



Peel Valley Congregation

Gowrie, Hallsville & West Tamworth

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Ruth 3:1-5,4:13-17 (NIV)

Ruth and Boaz at the Threshing Floor

³ One day Ruth's mother-in-law Naomi said to her, "My daughter, I must find a home for you, where you will be well provided for.

² Now Boaz, with whose women you have worked, is a relative of ours. Tonight he will be winnowing barley on the threshing floor.

³ Wash, put on perfume, and get dressed in your best clothes. Then go down to the threshing floor, but don't let him know you are there until he has finished eating and drinking.

⁴ When he lies down, note the place where he is lying. Then go and uncover his feet and lie down. He will tell you what to do."

⁵ "I will do whatever you say," Ruth answered.

Naomi Gains a Son

¹³ So Boaz took Ruth and she became his wife. When he made love to her, the LORD enabled her to conceive, and she gave birth to a son.

¹⁴ The women said to Naomi: "Praise be to the LORD, who this day has not left you without a guardian-redeemer. May he become famous throughout Israel!

¹⁵ He will renew your life and sustain you in your old age. For your daughter-in-law, who loves you and who is better to you than seven sons, has given him birth."

¹⁶ Then Naomi took the child in her arms and cared for him.

¹⁷ The women living there said, "Naomi has a son!" And they named him Obed. He was the father of Jesse, the father of David.

Hebrews 9:24-28 (NIV)

²⁴ For Christ did not enter a sanctuary made with human hands that was only a copy of the true one; he entered heaven itself, now to appear for us in God's presence.

²⁵ Nor did he enter heaven to offer himself again and again, the way the high priest enters the Most Holy Place every year with blood that is not his own.

²⁶ Otherwise Christ would have had to suffer many times since the creation of the world. But he has appeared once for all at the culmination of the ages to do away with sin by the sacrifice of himself.

²⁷ Just as people are destined to die once, and after that to face judgment, ²⁸ so Christ was sacrificed once to take away the sins of many; and he will appear a second time, not to bear sin, but to bring salvation to those who are waiting for him.

Psalms 127 (NIV)

¹ Unless the LORD builds the house, the builders labour in vain.

Unless the LORD watches over the city, the guards stand watch in vain.

² In vain you rise early and stay up late, toiling for food to eat—

for he grants sleep to those he loves.

³ Children are a heritage from the LORD, offspring a reward from him.

⁴ Like arrows in the hands of a warrior are children born in one's youth.

⁵ Blessed is the man whose quiver is full of them.

They will not be put to shame

when they contend with their opponents in court.

Health is the greatest gift, contentment the greatest wealth, faithfulness the best relationship. ~ Buddha

From Peel Valley congregation Secretary - Thank you to everyone who attended the AGM and Council meeting (and lunch) at Gowrie last Sunday. To those who could not be with us on the day due to illness, we pray for your restored good health.

Council positions were elected as follows: Margaret Crowell, President - Ross Davidson, Vice President (subject to his acceptance) - Evelyn Keane, Secretary - Tony Orr, Treasurer - Alan Littlejohns, Assistant Treasurer. Alan and Patrick Johnson were appointed Auditors for 2015/2016.

Special thanks was given to Pat and Kevin Hoyt for the most generous gift of their time, visiting and caring for many members of our congregations. This year has also been extremely hectic for our Pastoral Care Co-ordinator, Meg, and we thanked her for her hard work and dedication in caring for our congregations.

We would all like to give a huge thank you to our bus drivers who make these excursions possible.

The meeting also expressed their appreciation of our Council executives.

If at any time you would like to have an issue raised at our quarterly meetings, please contact Margaret or myself on 0435 199 465. Your attendance is not mandatory.



Kindest regards, Evelyn

Love the giver more than the gift.~ Brigham Young



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



IN OUR PRAYERS

- Firstly, a BIG thank-you to God for the rain which has fallen. It has lifted our spirits, added water to the dams, and greened up our gardens.
- Thanks for the lovely day at Gowrie last Sunday. The fellowship, the worship, and the food were enjoyed by all.
- Thanks to the office-bearers of our parish, who each accepted their roles for another year.
- We pray for John and Barbara Murray who are each facing a number of troubling medical problems at the moment.
- We also pray for Shirley Whitten, that her health and energy may be restored.

