



Geebung Wavell Heights Uniting Church

19th November 2023

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"*

Your Unique Calling

We are God's handiwork, created in Christ Jesus to do good works, which God prepared in advance for us to do. — Ephesians 2:10

I had wanted a red coat for years. But paying full price for a coat seemed excessive when I had several perfectly fine coats in my closet. So, each year I decided to wait until coats went on clearance and then I'd treat myself.

But every year, by the time the coats went on clearance, the weather flip-flopped. Who wants to spend their clothing budget on a red coat when just the thought of walking outside makes you sweat?

At last, one winter, I happened upon a discount clothing store that was having a clearance sale. In the window was a red coat. On sale! While it was still cold outside!

I wanted to get the coat right then. However, I had a store coupon for an additional 50 percent off that wasn't good until a week later. That would make the coat a most fabulous deal. So I hung my treasure back on the rack, determined to return and get it the following week.

A few days later, I was out and about again when I got a call that several of my bed comforters were ready for pick up at the local laundromat.

When I arrived to gather them up, I saw a woman with two young children, all wearing threadbare clothing. I made small talk with the kids about what a fun time of year Christmas is; they looked away and didn't say a word. Out of the corner of my eye, I saw their Mum hang her head. I wished them a Merry Christmas and scurried out.

As soon as I started to drive off, God pricked my heart. "You looked at those kids, but chose not to really see them. Go back. Help them. Help her."

But I didn't have any cash. How could I help? What would she think of me? Would I offend her by giving her a cheque? I didn't even know her name to write on a cheque.

I put the car in park, pulled out my cheque book, and suddenly I knew the exact amount I was to give her. The full price of that red coat.

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For your Diary

Weekly Activities -

Tuesday Indoor Bowls Wavell @ 1:30pm
Saturday Youth Alive
Sunday Worship Service 9am
See below for locations

Special Events & Services — November

Sunday November 19th Choir Practice 8:15am
 Combined 9am
 @ Geebung

Friday November 24th Sounds of the Pacific
 6:30pm @ Geebung UCA

Sunday November 26th Combined 9am
 @ Wavell

Tuesday November 28th Church Council Meet
 @ 6:00pm Wavell

Special Events & Services — December

Sunday December 3rd Choir Practice 8:15am
 Combined 9am Service
 @ Geebung

Sunday December 10th Combined 9am
 @ Wavell
 Carols in the Carpark
 7pm @ Geebung

Sunday December 17th Choir Practice 8:15am
 Combined 9am Service
 @ Geebung

Sunday December 24th Combined 9am
 @ Wavell

**See opposite for
 Christmas Day Service times**

HEALTH & VITALITY CONSULTATION

Following the Survey conducted earlier in the year, a report has been made available for your to read. See the foyer table for a copy.

For your attention

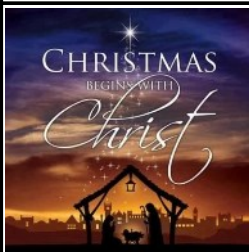


A change to the November 19th Service.

November Baptism

postponed Baptism Service at Geebung. The Peake family have needed to change the date of the Baptism.

All other events are now listed in the Diary column



**Yes,
 Christmas is
 fast
 Approaching**

Christmas Service Times

**Celebrating Christmas with
 Carols in the Carpark**

**Sunday December 10th 7pm
 @ Geebung**

Christmas Day Services

Monday December 25th

7:30am @ Geebung

8:30am @ Wavell

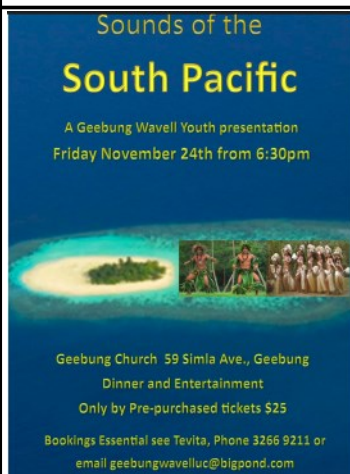
Verse for the Week

"I am the vine, you are the branches. He who abides in Me, and I in him, bears much fruit, for without Me you can do nothing. (NKJV)

