

## Thought for the Week

### FOR GOD SO LOVED...

Martin Luther once said, "The sin underneath all our sins is to trust the lie of the serpent that we cannot trust the love and grace of Christ and must take matters into our own hands." So many times, we fall into anxiety and stress and begin to freak out when we fall into sin, thinking that God's grace and even the very death of Jesus Christ would not be enough to save us. It is for this reason that we ought to spend much time in prayer and in God's Word. For it is in God's Word that we are reminded that while we were enemies, while we were still sinners, Christ came and died for us so that we might be forgiven. It is in God's Word that we read of and almost feel Christ's final cry upon the cross, that "it is finished". Christ's death is more than enough, the gospel is more than enough, and God's grace is greater than we could ever imagine, for nothing could separate us from Him as believers. Do not let Satan get a foothold and do not stray too far from God's Word. You will find a loving Father waiting with open arms. Know that in Christ, because of his blood that was spilled for you, you will find forgiveness upon repentance. Know that as a child of God, there is no condemnation in Christ Jesus (Rom 8:1) and in remembering the magnitude of God's grace, draw near to God and flee from lies of Satan. Let me leave with you with some promises and reminders of God's great love for you, if you are in Christ:

"For I am sure that neither death nor life, nor angels nor rulers, nor things present nor things to come, nor powers, nor height nor depth, nor anything else in all creation, will be able to separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus our Lord." (Rom 8:38-39)

"For God so loved the world, that he gave his only Son, that whoever believes in him should not perish but have eternal life. For God did not send his Son into the world to condemn the world, but in order that the world might be saved through him." (John 3:16-17)

Blessings, Harrison

## Prayer Points

- Pray for Judie Turner, John Tomlinson and Ruth Sinclair as they recover from their current health issues.
- Pray for Jared and Verena Bradley as they establish their new ministry in Germany.
- Praise God for His immeasurable love and inexhaustible grace.
- Pray for the Uni Impact team as they enjoy their annual retreat over the next 2 weeks.
- Give thanks for God's Word which guides, encourages and teaches us. Pray that the Spirit will help us to bind His truth on our hearts and in our minds.

## What's on?



If you would like to know more about our Home Groups, contact Beth Pfeffer 0449 584 284

MONDAY  
5PM Walking Soccer

TUESDAY  
9:30AM Playgroup

WEDNESDAY  
9AM Prayer Meeting

THURSDAY  
9AM Quilters

FRIDAY  
9:30AM Playgroup  
4PM Kids Ignite & Youth

BIRTHDAYS: 20th Beth Pfeffer, 24th Nikki Goatley, 25th Kristy Elford

### SPIRIT OF CHRISTMAS

The Spirit of Christmas' is happening again this year on 12th November. We will also be putting together some Christmas Hampers. The dates for the Christmas Hamper collections are 26th November, 3rd December and 10th December.

### SOS FINAL OUTING FOR 2023

Christmas Breakup Lunch at the Waterfront Hotel Thursday December 7 @ 11.30. There are flyers and an RSVP form available in the foyer. Or you can let Anneli (0427 795 112) know by 3rd December.

### MEN'S MINISTRY BREAKFAST

The next men's meeting will be a visit to Jim Carruthers business Carruthers Contracting on the 2nd December. It will be a breakfast and then you can have a look at all the Diggers and Dozers. Bring your children or grandchildren with and let them climb these monsters!! We will meet at the church at 7.30AM and will then car pool to Yandina. Please put your name on the list in the Hall if you are intending to come along.

### AGM MEETING

Our AGM will be held after the service on Sunday 3rd December. This is an important day for our church family as we will be -

- Voting in our church and ministry leaders for 2024,
- Voting in new church members,
- Celebrating the events of 2023, and
- Getting updates on plans for 2024 and beyond..

Everyone, not just members, is encouraged to come along to this exciting event.

### UNI IMPACT

A huge welcome to Sam and the Uni Impact team as they begin their two week annual retreat here at Coolum Beach. We love partnering with you and pray that the retreat will be a time of blessing and growth for all who attend.



Notes

"For God So Loved The World" (John 3:16-21, Eph 3:14-21)

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*"To know Christ and make Him known"*



"May you experience the love of Christ, though it is too great to understand fully. Then you will be made complete with all the fullness of life and power that comes from God." (Eph 3:19)

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9AM Pastor John

November

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