



Geebung Wavell Heights Uniting Church

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Australia



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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”*

Hope In Light of the Unexpected

by Rachel Macy Stafford from [Only Love Today](#)

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In the Light of the Unexpected

It might be that day of the week, or that particular season, or that darkest hour when you've come to the end of your rope; when your dreams seem impossibly far away, when nothing seems to fit in its proper place, when the bedcovers look like an inviting place to stay forever.

“This is not what I expected,” you might say on this day of the week, in this particular season, of your darkest hour.

That's okay. That's okay. It doesn't mean it can't work out, or be okay, or become something better than you expected in time. Just because it's not what you expected doesn't mean it's turning out all wrong. Each time you open your arms, pick your battles, breathe through the meltdowns, work through the upheavals, spot the silver linings, carry the weight that's too big to be carried, it becomes you.

It becomes you. This life you didn't necessarily plan for is becoming quite beautiful on you. In these diversions from the path you imagined, expected, or hoped for, there are opportunities to see the silver linings of your soul you didn't even know you had. But now you do. Now you do. Shine on, dear one. You radiate strength in the light of the unexpected.

Today's Reminder

Uncertainty and change can be difficult and stressful. I often put pressure on myself to have every situation resolved quickly and every blank filled in completely, but I'm finding there is divine peace in acknowledging I don't have to have it all figured out. By surrendering, my worry eases, and the empty spaces are filled in better ways than I could have imagined. Today I will surrender my empty spaces, and I'll offer the same peace to my loved ones. I trust things will work out in time; I can let go of the problem for now, knowing I am held in God's loving hands.

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For your Diary

Weekly Activities

- Tuesday** Indoor Bowls 1:30 @ Wavell
Wednesday Bible Study 9:30am @ Wavell
Watch this space
Sunday Sunday School 8am @ Wavell
Watch this space

Fortnightly Activity Postponed

- Tuesday** Bible Study 7pm @ Wavell
Watch this space

Special Events—October

Sunday Oct 18th Service at 9am @ Wavell Church

PLEASE NOTE THE CHANGE IN VENUE

Sunday Oct 25th Service at 9am @ Wavell Church

Thursday Oct 29th Elders/Council Meet 6:30pm
@ Wavell

Special Events—November

Sunday Nov 1st Service at 9am @ Wavell Church

Sunday Nov 8th Service at 9am @ Geebung Church

Saturday Nov 14th Garage Sale 6am Wavell

Sunday Nov 15 Service at 9am @ Wavell Church

Sunday Nov 22nd Service at 9am @ Geebung Church

Wednesday Nov 25th Adult Fellowship 1:30pm
@ Geebung—with Christmas Flavour

Sunday Nov 29th Service at 9am @ Wavell Church

Church Service available via
Facebook this week.



<https://www.facebook.com/wavellheightsuca/>

For your attention



Geebung Wavell Heights
the
**Garage Sale
Of the year
2020**

Saturday November 14 6:00am

Please consider how you may be able to help with the cake stall, donations, Prayer, set up and pack down, Prayer, and help on the day. Including a Sausage Sizzle

Date Changes



Sundays— The Geebung Church Hall will be used as an Early Polling Centre for two weeks with set up completed yesterday Saturday Oct 17th.

**There will be 3 Sundays in a row at
Wavell Church**

Oct 18th & 25th & Nov 1st

Council Meeting -

Has been changed to Thursday
October 29th 6:30pm at Wavell

Thank you
for your
understanding.



The People Who Need Our Prayers

Ross Hargreaves

Joan Morris

Maree Massey

Graham & Joan Power

Heather Gennings

Stuart Reid & Sylvia Bray

Ian & Alyson Caitens

Kerrie Hughes

Marcia Halliday

Marj McKenzie

Estelle Symes

Stella Smith

Malcolm & Judy McMillan

Tevita & Enisela Hafu

Bruce McKenzie

Merle & Bert Wilton

Mary Bill

Vani Susau

Edna Street

Tony Marsden

Beris Urquhart



For the Children <https://www.keysforkids.org/Programming/Keys-for-Kids-Daily-Devotional/Read-Listen>

Water in the Desert

Omandi watched through wide, pleading eyes as his brother packed his truck. Every summer, Omandi visited Jimiyu and his wife for a whole week. They lived in Namanga, which was not far from Amboseli National Park, where Jimiyu managed the lion, giraffe, zebra, and elephant populations that roamed there. "I wish I could spend the day with you. Can't I come along?" Omandi asked, hoping his brother might reconsider.

