

Summary of the Decisions and Questions

- 1. The **liturgy booklets have been updated with additional images** to assist people in recognizing where we are up to in the liturgy.
- 2. Nathan's time fraction has been increased to 0.8 beginning 1 April 2017.
- 3. We have received a range of feedback and ideas on how we do **suppers** so that we can continue to share abundant and generous meals together, while enabling all who wish to contribute to do so in a way that is manageable for them. We are considering using money tithed by congregation members to the church to pay for the cheese and dips so that the financial load is spread more evenly. We are also considering having more people on the roster each week so that the workload is lessened. Please continue to send us your feedback over the next month.
- 4. **Church camp is going ahead** on July 28 to 30 at Araluen Lutheran camp in Anglesea. Please contact Sylvia if you are willing to assist in planning the camp.
- 5. There have been some concerns raised about the **risk to children from cars in the carpark area**. We are sourcing some signage to raise awareness for drivers. We also ask all congregation members to <u>respond if you see children leaving the building unsupervised</u>, and to <u>be aware of children and others moving through the carpark area</u>. Please <u>drive slowly and carefully at all times</u>. Let's take good care of our kids!
- 6. During Nathan's absence in July/August, Cameron and Samara will be organising some **storytelling in the 'sermon slot'**. Stay tuned!
- 7. A **heater** is being purchased for the prayer chapel.

Next meeting: June 7th, 7:30pm, Nathan's place