

Together we can make a difference

A note from Simon

In the Book of Colossians, Paul spoke about a mystery. A mystery that had been hidden but is now revealed to the world through us, the universal church. That mystery is 'Christ in us, the hope of Glory.' Paul then said 'I *struggle* with all *His* energy that powerfully works within me" to present *everyone* mature in Christ. This maturity comes through repentance and faith in Jesus, for believers and unbelievers alike. It is by God's energy in us that we now struggle and work hard to bring everyone to the fullness of God's love and that repentance that lead to life. It's what we are called to do as the church. It's our mission together.

This is an amazing privilege for the church. It's a fun, hopeful and necessary thing for us to do and we do it by all actively sharing and serving in the life of the church community with the energy that God gives us.

Last year our church asked God where we should focus our energies in ministry. Through a process which many of you have participated in we discerned five focal points. These are:

- to be a place of healing and transformation through the gospel of Jesus
- a focus on faith formation across all ages
- being a truly intergenerational community
- a continued commitment to cross cultural mission and
- intentional connections with our local community.

It would be a missed opportunity if we simply 'did church'. The world has had enough of a powerless "churchianity". God calls us to be a people of love and that means struggling by God's energy in us and doing something. I need your encouragement in this and I believe you need mine – our time, our talents and our money are all a part of this. Let's do this together. I encourage you to step out in faith and love the church in practical ways by our serving and our giving.

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How will you express yourself in ministry?

God has created us to love, serve and encourage each other.

As God's people at CoroUniting there are many ways we share our gifts, talents, time and money, as you'll see inside this booklet.

In 2017, you may like to continue serving in the same way, try a new area of ministry, discontinue something, or a combination of these.

To help us plan, please consider all the options here, indicate your preference, and bring your completed booklet to church on or before

Sunday 4th December 2016

YOUR PERSONAL DETAILS

First name:

Surname:

Preferred phone:

Email:

Life Group (or Life Group leader's name):

Skills, talents, gifts, languages, interests:

Anything else that would be helpful for us to know about you being involved with ministry? (eg. health, mobility, work/shift patterns...)

OTHER FAMILY MEMBERS' DETAILS

If applicable, you can use this form for other members of your household. On the following pages, please write each family member's name clearly next to the ministry they are interested in.

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Sunday gathering

Worship Team

- Singer
 - Instrument
(Please specify the instrument you play)
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- Bible Readers

Tech Team

Training will be provided

- Sound Operator
- Video Camera Operator
- Data Projector Operator

Support Team

- Prayer before church
Meeting to pray for the morning's service on Sundays between 9.00-9:30am
- Communion
Preparing and cleaning up afterwards
- Stewards
- Car park attendant
- Greeters
- Welcome Desk
Helping on the welcome desk for 30 minutes after the service once or twice a quarter.
- Morning tea helpers
- Locking up after church

Blessing our young people

- LPC [Little People's Crèche] – ages 0-3
Caring for the youngest amongst us. Sunday mornings.
- Kindy Kids – ages 3-5
Sharing about Jesus through stories, craft and play. Sunday mornings.
- KBG Small Group Leader – Rec-Yr 5
Journeying with a small group of children through the morning's KBG session. Sunday mornings in term time.
- KBG Activity helper – Rec-Yr 5
Helping to resource and plan activities and games in KBG
- KBG in School Holidays – Rec-Yr 5
Organising and running fun sessions for the KBG kids on Sunday mornings during the school holidays. Ideas include craft, games, cooking, movies etc. Ideas/resources provided.
- Facilitating ChillIn sessions – Yrs 6-7
One hour, Sunday mornings in term time, support provided.
- Hosting ChillOut sessions – Yrs 6-7
Willing to host and/or help organise a social activity. Two hours on a Friday night during term time.
- Facilitating BOUNCE sessions – Yrs 8-10
One hour, Sunday mornings in term time, support provided
- Speaking and sharing - Youth
- Being an additional adult-presence on site – Youth
- Offering house/property for activities – Youth
- Mentoring – Youth
Willing to mentor youth leaders on a semi-regular basis.

