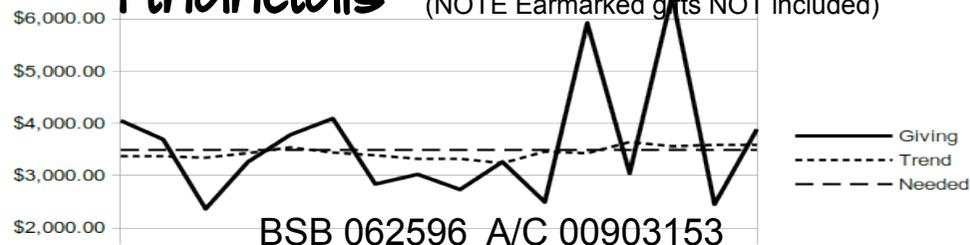


# Financials

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Thank you for your heart of giving and commitment.

## You can 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:

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## Birthdays this week

LAST Thursday	Anna Gummerson
Wednesday	Felicity Marlow
" "	Johanna Skelly
" "	Alana Hughes
Saturday	Elizabeth Kennedy



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# Connect



News from Riverstone Community Church

24<sup>th</sup> July 2022

**Topic:** *Meek not Weak: Give Purposefully*

**Speaker:** Ken Harding

**Chairman:** Linc Marlow

**Creche:** Paul & Sarah

**Next Sunday**  
*Meek not Weak: Seeking God's Approval*  
 Linc Marlow  
 Nathan Fredericks  
 Oskars & Lucy

**The Sunday After..**  
*One Small Step: Get to know Me*  
 Andrew Cowell  
 Ace & Joanne

**The Program (D.V.)**  
 10:00am  
 Church which includes:  
 Prayer and Praise  
 Worship  
 Communion  
 Preaching

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# Praise, Prayer & News

## PRAISE:

- \* **Daphne Harding** – Specialist appointment Monday.  
**Praise** – Much improved but tires easily.  
**Pray** – For steady recovery.
- \* **Lionel Sardar** – Cancer had metastasised on his lungs.  
**Praise** – Oncologist said his lungs are clear so he can go ahead with the immunotherapy treatment on Monday.

## PRAYER:

- \* **Daniel & Robyn Morsillo** – A baby girl due to be born in September.  
**Pray** – For a safe delivery for Robyn and the baby.
- \* **John Grant's son in law; Dave Perry.** – Severe infection head, ear & jaw.  
Went to Emergency Department last Tuesday afternoon.  
**Pray** – That it is readily treatable.
- \* **Margaret Kennedy** – Now home after weeks in hospital – on oxygen.  
Suffering from autoimmune attack on various organs.  
**Pray** – For her to be encouraged and strengthened.
- \* **Mary Crossingham** – Multiple tumours.  
**Pray** – That the treatments work.
- \* **Azar & Eghbal** (John Grant's friends – Iranian Christians in Turkey).  
**Pray** – For their Visa application. For effective medication for Azar and that a small tumour in her brain can be removed.
- \* **Monica's brothers** – **Sadly, they are trusting Jesus' earthly mother instead of having faith in Jesus Himself. Pray for them to come to salvation.**  
**Paul** – Serious condition in hospital – also now has Covid.  
**Joe** – **Pray** that the kidney surgery scheduled Wednesday can go ahead.
- \* **Australia** – **Pray** for those with Covid and for those whose homes were flooded.
- \* **Ukraine** – **Pray** that the situation leads people to Christ.

## Adjusting our Vision.

Before God called the prophet Isaiah to a position of leadership in the nation, He adjusted Isaiah's vision. Uncorrected vision leads to skewed perspective, poor judgement, and wasted effort. Israel's constant rebellion was putting them in jeopardy with God, and they needed a leader with clear vision. So, the first thing God did was give Isaiah a vision of His glory and power. Without it, he could not have done the job. Without this life-changing encounter with God, he would never have been strong enough to complete his mission. And the same applies to us.

Whatever God calls us to do will require more than a job description and some basic skills. We will need a vision of His glory and limitless power to reassure us. He is more than adequate for the challenge! (See Ephesians 3:20)

The second thing God did was adjust Isaiah's vision of himself. Once our God-concept is adjusted, we're ready for a self-concept adjustment—and not before! If we start with step two, we will quit before we begin. Isaiah cried, 'I am not pure, and I live among people who are not pure.' (Isaiah 6:5 NCV) Isaiah realised he was no better than the people he had been called to reach. Until we see ourselves realistically, honestly, and humbly in relation to God and others, our mission won't succeed (see Romans 12:3.)

The third thing God did was respond to Isaiah's humility. An angel touched his lips with God's purifying fire and said, 'Your sin is taken away.' (Isaiah 6:7 NCV) God doesn't call perfect leaders. He calls humble, honest, forgiven leaders, and crowns their efforts with success, regardless of the odds.

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