



# Peel Valley Congregation

Gowrie, Hallsville & West Tamworth

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## Romans 8:22-27 (NIV)

<sup>22</sup> We know that the whole creation has been groaning as in the pains of childbirth right up to the present time.

<sup>23</sup> Not only so, but we ourselves, who have the first fruits of the Spirit, groan inwardly as we wait eagerly for our adoption to sonship, the redemption of our bodies.

<sup>24</sup> For in this hope we were saved. But hope that is seen is no hope at all. Who hopes for what they already have?

<sup>25</sup> But if we hope for what we do not yet have, we wait for it patiently.

<sup>26</sup> In the same way, the Spirit helps us in our weakness. We do not know what we ought to pray for, but the Spirit himself intercedes for us through wordless groans.

<sup>27</sup> And he who searches our hearts knows the mind of the Spirit, because the Spirit intercedes for God's people in accordance with the will of God.

## Psalm 104:24-34, 35b (NIV)

<sup>24</sup> How many are your works, LORD! In wisdom you made them all; the earth is full of your creatures.

<sup>25</sup> There is the sea, vast and spacious, teeming with creatures beyond number—living things both large and small.

<sup>26</sup> There the ships go to and fro, and Leviathan, which you formed to frolic there.

<sup>27</sup> All creatures look to you to give them their food at the proper time.

<sup>28</sup> When you give it to them, they gather it up; when you open your hand, they are satisfied with good things.

<sup>29</sup> When you hide your face, they are terrified; when you take away their breath, they die and return to the dust.

<sup>30</sup> When you send your Spirit, they are created, and you renew the face of the ground.

<sup>31</sup> May the glory of the LORD endure forever; may the LORD rejoice in his works—

<sup>32</sup> he who looks at the earth, and it trembles, who touches the mountains, and they smoke.

<sup>33</sup> I will sing to the LORD all my life; I will sing praise to my God as long as I live.

<sup>34</sup> May my meditation be pleasing to him, as I rejoice in the LORD.

<sup>35b</sup> Praise the LORD.

## It Is No Secret

The chimes of time ring out the news, another day is through  
Someone slipped and fell, was that someone you?  
You may have longed for added strength your courage to renew  
Do not be disheartened, I have news for you

It is no secret, what God can do  
What He's done for others, He'll do for you  
With arms wide open, He'll pardon you  
It is no secret, what God can do

There is no night for in His light, you'll never walk alone  
You'll always feel at home, wherever you may roam  
There is no power can conquer you while God is on your side  
Take him at his promise, don't run away and hide

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~ Stuart Hamblen (Song by Elvis Presley & Jim Reeves)

You are never left alone when you are alone with God.  
~ Woodward Kroll

## 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



Without the Spirit of God, we can do nothing.  
We are as ships without wind.  
We are useless. ~ Charles Spurgeon.



WHEN YOU  
*Love*  
WHAT YOU  
*have*  
YOU HAVE  
*everything*  
YOU NEED

## CHURCH SERVICES

25 May	9am	<b>Hallsville</b>	~ NO SERVICE
27 May	8.30am	<b>Gowrie</b>	~ Meg Mangan
27 May	11am	<b>West</b>	~ Meg Mangan



**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

**27 May**

.... enjoy & share the gift of the friendship of Jesus



### IN OUR PRAYERS

- We thank God for the many spirit-filled people who have encouraged us over the years.
- We thank God for the help which Phyll received last weekend from ambulance and hospital staff.
- We pray for peace in the Middle East.
- We thank God for the very happy sharing which we experienced at Memory Lane last Tuesday.

### Meg's Musings

It is interesting that the symbols for Pentecost are flames and wind. In Australia these two forces have often combined in the deadliest of ways, creating firestorms which have destroyed property, livestock and people.

They have erupted with very little warning, allowing people little time to escape their pathway.

Yet, at Pentecost, these symbols were seen as extremely positive - as symbols of the presence of the Holy Spirit.

Likewise water, the symbol of baptism, can be a destructive force when it becomes a raging torrent.

Perhaps we need to look beyond the symbols, and to be aware of the presence of the Holy Spirit in all its forms.

When we "tap into" that presence, it has the potential to energise us, fill us and empower us.



Blessings from Meg



### John 15:26-27, 16:4b-15 (NIV)

#### The Work of the Holy Spirit

<sup>26</sup> "When the Advocate comes, whom I will send to you from the Father—the Spirit of truth who goes out from the Father—he will testify about me.

<sup>27</sup> And you also must testify, for you have been with me from the beginning.

<sup>4</sup> I have told you this, so that when their time comes you will remember that I warned you about them. I did not tell you this from the beginning because I was with you, <sup>5</sup> but now I am going to him who sent me. None of you asks me, 'Where are you going?'

<sup>6</sup> Rather, you are filled with grief because I have said these things.

<sup>7</sup> But very truly I tell you, it is for your good that I am going away. Unless I go away, the Advocate will not come to you; but if I go, I will send him to you.

<sup>8</sup> When he comes, he will prove the world to be in the wrong about sin and righteousness and judgment:

<sup>9</sup> about sin, because people do not believe in me;

<sup>10</sup> about righteousness, because I am going to the Father, where you can see me no longer; <sup>11</sup> and about judgment, because the prince of this world now stands condemned.

<sup>12</sup> "I have much more to say to you, more than you can now bear.

<sup>13</sup> But when he, the Spirit of truth, comes, he will guide you into all the truth. He will not speak on his own; he will speak only what he hears, and he will tell you what is yet to come.

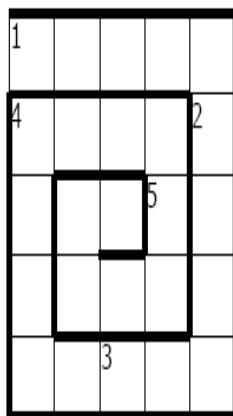
<sup>14</sup> He will glorify me because it is from me that he will receive what he will make known to you.

<sup>15</sup> All that belongs to the Father is mine. That is why I said the Spirit will receive from me what he will make known to you."

## The Work of the Holy Spirit



"But when he, the Spirit of truth, comes, he will guide you into all truth. He will not speak on his own; he will speak only what he hears, and he will tell you what is yet to come." John 16:13 (NIV)



Dear God, we thank you for giving us Your Holy Word to be our roadmap through life. We also thank you for sending Your Holy Spirit to be our guide.~ Amen.

Lift up your hearts to Him, sometimes even at your meals, and when you are in company; the least little remembrance will always be acceptable to Him. You need not cry very loud; He is nearer to us than we are aware.~ Brother Lawrence

### Leaving the church early

"I hope you didn't take it personally, preacher," an embarrassed woman said after a church service, "when my husband walked out during your sermon." "I did find it rather disconcerting," the Pastor replied.

"It wasn't out of any disrespect to you," insisted the church-goer.

"Fred has been walking in his sleep ever since he was a child."  
~ Make It Clear Ministries

1. To show the way by leading, directing, or advising
2. To express your thoughts, opinions, or emotions orally
3. A statement proven to be or accepted as being true
4. To receive a sound using your ears
5. God coming to us without human body; The Holy \_\_\_\_\_.

**HAPPY BIRTHDAY**

20 May ~ Shirley Whitten

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