

COMMUNITY FORMATION

Community Lunches

Join us on Monday and Tuesday for our Community Lunches. This is a great time to get to know other students and staff while enjoying a delicious lunch together.

Chapel Speaker

At Easter a lot of us are giving as well as receiving. Come to Chapel on Tuesday for a time of celebration, replenishment and reflection as Rachel Roche shares on "What helps me worship God at Easter"

Selah
stop | pause | think

Tuesday Lunchtime Interview

Stephanie Johnston, CEO of the Barnabas Fund is our guest speaker for Tuesday. The Barnabas Fund is an international organisation focusing on the persecuted church.

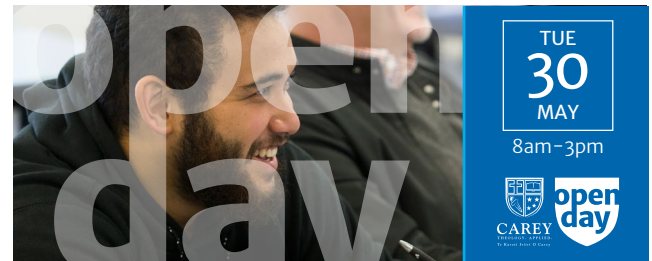
Wednesday Prayer

In 81 countries around the world, Christians are persecuted, and 200 million Christians live in areas where they are discriminated against. Millions of Christian lives are threatened by followers of radical religious ideologies.

Join Siong as she leads us to pray for the persecuted church.

DISCOUNTED COFFEE

There's a cafe three minutes walk up the road (on the Carey side of the road, #453) called *The Orient*, it's only a few months old, and Mike Crudge likes it and hopes the business will survive! He's tee'd up a 15% student discount for Carey students (just show your Carey ID card), Anthony (the Manager) won the Best Barista award in 2014 and they use Altura coffee beans which are Fairtrade.

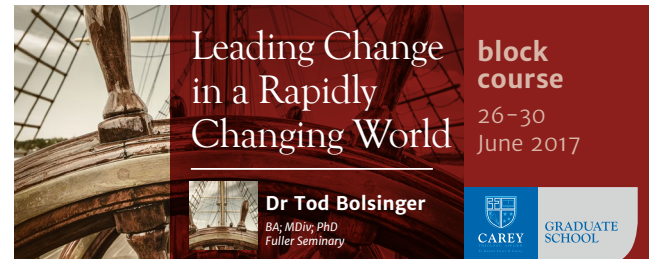


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The Three Orthos

Two weeks ago the Carey School of Preaching hosted a day-long preaching seminar with Dr Brian Harris. It was an incredibly rich and helpful day. I was particularly struck by some comments that Brian made about the challenges facing the church in New Zealand. Brian said that the recipe for effective mission to a sceptical world contains three ingredients.

The first ingredient is orthodoxy (right doctrine). We need to believe and teach the great truths of Scripture. As the Protestant reformers used to say, the preaching of the word of God is the word of God. And the word of God doesn't just inform; it performs, it transforms. Through the faithful speaking of his word God brings new life.

Secondly, Brian said, we need orthopraxy (right practice). As Christians, we need to practice what we preach; we need to live lives that are morally robust and distinctive and commendable. Our failure to do this is one reason why pastors are now ranked alongside used car salesmen as some of the least trusted members of our society (thirty-seventh equal, according to one list of professions!)

But right doctrine and right practice are not enough. We also need, thirdly, to demonstrate orthopathy (right feelings). We need to feel the weight of the biblical truths that we preach. We need to engage emotionally with the people to whom we speak. They're listening to our hearts, as well as to our words.

Now, according to Brian, one of the reasons the world scorns the church is because it sees that we're usually missing the second two ingredients. Take the issue of same-sex marriage, for example. We cling to an orthodox position. We insist that biblical marriage is between a man and a woman, while also maintaining that God loves all people whatever their sexual orientation.



Consequently, we say that we will not affirm same-sex marriage, while also declaring that we will be warm and hospitable communities, that we will welcome gay people into our churches. But do we welcome them, really (orthopraxy)? And do we feel with them (orthopathy)? Do we appreciate how difficult it must be to walk the road of celibacy in a world where sex is the great idol? And do we communicate that to the gay people we know? Do they hear us saying, "We will walk with you, we will stand with you, and—even if you stumble—we will stay with you; we feel for you"?

Orthodoxy, orthopraxy, and orthopathy. Effective ministry and mission requires all three.

John Tucker