

<u>Theme</u>: 'Supercharging Your Faith'

Bible Reading: Hebrews 11:1-12 (NIV)

Christians are often referred to as 'People of Faith'. However, we all have questions that limit our faith levels from time to time. We all go through highs and lows, and that's totally natural.

Abram was promised by God that he would have more descendants than there are stars in the sky, yet twice he questioned God saying, "How can I be sure?". If you feel a bit low on faith at times, just remember that is totally OK.

God still did amazing things through Abram/Abraham, and he wants to through you as well.

David Wright

"Faith is a living, daring confidence in God's grace, so sure and certain that a man could stake his life on it a thousand times."

~ Martin Luther ~





Col's Corner at Imbil

Theme: The Dichotomy of The Gospel!!

Bible Reading: 1 Corinthians 1:18-31



Paul outlines that the Message of the Cross, is foolishness to those who are perishing, but to Christians who are being saved, it is the Power of God!!

Paul identifies the difference between **philosophy and Godly wisdom**!! For God chose the **foolish things of this world to shame the wise**, and the **weak things** of the world to **shame the strong**!!

It is through and because of what Jesus Christ has done for us that we are who we are, so that no-one can boast about what we do, instead of what Christ has done, is doing and will continue to do in our lives!!

Therefore, let the person who **boasts, boast in the Lord!!** 1 Cor 1:31.



Blessings, Your Pastor, Col



The Alliance of Christian Religious Education (ACRE) has partnered with the Gympie Ministers' Network to provide a paid Christian RI Instructor in our local schools. They are holding a fundraiser dinner in Gympie on **Monday 2nd June**, **6:15pm**, at Kingston House Impressions Restaurant (11 Channon Street). Guests will be treated to a delicious two course meal with drinks and a presentation/update on the work of Christian RI across Queensland and the Gympie area.

ACRE actually funds the dinner - anyone who attends is welcome to pay the restaurant for their meal (\$70 each) on the night of the event on top of any donation they make to RI.



Please RSVP to <u>angela.davis@christianri.org.au</u> by 29th May 2025.

Containers for Change



Our church continues to collect those empty **BOTTLES** and **CANS** which attract a 10¢ refund. If you're not collecting them for yourselves or for anyone else and would like to donate them to our church, there's a small pink wheelie bin in the CE Room where they can be deposited. Every little bit counts! Thank you.

Our New Study Group Starts Tomorrow!

Monday, **26th May**, **1.30pm** in the CE Room. diving into Psalm 23 ... 'The Lord is My Shepherd'.

This is a group for everyone, a great opportunity for fellowship, learning together and interactive discussion. Interested? Like to know more? Please see Jill.



Tewantin Uniting Church's 75th Anniversary

.... and they are CELEBRATING!! On **Saturday 31st May** they're planning a community event from midday until 3pm - including stalls, sausage sizzle and an historical display at the church (41 Poinciana Ave, Tewantin).

On **Sunday 1st June** there'll be a special worship service at 9am with the Moderator, Rev. Bruce Moore - followed by brunch. If you have worshipped with Tewantin UC at some time in the past and would like to take a walk down memory lane, you are very welcome to join in the celebrations.

Joy Circle

Linda will be hosting Joy Circle at her home this **Thursday**, **29**th **May**. If you're planning to come, please **meet at the church** at **9.15am** from where we'll car-pool for the drive to Linda's place.

Everyone is very welcome - you can expect to have an enjoyable time together and a delicious morning tea in Linda's garden.

May Christmas Shoebox Collections

This month we're collecting '**Personal Care Items**', such as ... toothbrushes, nail clippers and emery boards, face washers and soap bars, hair brushes, combs, hairbands, etc. <u>Please don't include anything that may leak</u> such as toothpaste, shampoo, hand cream, etc. <u>Thank you for your wonderful support.</u>



Name Badges - Second Order

We've had more interest in our new-style badges, so I'll be placing another order during the coming week. If you would like a badge, please advise Cherylie (church office) by phone, email or in person. They come with either a PIN or MAGNET back and cost \$14 each.





Gympie: Rev. Col Shenfield (HC)

Imbil: Ken Ward

Our primary purpose is to fulfil our calling - the calling of exhibiting the character of Jesus, a spirit of humility, love, and unity, coupled with resurrection power, proving that the church is truly 'The Body of Christ' inhabited by God Himself!



God's Goal

"God's overarching goal is to produce men and women who demonstrate the character qualities of Jesus Christ.

God does not want a church filled with white robed saints.

He does not want a church filled with theological authorities or cultured clergy. He wants a church filled with ordinary men and women who exemplify the extraordinary integrity, temperament, wholeness, compassion, individuality, boldness, righteousness, earnestness, love, forgiveness, selflessness, and faithfulness of Jesus Christ!" Ray Steadman

Worship Services... **Gympie Uniting Church**: 15 Red Hill Road: 9am + Kidz Church

Imbil Uniting Church: 3 Elizabeth Street:

Live-streaming... Sunday messages are usually livestreamed to facebook &

YouTube; look up 'Gympie Regional Uniting Church'

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Office Hours... Mon & Wed 8.30am-12pm; Tue 9.30am-3pm; Thu 8.30am-3pm

Rev. Col Shenfield ... 0429 090 355 cklcshenfield@biapond.com Pastoral Care... Please contact the office by phone or email.

Need the services of a Justice of The Peace? ... Glenda 0418 187 698

Need a lift to church? ... Jill 0421 333 538

Need prayer? ... call the church office 0493 442 250 or join us at 8am on Tuesdays in the CE Room.

Offering and Attendance Last Sunday

Attendance: Adults 76 ◆ Children 9 ◆ Facebook 84

You can give your tithes & offerings by direct transfer into the church's bank account Westpac BSB 034 127 Acct: 29 4101 (Please identify your bank transaction as either 'Tithe' or 'Offering', 'Shoeboxes', etc. Thank you).

