



TALKING POINT

KNOWING JESUS CHRIST AND MAKING HIM KNOWN

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Volunteering with Frontier Services

There are many people in our congregation who have been financial and prayer supporters of Frontier Services over many years. They have been interested in the placements that others have had through Outback Links. Their interest and support has been appreciated by those who have volunteered.

How do you volunteer to support people in the outback? Looking at the Frontier Services web site under Outback Links there is a section called Opportunities. Listed there are the places in Australia where people have specific needs. These can range from minding properties while the owners are away to helping with school lessons, helping with a variety of farm duties to general gardening and housework duties.



As part of our holiday plans we consider the direction we are travelling. We then look at the opportunities listed. We let Outback Links know of several places where we could help out. They make the link between the family and the volunteers. We contact the family and make final arrangements regarding time of arrival and ask what they would like to be done. Many times we end up doing other jobs as well. Being involved with the family is a privilege as we share the daily life on their property.

Our recent placement on a cattle station between Taroom and Roma was interesting in many ways. We were in NRL country where father and son were mad keen footy supporters. Apart from watching the State of Origin, we went to the junior league on a Saturday. It was a great family day and wonderful way for a community to get together. Having to travel long distances for sport, entertainment, shopping and medical services is part of everyday life.



We were made very welcome by the family and know we will continue to have ongoing links with them. Three weeks doesn't seem a long time but we know the family very much appreciated the help and support that was given.

Heather and Bruce Boucher.

WANTED:

Men and women who know the love of God and have gifts and talents which they wish to share in caring for the people of God in Traralgon Uniting Church.

There are many ways to serve in our Church including stewards, being on the Welcome Door, the Newcomers Team, reading the Bible, serving morning tea, assisting on the accounting team, providing flowers or working to upkeep the grounds.

Our rosters at times are hard to fill, so if you feel you are able to assist in any of these ways, please let either Bruce and Heather Boucher or Sheila and Ian Whitehead know.



Traralgon District Uniting Church

Incorporating: Traralgon, Traralgon South, Glengarry & Rosedale.



This Sunday 9th July

Traralgon	9:00 am	Rev. T. Johnson
Glengarry	11:00 am	O. Qaranivalu
Rosedale	9:00 am	O. Qaranivalu
Traralgon Sth	11:00 am	Rev. T. Johnson

Next Sunday 16th July

Traralgon	9:00 am	Rev. T. Johnson
Glengarry	11:00 am	Rev. T. Johnson
Rosedale	9:00 am	B. Hutton
Traralgon Sth	9:00 am	No local service

Rosters for 16th July

Stewards	R. Graham I. Leversha
Elder	B. Hutton
Children's Address	M. McKeown
Welcome Door	A. Palmer B. Palmer
Newcomers	J. Newling
Reader	N. Clement
Morning Tea	H. Douglas D. Fisher
Accounting Team	B. Degnan C. Rhimes G. Rode C. Rode
Flowers	B. Sibly
Grounds	I. Whitehead C. Rode

MUSICIANS for 16th July

Traralgon 9:00am	K. Doonan
Glengarry 11:00am	M. Crisp
Rosedale 9:00am	J. Cox
Traralgon South 11:00am	No local service



DATES FOR OUR DIARY

Monday 10th July

1:30 pm Monday Bible Study

Tuesday 11th July

7:30 pm Tuesday Bible Study

Wednesday 12th July

10:00 am Friendship Club

Thursday 13th July

9:00 am Prayer gathering

Friday 14th July

7:00 pm Singing Group

Monday 17th July

9:00 Playgroup
1:30 pm Monday Bible Study

Tuesday 18th July

7:30 pm Tuesday Bible Study

Wednesday 19th July

1:30 pm UCAF

Thursday 20th July

9:00 am Prayer gathering
9:15 am mainly music
7:30 pm Thursday Homegroup

Playgroup

Monday 9:30 am - 11:00 am
during school term.

Interested persons please contact Theresa or Sue



mainly music ...

mainly music is on every Thursday at
9:15 am during school term

Contact Marilyn or Theresa if you have any queries

Today we welcome the The Gideons International in Australia. There will be a retiring offering to support this worthy cause.

LECTIONARY READINGS

SUNDAY 9th July

Genesis 24:34-38, 42-49	Psalm 45:10-17
58-67	Song of Solomon 2:8-13
Romans 7:15-25a	Matthew 11:16-19, 25-30

SUNDAY 16th July

Genesis 25:19-34	Psalm 119:105-112
Romans 8:1-11	Matthew 13:1-9, 18-23

Traralgon Congregation meeting held last Sunday 2nd July to elect Elders/Church Councillor members for a 5 year term. All Elders/Church Councillors nominated were elected. These being Gordon Arthur, Anthony Boulton (3yrs), Ian Leversha, Colin McKeown, Lorrel Samson, Sue Scarlett, Sheila Whitehead. Heather Boucher was elected as an Elder. We thank you all for continuing your witness in the life of our Church.

