

Exmouth Explorer

with Simon & Alison Roberts • September 2025



Bullara Station has been our 'go to' location for our annual church weekend away. It's a family-owned cattle station that has been developed into a tourist destination in its own right. And being only 90 kms away from Exmouth, it's the perfect location for our church family to get out of town and into God's Word. This year, we began looking at Revelation.

Over Saturday and Sunday morning, we had a good chance to start to think about the message of Revelation and what the letter itself tells us about how we should read it. And we had a good turnout from Exmouth, as well as being joined by a family from Onslow. The highlight of the weekend was baptising Nicky from Onslow. Despite growing up in church circles, Nicky has only recently grown in her faith and commitment. Brodie & Nicky and their kids have been very regular members of the Onslow church services. They have even driven the 400 kms (one way) to Exmouth every so often to attend church here. So, it was wonderful for everyone to be there to support Nicky and witness her baptism and profession of faith in Christ.

Pray for mature Christians to move to Exmouth and join our church.

Having started to look at Revelation on our weekend away, we have continued to work our way through Revelation on Sundays in Exmouth. While Revelation scares some people and attracts too much interest from others, we've seen how the content of this letter is extremely practical. Before Jesus returns to judge and save, there will be many troubles, trials and even persecution. But the Christian is

to hold fast to the Gospel, trust in Jesus, persevere, endure, maintain our zeal and not compromise by distorting the Gospel or loving the world. We are to take hold of the victory that is ours in Christ Jesus and trust that he will come soon with his reward. This is a message we constantly need to hear in Exmouth & Onslow, and no doubt it's a message you need to be reminded of as well. We are so quick to lose focus and lose heart when we feel that God is not impacting our community, our family, or our friends. Revelation is a strong reminder to see the world through 'spiritual eyes' and know that the Lord God Almighty and the Lamb rule and reign over everything and everyone. Jesus has conquered and will conquer, and so *"let the one who does right continue to do right; and let the holy person continue to be holy"* Revelation 22:11.



Main Image: Vlamingh Head Exmouth

Circle Image: Simon & Alison

Middle Image: Simon baptises Nicky

Bottom Image: Firepit at Bullara Station

Church weekend away at Bullara Station

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In Exmouth, we ran Equip Women (a Sydney-based women's conference) over two Saturday afternoons. We had ten women join us this year, including Jenny (BCA Nomad), who was in Exmouth at the time. Keeping the Revelation theme going, we were encouraged by the talks on Revelation and enjoyed an amazing afternoon tea together.

Our ladies' Bible study group is looking at the book of Hebrews this term. There have been some great discussions, and everyone is growing in their confidence in reading the Bible, sharing and asking questions.

Children's church continues to be small, with the occasional increase in numbers due to visiting families. It is wonderful for our regular kids (two girls) to have other children join them in Sunday School and to know that there are other children from around Australia who trust in Jesus. Thank you to all the families who have visited us over the years!

Our youth Bible study group recently finished reading through Genesis, and they are keen to keep going with Exodus. These are foundational books of the Bible, and it's wonderful to see our teens grow in their understanding of how the story of the patriarchs lays the foundation for Jesus and the new covenant. It has also been so encouraging to see them grow in their confidence to pray in the

group and often pray much more than one or two sentence prayers.

In July, we were blessed by the presence of BCA Nomads, Brett & Jenny. And as we write, we have Nomads John & Janice with us. Brett & Jenny gave some of our exterior doors a much-needed refresh, and John & Janice have cleaned the grime off our hallways and kids' church rooms. Combined with a church busy-bee in August, the church building and grounds are looking great.

As you read this, we will likely be at our Diocesan Fellow Workers Conference in Perth (29 Sept–4 Oct). Every two years, all the ministry families from the North West get together for a week of teaching, encouragement and fun. One of the great blessings of our Diocese is the close partnership between all the gospel workers, and so we really enjoy getting together face-to-face.

Pray the Conference would once again be a time of refreshment and encouragement for everyone, and especially the kids of our Diocese.

We had a wonderful time in the Kimberley in June as we enjoyed four weeks' leave. For two of those weeks, we travelled the Gibb River Road with Michael & Karen Baines from Broome Anglican Church. The trip went smoothly with only minor mechanical issues, despite the many

kilometres of corrugated roads, the many river crossings and some pretty rough sections on station driveways. It was a great chance to relax, and we really enjoyed the encouragement of time spent with Michael & Karen. We were also blessed to have some Sydney friends visit in July and Simon's mother visit for a week in August.

As we look ahead we would be grateful if you could **please pray for outreach opportunities over the coming months.**



In the Kimberley with Michael & Karen Baines



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Simon & Alison

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