



Peel Valley Congregation

Gowrie, Hallsville & West Tamworth

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Exodus 33:12-23 (NIV)

Moses and the Glory of the LORD

¹² Moses said to the LORD, "You have been telling me, 'Lead these people,' but you have not let me know whom you will send with me. You have said, 'I know you by name and you have found favor with me.' ¹³ If you are pleased with me, teach me your ways so I may know you and continue to find favor with you. Remember that this nation is your people."

¹⁴ The LORD replied, "My Presence will go with you, and I will give you rest."

¹⁵ Then Moses said to him, "If your Presence does not go with us, do not send us up from here. ¹⁶ How will anyone know that you are pleased with me and with your people unless you go with us? What else will distinguish me and your people from all the other people on the face of the earth?"

¹⁷ And the LORD said to Moses, "I will do the very thing you have asked, because I am pleased with you and I know you by name."

¹⁸ Then Moses said, "Now show me your glory."

¹⁹ And the LORD said, "I will cause all my goodness to pass in front of you, and I will proclaim my name, the LORD, in your presence. I will have mercy on whom I will have mercy, and I will have compassion on whom I will have compassion. ²⁰ But," he said, "you cannot see my face, for no one may see me and live."

²¹ Then the LORD said, "There is a place near me where you may stand on a rock. ²² When my glory passes by, I will put you in a cleft in the rock and cover you with my hand until I have passed by. ²³ Then I will remove my hand and you will see my back; but my face must not be seen."

When you walk through a storm, hold your head up high

And don't be afraid of the dark

At the end of a storm, there's a golden sky

And the sweet silver song of a lark

Walk on through the wind,

Walk on through the rain

Though your dreams be tossed and blown

Walk on, walk on, With hope in your heart

And you'll never walk alone.

~ Rodgers & Hammerstein - Carousel

Do you have the Wisdom to Walk alone with God?

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."

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Psalm 99 (NIV)

¹ The LORD reigns,
let the nations tremble;
he sits enthroned between the cherubim,
let the earth shake.

² Great is the LORD in Zion;
he is exalted over all the nations.

³ Let them praise your great and awesome name—
he is holy.

⁴ The King is mighty, he loves justice—
you have established equity;
in Jacob you have done
what is just and right.

⁵ Exalt the LORD our God
and worship at his footstool;
he is holy.

⁶ Moses and Aaron were among his priests,
Samuel was among those who called on his name;
they called on the LORD
and he answered them.

⁷ He spoke to them from the pillar of cloud;
they kept his statutes and the decrees he gave them.

⁸ LORD our God,
you answered them;
you were to Israel a forgiving God,
though you punished their misdeeds.

⁹ Exalt the LORD our God
and worship at his holy mountain,
for the LORD our God is holy.

1 Thessalonians 1(NIV)

1 Paul, Silas and Timothy,
To the church of the Thessalonians in God the Father
and the Lord Jesus Christ:
Grace and peace to you.

Thanksgiving for the Thessalonians' Faith

² We always thank God for all of you and continually mention you in our prayers. ³ We remember before our God and Father your work produced by faith, your labor prompted by love, and your endurance inspired by hope in our Lord Jesus Christ.

⁴ For we know, brothers and sisters loved by God, that he has chosen you, ⁵ because our gospel came to you not simply with words but also with power, with the Holy Spirit and deep conviction. You know how we lived among you for your sake. ⁶ You became imitators of us and of the Lord, for you welcomed the message in the midst of severe suffering with the joy given by the Holy Spirit. ⁷ And so you became a model to all the believers in Macedonia and Achaia. ⁸ The Lord's message rang out from you not only in Macedonia and Achaia—your faith in God has become known everywhere. Therefore we do not need to say anything about it, ⁹ for they themselves report what kind of reception you gave us. They tell how you turned to God from idols to serve the living and true God, ¹⁰ and to wait for his Son from heaven, whom he raised from the dead—Jesus, who rescues us from the coming wrath.

