

Romans 12:9-21 NIV

In the second half of Romans twelve, Paul outlines the **challenges** that face the **Christian** as we endeavour, by the Grace of God, to **live out the transformed life** that the Gospel **lays out before us**!!

"For the sinful nature desires what is contrary to the Spirit, and the Spirit what is contrary to the sinful nature"!! Gal 5:17.

However, "Jesus has won the victory for us in all our spiritual battles". 1 Cor. 15: 57. To live out the Gospel as Jesus would have us do, we will encounter spiritual battles, therefore, let us look to Jesus, "the author and perfector of our faith". Heb 12:2.

Blessings,
Your Pastor,

Reading for 17th August
1 Corinthians 1:18-31



Congregational Meeting

Please, join us at Uniting 4570's Congregational Meeting NEXT Sunday, 17th August, 10:45am in our Gympie Church. This start time allows for a quick morning tea in Gympie between the Worship Service and the meeting and enough time for any of our Imbil Church Family to drive into Gympie.





HvmnFest

Narelle Towner is organising the next HymnFest for Sunday, 24th August, 2:30pm in our Gympie Church. You are very welcome to invite your friends and family - and it would be great if you could bring some Afternoon Tea to share. We'll finish around 4pm before it gets too cold.

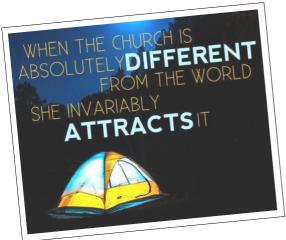
Backpack Swags

Thank you for your contributions towards the purchase of these swags, an initiative of the local Ministers Network - the swags retail for \$144 each. Today will be last day that we'll be seeking your support before we send off the funds.

If you can contribute, please enclose your donations in an envelope labelled 'SWAGS' and place it in our offering box or deposit directly into our church bank account citing 'SWAGS' as a reference.

Combined Churches Prayer Meeting

This month's Prayer Meeting is being hosted by The Gympie Church of Christ (57 Horseshoe Bend). Tuesday 19th August from 6 to 6:30pm after which you an hang around for a while to chat.



EVERY CHURCH needs to ... GROW WARMER through FELLOWSHIP, DEEPER through DISCIPLESHIP, STRONGER through WORSHIP, and LARGER through EVANGELISM.

~ Rick Warren ~



Samaritan's Purse Christmas Shoeboxes

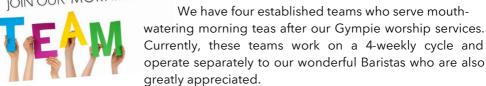


It costs around \$12.50 to send each Christmas Shoebox to its destination. This month we're seeking funds towards the **Cost of Freight**. Donations can be placed in an envelope labelled "Shoebox" and dropped into the offering plate/box; given directly to Helen or the church office; or deposited into our bank account identified as "Shoebox". (Account details are on the back page).

If you have any gift donations still sitting at home, please bring them in by the end of August. Thank you for your generosity again this year - this is an incredible ministry bringing so much delight to many children across the globe.

JOIN OUR MORNING TEA

Morning Tea Teams



Would you think about joining one of our Morning Tea Teams? With enough interest, we could even have one or two additional teams extending our existing roster cycle. <u>Bonus</u>: A great opportunity to get to know one another better!

If you're up for this and would like to find out what's involved, please talk to our coordinator, Jo Blowes (0407 085 295) or contact the church office.

Uniting 4570 at Prayer

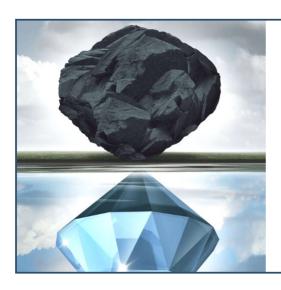
Keep praying and trusting in God ... specifically for our Joint Nominating Committee and the process of seeking Uniting 4570's next Minister-in-Placement. God delights in hearing from us.





GYMPIE: REV. COL SHENFIELD

IMBIL: INTERACTIVE BIBLE STUDY



Don't be afraid of pressure.

Pressure is what transforms a lump of coal into a diamond.

~ Nicky Gumbel ~

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'

Church Office... M: 0493 442 250 P: (07) 5482 2985 E: <u>uniting4570@gmail.com</u>

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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 <u>cklcshenfield@bigpond.com</u> **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 67 + Children 9 + Facebook 203

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).