



Peel Valley Congregation

Gowrie, Hallsville & West Tamworth

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Acts 4:5-12 (NIV)

⁵ The next day the rulers, the elders and the teachers of the law met in Jerusalem.

⁶ Annas the high priest was there, and so were Caiaphas, John, Alexander and others of the high priest's family.

⁷ They had Peter and John brought before them and began to question them: "By what power or what name did you do this?"

⁸ Then Peter, filled with the Holy Spirit, said to them:

"Rulers and elders of the people

! ⁹ If we are being called to account today for an act of kindness shown to a man who was lame and are being asked how he was healed, ¹⁰ then know this, you and all the people of Israel: It is by the name of Jesus Christ of Nazareth, whom you crucified but whom God raised from the dead, that this man stands before you healed.

¹¹ Jesus is

"the stone you builders rejected,
which has become the cornerstone.

¹² Salvation is found in no one else, for there is no other name under heaven given to mankind by which we must be saved."

Psalm 23 (NIV)

¹ The LORD is my shepherd, I lack nothing.

² He makes me lie down in green pastures,
he leads me beside quiet waters,

³ he refreshes my soul.

He guides me along the right paths
for his name's sake.

⁴ Even though I walk
through the darkest valley,

I will fear no evil,

for you are with me;

your rod and your staff,

they comfort me.

⁵ You prepare a table before me
in the presence of my enemies.

You anoint my head with oil;

my cup overflows.

⁶ Surely your goodness and love will follow me
all the days of my life,

and I will dwell in the house of the LORD

forever.

When one door closes, another opens; but we often look so long and so regretfully upon the closed door that we do not see the one which has opened for us. ~Alexander Graham Bell

1 John 3:16-24 (NIV)

¹⁶ This is how we know what love is: Jesus Christ laid down his life for us. And we ought to lay down our lives for our brothers and sisters.

¹⁷ If anyone has material possessions and sees a brother or sister in need but has no pity on them, how can the love of God be in that person?

¹⁸ Dear children, let us not love with words or speech but with actions and in truth.

¹⁹ This is how we know that we belong to the truth and how we set our hearts at rest in his presence:

²⁰ If our hearts condemn us, we know that God is greater than our hearts, and he knows everything.

²¹ Dear friends, if our hearts do not condemn us, we have confidence before God ²² and receive from him anything we ask, because we keep his commands and do what pleases him.

²³ And this is his command: to believe in the name of his Son, Jesus Christ, and to love one another as he commanded us.

²⁴ The one who keeps God's commands lives in him, and he in them. And this is how we know that he lives in us: We know it by the Spirit he gave us.

Food Hamper Distribution

We received a letter from Nicolette Willis, City Church, thanking West Tamworth congregation for their continuous supply of food items for the hampers they distribute to those less fortunate in our community, or those who find themselves short of funds or food for some reason. Nicolette has provided a list of the most useful items, which may help you in deciding what to donate:

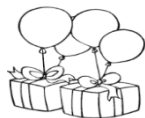
1 ltr UHT full cream milk, 500g sugar, 25 pkt tea bags, 50g jar of coffee, small tins of tuna or sardines, baked beans/spaghetti, canned meals, tinned fruit (all tins with ring pull lids), cup-of-noodles, cup-of-soup, pasta or rice packet meals, biscuits (salada, sao), single serve cereals or small weet-bix. Small personal items such as toothpaste and tooth brushes could also be included.

Thank you to everyone for your assistance in this outreach.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

22 April ~ Mavis Chaffey

28 April ~ Jean Stratford



CHURCH SERVICES

29 April **CHURCH ON A BUS at Breeza**
4 May 9am **Hallsville** ~ Marg Crowell
22 April 8.30am **Gowrie** ~ ????
22 April 11am **West** ~ ????



May green be the grass you walk on.

May blue be the skies above you.

May pure be the joys that surround you.

May true be the hearts that love you. ~ Irish

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IN OUR PRAYERS

- We pray for Beth Scorgie who is having severe headaches at the moment.
- We pray for Mavis Chaffey, who is 91 years young today.
- We pray for Viv Chaffey. Her diabetes is preventing her travelling to Breeza next week. She will really miss being able to go on the outing.
- We continue to pray for Doss Wark, that her broken collar-bone will heal well.

