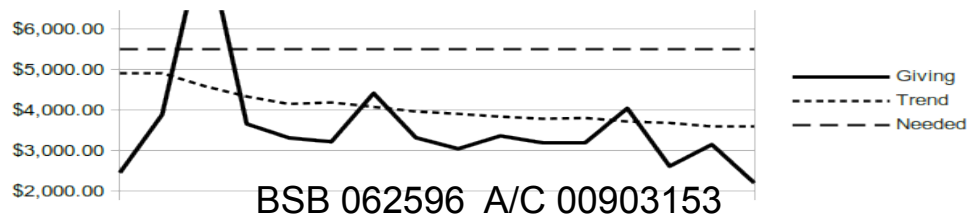


Financials

(NOTE Earmarked gifts NOT included)



The elders would like to invite anyone who has further questions about the Financial Announcement or any other question relating to church finances to email elders@rivochurch.com

Birthdays this week

Tuesday	Nathan Fredericks
Friday	Dearne Gordon



"Peace I leave with you; my peace I give to you.
Not as the world gives do I give to you.
Let not your hearts be troubled, neither let them be afraid."
Jesus – John 14:27

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Topic: *What does the Bible say about Gender?*
Speaker: Oskars Stubis
Chairman: Mitch Cavens
Creche: Chris & Lina and Emilia

Next Sunday <i>Love is Love, Right?</i> Sp: Phillip Gummerson Ch: Mitch Cavens	The Sunday After.. <i>Can I lose my salvation?</i> Sp: Linc Marlow Ch:
Ralph & Jess	Paul & Sarah

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

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* **Ralph & Jess Hearsey** – A new baby to be born late March.

Pray – For a safe delivery for Jess and their baby.

* **Andrew Webb** – Cancer has returned.

He visited the radiologist last Tuesday.

“Radiation probably starts Monday the 24th.”

Pray – For endurance, courage and a permanent cure.

* **Mary Crossingham** – Multiple tumours – receiving home care.

Pray – For encouragement for Mary and Derek.

* **Monica’s brother, Joe**

Pray – That he puts his trust in Jesus as his Saviour.

* **Margaret Kennedy** – **At home, oxygen for 10 hours at night.**

Praise – For the improvement in her health.

Pray – That she continues to gain strength.

* **Sarah Abraham** – Sarah, Samara, & Cherise in India.

Pray – For complete success of Cherise’s dental work and for a safe return.

* **Ken Harding** – **Speaking at Glenorie.**

* **Phillip Gummerson** – **Speaking at Campbelltown**

Afghanistan!

Afghanistan has overtaken North Korea as the most dangerous place to be a Christian.

It is impossible to live openly as a Christian in Afghanistan. Leaving Islam is considered shameful, and believers may be disowned or killed by their family or clan. The Taliban’s takeover increased the persecution of Christians, and many were forced to flee.

To many, leaving Islam is considered a sign of insanity, and a Christian who has converted from Islam may be forcibly sectioned in a psychiatric hospital.

Christians face extreme persecution wherever they are in Afghanistan. Control and supervision are stricter in rural areas than in most cities.

Women in Afghanistan have little social or financial autonomy and are highly vulnerable to all forms of physical abuse. Since the Taliban takeover in 2021, the position of women has become even more dangerous, and any progress that had been made in women’s freedoms has been swiftly undone. There is little chance of legal justice for women.

Pray:

- that secret believers in Afghanistan will be protected from the violence of the Taliban.
- that God will turn the hearts of Taliban leaders from hate to love.
- that local partners here in Australia supporting Afghan refugees will be filled with grace and love.