#### **Frontier Services**

Paul Bartlett has left a number of copies of "At The Very Heart" - Frontier Services Centenary Publication - and the Centenary Tea-Towel with his folks. The book is \$50 and the Tea-Towel \$10. If you would like a copy please contact Warren or Lorraine at church or via the office.

#### Group Returning to Volunteer in Kenva

A group of people including many who have volunteered before are returning to Kenya on the 27th December. They are once again fundraising through the sale of Christmas Hamper and School Shoes gift cards to support food delivery projects and to fund the purchase of school shoes for the children in the orphanage and the local community. They are also selling calendars which go towards both projects as well as meeting immediate needs in the Nakuru community. The gift cards (\$15 for shoes, \$30 for food hampers) and calendars (\$25) are available from the office and after the 9.15am service each Sunday leading up to Christmas. 100% of the funds go to the projects and the group members pay their own travel and accommodation expenses.

The group's fundraising account details are:

BPAY: 50179 Account: 5386 3400 0341 5679

Thank you in advance for your continued support - Kat Mann.

### Support for Samoa - UCA Mission Liaison Group

A shipping container was due to be sent to Samoa in mid-February as part of the normal schedule of sending goods to our South Pacific partners. Due to the devastation from Cyclone Evan (lives lost, homes destroyed, palms felled and crops destroyed) there has been a request that the container be shipped sooner.

If anyone is able to assist on Saturday December 29 (from 8am) to help packing goods for Samoa your help would be appreciated. This is essential if the container is to leave by Tuesday 8 January as hoped. Second-hand or new light weight clothing, household effects and linen will be packed as well as furniture, school and kindergarten equipment if there is room.

If you are able to assist in any way (packing, donating goods, providing morning tea or lunch) please contact John Connan on 9871 2636.

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# Welcome to Our Church

*GWUC* is a faithful, Christ-centred community that meets God and shares that unconditional love: meet\_qod@anytime.with.us

If you're new to our congregation, please say hello at the welcome table in the fover after the service.

	Combined Service Christmas Carols on Kingsway	Rev Rosemary Carter Alanee Hearnshaw
	Today's 10am service is be	ing recorded
	John 1:14-15	
	SUNDAY DECEMBER 30	Christmas 1
10.00am	Combined Service	Rev Greg Fry
	John 1:16-18	

# What's on this week?

(Legend: R1-Room 1, R2-Room 2, R3-Room 3, R4-Room 4, K-Kitchen, F-Fellowship Area, C-Church, H-Hall, V-Vestry, O-Outside Venue)

#### Monday 24 December

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#### Christmas Day - Door Stewards Required

We desparately need door stewards for the 10am service on Christmas Day. If you are attending this service could you assist please and Contact Heather at the church office if you are able to assist with this duty. Thank you.

# **Christmas Office Closure**

Please note that the Church office will be closed on Tuesday 25 and Wednesday 26 December for the Christmas Day and Boxing Day Public Holidays.

The Office will reopen on Thursday 27 December at 1pm.

### Today's Flowers in the church

The thoughtful flowers today are provided by Graeme and Wendy Pratt. 20/20.

Arranged by: Wendy Pratt and Carmel Stork



#### Many Thanks

The Community of Fatubesse in the remote highlands of East Timor will be grateful to the 8am Service "Coffee Club" for its donation of \$150 towards equipping their completed new school classroom.

#### **Empty Christmas Tree**

Many thanks to all those who contributed to the Empty Christmas Tree. Gifts were distributed to some members of our own community and also to 'Broadmeadows Care'.

# **Christmas Alight**

On 13 and 14 December the church was abuzz with 33 children and volunteers involved with Christmas Alight.

Thanks so much to everyone who helped out with this year's Christmas Alight and helped to make it a fantastic event.

# Habitat for Humanity

On Saturday 15 December a small contingent of the Habitat for Humanity team, from Glen Waverley Uniting Church, travelled again to Yea. This time the weather was very wet and yet some further significant landscaping work was completed. A brave and concerted effort was required from all who attended and a hearty well done is extended to all involved.

The next Brush With Kindness projects will be provided in early January 2013. So check out the Facebook and Twitter updates for Habitat for Humanity.

#### Advance Notice - Used Book Sale

As part of the Church fundraising next year, we will be again holding a used book sale at the Church on Saturday March 2. We need your donations of books to ensure that we are able to repeat last year's success.

For further information, see Sue Morgan.

#### Wanted - A Home ...

... for many (approx 70) Fowlers Vacola Bottles - medium and small sizes - some lids and clips. Enq: Margaret Williams 9802 2599