Meg's Musings

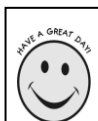
In his message at West Tamworth last week, Chris Wright spoke about Charles Darwin. It seems that Charles had a difficult upbringing, and very poor health. Yet, despite this, his name is known throughout the world. He has been a strong influence on science for over 150 years. Each of us has something to offer. It probably won't be as spectacular as the new understanding which Charles Darwin brought to the world. But if we don't "do our bit", the world is a poorer place. If you try to complete a jigsaw puzzle that has a few pieces missing, it is far more difficult. If God can't rely on "your bit", His job is more difficult too. What is God asking of you???

Blessings from Meg



Hymn

- 1 The Lord's my Shepherd, I'll not want;
He makes me down to lie
In pastures green; He leadeth me
The quiet waters by.
- 2 My soul He doth restore again,
And me to walk doth make
Within the paths of righteousness,
E'en for His own name's sake.
- 3 Yea, though I walk in death's dark vale,
Yet will I fear no ill;
For Thou art with me, and Thy rod
And staff me comfort still.
- 4 My table Thou hast furnished
In presence of my foes;
My head Thou dost with oil anoint,
And my cup overflows.
- 5 Goodness and mercy all my life
Shall surely follow me,
And in God's house forevermore
My dwelling-place shall be.



1st Sunday of the month

~ Luncheon @ West

3rd Sunday of the month

~ Trading Table @ West Tamworth

4th Sunday of the month

~ Markets @ Hallsville

22 April

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



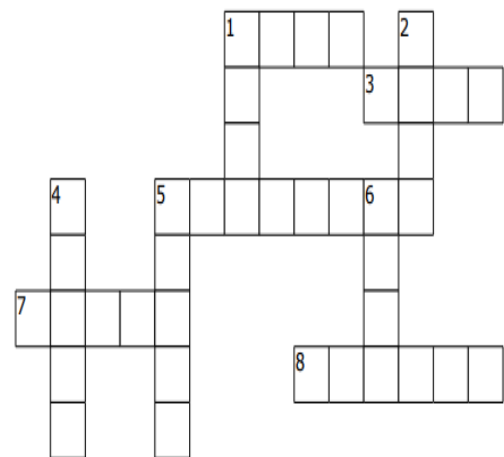
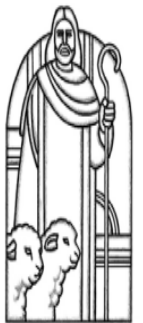
John 10:11-18 (NIV)

- ¹¹ "I am the good shepherd. The good shepherd lays down his life for the sheep.
- ¹² The hired hand is not the shepherd and does not own the sheep. So when he sees the wolf coming, he abandons the sheep and runs away. Then the wolf attacks the flock and scatters it.
- ¹³ The man runs away because he is a hired hand and cares nothing for the sheep.
- ¹⁴ "I am the good shepherd; I know my sheep and my sheep know me— ¹⁵ just as the Father knows me and I know the Father—and I lay down my life for the sheep.
- ¹⁶ I have other sheep that are not of this sheep pen. I must bring them also. They too will listen to my voice, and there shall be one flock and one shepherd.
- ¹⁷ The reason my Father loves me is that I lay down my life—only to take it up again.
- ¹⁸ No one takes it from me, but I lay it down of my own accord. I have authority to lay it down and authority to take it up again. This command I received from my Father."

The Good Shepherd

"I am the good shepherd. The good shepherd lays down his life for the sheep." John 10:11 (NIV)

Puzzle is based on John 10:11-18



ACROSS

1. The period from birth to death
3. A wild animal that look like a dog and hunts in a pack
5. One who takes care of the sheep
7. What we use to speak
8. To hear or pay attention to something

DOWN

1. A strong feeling of affection
2. The opposite of bad
4. A group of sheep herded together
5. Woolly animals which are similar to goats
6. Goes faster than walking

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