

Liquid Church First Peoples Solidarity Group
13^h July 2023 Lunch Meeting, 12:30 pm - **BYO LUNCH**
Tanti Community House, 91 Robertson Drive, Mornington (not Home Ground Café)

Draft Agenda (v.2)

- 1. Welcome to participants, Opening Prayer, and appointment of note taker**
- 2. Review of Draft Agenda** and modification as agreed
- 3. Acknowledgement of Country**

“We acknowledge the Bunurong people as the traditional owners of the land on which our meeting takes place today. We pay respects to their elders past and present. We affirm that Australia is a land created and sustained by God and inhabited for tens of thousands of years by the First Peoples, as the custodians of the land and its resources. We express deep sadness and regret at the injustice and mistreatment suffered by the First Peoples as the result of European colonisation, which includes dispossession of their land and cultural losses, leading to profound suffering and grief by generations of First Peoples. We reaffirm our ongoing commitment to justice and reconciliation between Australia’s First Peoples and settler populations”.

4. Context setting: Key features of proposed teaching series forged in 15 June meeting

- recognize that the topics to be covered are challenging for many
- focus on biblical foundations and avoid pushing any particular political position
- ensure the process is accessible and engaging for the whole Liquid Community
- a shorter teaching series on God and Land, Reconciliation, and the people of God’s call to the marginalised (starting in August)
- emphasize a relational approach (dialogue on challenging issues in a safe context) rather than a purely instructional one
- mid-week ‘learning circles’ of storytelling and reflection
- encouraging engagement with local indigenous groups
- draw on our members and local resource people for stories and perspectives

5. Review of revised draft LC “A People of the Land Series” (*Jim C to lead*)

6. Next Steps

- i. Next meeting
- ii. Briefing Liquid Community
- iii. Other steps ...

7. Closing Prayer