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**GRANDPARENT  
CONFERENCE**

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*Leaving a Living Legacy*



*Grandparents are the footsteps  
for future generations.*

*16<sup>th</sup> September 2023*

# Overview

The National Grandparent Conference (NGC) continues to be the building block for the National Grandparent Movement (NGM). It seeks to engage, equip and encourage grandparents, surrogate grandparents and ministry leaders to be intentional in

leaving a legacy for others to follow, especially our grandchildren; a legacy that shapes their character and faith. Through a range of inspirational speakers, the NGC seeks to inspire a new generation to grab hold of the possibilities

that exist for us to play our role in seeing the generations that follow, to grow both spiritually and emotionally healthy. So join us this year and be part of **A Grandparent Revolution** – it's time to leave a legacy of faith that outlives us!

## About the Conference

When Ian Barnett (now retired Senior Minister of Figtree Anglican) having spent some 30 years as a minister of the gospel, became a grandparent, it did not take him long to realise that there was limited, if any, information available that could equip him and his wife to become intentional grandparents. So, in 2017, the question that he began to wrestle with was simply this, "In a changing world, what is the faith legacy, I and other

grandparents are leaving behind?"

It was at this point he became convinced that there was a need to provide opportunities for grandparents who had the same conviction to be engaged. With the introduction of the option to 'attend' the NGC online, and not just in-person, the vision of the NGC has been fully realized through now providing access for grandparents and ministry leaders right across Australia,

as well as internationally to be able to 'join' the conference. This exciting development has seen exponential growth in the number of people gathering to hear from a fantastic range of inspirational and motivational speakers. Finally, the NGC can help churches and other organisations, fulfill their own vision through the equipping and releasing of intentional grandparents as they intentionally build relationships with the younger generation.

### WHEN

**16th September 2023**  
Saturday, 9:00am-4:30pm

### WHERE

**Figtree Anglican Church**  
4-10 Gibsons Road,  
Figtree NSW 2525

### REGISTER

Registrations open 9<sup>th</sup> June 2023.  
For more information or to register, visit [ngmlegacy.com.au](http://ngmlegacy.com.au) or email [ngmcontact01@gmail.com](mailto:ngmcontact01@gmail.com)

Registrations close 10<sup>th</sup> Sept 2023 or once max. capacity is reached.

### COST

**In person attendance:**  
\$55 Early Bird Rego per person\*  
\$62 Regular Rego per person

Morning tea & lunch provided

**Online attendance**  
\$24 per person with discount for group bookings

**Early Bird Discount**  
\*Closes Friday, 18th August 2023



### CONFERENCE PACK

A conference pack (conference booklet, resources and sponsor material) can be mailed. Please be aware that delivery is reliant on delivery agencies, with no guarantee that packs will arrive by 16th September, if you registered on or after Friday, 25<sup>th</sup> August.

*Note: Conference Packs for small group registrations will only be mailed to a single address.*





# Speakers



## REV. IAN BARNETT

Ian retired after more than 30 years as an Anglican Pastor, finishing his fulltime ministry as the Senior Minister at Figtree Anglican, where he birthed the National Grandparent Movement. His heart for all generations continues to grow, in particular his belief that every generation (especially grandparents) leave a

footprint for those who follow. He is passionate that grandparents grab hold of the legacy they can leave and the path they can build for others to walk. Ian shares authorship with others of a new book on grandparenting to be launched in 2023. Married to Rhonda, they have three married children and seven grandchildren.



## ANN GRAHAM LOTZ

Anne speaks around the globe with wisdom and authority, and is an accomplished author. The second daughter of evangelist Billy and Ruth Graham, she was called “the best preacher in the family” by her late father. Anne’s Just Give Me Jesus revivals have been held in more than 30

cities in 12 different countries, to hundreds of thousands of attendees. The New York Times named Anne one of the five most influential evangelists of her generation. Anne is a mother of three and grandmother of three. *Note: Anne’s message will be via a video presentation*



## ROSS CLIFFORD (AM)

Since 1997, Ross has been the Principal of Morling Theological College, joining as a lecturer in 1992 after twelve years of pastoral work in Baptist Churches. Prior to entering the ministry, he was a lawyer in Sydney and the Northern Territory. In 2010, Ross was made a member of the Order of Australia (AM) for his Christian service and service to the media.

