



Peel Valley Congregation

Gowrie, Hallsville & West Tamworth

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Jeremiah 33:14-16 (NIV)

¹⁴ "The days are coming," declares the LORD, "when I will fulfill the good promise I made to the people of Israel and Judah.

¹⁵ "In those days and at that time I will make a righteous Branch sprout from David's line; he will do what is just and right in the land.

¹⁶ In those days Judah will be saved and Jerusalem will live in safety. This is the name by which it will be called: The LORD Our Righteous Savior."

1 Thessalonians 3:9-13 (NIV)

⁹ How can we thank God enough for you in return for all the joy we have in the presence of our God because of you?

¹⁰ Night and day we pray most earnestly that we may see you again and supply what is lacking in your faith.

¹¹ Now may our God and Father himself and our Lord Jesus clear the way for us to come to you.

¹² May the Lord make your love increase and overflow for each other and for everyone else, just as ours does for you.

¹³ May he strengthen your hearts so that you will be blameless and holy in the presence of our God and Father when our Lord Jesus comes with all his holy ones.

Psalms 25:1-10 (NIV)

¹ In you, LORD my God, I put my trust.

² I trust in you; do not let me be put to shame, nor let my enemies triumph over me.

³ No one who hopes in you will ever be put to shame, but shame will come on those who are treacherous without cause.

⁴ Show me your ways, LORD, teach me your paths.

⁵ Guide me in your truth and teach me, for you are God my Savior, and my hope is in you all day long.

⁶ Remember, LORD, your great mercy and love, for they are from of old.

⁷ Do not remember the sins of my youth and my rebellious ways; according to your love remember me, for you, LORD, are good.

⁸ Good and upright is the LORD; therefore he instructs sinners in his ways.

⁹ He guides the humble in what is right and teaches them his way.

¹⁰ All the ways of the LORD are loving and faithful toward those who keep the demands of his covenant.

Just a thought:

- Silence and smile are two powerful words. Smile is the way to solve many problems and Silence is the way to avoid many problems ~ Anon
- I have never killed a man, but I have read many obituaries with great pleasure ~ Clarence Darrow
- To succeed in life, you need three things: a wishbone, a backbone and a funny bone ~ Reba McEntire
- A wise man listens to advice - Proverbs 12:15

"If you want to lift yourself up, lift up someone else."
~ Booker T. Washington

CHURCH SERVICES

9 December 11am West ~ Meg Mangan
AGM incorporated in worship

16 December 11am West ~ Rev Chris Wright



CHRISTMAS DAY SERVICE

Hallsville ~ Henry Swindon



Empathy:

"Let me hold the door for you. I may have never walked in your shoes, but I can see your soles are worn, your strength is torn under the weight of a story I have never lived before. Let me hold the door for you. After all you've walked through, It's the least I can do." ~ Morgan Harper Nichols

"Whatever you are, be a good one." ~ Abraham Lincoln

Final Memory Lane for 2018
4 December at West.

NB: Peel Valley will be in recess until Country Gospel Breakfast 20th January.
First 2019 service at West 27th January 2019.
First 2019 service at Gowrie 10th February 2019.

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IN OUR PRAYERS

- We pray for Eunice, who is having another period of respite care at Alblas Lodge.
- We pray for those people in Queensland affected by bush-fires.
- We pray for people for whom Christmas and its lead-up is a period of extra busyness, rather than extra joy.
- We pray for all of those families who will be receiving Christmas hampers.

Meg's Musings

Next Sunday we will be holding our AGM as part of our worship at West Tamworth.

One of the items on the agenda is the question of whether or not to allow single-sex marriages to be celebrated within any of our Peel Valley church buildings.

The vote will be a secret ballot. No-one will see your vote.

There are lots of views for and against such a decision. Perhaps what we need to consider most is "What would Jesus do?"

The Gospels do not mention Jesus' attitude toward homosexuality. We do know that Jesus never shrank from contact with people who were shunned.

For instance, the woman at the well, the woman caught in adultery and the prostitute who poured oil on his feet in the home of Simon the Pharisee all received acceptance from Jesus.

Please come along, and make your vote count.

Blessings from Meg



Once there was a farmer whose dog had delivered a litter of puppies. The farmer put up a large sign that read "Puppies for Sale," and the next day a young boy came to buy one. He proudly pulled out his money saying, "I have 39 cents. I hope that is enough." Even though the farmer had in mind much more money than that, he kindly said, "That's exactly how much they cost."

The boy was so excited as the farmer opened the barn and out came the most adorable little puppies. "Which one do you want?" the farmer asked. Just then, one more puppy came hobbling along. It was clear that something was wrong with its hind legs.

The boy went straight for that puppy and said, "I'd like this one!" "No you don't," said the farmer, "Can't you see he has something wrong with his legs?"

The boy picked up his trousers to reveal metal braces on each of his legs.

"So do I," said the boy. "And he's going to need someone who understands him."

Don't we all!



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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Luke 21:25-36 (NIV)

²⁵ "There will be signs in the sun, moon and stars. On the earth, nations will be in anguish and perplexity at the roaring and tossing of the sea.

²⁶ People will faint from terror, apprehensive of what is coming on the world, for the heavenly bodies will be shaken.

²⁷ At that time they will see the Son of Man coming in a cloud with power and great glory.

²⁸ When these things begin to take place, stand up and lift up your heads, because your redemption is drawing near."

²⁹ He told them this parable: "Look at the fig tree and all the trees.

³⁰ When they sprout leaves, you can see for yourselves and know that summer is near.

³¹ Even so, when you see these things happening, you know that the kingdom of God is near.

³² "Truly I tell you, this generation will certainly not pass away until all these things have happened.

³³ Heaven and earth will pass away, but my words will never pass away.

³⁴ "Be careful, or your hearts will be weighed down with carousing, drunkenness and the anxieties of life, and that day will close on you suddenly like a trap.

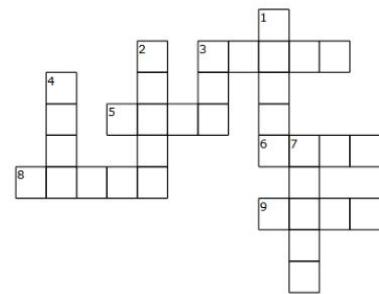
³⁵ For it will come on all those who live on the face of the whole earth.

³⁶ Be always on the watch, and pray that you may be able to escape all that is about to happen, and that you may be able to stand before the Son of Man."

Christ Is Coming Again



At that time they will see the Son of Man coming in a cloud with power and great glory. Luke 21:27 (NIV)



ACROSS

- 3. Twinkling points of light in the sky at night
- 5. The large heavenly body visible in the night sky
- 6. The part of the body containing the brain, eyes, ears, nose, mouth
- 8. To rise to an upright position on your feet
- 9. To make a request to God

DOWN

- 1. To observe very carefully
- 2. Large, white, fluffy things floating in the sky
- 3. The earth's source of heat and light
- 4. To raise from a lower to a higher position
- 7. The planet on which we live

HAVE A GREAT DAY!

<p>1st Sunday of the month ~ Luncheon @ West</p> <p>3rd Sunday of the month ~ Trading Table @ West Tamworth</p>	<p>4th Sunday of the month ~ Markets @ Hallsville</p>
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