



## Geebung Wavell Heights Uniting Church

29th September 2024  
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”

### A Prayer to Remain Faithful to the End

**O Jesus, I Have Promised:** John Ernest Bode

It has long been the conviction of Christians that once we have truly come to Christ in repentance and faith, we can never fall away from that faith. Those who have been justified can never be unjustified; those who have been indwelt by the Spirit will never be abandoned by Him. Yet Christians have also agreed that it is possible for us to deceive ourselves and to deceive other people into thinking we have trusted in Christ when we have not. Hence we are told to be diligent in confirming our “calling and election” (2 Peter 1:10).

Knowing that we can be self-deceived, we must examine our lives to ensure we are living as Christians are called to live — that we are putting sin to death, coming alive to righteousness, and finding ever-greater joy in our relationship with the Lord Jesus Christ. And always we must pray that God would graciously preserve us by His Spirit so we can live in a way that is pleasing to Him, then finish our race well and go to be with Him forever.

**Observe** The poet begins by affirming that he has promised to serve Jesus to the end of his life. But he knows this will not be easy, for in the second stanza he provides a long list of the enemies and temptations that will challenge him for mastery of his life. This is why, in the third stanza, he pleads with God to give him what he needs to overcome those challenges. By the end he turns his heart away from what he has promised and toward what Jesus has promised — the ultimate affirmation that He will, indeed, remain faithful. (*Poem Centre page—also a Hymn*)

**Reflect** John 12:26; 2 Peter 1:5–11.

**Apply** Do you ever struggle with doubts about your salvation? Where do you turn for comfort when this happens? Instead of taking it for granted, it is good to take time today to pray to the Lord that, by His grace, you will persevere to the end. In addition to the encouragement of Scripture, it can be helpful to hear from others who might note evidence of grace in your life. Are there people who can speak into your life to tell you whether you are showing the marks of the Christian? If so, consider inviting their feedback today.

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## For your Diary

### Weekly Activities -

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

### Special Events & Services — September

**Sunday September 29th** Combined 9am Service  
@ Wavell

### Special Events & Services — October

**Sunday October 6th** Combined 9am Service  
@ Geebung

**Sunday October 13th** Combined 9am Service  
@ Wavell

**Sunday October 20th** Combined 9am Service  
@ Wavell

**Sunday October 27th** Combined 9am Service  
@ Wavell

**Thursday October 31st** Geebung RSL Fellowship  
Lunch @11:30

### Special Events & Services — November

**Sunday November 3rd** Combined 9am Service  
@ Geebung

## Deep Sympathy



We remember with fondness Glen Kinross who was an active member of the Wavell Church and passed away on 10th September aged 93. Now he is in his heavenly home. We remember Ruth and the family in our prayers.

Glen's farewell service was on Friday Sept 27th

## For your attention

Dates for  
your diary.



### **Thursday October 31st**

From 11:30 for a 12 Noon

### **Lunch at Geebung RSL**

Please see Beris to register for this Luncheon by Sunday October 20th.

You can purchase your own lunch and enjoy the friendly

atmosphere and great fellowship.



### **Friday November 29th**

### **South Pacific Dinner**

### **and Entertainment 6:30pm**

at Geebung Cost \$30

Tickets available from mid October

We look forward to seeing you there.



## The People Who Need Our Prayers

Ann Bain	Maree Massey	Dell Merchant
Graham Power	Bert Wilton	Edna Street
Norma Jenkins	Lian Tan	Margaret Ferris
Marj & Bruce McKenzie	Sylvia Marson	Len Ferris
Malcolm & Judy McMillian		



**"Therapeutic Yoga and Christian Meditation"** will commence on  
Wednesday 9 October 2024 at Bracken Ridge Uniting Church.

It will be 7 sessions, each Wednesday from 10-11 am, led by Rev .Amos.

All welcome to join especially Seniors.

A donation of \$5 per session is welcome towards the Church Ministry.

For information: (07) 3865 2336 Thanks Amos Manoharan

### ***From the front page***

#### **Pray**

O Jesus, I have promised ,To serve Thee to the end;  
Be Thou forever near me, My Master and my Friend;  
I shall not fear the battle, If Thou art by my side,  
Nor wander from the pathway, If Thou wilt be my Guide.

O let me feel Thee near me, The world is ever near;  
I see the sights that dazzle, The tempting sounds I hear;  
My foes are ever near me, Around me and within;  
But, Jesus, draw Thou nearer, And shield my soul from sin.

O let me hear Thee speaking, In accents clear and still,  
Above the storms of passion, The murmurs of self-will;  
O speak to reassure me, To hasten or control!  
O speak, and make me listen, Thou Guardian of my soul!

O Jesus, Thou hast promised ,To all who follow Thee  
That where Thou art in glory ,There shall Thy servant be;  
And, Jesus, I have promised, To serve Thee to the end;  
O give me grace to follow, My Master and my Friend!

~ John Ernest Bode, "O Jesus, I Have Promised"

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# Operation Christmas Child



Yes, It's getting closer to Christmas than we may realize.

You may like to consider joining Samaritans purse in blessing children in poorer countries around the world with a special shoe box of goodies or by making a donation towards the cost of shipping shoes boxes. (\$12.50 each box) Betty Clark will be our contact person for any questions and donations

Steps to pack a shoe box which will be available in the church foyer from next Sunday

-Decide whether you will pack a box for a girl or a boy, and the age

category: 2-4, 5-9, or 10-14.

-Select a medium to large "wow" item such as a soccer ball with pump or stuffed animal,

then fill with other fun toys, hygiene items and school supplies.

-Pray. Most importantly, pray for the child who will receive your gift. You can also include a personal note and photo .

-Label the box and leave at the church by **October Sunday 13th.**

### Gift Ideas:

**Wow items:** Soccer ball with pump, Stuffed toys, Dolls Skipping rope, Toy Cars, Yo-yos

Clothing: T-shirts, Shorts , Underwear, Socks, Shoes

**Personal Care items:** Toothbrushes (not paste), Hairbrushes, Washcloths, Combs, Soap (no liquids)

**School supplies:** Pens, Pencils, Sharpeners, Markers, Notebooks & Paper, Colouring books

**Accessories:** Sunglasses, Hair accessories, Watches, Torches with extra sealed

Batteries. Thank you



<p><b>September 29</b> <b>Pentecost 19</b> Esther 7: 1-6, 9-10 Ps124 Jas 5:13-20 Mk 9: 38-50</p>	<p><b>October 6</b> <b>Pentecost 20</b> Job 1: 1; 2: 1-10 Ps 26 Heb 1: 1-4, 2:5-12 Mk 10: 2-16</p>	<p><b>October 13</b> <b>Pentecost 21</b> Job 23: 1-9, 16-17 Ps 22: 1-15 Heb 4: 12-16 Mk 10: 17-31</p>	<p><b>October 20</b> <b>Pentecost 22</b> Job 38: 1-7 (34-41) Ps 104: 1-9, 24,35 Heb 5: 1-10 Mark 10: 35-45</p>
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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**  
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*M.0438 852 676*  
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