



Peel Valley Congregation

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Acts 2:14, 36-41 (NIV)

Peter Addresses the Crowd

¹⁴ Then Peter stood up with the Eleven, raised his voice and addressed the crowd: "Fellow Jews and all of you who live in Jerusalem, let me explain this to you; listen carefully to what I say.

³⁶ "Therefore let all Israel be assured of this: God has made this Jesus, whom you crucified, both Lord and Messiah."

³⁷ When the people heard this, they were cut to the heart and said to Peter and the other apostles, "Brothers, what shall we do?"

³⁸ Peter replied, "Repent and be baptized, every one of you, in the name of Jesus Christ for the forgiveness of your sins. And you will receive the gift of the Holy Spirit.

³⁹ The promise is for you and your children and for all who are far off—for all whom the Lord our God will call."

⁴⁰ With many other words he warned them; and he pleaded with them, "Save yourselves from this corrupt generation." ⁴¹ Those who accepted his message were baptized, and about three thousand were added to their number that day.

1Peter 1:17-23 (NIV)

¹⁷ Since you call on a Father who judges each person's work impartially, live out your time as foreigners here in reverent fear.

¹⁸ For you know that it was not with perishable things such as silver or gold that you were redeemed from the empty way of life handed down to you from your ancestors,

¹⁹ but with the precious blood of Christ, a lamb without blemish or defect.

²⁰ He was chosen before the creation of the world, but was revealed in these last times for your sake.

²¹ Through him you believe in God, who raised him from the dead and glorified him, and so your faith and hope are in God.

²² Now that you have purified yourselves by obeying the truth so that you have sincere love for each other, love one another deeply, from the heart.

²³ For you have been born again, not of perishable seed, but of imperishable, through the living and enduring word of God.

"However many holy words you read, however many you speak, what good will they do you if you do not act on upon them?" ~ Buddha

Psalm 116:1-4, 12-19 (NIV)

¹ I love the LORD, for he heard my voice; he heard my cry for mercy.

² Because he turned his ear to me, I will call on him as long as I live.

³ The cords of death entangled me, the anguish of the grave came over me; I was overcome by distress and sorrow.

⁴ Then I called on the name of the LORD: "LORD, save me!"

¹² What shall I return to the LORD for all his goodness to me?

¹³ I will lift up the cup of salvation and call on the name of the LORD.

¹⁴ I will fulfill my vows to the LORD in the presence of all his people.

¹⁵ Precious in the sight of the LORD is the death of his faithful servants.

¹⁶ Truly I am your servant, LORD; I serve you just as my mother did; you have freed me from my chains.

¹⁷ I will sacrifice a thank offering to you and call on the name of the LORD.

¹⁸ I will fulfill my vows to the LORD in the presence of all his people,

¹⁹ in the courts of the house of the LORD—in your midst, Jerusalem.

Praise the LORD.



The world is full of kind people. If you can't find one, BE ONE!



A very warm WELCOME to everyone from Manilla and Barraba congregations who are joining us today.



1st Sunday of the month

~ Luncheon @ West

3rd Sunday of the month

~Trading Table @ West Tamworth

4th Sunday of the month

~ Markets @ Hallsville

28 May

CHURCH SERVICES

5 May	9am	Hallsville	~ Evelyn Keane
7 May	8.30am	Gowrie	~ Evelyn Keane
7 May	9am	Hallsville	~ No Service
7 May	11am	West	~ Evelyn Keane

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PRAYER LIST.

- We pray for Maureen, a friend of Beth's.
- We pray that Chris Wright will find joy and satisfaction in his upcoming role of minister at City Church.
- We also pray that the right person/people will be found to take over the St.Andrew's Village chaplaincy role.
- We pray for church leaders as they discern the way forward for the Christian church.
- We pray for peace in our world, and for God's wisdom to prevail in world leaders.

Meg's Musings

On Tuesday members of the West Tamworth congregation provided morning tea at McKay House, and joined them for an Anzac Day service.

For several people there, this was their second Anzac service for the day. So Anzac Day matters to many people.