Barbara Hutton declined nomination, thank you Barbara for your very valued service and witness to the life of the Church as an Elder for many many years. Alex Palmer-Chairperson and Lorrel Samson, Acting Secretary.

Notices

- ◆ If you know of anybody who is in hospital, please let Tony know so that arrangements can be made for him to pay them a visit.
- ◆ During the cold winter months, the Thursday morning Prayer gathering will be held in the ministers office

U.C.A.F.

The next meeting of our U.C.A.F. Group will be held on Wednesday 19th July, 1.30 PM at the church. The syllabus item for this month will be a short DVD presentation with some discussion time to follow. More detail next week.

Our annual "Books and Odds and Ends" Sale is on Friday 14th July 8-30am till 5pm, then Saturday 15th July from 8am till 2pm.

Donations of items such as books, music, household goods, plants, trading table etc. These can be left at the Church anytime from now. *(no mattresses or TV's)* Lots of help required so that the set up, the pack up and the opening times run smoothly. Even an hour of your time will be appreciated. Help is needed on the Wednesday from 2-30pm to set up tables and start bringing books and other items over from the shed. (We need to go with the weather at this time of the year). Then on Thursday from 9am till 5pm to finish our sales areas ready to open on Friday. Help on Friday and Saturday with sales, tidying up, food for helpers. (some soup would be lovely being the coldest time of the year). Help is also needed to do a letterbox drop the week before of our small flyers. Let me know please. Any questions? please phone or email me on 5174 3889, 0428743889, email greg.samson@wideband.net.au. Thank you from Lorrel Samson and all the F.U.N Committee members.

Friendship Club

Friendship Club will meet again on Wednesday 12th July @ 10:00 am. Our guest speaker will be Paula Sommerfield who will tell us more about the Comfort Cushions Program for ladies with breast cancer. Board games and lunch to follow Cost \$5. All welcome!

HAVE YOU REMEMBERED?

Have you remembered that 40% of the world's population does not have access to a toilet and we are doing our best to help remedy the situation by selling toilet paper. Half of the proceeds go towards providing toilets in third world countries. They are big rolls and sell for one dollar each. Please buy some and give them to your family as well. See Bev Palmer. 51778107.

PRAISE AND PRAYER



As part of God's wonderful family let us pause and give thanks for:

- * the full time employment Emma Seabrook has found
- * the ministry of the Gideons
- * the continuing life, witness and ministry of our congregation. We thank the Lord for His blessings and we dare not presume to take our blessings for granted

and we pray for:

- * the ongoing ministry and work of the Gideons, that they continue to distribute the Holy Scriptures freely and to more people. We pray that people will come to know Jesus as Lord and Saviour through reading the Bible
- * the Bible Society and all it does in Bible translation and distributing Bibles
- * Bertha Easter, Djoko Gunawan and Dee Thompson
- * Jim Stewart (Kath and Frank Doonan's son-in-law) who is experiencing difficulties at this time. Pray that the Lord may bring healing and wholeness to Jim. We pray for his wife Jennifer and the children as they love, support and care for Jim
- * Amanda Seabrook as she continues to look for suitable employment
- * the sick, the lonely, the bereaved and all those struggling in various ways

Lord, in your mercy, hear our prayers

Broadband (NBN) Telephone & Internet Connection

If you are considering a change in your current set up; and, particularly if you are considering or are happy to consider the Church's Internet Service Provider (ISP) Aussie Broadband (now also Tony's) please talk to Tony Boulton before committing.

The Church, if such a connection is considered by Aussie as a referral (and we are currently working to confirm that), could receive considerable benefit if UCA Traralgon (Tony Boulton = authorized person on account) is quoted as the referring body.

You can check the Aussie offers for yourself at

www.aussiebroadband.com.au/residential/internet-phone-bundle/

Sometimes God
calms the STORM.
Sometimes He lets
the STORM RAGE
and calms His child.

Rest for the Weary

"For my yoke is easy and my burden is light." Matthew 11:30 (NIV)

Based on Matthew 11:28-30 (NIV)



KID'S
TALK

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HUMBLE	ALL	LEARN	LIGHT	YOKE
SOULS	WEARY	GENTLE	TAKE	HEART
COME	GIVE	EASY	BURDEN	REST

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