Meg's Musings

At the moment the jacarandas and silky oak trees are in full bloom, and they look amazing. Their purple and gold are gracing our streets and homes across Tamworth.

Purple was considered to be the colour of royalty in the ancient world, and gold was a symbol of the wealth of royalty.

These colours grace trees along our footpaths - public areas not "owned" by anyone, yet visible for all to see and to enjoy - unlike the wealth of ancient royalty, which was unseen, and unavailable to any but the most wealthy and well-connected.

God sends the beauty of the jacarandas and silky oaks for all to enjoy, and to benefit from. God also sent Jesus - not just for the wealthy and the rulers, but for all.

Jesus is there for each and every one of us. His presence isn't as obvious as the purple and gold blooms, but it is there for all who seek him.....

touching, enabling, strengthening and beautifying lives.



Blessings from Meg

There's a sun for the morning,
 And a moon to shine at night;
 Even when the moon is hiding,
 All the stars still twinkle bright.
 There is fruit in the orchard,
 There is grain to bake the bread,
 Through His bounty and His blessings,
 God supplies our every need.
 Through stormy days of winter,
 Still the snowbirds all will sing;
 They know that the blossoms
 Will appear again in Spring.
 Light and warmth, joy and beauty,
 Come from God so high above;
 And He gives us all these good gifts
 From His heart so full of love. ~ Charles Ellerton

Your life follows your thoughts, everyday is a gift from God.

CHURCH SERVICES

13 November	6pm	Hallsville	~ Rev Hansford
15 November	9am	Hallsville	~ Meg Mangan
15 November	8.30am	Gowrie	~NO SERVICE
15 November	11am	West	~ Rev Bill Fischer

Mark 12:38-44 (NIV)

Warning Against the Teachers of the Law

³⁸ As he taught, Jesus said, "Watch out for the teachers of the law. They like to walk around in flowing robes and be greeted with respect in the marketplaces,

³⁹ and have the most important seats in the synagogues and the places of honor at banquets.

⁴⁰ They devour widows' houses and for a show make lengthy prayers. These men will be punished most severely."

⁴¹ Jesus sat down opposite the place where the offerings were put and watched the crowd putting their money into the temple treasury. Many rich people threw in large amounts.

⁴² But a poor widow came and put in two very small copper coins, worth only a few cents.

⁴³ Calling his disciples to him, Jesus said, "Truly I tell you, this poor widow has put more into the treasury than all the others.

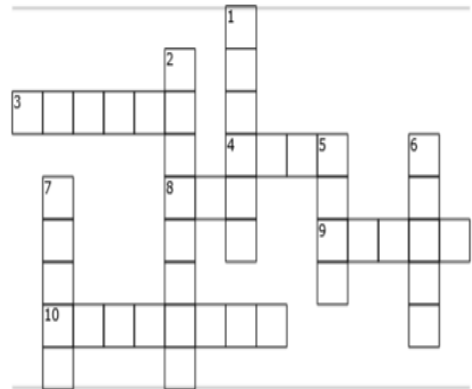
⁴⁴ They all gave out of their wealth; but she, out of her poverty, put in everything —all she had to live on."



The Widow's Mite

But a poor widow came and put in two very small copper coins, worth only a fraction of a penny. Mark 12:42

Based on Mark 12:38-44



ACROSS

3. A reddish-brown metal which is sometimes used in making coins
4. Having little or no wealth
8. The entire amount; everything
9. A small piece of flat, circular metal, used for money
10. A contribution or gift made at a religious service

DOWN

1. A building used for worship
2. A place where funds are received, kept, and dispensed
5. Having great material wealth
6. The official currency issued by a government
7. A woman whose husband has died and who has not remarried



1st Sunday of the month

~ Luncheon @ West

3rd Sunday of the month

~ Trading Table @ West Tamworth

4th Sunday of the month

~ Markets @ Hallsville



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