Jimiyu wiped a sleeve over his brow that already glistened with sweat. "I'm sorry, Omandi, but not today. We had reports of poachers overnight, so I have a lot of work to do. I could use your help loading the rest of this shipment though. Hand me that box of tranquilizers."

Together, they packed the vehicle with supplies bound for the park--blankets, printer paper, medicines, and several cans of gasoline. Then Jimiyu slid his rifle and three boxes of ammunition under the front seat.

"Now for the most important item," he said.

"Water!" Omandi exclaimed. Everyone who had lived through Kenya's dry season knew just how important water was. Jimiyu reached for the heavy jugs. "We wouldn't last a day in this heat without it. And neither would the animals. The swamps are what draw them to Amboseli."

Omandi helped him make room in the truck, then Jimiyu closed the door thoughtfully. "Did you know that in one of the Psalms, David compares his longing for God to the panting of a thirsty animal?" he asked.

"That's a familiar image in the park--one that reminds me how much I long for God's presence in my life. Without Him, I could do nothing."

"Do you need Him even more than water?" Omandi asked.

"I certainly do!" Jimiyu said, rubbing his little brother's head. "In the New Testament, Jesus calls Himself living water because we can't live without Him. He saves us from sin and gives us eternal life. When our hearts feel thirsty, we can go to Him and He will refresh us." Jimiyu got into the truck. "How about you spend some time with Jesus today while I'm away?" he said, turning to his brother. "Then tomorrow I'll take you to see the lions at the watering hole. Deal?"

Omandi grinned. "Deal!" by Michelle Isenhoff

HOW ABOUT YOU?

Have you ever been so thirsty all you can think about is a cool glass of water? We need Jesus like we need water.

He washes us clean from sin and gives us life, and He refreshes us when our hearts become dry and thirsty.

The next time you take a drink, spend a few minutes talking to Jesus and growing your friendship with Him.

Let Him refresh your thirsty soul.

TODAY'S KEY VERSE: Psalm 42:1 (KJV)

As the deer pants for streams of water, so my soul pants for you, my God. (NIV)



Dump Vouchers

If you have any spare Dump Vouchers, would you please consider passing them on to Tevita or Ray Cartmill.

That would be greatly appreciated.



ALL ARE WELCOME

To join us
Wednesday
November 25th 1:30pm
At Geebung



Adult
Fellowship

For a gathering with Christmas Flavoured activities and hopefully afternoon tea.



Name Badges: The office has produced temporary name badges for new comers. If your name badge has incorrect spelling or you do not have one, please call Debbie during office hours with your request or email geebungwavelluc@bigpond.com
Please wear your badge to help others.



God's
Child

OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD

The Power of a simple gift

Thank you to everyone who has made donations, packed boxes and provided items towards the Operation Christmas Child Shoe Boxes.

Your Generosity is appreciated.



Monday Middy Prayer

Loving God, we lift up to you the women and men meeting for the 35th Synod; Bless them with discernment, humility, and faith as they do their work together.

Uniting Church News Oct Rev D Baker



Oct 18
Pentecost 20

Ex 33: 12-23
 Ps 99
 1 Thes 1: 1-10
 Mt 22: 15-22

Oct 25
Pentecost 21

Dt 34: 1-12
 Ps 90: 1-6, 13-17
 1 Thes 2: 1-18
 Mt 22: 34-46

Nov 1
Pentecost 22

Jos 3: 7-17
 Ps 107: 1-7, 33-37
 1 Thes 2: 9-13
 Mt 23: 1-12

Nov 8
Pentecost 23

Jos 24: 1-3a, 14-25
 Ps 78:1-7
 1 Thes 4: 13-18
 Mt 25: 1-13

GEEBUNG

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



Visit us at:
Geebung
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WAVELL HEIGHTS

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



Visit us at:
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