

Peel Valley Congregation

Gowrie, Hallsville & West Tamworth

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Hosea 11:1-11 (NIV) God's Love for Israel

- 11 "When Israel was a child, I loved him, and out of Egypt I called my son.
- But the more they were called, the more they went away from me. They sacrificed to the Baals and they burned incense to images.
- It was I who taught Ephraim to walk, taking them by the arms; but they did not realize it was I who healed them.
- I led them with cords of human kindness, with ties of love.
 - To them I was like one who lifts a little child to the cheek, and I bent down to feed them.
- 5 "Will they not return to Egypt and will not Assyria rule over them because they refuse to repent?
- A sword will flash in their cities; it will devour their false prophets and put an end to their plans.
- My people are determined to turn from me. Even though they call me God Most High, I will by no means exalt them.
- 8 "How can I give you up, Ephraim? How can I hand you over, Israel? How can I treat you like Admah? How can I make you like Zeboyim? My heart is changed within me; all my compassion is aroused.
- I will not carry out my fierce anger, nor will I devastate Ephraim again. For I am God, and not a man—the Holy One among you.
 I will not come against their cities.
- ¹⁰ They will follow the LORD; he will roar like a lion.
 When he roars.

his children will come trembling from the west.

They will come from Egypt, trembling like sparrows, from Assyria, fluttering like doves. I will settle them in their homes," declares the LORD.

"The greater part of our happiness or misery depends upon our dispositions, and not upon our circumstances." ~ Martha Washington

CHURCH SERVICES

11 August 8.30am **Gowrie** ~ Meg Mangan 11 August 11am **West** ~ Meg Mangan



Psalm 107:1-9, 43 (NIV)

- ¹ Give thanks to the LORD, for he is good; his love endures forever.
- Let the redeemed of the LORD tell their story—those he redeemed from the hand of the foe.
- those he gathered from the lands, from east and west, from north and south.
- Some wandered in desert wastelands, finding no way to a city where they could settle.
- ⁵ They were hungry and thirsty, and their lives ebbed away.
- ⁶ Then they cried out to the LORD in their trouble, and he delivered them from their distress.
- ⁷ He led them by a straight way to a city where they could settle.
- Let them give thanks to the LORD for his unfailing love
 - and his wonderful deeds for mankind,
- 9 for He satisfies the thirsty and fills the hungry with good things.
- ⁴³ Let the one who is wise heed these things and ponder the loving deeds of the LORD.

Colossians 3:1-11 (NIV)

Living as Those Made Alive in Christ

3 Since, then, you have been raised with Christ, set your hearts on things above, where Christ is, seated at the right hand of God.

² Set your minds on things above, not on earthly things. ³ For you died, and your life is now hidden with Christ in God. ⁴When Christ, who is your life, appears, then you also will appear with him in glory.

⁵ Put to death, therefore, whatever belongs to your earthly nature: sexual immorality, impurity, lust, evil desires and greed, which is idolatry. ⁶ Because of these, the wrath of God is coming. ⁷ You used to walk in these ways, in the life you once lived. ⁸ But now you must also rid yourselves of all such things as these: anger, rage, malice, slander, and filthy language from your lips. ⁹ Do not lie to each other, since you have taken off your old self with its practices ¹⁰ and have put on the new self, which is being renewed in knowledge in the image of its Creator. ¹¹ Here there is no Gentile or Jew, circumcised or uncircumcised, barbarian, Scythian, slave or free, but Christ is all, and is in 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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Elders: Margaret Crowell Ross Davidson Bruce Jarrett





IN OUR PRAYERS

- We continue to pray for healing for Val Lush.
- We pray for all of those who have lost loved ones this year especially Mavis, Kevin and Beulah.
- We pray for Chris and Robyn Wright as they begin a new phase of their lives.
- We ask God to send plentiful rain throughout our region.

Meg's Musings

Despite the continuing drought, nature continues to surprise us.

This week I have seen the first wattle of the season, and the first magnolia flowers.

Their beauty is all the more spectacular when so many plants are either dead or looking very bedraggled.

It seems that those trees are digging into the last of their resources to put on a beautiful spring display.

Seeing such beauty lifts our spirits.

It almost seems to be a love-letter from God, reminding us that He still loves us and is there for us.

How do you respond to such beauty?

Blessings from Meg



The Parable of the Rich Fool

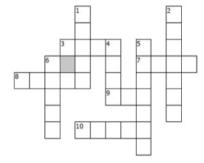
Crossword

The Parable of the Rich Fool

Then he said to them, "Watch out! Be on your guard against all kinds of greed; a man's life does not consist in the abundance of his possessions." Luke 12:15 (NIV)

This puzzle is based on Luke 12:13-21 (NIV)





ACROSS

- 3. One who acts unwisely
- 7. Having great material wealth
- Large farm buildings used for storing farm products and sheltering livestock
- To take food into the body through the mouth
- An official who decides cases brought before a court of law

DOWN

- Agricultural products, such as grain, vegetables, or fruit
- A person who educates or gives instruction
- 4. The period of time between birth and death
- 5. A male having the same parent or parents as another
- To take liquid into the mouth and swallow

If you could kick the person in the pants responsible for most of your trouble, you wouldn't sit for a month. ~ Theodore Roosevelt

Luke 12:13-21 (KJV)

The Parable of the Rich Fool

¹³ Someone in the crowd said to him, "Teacher, tell my brother to divide the inheritance with me."

¹⁴ Jesus replied, "Man, who appointed me a judge or an arbiter between you?"

¹⁵ Then he said to them, "Watch out! Be on your guard against all kinds of greed; life does not consist in an abundance of possessions."

¹⁶ And he told them this parable: "The ground of a certain rich man yielded an abundant harvest.

¹⁷ He thought to himself, 'What shall I do? I have no place to store my crops'

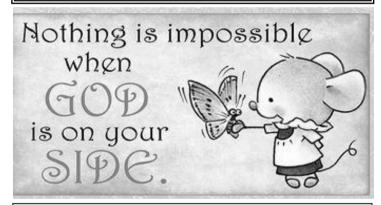
place to store my crops.'

18 "Then he said, 'This is what I'll do. I will tear down my barns and build bigger ones, and there I will store my surplus grain.

¹⁹ And I'll say to myself, "You have plenty of grain laid up for many years. Take life easy; eat, drink and be merry."

²⁰ "But God said to him, 'You fool! This very night your life will be demanded from you. Then who will get what you have prepared for yourself?'

²¹ "This is how it will be with whoever stores up things for themselves but is not rich toward God."



What is not started today is never finished tomorrow. ~ Johann Wolfgang von Goethe

9 August ~ Ross Davidson

13 August ~ Judy Lennon

28 August ~ Anna Davidson

31 August ~ Fiona Hansford

31 August ~ Alan Littlejohns



OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD:

Thanks to everyone who has contributed so far. We still need:-

- * Large bags to hold the contents of the boxes (28)
- * Marbles and marble bags
- * Ribbons, jewellery, small cuddly toys





1st Sunday of the month

4th Sunday of the month

~ Luncheon @ West

~ Markets @ Hallsville

25 August

Tuesday 6 August MEMORY LANE