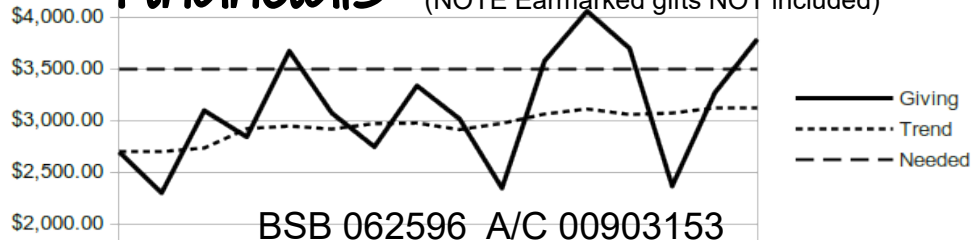


# Financials

(NOTE Earmarked gifts NOT included)



BSB 062596 A/C 00903153

Thank you for your heart of giving and commitment.

## Birthdays this week

Thursday	Ken Harding
" "	Mike Ratumu
" "	Judah Baluyut
Saturday	Troy Camilleri
" "	Ralph Hearsey



## Please support the Emmaus Prison Ministry

Transferring \$5/week (or \$20/month) pays for Emmaus Correspondence School booklets and postage allowing a prisoner to study God's word.

We are seeing many being saved through this ministry:

**Emmaus Correspondence School**

**BSB 032087 Account 123703**

## Contacts

<b>For Eldership contact and Pastoral Care:</b>	<b>elders@rivochurch.com</b>		
Andrew Cowell:	0426 838 948	Linc Marlow:	0490 804 708
Phillip Gummerson:	0414 765 200	Dave Ward	0414 929 946
<b>For Deaconship matters:</b>	<b>deacons@rivochurch.com</b>		
Brett Davis:	0409 841 058	Eric Gordon:	0402 066 076
Stuart Waller:	0419 445 660		
<b>Kids Church:</b>	Rhiannan Morsillo	(rhiannan.cowell@gmail.com)	
<b>Youth:</b>	Rhys Morsillo	0411 776 587	
<b>Connect:</b>	Warwick Gummerson	(warwick@gummerson.com.au)	
<b>Facebook:</b>	Jade Cowell	0450 508 947	
<b>Church &amp; Building Bookings:</b>	(rivochurch.com/church_calendar.php)		
<b>Finances:</b>	Eric Gordon:	0402 066 076	



**Topic:** *Mother's Day*

**Speaker:** **Phillip Gummerson**

**Chairman:** **Peter Gordon**

## The Program (D.V.)

**10:00am**

Church which includes:  
Prayer and Praise  
Kids' Church  
Worship  
Communion  
Preaching

**Next Sunday**  
**2nd Corinthians -**  
**Meek not Weak:**

**The best laid plans**

**Oskars Stubis**  
**(Peter Gordon)**

**The Sunday After..**  
**2nd Corinthians -**  
**Meek not Weak:**

**Repentance &**  
**Restoration**

**Phillip Gummerson**  
**(Peter Gordon)**

**www.rivochurch.com**

**www.facebook.com/rivochurch**

**Visitors – go to rivochurch.com/new**

# Prayer, Praise & News

## **\*\* Babies \*\***

Please pray for safe delivery for the mother and baby.

\* **Robyn Morsillo** – A girl due September; experiencing strong morning sickness.

## **General Praise & Prayer**

\* **Praise** – Riverstone Community Church has moved the office of the Emmaus Prison Ministry to a space provided by GLO. This is not only a wonderful provision, it is more convenient for the people running that ministry after years of faithful service by Basil and Faith. It is now headed up by Dave & Julie Ward, along with a great group of volunteers.

\* **Praise** – Wednesday Kids Club starts for the first time in over a year and a half.  
**Pray** – For the leadership team, led by Aedan Cowell.

\* **Ted Davis** – Alternating between hospital and rehab for about 9 weeks: Spinal tumour, spine fracture, then neck problem, then a fall broke 4 ribs.  
**Pray** – For encouragement and peace during all this.

\* **Daphne Harding** – Easily exhausted. Cardiologist says 3 to 6 months recovery.  
**Pray** – For encouragement as she recovers from stroke and heart surgery.

\* **Monica's brother** –  
**Paul** – Originally hospitalised for meningitis (viral & bacterial), then developed spots of cancer on his head and lungs.  
**Now given only weeks to live. Pray for him to come to Salvation.**

\* **Mary Crossingham** – Mary is seriously ill with cancer.  
**Pray** – For Mary and Derrick at this time.

\* **Pauline Ratumu's brother** – Took his own life last Tuesday morning.  
**Pray** – for the young family left behind.

\* **Ukraine** – **Pray** that this sad situation leads people to Christ.

\* **Australia** – **Please pray** for the upcoming Federal election 21<sup>st</sup> May.

## **God Will Give You Another Chance**

Because they disobeyed God, the Jews spent seventy years as slaves in Babylon. They lost their joy, their freedom, and their identity; all the things that make life worth living.

But God hadn't finished with them. He told them this:  
*"After... seventy years, I will be kind and bring you back to Jerusalem, just as I have promised. I will bless you with a future filled with hope—a future of success, not of suffering. You will turn back to Me and ask for help and I will answer your prayers. You will worship Me with all your heart, and I will be with you and accept your worship... You will feel secure."*  
(Jeremiah 29:10-15)

We all have veered off course at one time or another. But when you read Biblical accounts of the people God blessed and used, you discover that failing isn't unusual. Often, it's part of the learning curve. The fact is, there is nothing in your past or present that God can't use.

When we come into this world, none of us knows exactly what we're supposed to do with our lives. And that's ok. Just start where you are right now. When God puts your life back on track, He starts by giving you a sense of hope, because only God-given hope will sustain you through the rough times.

If you're wondering whether you will ever get to where you're supposed to be in life, go back and reread what God promised His people: *"A future filled with hope."* (Jeremiah 29:11)

And the God who gave Israel another chance will give you one, too, when you turn to Him.

From Vision Christian Media