



Geebung Wavell Heights Uniting Church

A member of the Assembly of
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the Uniting Church in Australia



5th 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"*

The Platform of Love

He said to them, "Go into all the world and preach the gospel to all creation." — Mark 16:15

In all things I have shown you that by working hard in this way we must help the weak and remember the words of the Lord Jesus, how He Himself said, 'It is more blessed to give than to receive.' — Acts 20:35

Customers often notice Bible verses printed on In-N-Out products, and that practice has a history tied to my good memories about Uncle Rich.

Both Dad and Uncle Rich grew up with some faith in their home. As boys, my grandmother told them about God and taught them how to pray. When they were teens and young men, they wandered from their faith. But in the early 1980s, Rich reconnected with God in a much bigger way. He became an active member of Costa Mesa's Calvary Chapel, led by Pastor Chuck Smith, and dedicated his life to Jesus. Rich didn't claim to be perfect. But he finally found that the deep need in his heart could only be satisfied by Jesus and by finding his own identity in Him. I remember my uncle telling me once,

"I'm not always a good Christian, but I'm a Christian."

In 1985, Rich began printing tiny references to Bible verses on In-N-Out paper goods. It was a way for him to express his faith, and he wanted to put that little touch of faith on our brand. In a 1990 episode of BTV, Rich explained, "I quietly did it a few years ago. I'm a Christian. For those who know me, they definitely know that I'm not perfect and neither is In-N-Out. We are trying to serve our communities and do a good job the best we can. I guess the reason [for the verses] is it's my way of thanking God for helping In-N-Out so much. I took over In-N-Out when I was twenty-four years old, and for me it was kind of tough. I thank God that He helped me."*

To this day, Revelation 3:20 is discreetly printed on hamburger and cheeseburger bags. Nahum 1:7 is on the Double-Double wrappers. Proverbs 3:5 sits underneath milkshake cups, Isaiah 53 is on certain holiday cups, Isaiah 9:6 is on Christmas cups, and John 3:16 is underneath soda cups. That tradition continues to this day. After I became president, I added Proverbs 24:16 to our fry boats, Luke 6:35 to coffee cups, and John 13:34 to the hot cocoa cups... We never try to force our beliefs on anyone, and customers with any faith tradition, or none, are certainly welcome through our doors. We hire and promote associates and managers who don't share our faith.

God loves all people, and so do we! My family simply wants our faith to take a meaningful place in everything our company does. The verses act as encouragements.

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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 5th Choir Practice 8:15am
 Combined 9am Service
 @ Geebung

Sunday November 12th Combined 9am
 @ Wavell

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

Tuesday November 21st Church Council Meet
 @ 6:00pm Wavell

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

Sunday November 26th Combined 9am
 @ 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

For your attention



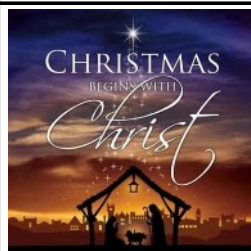
As the end of the year fills up, please note the following:

November 19th: Baptism Service at Geebung 9am. The Peake family are back with their baby girl, Georgia.

November: Please keep **Friday November 24th** free for a fabulous night of entertainment at Geebung with the 'Sounds of the Pacific' Event.

December: Sunday December 10th, Geebung hosts Carols in the Carpark.

More details on these and other events to follow.



**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

The People Who Need Our Prayers

Ann Bain

Graham Power

Edna Street

Marj & Bruce McKenzie

Malcolm & Judy McMillian

Maree Massey

Bert Wilton

Norma Jenkins

Margaret Ferris

Sylvia Bray

Dell Merchant

Merv Halliday

Lian Tan

Dianne Beard

Tracy McKenzie



Sounds of the South Pacific

A Geebung Wavell Youth presentation
Friday November 24th from 6:30pm



Geebung Church 59 Simla Ave., Geebung

Dinner and Entertainment

Only by Pre-purchased tickets \$25

Bookings Essential see Tevita, Phone 3266 9211 or
email geebungwavelluc@bigpond.com

Please

Note a

change

of Day

and Date

For the Sound of the South Pacific.

This event will be held on Friday November

24th Not Saturday as first advertised.

Tickets are available from Tevita.

Thank you

Always, the goal is to love God and to love other people, and we’ve learned the platform of love is huge.



The feedback we get about the Bible verses is almost always positive. Customers don’t always share our faith, but they appreciate that we’re honest about our own faith journey, and that we want it to be part of the integrity of our company. Many commend our efforts to reach out, care for people, and lead with love.

An awareness of the blessings God has given inspires generosity. I think that was Rich’s intention in 1991, when he began sending In-N-Out Cookout Trailers to the missions around Los Angeles to prepare meals for the unhoused. That’s how the In-N-Out Feed the Homeless Program began, as a quiet way of providing delicious meals for the less fortunate.

We currently serve people involved with the Los Angeles Mission, Ventura Rescue Mission, San Diego Rescue Mission, and Long Beach Mission. These initiatives fit beautifully with part three of our mission statement, which states our purpose to help “communities in our marketplace [become] stronger, safer, and better places to live.” We invite other people to serve alongside us too.

It’s better to give than to receive

*Rich Snyder on BTV, In-N-Out Archives
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<p>Oct 29 Pentecost 22 Deut 34: 1-12 Ps 90: 1-6, 13-17 1 Thes 2: 1-8 Mt 22: 34-46</p>				<p>Nov 5 Pentecost 23 Jos 3: 7-17 Ps 107: 1-7, 33-37 1 Thes 2: 9-13 Mt 23: 1-12</p>				<p>Nov 12 Pentecost 24 Jos 24: 1-3a, 14-25 Ps 78: 1-7 1 Thes 4:13-18 Mt 25:1-13</p>				<p>Nov 19 Pentecost 25 Jdgs 4: 1-7 Ps 123 1 Thes 5: 1-11 Mt 25: 14-30</p>			
<p>GEEBUNG Alternating 59 Simla Ave Sunday Worship 9.00am Holy Communion 1st Sun.</p>				<p>WAVELL HEIGHTS Alternating 147 Rode Road Sunday Worship 9.00am Holy Communion 1st Sun.</p>				<p>G/W CHURCH COUNCIL Chairperson—<i>Len Ferris</i> <i>M.0438 852 676</i> Secretary—</p>				<p>CHURCH OFFICE 147 Rode Rd Wavell Heights 4012 Ph 07 3266 9211 Office Hours Thurs 9am-3pm Fri 9am-1pm</p>			
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