

Hello,

The leadership of Tuggeranong Baptist Church (TBC) met on Wednesday 18 March to discuss the impact of the COVID19 virus on our operations. As a result, the leadership team agreed to suspend Sunday services for the next 2 Sundays - 22 and 29 March.

The leadership team will continue to monitor the COVID 19 situation closely meeting weekly each Wednesday to assess and review our ongoing operations. We will keep you informed of all developments each following Thursday by way of email advice.

Our decision was taken in the light of developments with the COVID-19 virus, including most recent advice and instructions from the Federal Government along with guidance from the NSW/ACT Baptist Association.

We acknowledge centres of faith such as ours are open to the public, where peoples' vulnerability and/or risk of exposure to the COVID19 virus may be increased. It is vital we as a community of faith act responsibly in complying with social distancing requirements to reduce the exposure to and transmission of the COVID19 virus.

All other activities at the Garratt St Centre open to the public will also be suspended as follow:

- Op Shop and Connect Group that meets at the Op Shop
- Jack's Gym
- Parent Connect
- The Book Exchange
- Connect through Craft Group
- Boys' and Girls' Brigades
- Service Australia's Financial Seminars; and
- any external groups using the building.

It is important that we all continue to nurture our faith and each other at this time. Keep in touch via phone, email etc, and meet in small groups for coffee and fellowship as we did during the recent fire season.

1. In lieu of this Sunday's message, Ian has posted a message entitled "How to deal with Dark Times" by Tim Keller on the website Click on the COVID-19 tab <https://www.tbcchurch.com.au/covid-19>
2. For giving and offering purposes, we encourage everyone to make use of our online giving facilities through the following details:
 - BSB 704 922
 - Account: 100 014 987; and
 - Account Name: Tuggeranong Baptist Church.

We appreciate your understanding and support during this period. Please do not hesitate to call me if you have any concerns.

Blessings,

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