



# Peel Valley Congregation

Gowrie, Hallsville & West Tamworth

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## Hosea 1: 2-10 (NIV)

### Hosea's Wife and Children

<sup>2</sup> When the LORD began to speak through Hosea, the LORD said to him, "Go, marry a promiscuous woman and have children with her, for like an adulterous wife this land is guilty of unfaithfulness to the LORD."

<sup>3</sup> So he married Gomer daughter of Diblaim, and she conceived and bore him a son.

<sup>4</sup> Then the LORD said to Hosea, "Call him Jezreel, because I will soon punish the house of Jehu for the massacre at Jezreel, and I will put an end to the kingdom of Israel.

<sup>5</sup> In that day I will break Israel's bow in the Valley of Jezreel."

<sup>6</sup> Gomer conceived again and gave birth to a daughter. Then the LORD said to Hosea, "Call her Lo-Ruhamah (which means "not loved"), for I will no longer show love to Israel, that I should at all forgive them.

<sup>7</sup> Yet I will show love to Judah; and I will save them—not by bow, sword or battle, or by horses and horsemen, but I, the LORD their God, will save them."

<sup>8</sup> After she had weaned Lo-Ruhamah, Gomer had another son.

<sup>9</sup> Then the LORD said, "Call him Lo-Ammi (which means "not my people"), for you are not my people, and I am not your God.

<sup>10</sup> "Yet the Israelites will be like the sand on the seashore, which cannot be measured or counted. In the place where it was said to them, 'You are not my people,' they will be called 'children of the living God.'

## Psalms 85 (NIV)

<sup>1</sup> You, LORD, showed favour to your land; you restored the fortunes of Jacob.

<sup>2</sup> You forgave the iniquity of your people and covered all their sins.

<sup>3</sup> You set aside all your wrath and turned from your fierce anger.

<sup>4</sup> Restore us again, God our Saviour, and put away your displeasure toward us.

<sup>5</sup> Will you be angry with us forever? Will you prolong your anger through all generations?

<sup>6</sup> Will you not revive us again, that your people may rejoice in you?

<sup>7</sup> Show us your unfailing love, LORD, and grant us your salvation.

<sup>8</sup> I will listen to what God the LORD says; he promises peace to his people, his faithful servants—

but let them not turn to folly.

<sup>9</sup> Surely his salvation is near those who fear him, that his glory may dwell in our land.

<sup>10</sup> Love and faithfulness meet together; righteousness and peace kiss each other.

<sup>11</sup> Faithfulness springs forth from the earth, and righteousness looks down from heaven.

<sup>12</sup> The LORD will indeed give what is good, and our land will yield its harvest.

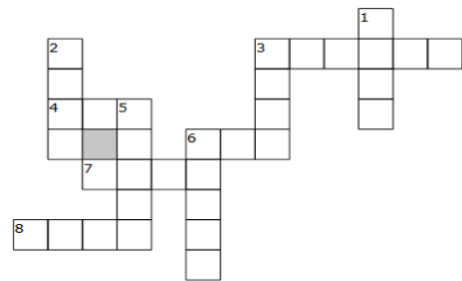
<sup>13</sup> Righteousness goes before him and prepares the way for his steps.

## Jesus Teaches about Prayer

"So I say to you: Ask and it will be given to you; seek and you will find; knock and the door will be opened to you." Luke 11:9  
Based on Luke 11:1-9



*Ask, and you shall receive;  
Seek, and you shall find;  
Knock, and it shall be  
opened to you...*  
*Matthew 7:7*



### ACROSS

- A person you know, like, and trust
- To make a request for something
- A piece of furniture for sleeping
- A movable structure used to close off an entrance to a room
- A device operated by a key and used to keep a door from being opened

### DOWN

- To look for something
- To talk to God
- To locate something by searching for it
- To stike a series of blows with your fist, as on a door
- A food made from flour mixed water and other ingredients, then baked in an oven

Behold, I stand at the door, and knock: if any man hear my voice, and open the door, I will come in to him, and will sup with him, and he with me. ~ Revelation 3:20

### CHURCH SERVICES

29 July 6pm **Hallsville** ~ Max Whitten  
 31 July **COMBINED PEEL VALLEY CONGREGATION**  
**CHURCH ON A BUS**  
 5 August 6pm **Hallsville** ~ Trevor Forrester  
 7 August 8.30 am **Gowrie** ~ Trevor Forrester  
 7 August 9am **Hallsville** ~ NO SERVICE  
 7 August 11am **West** ~ Trevor Forrester

### PEEL VALLEY CONGREGATION

Our goal: "To be transformed communities, experiencing, enjoying & sharing the gift of the friendship of Jesus."

Mission: "Called to be Free, Gifted to Serve."

Pastoral Care: Meg Mangan 0466 337 005

Elders: Margaret Crowell Barbara Murray Doss Wark  
 Ross Davidson Bruce Jarrett



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**PRAYER POINTS**

- We pray for Glenda Whitten, whose brother Jeff died last week. Glenda is away, as the funeral was in Brisbane.
- We pray for all those members of the congregation who have recently lost loved ones; Eunice Lunnay, Shirley McMahon, and friends of Des Reading.
- Myra's back is slowly improving, and we pray that each day she will be able to walk a little bit further.
- Doug and Marg, Ross Davidson and Patrick Johnston are all away at the moment. We pray that they are enjoying themselves away from Tamworth's winter.
- We pray that our trip next week will be a happy time a fellowship, sharing and worship.

