

PUBLIC BIBLE READING

ON MISSION TOGETHER



JOB DESCRIPTION

Devote yourself to the public reading of Scripture (1 Tim. 4:13)

Purpose: to read God's word with reverence and clarity, so that we make the Scriptures accessible to all.

BEFORE (preparation is the key to good Bible reading!)

- **Get the readings from Elvanto:** login (clovelly.elvanto.com.au) or use the Elvanto app. Find the service, go to 'Plan', then Bible readings
- **Read aloud, at least 3 times** (this will help you get the breaths and pauses correct, and practise any tricky names – if you're not sure, just Google 'pronounce *Sennacherib*' and there'll be a video!).
- Use the ESV, which is the Bible translation we use at church.
- If it helps, print the reading, and mark when to pause / breath.
- **Think about the emotion and read accordingly:** joyful, sober, etc

ON THE DAY

- **Check when you're on:** on Elvanto, find the Service, then 'Plan'
- **Sit near the front ... and wait at the front before you're invited up**

AT THE MICROPHONE

- **Never apologise:** even if you're a last-minute sub, don't apologise, just do your best to read well (and keep the focus on God's word)
- **Pause ... Smile ... Announce the passage and page number**
- **Wait ...** until no more pages are rustling!
- **Adjust the microphone:** point it at your chin, 5-10cm away
- **Read without rushing:** a little slower than feels right
- **If you stumble, just keep going:** don't stop and don't say sorry
- **Finish strong** (don't peter out) ... and say, ***This is God's word***
- **Look up, smile, and carefully walk off stage**

Roster created by: Office Administrator

Reports to: MC on the day (or Fiona Smartt)