



Peel Valley Congregation

Gowrie, Hallsville & West Tamworth

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Exodus 3:1-15 (NIV)

Moses and the Burning Bush

³ Now Moses was tending the flock of Jethro his father-in-law, the priest of Midian, and he led the flock to the far side of the wilderness and came to Horeb, the mountain of God.

² There the angel of the LORD appeared to him in flames of fire from within a bush. Moses saw that though the bush was on fire it did not burn up. ³ So Moses thought, "I will go over and see this strange sight—why the bush does not burn up."

⁴ When the LORD saw that he had gone over to look, God called to him from within the bush, "Moses! Moses!" And Moses said, "Here I am."

⁵ "Do not come any closer," God said. "Take off your sandals, for the place where you are standing is holy ground."

⁶ Then he said, "I am the God of your father, the God of Abraham, the God of Isaac and the God of Jacob." At this, Moses hid his face, because he was afraid to look at God.

⁷ The LORD said, "I have indeed seen the misery of my people in Egypt. I have heard them crying out because of their slave drivers, and I am concerned about their suffering. ⁸ So I have come down to rescue them from the hand of the Egyptians and to bring them up out of that land into a good and spacious land, a land flowing with milk and honey—the home of the Canaanites, Hittites, Amorites, Perizzites, Hivites and Jebusites.

⁹ And now the cry of the Israelites has reached me, and I have seen the way the Egyptians are oppressing them.

¹⁰ So now, go. I am sending you to Pharaoh to bring my people the Israelites out of Egypt."

¹¹ But Moses said to God, "Who am I that I should go to Pharaoh and bring the Israelites out of Egypt?"

¹² And God said, "I will be with you. And this will be the sign to you that it is I who have sent you: When you have brought the people out of Egypt, you will worship God on this mountain."

¹³ Moses said to God, "Suppose I go to the Israelites and say to them, 'The God of your fathers has sent me to you,' and they ask me, 'What is his name?' Then what shall I tell them?"

¹⁴ God said to Moses, "I AM WHO I AM. This is what you are to say to the Israelites: 'I AM has sent me to you.'"

¹⁵ God also said to Moses, "Say to the Israelites, 'The LORD, the God of your fathers—the God of Abraham, the God of Isaac and the God of Jacob—has sent me to you.'

"This is my name forever,
the name you shall call me
from generation to generation.

*"Weak people revenge. Strong people forgive.
Intelligent people ignore." ~ Albert Einstein*

Romans 12:9-21 (NIV)

Love in Action

⁹ Love must be sincere. Hate what is evil; cling to what is good.

¹⁰ Be devoted to one another in love. Honor one another above yourselves.

¹¹ Never be lacking in zeal, but keep your spiritual fervor, serving the Lord.

¹² Be joyful in hope, patient in affliction, faithful in prayer.

¹³ Share with the Lord's people who are in need. Practice hospitality.

¹⁴ Bless those who persecute you; bless and do not curse.

¹⁵ Rejoice with those who rejoice; mourn with those who mourn.

¹⁶ Live in harmony with one another. Do not be proud, but be willing to associate with people of low position. Do not be conceited.

¹⁷ Do not repay anyone evil for evil. Be careful to do what is right in the eyes of everyone.

¹⁸ If it is possible, as far as it depends on you, live at peace with everyone.

¹⁹ Do not take revenge, my dear friends, but leave room for God's wrath, for it is written: "It is mine to avenge; I will repay," says the Lord.

²⁰ On the contrary:

"If your enemy is hungry, feed him;

if he is thirsty, give him something to drink.

In doing this, you will heap burning coals on his head."

²¹ Do not be overcome by evil, but overcome evil with good.

Psalms 105:1-6, 23-26, 45b (NIV)

¹ Give praise to the LORD, proclaim his name; make known among the nations what he has done.

² Sing to him, sing praise to him; tell of all his wonderful acts.

³ Glory in his holy name;

let the hearts of those who seek the LORD rejoice.

⁴ Look to the LORD and his strength; seek his face always.

⁵ Remember the wonders he has done, his miracles, and the judgments he pronounced,

⁶ you his servants, the descendants of Abraham, his chosen ones, the children of Jacob.

²³ Then Israel entered Egypt;

Jacob resided as a foreigner in the land of Ham.

