

"The Gospel Bearing Fruit and Growing" (Colossians 1:1-14)

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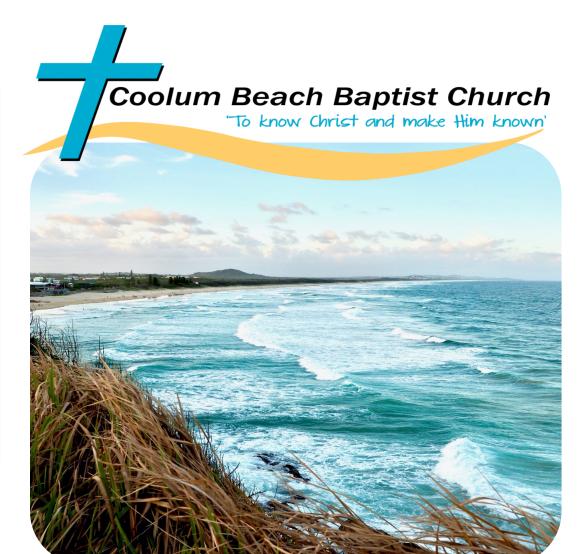
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"This same Good News that came to you is going out all over the world. It is bearing fruit everywhere by changing lives, just as it changed your lives from the day you first heard and understood the truth about God's wonderful grace." (Colossians 1:6)

22 September

9AM Bill Forgeard

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Thought for the Week

"IT MATTERS TO THIS ONE"

An old man walked across the beach until he came across a young boy throwing something into the breaking waves. Upon closer inspection, the old man could see that the boy was tossing stranded starfish from the sandy beach, back into the ocean.

"What are you doing, young man?" He asked.
"If the starfish are still on the beach when the sun rises, they will die,"
the boy answered.

"That is ridiculous. There are thousands of miles of beach and millions of starfish. It doesn't matter how many you throw in; you can't make a difference."

"It matters to this one," the boy said as he threw another starfish into the waves. "And it matters to this one."

God calls us to walk worty of Him and as often as we can, do good to everyone. We are to be His ambassadors by sharing the good news of the gospel with those around us. There are billions of people living on earth and we can't influence all of them. But to those whom God has put in our life, our influence and witness will matter to them.

May we faithfully serve Him as often as we can.

Blessings. Greg Blunden

Prayer Points

- Praise God that Lesley Gallagher's results show that she is cancer free
- Continue to pray our pastoral search committee, as we seek out the right man to lead God's church here.
- Continue to pray for those who have ongoing health issues. Pray for Inga, Elaine Rose, and her grandson Mat, he is not responding well to the chemo and is struggling
- Praise God that the SU Camp saw 2 young people respond to the gospel. Pray that these people would be followed up and intentionally discipled in the local church
- Pray for the leaders of our various ministries over the break, that they would be physically and spiritually refreshed.

What's on?

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

MONDAY 5PM Walking Soccer

WEDNESDAY
9AM Prayer Meeting

THURSDAY
9AM Quilters/Craft

BIRTHDAYS: 24th Austin Mathewson & Val Fitzpatrick, 25th Jireh Rushbrook, 27th Lesley Arnold.



MEN'S MINISTRY (updated from last week's)

The next date for 'Men's Ministry' has been locked in for October 12th (Saturday, 10:00am, and they are preparing breakfast for us). This time they are going to do some lawn bowls, and wives are invited. This is a social event, open to all levels, even if you have never played before. If you are interested and wanting to come along please put your name down on the sheet in the foyer. For more information please see Richard (Cost's to come soon)

MATT 'N' ULI

A reminder that if you are interested in attending Matt 'n' Uli's dinner fundraiser, RSVP is by the 29th September (form in foyer) for the event which is on the 5th October (Saturday, 5:30pm, Church hall)

MINISTRY BREAK

Well, it's officially school holidays, which means our ministries are on break for a couple weeks as well, but will resume when school starts up again.

SU CAMP HIGHLIGHT

Our church (we weren't involved other than supplying our church) hosted the SU Splash Out Camp here during the week. They were sharing with Greg that major highlight for them was a disco night held on Wednesday night. At that event, the leaders gave a gospel message and a couple of kids gave their heart to the Lord. It is good that our facilities can be used to honour the Lord.