



Peel Valley Congregation

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Romans 13:11-14 (NIV)

The Day Is Near

¹¹ And do this, understanding the present time:

The hour has already come for you to wake up from your slumber, because our salvation is nearer now than when we first believed.

¹² The night is nearly over; the day is almost here. So let us put aside the deeds of darkness and put on the armor of light.

¹³ Let us behave decently, as in the daytime, not in carousing and drunkenness, not in sexual immorality and debauchery, not in dissension and jealousy.

¹⁴ Rather, clothe yourselves with the Lord Jesus Christ, and do not think about how to gratify the desires of the flesh.

Isaiah 2:1-5(NIV)

The Mountain of the LORD

² This is what Isaiah son of Amoz saw concerning Judah and Jerusalem:

² In the last days

the mountain of the LORD's temple will be established

as the highest of the mountains;

it will be exalted above the hills,

and all nations will stream to it.

³ Many peoples will come and say, "Come, let us go up to the mountain of the LORD,

to the temple of the God of Jacob.

He will teach us his ways,

so that we may walk in his paths."

The law will go out from Zion, the word of the LORD from Jerusalem.

⁴ He will judge between the nations and will settle disputes for many peoples.

They will beat their swords into plowshares and their spears into pruning hooks.

Nation will not take up sword against nation,

nor will they train for war anymore.

⁵ Come, descendants of Jacob, let us walk in the light of the LORD.

"Even before Christmas has said hello, it's saying 'buy buy.'"

Psalm 122 (NIV)

¹ I rejoiced with those who said to me, "Let us go to the house of the LORD."

² Our feet are standing in your gates, Jerusalem.

³ Jerusalem is built like a city that is closely compacted together.

⁴ That is where the tribes go up—the tribes of the LORD—to praise the name of the LORD according to the statute given to Israel.

⁵ There stand the thrones for judgment, the thrones of the house of David.

⁶ Pray for the peace of Jerusalem: "May those who love you be secure.

⁷ May there be peace within your walls and security within your citadels."

⁸ For the sake of my family and friends, I will say, "Peace be within you."

⁹ For the sake of the house of the LORD our God, I will seek your prosperity.



If you've ever gone to a room with a purpose in mind only to forget what that reason was upon arrival, know that you're not alone.

Scientists called this phenomenon the "doorway effect," and it's a real symptom of our brains being overloaded. ~ Kelly Vaughan

CHURCH SERVICES

4th December ~ Combined Peel Valley service and Christmas lunch at Hallsville, commencing 11:00am. Everyone welcome.



1st Sunday of the month ~ Luncheon @ West

4th Sunday of the month ~ Markets @ Hallsville



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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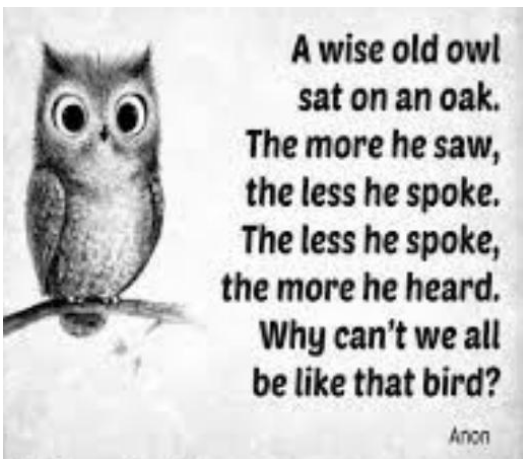
IN OUR PRAYERS

- We pray for the people of NSW, Victoria and South Australia who are affected by floods, and the aftermath of flooding.
- We pray for Ukrainians, and other Europeans, who lack access to heating at the moment. 
- We give thanks for the green gardens and beautiful flowers and blossom.
- We pray for people who are unwell, and especially for people in hospital.
- We pray for our friends who are grieving.

Meg's Musings

 A quick glance at the TV programs for night-time TV shows that the "silly season", or non-ratings period has begun. Lots of the programs are repeats of programs previously shown. That period used to last about the same time as the Christmas school holiday, but now begins in November, and last until well into February. For some programs, it is essential to give their team a break. In other situations, it is a cheaper option to repeat shows. As all of the TV channels choose to do this, none is disadvantaged. They can "get away with it". But as Christians, God is calling on us to be at our best all year around. There is no time when our second-best is good enough. Because there is never a moment when God isn't available to us - fully available, ready to strengthen, comfort and bless us. With God's help, our best is always possible.

Blessing from Meg



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Thursdays, Fridays, Saturdays.



Matthew 24:36-44 (NIV)

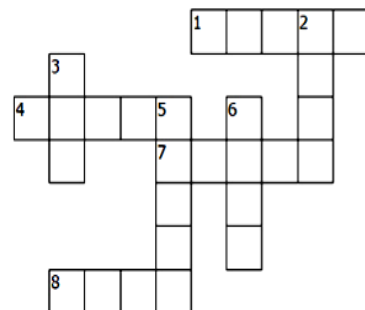
The Day and Hour Unknown

³⁶ "But about that day or hour no one knows, not even the angels in heaven, nor the Son, but only the Father.
³⁷ As it was in the days of Noah, so it will be at the coming of the Son of Man.
³⁸ For in the days before the flood, people were eating and drinking, marrying and giving in marriage, up to the day Noah entered the ark; ³⁹ and they knew nothing about what would happen until the flood came and took them all away. That is how it will be at the coming of the Son of Man.
⁴⁰ Two men will be in the field; one will be taken and the other left.
⁴¹ Two women will be grinding with a hand mill; one will be taken and the other left.
⁴² "Therefore keep watch, because you do not know on what day your Lord will come.
⁴³ But understand this: If the owner of the house had known at what time of night the thief was coming, he would have kept watch and would not have let his house be broken into.
⁴⁴ So you also must be ready, because the Son of Man will come at an hour when you do not expect him.

Be Prepared

So you also must be ready, because the Son of Man will come at an hour when you do not expect him.
 Matthew 24:44 (NIV)

Based on Matthew 24:42-44



ACROSS

1. The time of day when it is dark
4. To keep an eye on; to guard
7. The person who has something such as property
8. A particular moment in the day, such as eight o'clock

DOWN

2. A period of sixty minutes
3. A period of 24 hours
5. The place where a person or family lives
6. To have information about something; to be aware of something

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