He has written several books, and been President of the Baptist Union of Australia, President of the NSW Council of Churches, and Chair of the Australian Lausanne Committee. Married to Beverley, they have two children and six grandchildren.

# Speakers



## KARL FAASE

Karl is a well-known Australian Christian communicator, media presenter and social commentator. He is the CEO of Olive Tree Media, the organisation through which he produces programs for Christian media and local church use internationally. After ministering for over 20 years, Karl finished as Senior

Pastor of Gynea Baptist Church in 2014. He maintains leadership roles in the Christian community as a board member of the Billy Graham Evangelistic Association (Australia) and Samaritans Purse. Married to Jane, they have three adult children and five grandchildren.



## MIKE RAITER

Mike is the Director of the Centre for Biblical Preaching in Melbourne, training people across Australia and the world in Biblical preaching. He has taught in theological colleges in Australia and Pakistan. Mike is the author of over 30 books and articles, including the 2004 Australian Christian Book of

the Year, Stirrings of the Soul and, more recently, The Songs of the Saints (with Rob Smith), and Shadows of the Cross. Mike enjoys walking to local coffee shops, cryptic crosswords and sudoku, and Scandinavian crime novels. Married to Sarah, they have 4 adult children.



## DR. JENNY BROWN

Jenny has worked in child and family mental health and family therapy since the 1980s, founding the Family Systems Institute Sydney, in 2004. She has consulted and trained professionals in the field for over 30 years. Jenny is the author of best-selling books, Growing Yourself Up and

Confident Parenting. She has also developed a program to enable parents to be a confident resource for their struggling children, The Parent Hope Project, and a host of resources for parents and grandparents. Married to David, they have two adult children and six grandchildren.

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# Please Note...

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The conference will also include interviews about raising grandchildren, guest artists who will add to your experience and enjoyment across the day plus opportunities to sign up to run your own grandparent ministry.

## Book Launch

We are excited to launch and have for sale at the 2023 Conference, a book on grandparenting written by Ian Barnett and a number of our past NGC speakers; 'Footsteps for Future Generations - The Faith Legacy Grandparents Leave'.



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## What others are saying about the Conference

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Below are comments from some of those sharing about their experience of attending past National Grandparent Conferences:

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I felt so well cared for and encouraged. Can't wait for next year! Viki

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A really enjoyable, inspiring and seamless day. Thank you. Frank

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A most enjoyable, relaxed, educational and thought provoking conference. Praise God! Leigh

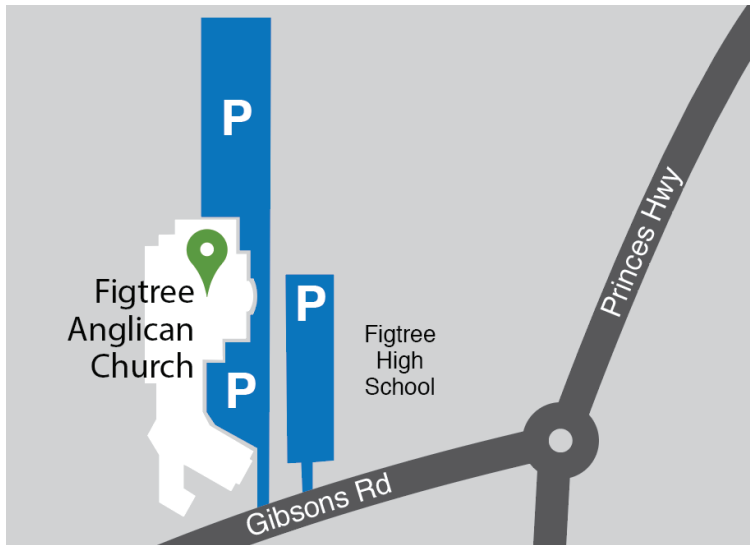
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I am greatly encouraged to know and feel I still continue to have purpose. Louise

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Thoroughly enjoyed the day and was challenged as to my role in my grandchildren's lives. Yvonne

# Conference Location



Figtree Anglican Church is located next to Figtree High School, at 4-10 Gibsons Road, Figtree.

There is plenty of parking within the grounds of Figtree Anglican, at the back of the property, as well as in Gibsons Road and Springfield Avenue.

Please **do not** park in the car park which is adjacent to the school soccer fields.

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