The service acknowledged God's hand at work in delivering many soldiers safely home again after being part of such a deadly exercise. It also highlights the Aussie view that you get in there, and fight against the odds - no matter how they seem to be stacked against you.

The ideal of mate-ship also stands out - of walking side-by-side with others, listening to them, and protecting each other from harm.

In the story of the Road to Emmaus, Jesus chose to walk side-by-side two hurting men. He helped them to make sense of what had happened. He protected them from self-doubt and defeatism.

Jesus was a mate to those men. Are you able to be Jesus, and to be a mate, to the people around you?

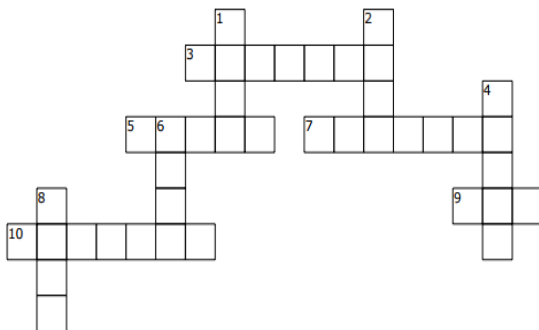
Blessings from Meg



On the Road to Emmaus

Then their eyes were opened and they recognized him.
Luke 24:31a (NIV)

This puzzle is based on Luke 24:13-35 (NIV)



ACROSS

3. To put to death on a cross
5. The Old Testament man who received the Ten Commandments from God
7. A person who visits
9. A period of twenty four hours
10. Carrying on a conversation with someone

DOWN

1. Not false
2. The organ which makes people able to see
4. A food made from flour and water, mixed together and baked
6. Not closed
8. To travel on foot

Things are never quite as scary when you've got a best friend. ~ Bill Watterson

Luke 24:13-35 (NIV)

On the Road to Emmaus

¹³ Now that same day two of them were going to a village called Emmaus, about seven miles from Jerusalem.

¹⁴ They were talking with each other about everything that had happened.

¹⁵ As they talked and discussed these things with each other, Jesus himself came up and walked along with them; ¹⁶ but they were kept from recognizing him.

¹⁷ He asked them, "What are you discussing together as you walk along?" They stood still, their faces downcast.

¹⁸ One of them, named Cleopas, asked him, "Are you the only one visiting Jerusalem who does not know the things that have happened there in these days?"

¹⁹ "What things?" he asked.

"About Jesus of Nazareth," they replied. "He was a prophet, powerful in word and deed before God and all the people.

²⁰ The chief priests and our rulers handed him over to be sentenced to death, and they crucified him; ²¹ but we had hoped that he was the one who was going to redeem Israel. And what is more, it is the third day since all this took place.

²² In addition, some of our women amazed us. They went to the tomb early this morning ²³ but didn't find his body. They came and told us that they had seen a vision of angels, who said he was alive.

²⁴ Then some of our companions went to the tomb and found it just as the women had said, but they did not see Jesus."

²⁵ He said to them, "How foolish you are, and how slow to believe all that the prophets have spoken!

²⁶ Did not the Messiah have to suffer these things and then enter his glory?"

²⁷ And beginning with Moses and all the Prophets, he explained to them what was said in all the Scriptures concerning himself.

²⁸ As they approached the village to which they were going, Jesus continued on as if he were going farther.

²⁹ But they urged him strongly, "Stay with us, for it is nearly evening; the day is almost over." So he went in to stay with them.

³⁰ When he was at the table with them, he took bread, gave thanks, broke it and began to give it to them.

³¹ Then their eyes were opened and they recognized him, and he disappeared from their sight.

³² They asked each other, "Were not our hearts burning within us while he talked with us on the road and opened the Scriptures to us?"

³³ They got up and returned at once to Jerusalem. There they found the Eleven and those with them, assembled together ³⁴ and saying, "It is true! The Lord has risen and has appeared to Simon."

³⁵ Then the two told what had happened on the way, and how Jesus was recognized by them when he broke the bread.

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

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

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