



DU Grape Vine



JULY 2021

PROFILE—BRENDA & MERVYN JACOBS

Brenda was born in Beaconsfield, Orange Free State, South Africa (where the first diamond was discovered) where her father was a teacher and then a chef. There were six sisters and a brother. She attended primary school in Kimberley, high school in Cape Town and then college where she qualified as a teacher. She spent seven years in her first school run by the Dutch Reformed Church, and learnt Afrikaans from the students. The family attended the Congregational Church where her father was a lay preacher and did lots for the church. She enjoyed playing tennis and netball.



Mervyn was born in Port Elizabeth, South Africa and his father was also a chef with some teaching involvement and a lay preacher in the Apostolic church. He had two brothers. The family moved to Cape Town where Mervyn attended primary and high school and they attended the Anglican church. He worked as a spare parts salesman and played soccer and cricket.

Brenda and Mervyn married in 1969 in Cape Town and had daughter Adele and son Darren. They now have four grandchildren. In 1980 they holidayed to Australia to visit family and then migrated in to Sydney in 1982 to be closer to Brenda's family and to be away from the developing apartheid problems. Mervyn worked for Volvo. In 1983 they moved to Herne Hill with Mervyn getting a position in spare part sales before moving to Alcan. He retired early in 1995 due to back issues that still trouble him today. They attended Ashby UC (now Western Heights) where Brenda was fully involved doing bible readings from almost the second week. Brenda studied Early Childhood at the Gordon before taking on a position at the McKellar Centre as a Personal Care Attendant staying for 17 years. This was a loved position as she had always wanted to be a nurse but her father thought teaching would be better for her. They moved to moved Clifton Springs in 1999 and joined our church. They enjoy involvement with their family, Mervyn with watching sport, Brenda with walking and knitting, and waiting for their new home to be finished. Brenda is active in church as a member of the UCAF and on the rosters.

They attend church as a family tradition from their parents and because it brings them not only to their loving Lord but to the church family who provide so much care and support.

CONGRATULATIONS

Marie and Michael Harris have two new grandsons, Vaughn and Henry.

LOOSE CHANGE OFFERING

The offering to date is **\$1055**. This year's recipient organisation is Samaritan House Geelong.



BOOK, CRAFT AND COOKING STALL

Saturday 31 July 9.30 am—12.30 pm we will be holding, in the hall, a sale of books, craft, cakes and preserves. We would love to have your support with items to sell and help on the day.

The next stall on 11 September is for plants and craft.

LEPROSY MISSION

We have Geelong's Dr Barry Edwards coming on 18 July to talk about the work of the Leprosy Mission. There will be a retiring offering at the end of the service to help them with their work, particularly in Papua New Guinea and Timor Leste. This was a suggested topic by one of the members of our congregation.



Happy birthday!

JULY
 Ken Handley
 Alma Milvain
 Dianne McNamara
 Marguerite Edgar
 Angela Tutty
 Bob Thomas
 Darren Pene

Happy birthday!

This months' services

- 4 Jul—10.30 am Rev Temukisa HC
(Wayne's team assisting)
- 11 Jul—10.30 am Rev Temukisa
(Denise's team assisting)
- 18 Jul—10.30 am Dr Barry Edwards—Leprosy Mission
(Jenni's team assisting)
- 25 Jul—10.30 am Rev Temukisa
(Wayne's team assisting)



WINTER WOOLLIES

Thank you for the wonderful supply of winter clothing and blankets that have been forwarded to the

Pacific Islander seasonal workers community in Mildura.



	MORNING TEA	WELCOME	READING	PRAYERS	VESTRY	COUNTING FLOWERS
JUL 4	Denise's Team	Melva	Jonnie	Ken	Claire	-
11	Susan & Pat	Ken	Susan	Carol	Ian	Marg Colleen
18	Marg & Dianne	Kelvin & Glenice	Sue	Margo	Jenni	Denise Jonnie
25	Marie & Margo	Brenda	Kelvin	John	Graham	Colleen Brenda

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MOWING	
JUL	Claire & Peter