John 15: 5

The People Who Need Our Prayers

Ann Bain	Maree Massey	Dell Merchant
Graham Power	Bert Wilton	Merv Halliday
Edna Street	Norma Jenkins	Lian Tan
Marj & Bruce McKenzie	Margaret Ferris	Dianne Beard
Malcolm & Judy McMillian	Sylvia Bray	Tracy McKenzie



Please Get your tickets

TODAY This event is Coming

FRIDAY November 24th

**For the Sound of the South Pacific.
This event will be held THIS Friday
November 24th 6:30 for 7pm
Please see **Tevita today** to get
your tickets.**

Folk to remember in our prayers

Some of you may remember Margaret Sitton, most recently living in Proserpine and the Mother of Rev Suzy Sitton now Suzy Commallotti and wife of the late Carl Sitton.

Margaret was an active member of the Geebung Church, and a Council member, with a beautiful expressive voice she used for poems and scripture with great elocution.

Margaret passed away recently so we offer our prayers to Suzy and her family and the extended family.



Also Robert (Rob) Ironside passed away last Tuesday. He had a beautiful singing voice which he shared many times at the Geebung Church and through Maureen's Musical Melodies.

We know many of you have attended funerals of family and friends during this year and so we remember to cherish the Hope that is in us through Jesus's supreme sacrifice.

May God give you heavenly comfort during these difficult and sad times.

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I walked back into the laundromat and handed her the cheque. “You’ll just need to write your name on this, and I promise my bank will cash it. It’s not much, but I’d love for you to take it and buy your kids something fun for Christmas.”

Shocked, she thanked me. As I turned to leave, she called out her name, the name God has engraved on the palm of His hand, the one He loves and hears and cares so deeply about.

Funny enough, I went into the red coat store the next day to return some pants. Every one of those red coats I’d wanted so much was gone. So I bought a red scarf on clearance instead and smiled, for in that moment, I knew I’d fulfilled my calling for this page of my life.

Oh, sweet friend, you have a calling, a unique and wondrous calling from God every day of your life. Truth we find spelled out clearly in Ephesians 2:10:

We are God’s handiwork, created in Christ Jesus to do good works, which God prepared in advance for us to do.



Today it could be in your local laundromat; tomorrow it could be a phone conversation with a friend. Wherever it is, whatever it is, remember:
You were created to participate in God’s divine activity.

Lord, I want to love the ones whose names are engraved upon Your hands. Help me to really see others and their needs as I journey along this path You’ve called me to.

In Jesus’ Name, Amen.

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Nov 19 Pentecost 25 Jdgs 4: 1-7 Ps 123 1 Thes 5: 1-11 Mt 25: 14-30	Nov 26 Christ the King Ex 34: 11-16, 20-24 Ps 100 Eph 1: 15-23 Mt 25: 31-46	Dec 3 Advent 1 Isaiah 64:1-9 Psalm 80:1-7, 17-19 1 Corinthians 1:3-9 Mark 13:24-37	Dec 10 Advent 2 Is 40: 1-11 Ps 85: 1-2, 8-13 2 Pt. 3: 8-15a Mark 1: 1-8
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GEEBUNG Alternating 59 Simla Ave Sunday Worship 9.00am Holy Communion 1st Sun.  Visit us at: Geebung Uniting Church	WAVELL HEIGHTS Alternating 147 Rode Road Sunday Worship 9.00am Holy Communion 1st Sun.  Visit us at: Wavell Heights Uniting Church	G/W CHURCH COUNCIL Chairperson— <i>Len Ferris</i> <i>M.0438 852 676</i> Secretary—	CHURCH OFFICE 147 Rode Rd Wavell Heights 4012 Ph 07 3266 9211 Office Hours Thurs 9am-3pm Fri 9am-1pm
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