**Colossians 2:6-19 (NIV)**

**Spiritual Fullness in Christ**

<sup>6</sup> So then, just as you received Christ Jesus as Lord, continue to live your lives in him, <sup>7</sup> rooted and built up in him, strengthened in the faith as you were taught, and overflowing with thankfulness.

<sup>8</sup> See to it that no one takes you captive through hollow and deceptive philosophy, which depends on human tradition and the elemental spiritual forces of this world rather than on Christ.

<sup>9</sup> For in Christ all the fullness of the Deity lives in bodily form, <sup>10</sup> and in Christ you have been brought to fullness. He is the head over every power and authority. <sup>11</sup> In him you were also circumcised with a circumcision not performed by human hands. Your whole self ruled by the flesh was put off when you were circumcised by Christ, <sup>12</sup> having been buried with him in baptism, in which you were also raised with him through your faith in the working of God, who raised him from the dead.

<sup>13</sup> When you were dead in your sins and in the uncircumcision of your flesh, God made you alive with Christ. He forgave us all our sins, <sup>14</sup> having canceled the charge of our legal indebtedness, which stood against us and condemned us; he has taken it away, nailing it to the cross. <sup>15</sup> And having disarmed the powers and authorities, he made a public spectacle of them, triumphing over them by the cross.

**Freedom From Human Rules**

<sup>16</sup> Therefore do not let anyone judge you by what you eat or drink, or with regard to a religious festival, a New Moon celebration or a Sabbath day. <sup>17</sup> These are a shadow of the things that were to come; the reality, however, is found in Christ. <sup>18</sup> Do not let anyone who delights in false humility and the worship of angels disqualify you. Such a person also goes into great detail about what they have seen; they are puffed up with idle notions by their unspiritual mind. <sup>19</sup> They have lost connection with the head, from whom the whole body, supported and held together by its ligaments and sinews, grows as God causes it to grow.

**ADVANCE NOTICE:**

For 31st July "Church on a Bus", we have been invited to Breeza by the Quirindi congregation.

There will be a service followed by lunch.

Please bring some finger food to share.

The bus will pick up Phil at 9:40am. It will then travel to the church, Mavis Chaffey, St. Andrew's Village, and then Doss, Heather and Beulah in West Tamworth.



**Luke 11:1-13 (NIV)**

<sup>11</sup> And it came to pass, that, as he was praying in a certain place, when he ceased, one of his disciples said unto him, Lord, teach us to pray, as John also taught his disciples.

<sup>2</sup> And he said unto them, When ye pray, say, Our Father which art in heaven, Hallowed be thy name.

Thy kingdom come.

Thy will be done, as in heaven, so in earth.

Give us day by day our daily bread.

And forgive us our sins;

for we also forgive every one that is indebted to us.

And lead us not into temptation; but deliver us from evil.

<sup>5</sup> And he said unto them, Which of you shall have a friend, and shall go unto him at midnight, and say unto him, Friend, lend me three loaves;

<sup>6</sup> For a friend of mine in his journey is come to me, and I have nothing to set before him?

<sup>7</sup> And he from within shall answer and say, Trouble me not: the door is now shut, and my children are with me in bed; I cannot rise and give thee.

<sup>8</sup> I say unto you, Though he will not rise and give him, because he is his friend, yet because of his importunity he will rise and give him as many as he needeth.

<sup>9</sup> And I say unto you, Ask, and it shall be given you; seek, and ye shall find; knock, and it shall be opened unto you.

<sup>10</sup> For every one that asketh receiveth; and he that seeketh findeth; and to him that knocketh it shall be opened.

<sup>11</sup> If a son shall ask bread of any of you that is a father, will he give him a stone? or if he ask a fish, will he for a fish give him a serpent?

<sup>12</sup> Or if he shall ask an egg, will he offer him a scorpion?

<sup>13</sup> If ye then, being evil, know how to give good gifts unto your children: how much more shall your heavenly Father give the Holy Spirit to them that ask him?

**Meg's Musings**

Within our souls, *wonder* registers as any experience that exceeds our commonsense, or ordinary, expectations of life. It usually signifies that God is nearby, and weaving together His plans and ways.

God's grace also cleanses, clarifies and expands our vision, allowing us to recognize the wonderful presence of God in the midst of ordinary creation.

Have you seen God lately, making His presence felt in surprising and *wonder*-ful ways?

Blessings from Meg



**My religion is very simple. My religion is kindness.**

~ Dalai Lama

**HAPPY BIRTHDAY**

July 25 ~ **Beulah Fenwick**

July 27 ~ **Amity Debenham**



**1<sup>st</sup> Sunday of the month**

~ Luncheon @ West

**3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday of the month**

~ Trading Table @ West Tamworth

**4<sup>th</sup> Sunday of the month**

~ Markets @ Hallsville

**24 July**