²⁴ The LORD made his people very fruitful;

he made them too numerous for their foes,

²⁵ whose hearts he turned to hate his people, to conspire against his servants.

²⁶ He sent Moses his servant, and Aaron, whom he had chosen.

Praise the LORD.

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PRAYER LIST.

- We pray for the residents and staff of McKay House which has been in quarantine due to an outbreak of gastroenteritis.
- We pray for Fay's daughter Bronwyn who is awaiting surgery.
- We pray for Joyce Dowsett who was recently in hospital. She is recovering slowly, but the doctors have warned her to "take it easy".
- Kevin Hoyt and Mavis Crowell are both still at Tamara. We pray for them.
- We pray for those throughout NSW who are caught up in the 'flu epidemic.

Meg's Musings

A backyard neighbour of ours has a huge wattle tree. At its best it looks lovely. The bright yellow stands out against the sky, brightening up dreary winter days. But as the blossom dries out, the wind blows it over the washing on our clothesline. Instead of being a joy to look at, it becomes a source of frustration as I try to brush the dried balls of blossom off each garment I take from the clothesline. They seem to cling to some things with a passion! Our perspective on the beauty, or value, of anything is subject to change. But God's values never change. He sees the beauty and the potential inside each one of us, and he delights in it. Whether we are at our most beautiful, or are past "our best" doesn't matter to God..... He loves us all, no matter what.
Blessings from Meg

A new commandment I give you: Love one another. As I have loved you, so also you must love one another. By this all men will know that you are My disciples, if you love one another."~ Jesus

Memory Lane- First & Third Tuesday of the month ~
10am till 11:30am
West Tamworth Uniting Church, 77 Denison Street

On Tuesday, 5th September
Eddie Whitham will be giving us some insights into the Jewish religion.



HAPPY BIRTHDAY
5 September ~ **Fay Monckton**

CHURCH SERVICES

8 September	5.30 pm	Hallsville	~ NO SERVICE
10 September	8.30 am	Gowrie	~ NO SERVICE
10 September	9 am	Hallsville	~Ross Davidson
10 September	11am	West	~John Nash

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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."

Pastoral Care: **Meg Mangan 0466 337 005**

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



1st Sunday of the month **4th Sunday of the month**
~ Luncheon @ West ~ Markets @ Hallsville
3rd Sunday of the month **24 September**
~Trading Table @ West Tamworth

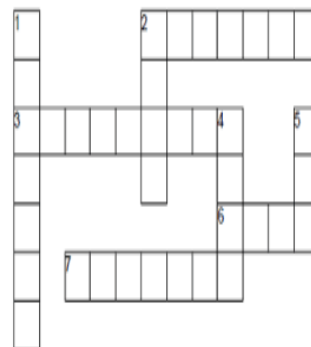
Matthew 16:21-28 (NIV)

Jesus Predicts His Death

²¹ From that time on Jesus began to explain to his disciples that he must go to Jerusalem and suffer many things at the hands of the elders, the chief priests and the teachers of the law, and that he must be killed and on the third day be raised to life.
²² Peter took him aside and began to rebuke him. "Never, Lord!" he said. "This shall never happen to you!"
²³ Jesus turned and said to Peter, "Get behind me, Satan! You are a stumbling block to me; you do not have in mind the concerns of God, but merely human concerns."
²⁴ Then Jesus said to his disciples, "Whoever wants to be my disciple must deny themselves and take up their cross and follow me.
²⁵ For whoever wants to save their life will lose it, but whoever loses their life for me will find it.
²⁶ What good will it be for someone to gain the whole world, yet forfeit their soul? Or what can anyone give in exchange for their soul?
²⁷ For the Son of Man is going to come in his Father's glory with his angels, and then he will reward each person according to what they have done.
²⁸ "Truly I tell you, some who are standing here will not taste death before they see the Son of Man coming in his kingdom."

The Gift of Love

"Blessed is she who has believed that the Lord would fulfill his promises to her!"



ACROSS

- 2. To accept as true
- 3. The mother of John the Baptist
- 6. The mother of Jesus
- 7. To agree to do something for someone in the future

DOWN

- 1. Highly favored by God
- 2. An infant; a young child
- 4. The place where a person lives
- 5. The feeling of great happiness

Dear God please fill me with empathy and compassion so that I will have joy with those who have joy and cry with those who cry..~ Amen



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