



April 2, 2006

Service Time: 10.00 am

www.inglefarmbaptist.com

Failure Turned Inside Out

David, the psalmist, prayed: “Create in me a clean heart, O God; and renew a right spirit within me.”

You sit with your head in your hands thinking you’re a total failure. “I’ve blown it again,” you mutter to yourself in despair.

Hold it right there! Did you know that Walt Disney went broke seven times and had a nervous break-down before he became successful?

And that Enrico Caruso failed so many times with his singing that his teacher advised him to quit. He didn’t. His mother saw to that. And he became one of the world’s greatest tenors.

And Thomas Edison was called a dunce at school. Later, he failed more than six thousand times before perfecting the first electric light bulb.

Think, too, of King David in the Bible. He blew it big time. He not only committed adultery with Bathsheba and got her pregnant, but had her husband killed and took her as another wife. When he admitted his failure, God forgave him and gave him another

chance. In fact, Bathsheba became the mother of King Solomon through whose line Jesus Christ came.

God wants to turn our lives around too when we fail. So, if you feel like giving up, don’t. Remember: **failure is an event, not a person.** Now’s the time to give God a chance. It starts with being honest with yourself, with a trusted friend, and with God—admitting how and where you’ve failed and asking God to forgive you and to help you.

In Psalm 51 David wrote: “There was a time when I wouldn’t admit what a sinner I was. But my dishonesty made me miserable and filled my days with frustration. All day and all night your hand was heavy on me. My strength evaporated like water on a sunny day until I finally admitted all my sins to You and stopped trying to hide them. I said to myself, ‘I will confess them to the Lord.’ and You forgave me! All my guilt is gone.” (*TLB*)

What a gracious, loving, forgiving God we have.

INGLE FARM COMMUNITY CHURCH

Worshipping God & Caring for People — A Member of the South Australian Baptist Union Incorporated

WELCOME



Thanks for joining us today
It's our prayer that as we
worship God together, you
will meet with Him.

CARE CARDS:



Please fill these out on arrival
and place in the offering bag
later in the service.

CHILDREN'S MINISTRY:



Children are encouraged to
start the service with us before
moving out to their
programmes.

SAMARITAN SHOPPING BAG:



Please help us care for those
in need by bringing groceries
and placing them in the bag
by the door.

CHURCH OFFICE:



Located on the premises next
to the Centre Manager's
office. Feel free to call in
Monday to Friday 9.00 am to
5.00 pm.

AFTER THE SERVICE:



We would love you to join us
for tea and coffee following
the service so that we can get
to know each other better.

PRAYER:



If you would like prayer
following the service then
please speak to the pastor or a
member of the worship team.

PASTOR: Terry Williams

Mobile: 0413 253 575

PASTOR: Markus Schmid

(Tuesday, Wednesday & Thursday)

Mobile: 0410 433 423

CHURCH OFFICE: 8395 4127

WEB PAGE:

www.inglefarmbaptist.com

E-MAIL:

church@inglefarmbaptist.com

CONTACTS:

Elders:

Ian Warren: 8289 8478

Kevin Rogers: 8264 3554

Worship Deacon:

Fellowship:

Sue Willavoy: 8284 2175

Children's Ministry:

Patricia Lian: 8182 1016

Secretary/Administrator:

Trevor Knott: 8250 8920

Treasurer:

Ian Amey: 8262 6942



FINANCE

Budget \$1,660

Last Week's Offering \$1,303

Average for this qtr \$1,146

Average year to date \$1,251

SAMARITAN SHOPPING



*Any non-perishable
food, e.g. tinned and
packet food.*



Lisa & Bryan Hughes are excited to share with us their plans to live and work in a slum in Phnom Pehn



TODAY.



THE THREE BEERS

An Irishman moves into a tiny hamlet in county Kerry, walks into the pub and promptly orders three beers. The bartender raises his eyebrows, but serves the man three beers, which he drinks quietly at a table, alone.

An hour later, the man has finished the three beers and orders three more. The next evening the man again orders three beers at a time, several times. Soon the entire hamlet is whispering about the man who orders three beers. Finally, a week later, the bartender broaches the subject on behalf of the hamlet. “I don’t mean to pry, but folks around here are wondering why you always order three beers?”

“Tis odd, isn’t it?” the man replies. “You see, I have two brothers, and one went to America, and the other to Australia. We promised each other that we would always order an extra two beers whenever we drank as a way of keeping up the family bond.”

The bartender and the whole hamlet was pleased with this answer, and soon the man who orders three beers became a local celebrity and a source of pride of the hamlet.

Then, one day, the man comes in and orders only two beers. The bartender pours them with a heavy heart. The next day the bartender says to the man, “Folks around here, me first of all, want to offer condolences to you for the death of your brother.”

The man ponders this for a moment, then replies, “You will be happy to hear that my two brothers are alive and well. It’s just that I have decided to give up drinking for lent.”

Ingle Farm Community Church Worship Roster

| | April | Good Friday | Easter Sunday | | May | |
|---------------------|--------|-------------|---------------|----------|--------|-------|
| Team | 9th | 14th | 16th | 23rd | 7th | 14th |
| Leader | Ardy | Markus | Mark | Terry | Mark | Ardy |
| Keyboard | Gary | Gary | Jenny | Gary | Jenny | Gary |
| Singer | Tricia | Tricia | Sara | | Tricia | Sara |
| Percussion | Don | Pam | Pam | Don | Don | Pam |
| Wind section | Lizzy | | | Patricia | | Lizzy |
| Guitar | | | | | | |
| Sound/ Projector | Cheryl | Joyce | David | Cheryl | David | David |
| Door | Susan | Susan | Susan | Susan | Joyce | Joyce |

If you cannot fulfill your rostered date, please swap with someone or notify Mark Brennan.



**Next
Leaders' Meeting
Monday, April 3rd**



Please submit all articles for the *FOCUS* to Trevor Knott no later than Wednesday 10.00 pm via:

- PO Box 3123
Salisbury East SA 5109
- Phone: 8250 8920
(answering machine available)
- Mobile: 0401 364 962
- Fax: 8250 9056
- E-mail:
winnie_the_pooh@iprimus.com.au