Blessing local families and children

- Main Events
Being part of a team that helps to organise and run large events such as Family Fun Nights, the Kids' Holiday Club (end of January school holidays) and the Church Camp.
- Baby Sitters
Being available for occasional babysitting to allow parents to get out together. This could include for the Parenting and Marriage Courses or the Parents Date Nights.
- Relationship Courses
Marriage, Parenting and DivorceCare Courses. We run these great courses each year and would love some support with catering and setting/clearing up.

Cross Cultural Ministry

- Finding Accommodation/Work
Helping to find accommodation/work and help with completing associated paperwork.
- Refugee Advocates
Liaising with lawyers, supporting refugees through tribunal hearings, lobbying government.
- Mentors
Men and women to befriend Persian brothers and sisters for recreational outings.
- Creative Threads (connecting through craft)
Creative Threads (Tuesdays), seeks to connect women of the church together with Persian women; to teach them a craft or skill; to aid in their feeling a part of Coro and to help them improve their English with regular contact with English speakers.
- Sunday Morning Persian Teaching
Being willing to teach our Persian believers from time to time during the Sunday morning service.

Caring and praying for each other

- Meals**
Providing and distributing meals to people who are in need within the church and community.
- ToolBox Brigade - Home Help**
Individually offering, or offering your Life Group's services, to provide assistance in the home (eg. odd jobs, washing, ironing etc.) and garden to people who have a need within the church and community.
- Bread Run**
Distributing leftover bread from local bakeries to Hutt Street and other charities.
- Welcome Team**
Looking out for new comers and / or providing hospitality like hosting an occasional lunch for newcomers.
- Social Events team**
Getting the church together for social activities like church picnics or quiz nights etc. An important ministry that helps us to know and have fun with each other.
- Pastoral Visiting**
- Drivers**
Helping people get to places, eg. doctors' appointments, worship services, youth group events, Creative Threads etc.
- Help with Funerals, Weddings and other Special Services**
Helping organise the church for special events, assist during the events and ensure the church is ready again for our Sunday worship gathering.

Mission Related Activities

- Project Dorcas - Craft with a purpose**
Helping to make quality goods for children in need.
- Cross-Cultural Mission (Mission Focus Group)**
Caring for our mission workers in prayer, practical assistance and correspondence, and through support groups. This includes Saiyarak HIV/AIDS group in Thailand, Project Kola in Egypt and people of other cultures living in Adelaide.

Grounds, Maintenance and Office

- ToolBox Brigade - Property Maintenance**
General maintenance of our church property (odd jobs from time to time).
- Grounds Maintenance**
Maintenance of the hard-surface (eg. car parks, paths etc), scrub and grassed areas.
- Gardening**
Maintenance and upkeep of the garden beds (weeding, mulching, planting and irrigation). A Life Group could 'adopt' an area of the church.
- Flowers**
Preparing/arranging the flowers at the front of the church.
- Vacuuming**
Helping to keep the church clean by vacuuming the carpets on a Saturday morning two or three times a year.
- Mid-week Office Helper**
Helping the church office with various projects and tasks including photocopying, tidying church/kitchen, preparing newsheets/handouts etc. Experience with computers helpful but not essential.
- Occasional office jobs to be done at home (computer work)**

Connecting with the local community

- mainly music**
Being part of a team either by roster or weekly. Contributions will be helpful in setting/cleaning up, meet and greet or morning tea preparation. Currently runs Monday mornings 9:30-11:00am during term time.
- Evangelism Team**
Being part of a team to consider and organise practical and culturally relevant ways to share the gospel.
- Alpha**
Being part of our Alpha organisers team.
- Q&A**
Assisting in the regular Q&A events (setting up, catering etc.)
- Flinders Medical Centre (FMC) team**
On the 5th Sunday of the month, (4 times a year), the team visits patients and offers to take them to the FMC chapel service. Those on the team who are available on Good Friday and Christmas Day also go these days.

Discontinuing a ministry involvement

If you wish to discontinue serving in an area of ministry, please write it below – we encourage you to also discuss this with your ministry coordinator ☺