



## Col's Corner

**8<sup>th</sup> June 2025**

**Theme:** 'The Outpouring of God's Holy Spirit at Pentecost'

**Bible Reading:** Acts 2: 1-21 (NIV)

For Jesus' followers, the **time of waiting was over** !! Acts 1:4

On the day of Pentecost, the sound **like the blowing of a violent wind filled the whole house**, as what seemed to be **tongues of fire** came to rest on them.

Just as Almighty God poured out His Holy Spirit at Pentecost, the **anointing of His Spirit is still available today** !!

Do I need a **further infilling and empowering** of His Spirit ??

**Seize the opportunity today** !!

Blessings,  
Your Pastor, Col.

Reading for 15<sup>th</sup> June 2025

Acts 3: 1-16



Are you trying to make the trip  
on an empty tank?

### Joy Circle Follow-up

Thank you, Linda, for hosting Joy Circle's May get-together. By all accounts, everyone had a wonderful time and soaked in the beauty of your garden over a delicious morning tea.

### Second Name Badge Order

Our second order of badges has arrived ... you'll find them in the church foyer. They cost \$14 each - if you have yet to pay, please see Cherylie from the office to arrange payment.

### Christmas Shoeboxes - June Collections



During June we're collecting '**Toys**'. Nothing too big as they'll need to fit into shoebox-size gift packs. Here are some suggestions ... balls, yoyos, puzzles, skipping ropes, dolls, plastic animals, soft toys, cars, trucks, marbles. Thanks again.

### Maintenance Register Gympie

Church Council is implementing a new Property Maintenance Process. Maintenance issues will be logged - some will be identified as needing to be attended to by outside businesses and others by volunteers from within our congregation.

We'll be asking for your assistance with the latter and are hoping to get more people involved in caring for our properties. When there is a need, we'll advise the basic details in 'The Vibe'. Here's our first job ...

★ A two-fold task relating to our 'Key Return' boxes:

- 1) Move the metal box from the wall next to the kitchen door to an alternative location;
- 2) Remove a smaller plastic box from its location at the hall.

Is this something you can help with? If so, please let the office or Keith know.



"It is one thing to read about being filled with the Holy Spirit and quite another thing to experience the mighty infilling of the Holy Spirit that radically changes our life to a life of adoring wonder and amazement at the things of God, Reading and experiencing are two quite different things." ~ A. W. Tozer

## A Counselling Opportunity with Naomi

Naomi Edwards is studying a Master of Counselling and is looking for a small number of clients to complete her practicum hours.

Naomi goes about her counselling by being a companion, walking alongside a person on their journey of life - following the model of Jesus with his disciples. She listens so she can understand a person's situation using curiosity to help them explore their story and find their own resolutions using an integrated mix of therapies and tools.

If you would like to know more, please have a chat with her.



## The Benefit of Light

During the last 14 years of my career I worked in an office that had no windows. There were times when I'd be very busy and work most of the day without venturing outside ~ I hadn't a clue what it was like outdoors. At the end of the working day, when I walked out into the sunshine, I would suddenly feel better.

The grogginess of the day seemed to go away and I felt a strange sensation of wellbeing.

This little phenomena is just one of the benefits of light. Science tells us that we receive many health benefits from natural light:

Our bodies absorb Vitamin D which helps with bone loss and heart health; Sunlight can ward off depression and improve sleep; Best of all, this health benefit is free, all we have to do is go out into the sunlight.

With this in mind it's easy to see why God uses the illustration of light so often in the bible. Is it any wonder why light was the first thing He made during the creation of the world? (Gen. 1:3)

In John Chapter 1 Christ is described as the "Light". Jesus said, "I am the light of the world." (John 8:12)

Without sunlight plants don't grow so it's easy to understand that, if we're not exposed to Jesus Christ who is The Light, we won't grow spiritually. Just as our bodies need exposure to sunlight to benefit our health our spirits need exposure to the True Light so to continue our relationship with our Heavenly Father.

~ Jay Launius ~

## Our Church

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!



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## 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

**Worship Services...** **Gympie Uniting Church:** 15 Red Hill Road: 9am + Kidz Church  
**Imbil Uniting Church:** 3 Elizabeth Street: 9am

**Live-streaming...** Sunday messages are usually livestreamed to facebook & YouTube; look up 'Gympie Regional Uniting Church'

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**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 64 ♦ Children 11 ♦ Facebook 33

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).

