

Notes

"How To Be Wise and Not A Fool" (Matthew 7:24-29)

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Coolumb Beach Baptist Church

'To know Christ and make Him known'



"Anyone who listens to my teaching and follows it is wise, like a person who builds a house on solid rock." (Matt 7:24)

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August

9AM *John Curtis*

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Thought for the Week

VISIBLE JOY

"I seem to be particularly mischievous when I get into a lift. Our society teaches us to turn and face the doors and stand there quietly. But I love turning around and facing the others in the elevator with me and say something like, "I'm glad you could make this meeting here."."

Once when Tony Campolo was in a lift of a New York skyscraper, filled with very serious-faced business people, he smiled and said, "Lighten up. We're going to be travelling together for quite a while. What do you say we sing?" Incredibly they did! He continues, "I don't know if they were intimidated by me or just wanted to have some fun, but businessmen with attache cases in hand and businesswomen in their power suits, joined me in singing, "You Are My Sunshine.

"When I got off at the seventieth floor, one man got off and walked down the corridor with me, wearing a big smile on his face. I asked him, Are you going to the same meeting I'm going to?" "Nah," he said. I just wanted to finish the song."

We seem to forget that to be in heaven in the presence of God is to part of a glorious celebration.

Sometimes, when I'm preaching and I look around the somber faces of those in the congregation, I feel that the 'joy of the Lord' seems a long way from what I see.

Now, I understand that for some, they are facing tough times. Just about all of us know of the joy of the Lord but it is hardly evident.

To quote Tony, "Would you please notify your faces!"

Of all people, we have every reason to be joyous. We are flooded with bad news from the media but we know that God is still in control of our world. His Son has sent the Holy Spirit to empower us to live, showing, among others things, JOY!

Interestingly, one of the fruit of the Spirit is just that.

John Curtis
with thanks to Tony Campolo.

Prayer Points

- Pray for Elaine Rose's eldest grandson Matt. He has 3 young children and at just 37 has just been diagnosed with bowel and liver cancer and has to undergo strong chemotherapy
- Praise God for the fact that Leban and Vivian (people who work with John and Margaret Beaumont in their translation work in PNG) have now arrived at Alotau, as the boat was able to be fixed and get them after a 7 day wait
- Pray for all our folk who have ongoing health issues: Leslie Gallagher, Inga (who is very thankful for all the cards, visits, and prayers she has received), Elaine.

What's on?

MONDAY

5PM Walking Soccer

TUESDAY

9:30AM Playgroup

WEDNESDAY

9AM Prayer Meeting

THURSDAY

9AM Quilters/Craft

FRIDAY

9:30AM Playgroup

4PM Kids Ignite

& Youth



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

BIRTHDAYS: 12TH David Eden



SOS OUTING

The SOS outing this month will be Mary Cairncross Park on Thursday 29th August. Please see the form in the foyer for more details. Please indicate on the form if you wish to go on a guided rainforest walk. See Anneli for more information.

PRAYER MEETING

We will be holding a special prayer meeting TODAY to seek God's will for the current needs of CBBC. We are planning to have a session of prayer after morning tea, to have lunch together (church to provide) and then more sessions of prayer after lunch. We have much to praise God for and we have much to seek His blessing on for the future. So please hang around for this time of prayer

THANKSGIVING SOCCER SERVICE—NEXT SUNDAY

On the 18th August we will be having our Thanksgiving Soccer Service, where we give thanks to God for the soccer season we have had. There are a number of jobs that need to be done to make this day happen and we need your help, please see the sheets out in the gallery and put your name down if you are able to help.