



Geebung Wavell Uniting Church

A member of the Assembly
of Confessing Congregations
Of the Uniting Church
in Australia



2nd December 2018 Our Mission Statement

“Sharing the love of Jesus together
in welcoming all people into the
fellowship of the church as well as
ministering to the community”

Billy Graham's Advent 1 Devotion – Preparing to Celebrate Christ's Birth

The word Advent means arrival, and it refers to the arrival of Jesus Christ into the world. The “Advent season” usually starts four weeks before Christmas and concludes with the celebration of Christ's birth. Some churches emphasize the Advent season more than others, but all Christians look forward to celebrating Christ's birth during this season of the year.

Why was Jesus' birth so important? The reason is because slightly over 2,000 years ago, God stooped down from Heaven and became a human being: Jesus Christ. As the Bible says, “The Word became flesh and made his dwelling among us” (John 1:14).

Think of it: God became a man! He did it because He loves us—and that's what we should celebrate as Christmas approaches. Take time between now and Christmas to reflect on this great truth.

Read Isaiah 9:6—In this Scripture we find the message and meaning of Christmas. Isaiah the prophet gave five awe-inspiring names of our Lord that encourage us, thrill us and fill us with hope at this Christmas season.

- 1. Wonderful.** When He did His many miracles, the Scripture says, “The people wondered.” (Luke 11:14)
- 2. Counsellor.** The officers said, “No one ever spoke like this man!” (John 7:46)
- 3. The Mighty God.** He is the God-Man. He said that He and the Father are one. (John 10:30)
- 4. The Everlasting Father.** It was by Him, the living Word, that all things were created. He is the designer of the whole universe. (John 1:3; Hebrews 11:3)
- 5. The Prince of Peace.** There will never be lasting peace on earth until He comes again to reign in righteousness. But He is also the Prince of Peace in other ways. None can have peace with God apart from Him and the peace that He made through the blood of His cross. (Colossians 1:20)

The full meaning of these words from Isaiah should give us enough strength, hope, and joy to face any crisis, endure any sorrow and meet any temptation. How has Jesus shown you recently that He is “Wonderful, Counsellor ... the Prince of Peace”?

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For your Diary

For your attention

Weekly Activities

Tuesday Indoor Bowls 1:30 @ Wavell
Wednesday Bible Study 9:30am @ Geebung
Thursday Choir Practice 2pm @ Wavell
Sunday Sunday School 8am @ Wavell

Fortnightly Activity

Wavell Tuesday Night Bible Study is in Recess

Special Events - December

Wednesday Dec 12th Evening Fellowship 7pm
@ Geebung

Prison Ministries

If you would like to donate any Non perishable food items

Toiletries

Or Childrens' Toys

For the often forgotten families of Prisoners this Christmas, please leave the items in the box provided in the foyer.

Thank you—Marj McHugh



Sunday Dec 9th Advent 2 9:00am Combined Service @ Geebung
Sunday Dec 16th Advent 3 9:00am Combined Service @ Wavell
Sunday Dec 23rd Advent 4 9:00am Combined Service @ Geebung

Christmas Services

Monday December 24th **Christmas Eve** 6:00pm Wavell Heights
Tuesday December 25th **Christmas Day** 7:30am Geebung
8:30am Wavell Heights
Sunday December 30th 9:00am Combined Service Geebung

New Year Service

Sunday January 6th 2019 9:00am Combined Service Wavell

To Dear Nelle, At this very sad time and
To Ian, Michael, Wendy, Ross and their families
We pray that you feel surrounded by love and prayers as you
Grieve the sudden loss of John Atfield, Husband, Father and
Friend. Forever with our Lord and Saviour
A celebration of John's life was held last Friday



*In Our
Thoughts
and Prayers*

The People Who Need Our Prayers

Nelle Atfield

Joan Morris

Marcia Halliday

Janice & Alan Bird

Norma Jenkins

Ross Hargreaves

Beris Urquhart

Shirley Gardiner

Malcolm & Judy McMillan

Graham & Joan Power

Ada Harvey

Audrey Grimmett

Maree Massey

Mary Bill

Harry Gaskell

Dot Gaskell

Estelle Symes



Wesley Mission RedBag Appeal

Please consider bringing some items listed below to the church put into a Red bag near the foyer, rather than filling a bag on your own.



Suggested items include

Christmas Cake

Tea and Coffee

Christmas biscuits

Tinned Fruit

Decorations

Toiletries (Male/Female)

Long life Milk or Custard

Puddings

Condiments

Soft Drinks

BonBons

Or money towards goods

Tinned Meat

Mixed Nuts

Savouries

Cordial

Thank you



Today
Sunday December
2nd 4pm at
Geebung Church

Join us for *Advent - Delightful Afternoon*

With the Brisbane Citizens' Concert Band

Admission \$15. Children under 14 are free

Refreshments will follow the concert

So please bring a plate of goodies to share

Please invite your family, friends and neighbours

Proceeds in aid of School Chaplaincy



Wednesday December 12th



Maree Massey's Christmas Music
7pm @ Geebung Courtyard



Ladies—Please bring a plate of supper to share
 Gentlemen—Please donate \$5

Enquiries to Merv Halliday 3265 6689, or Margaret Downes email: marg.downes@hotmail.com or 0484 089 487. Further enquiries: Rev. Peter Clark 3267 5236.



See the Power of Human Generosity on
The Surgery Ship
 8 Part Television Series
 Commenced last Tuesday November 27th
 From 9:40pm on SBS—Thanks Merv Halliday



Monday Midday Prayer:

We thank you Lord, for the people who revealed the living presence of your Son to us; may your Spirit enable us to bear witness to him also. Amen From November Uniting News

LECTIONARY READINGS

Dec 2 Advent 1	Dec 9 Advent 2	Dec 16 Advent 3	Dec 23 Advent 4
Jer 33:14-16 Ps 25: 1-10 1 Thes 3: 9-13 Lk 21: 25-36	Mal 3: 1-4 Lk 1: 68-79 Phil 1: 3-11 Lk 3: 1-6	Zep 3: 14-20 Is 12: 2-6 Phil 4: 4-7 Lk 3: 7-18	Mic 5: 2-5a Lk 1:47-55 OR Ps 80: 1-7 Heb 10: 5-10 Lk 1: 39-45 (46-55)

GEEBUNG
 59 Simla Ave
Sunday Worship 10.00am
 Holy Communion 1st Sun.

Visit us at:
Geebung
 Uniting Church

WAVELL HEIGHTS
 147 Rode Road
Sunday Worship 8.00am
 Holy Communion 1st Sun.

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