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IN OUR PRAYERS

- We pray for Fay Monckton's daughter, Bronwyn, who had surgery during the week.
- We also pray for Athol Whitten, and Steve Scorgie, who are recovering from surgery.
- We pray for the Kairos Outside Weekend taking place at Lake Keepit.
- We pray for residents at all the Tamworth aged care facilities. Most have had outbreaks of contagious diseases over the past few months. We pray especially for Betty Leese, Nancye Porter, Judy Watts, Gordon Gibson and Viv Chaffey.
- We continue to pray for an improvement in Donna Harrow's health.
- We pray for the children who will receive boxes through Operation Christmas Child.

Meg's Musings

As I look around Tamworth at the moment, there are fresh green leaves everywhere. Bottlebrushes, Silky-Oak and many other trees are in flower.

But the Jacarandas are completely "out of sync" with everything else. They look lifeless, and seemingly dead.

We know that it will be only a matter of a few weeks until they are covered in their blue-mauve blossom..... but not just yet.

Sometimes, as Christians, we seem to be "out of sync" with the world. Our values, our priorities and our way of seeing life can seem to be at odds with society.

But Jesus promised that our time will come - he offered us "Life in all its fullness", and that promise is always worth relying on.



Blessings from Meg

Dear God, help us to give you what is yours. Help us to spend our hours in acts of love and our days in doing acts of kindness. May we always obey you and give you the praise that is due ~ Amen.



"There are some things we learn on stormy seas that we never learn on calm smooth waters. We don't look for storms but they will surely find us. The "God of the Storm" has something to teach us, and His love always drives His actions." ~ Danny L Deaubé

CHURCH SERVICES

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| 3 November 6pm | Hallsville ~ John Nash |
| 5 November 8.30am | Gowrie ~ John Nash |
| 5 November 9am | Hallsville ~ NO SERVICE |
| 5 November 11am | West ~ John Nash |



NOTICE OF MEETING
Peel Valley Congregation AGM
12 November 2017
Following combined service at Gowrie

Peel Valley Congregation

West Tamworth Uniting Church, 77 Denison Street
Memory Lane ~ First & Third Tuesday of the month
10am till 11:30am
Bible Study ~ Third Thursday of the month 2:30pm
4pm

Matthew 22:15-22 (NIV)

Paying the Imperial Tax to Caesar

¹⁵ Then the Pharisees went out and laid plans to trap him in his words.

¹⁶ They sent their disciples to him along with the Herodians. "Teacher," they said, "we know that you are a man of integrity and that you teach the way of God in accordance with the truth. You aren't swayed by others, because you pay no attention to who they are.

¹⁷ Tell us then, what is your opinion? Is it right to pay the imperial tax to Caesar or not?"

¹⁸ But Jesus, knowing their evil intent, said, "You hypocrites, why are you trying to trap me?"

¹⁹ Show me the coin used for paying the tax." They brought him a denarius, ²⁰ and he asked them, "Whose image is this? And whose inscription?"

²¹ "Caesar's," they replied.

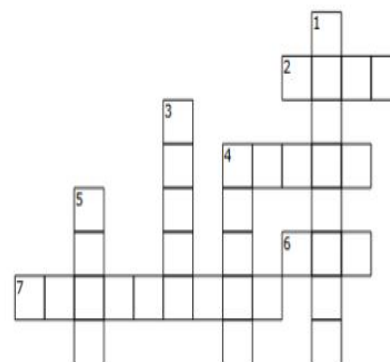
Then he said to them, "So give back to Caesar what is Caesar's, and to God what is God's."

²² When they heard this, they were amazed. So they left him and went away.

Paying Taxes to Caesar

Then he said to them, "Give to Caesar what is Caesar's, and to God what is God's." Matthew 22:21

Based on Matthew 22:15-22 (NIV)



ACROSS

2. A usually flat piece of metal used for money.
4. A statement that agrees with fact or reality.
6. To give someone money in return for something.
7. A religious group who were strict followers of the law.

DOWN

1. A picture of a person -- usually showing the face.
3. The details of how something is going to be accomplished.
4. Money paid to the government.
5. A situation from which it is difficult or impossible to escape.

CHURCH ON A BUS ~ 29 October BREEZA



1st Sunday of the month

~ Luncheon @ West

3rd Sunday of the month

~ Trading Table @ West Tamworth

4th Sunday of the month

~ Markets @ Hallsville

26 November

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