

Christmas Collection = \$10,597.00

Many thanks .

Birthday this week

Friday Chloe Pitt



Anniversary this week

Monday Ian & Robyn Linton



As an electrician in the prison system I move through various prisons doing repair work. I am a Christian and I have noticed many Emmaus Bible Gems calendars hanging on the walls of the cells and have been told by the inmates that they really treasure these calendars as they bring them hope and a reason to live as they read the verses for each day. I really encourage these guys to continue to read these Scriptures and to try to commit them to memory. I have also noticed the Emmaus courses in some of the cells and have tried to encourage these inmates to complete the courses.

I have had many conversations with these inmates and some have even told me that if they had not been in prison and had the opportunity to receive ECS courses they would have never heard about the Lord Jesus Christ and the message of the Gospel which has changed many lives.

I am very thankful to Emmaus Correspondence School for providing this material for these inmates as they really look forward to their next course to learn from the God's Word .

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News from Riverstone Community Church

6th November 2022

Topic: *Can I lose my salvation?*

Speaker: Linc Marlow

Chairman: Phillip Gummerson

Creche: Paul & Sarah

Next Sunday
*Does literal 6-Day
Creation matter?*

Sp: Stuart Thomson
Ch: Phillip Gummerson

Estelle and Maybelle

The Sunday After..
*What happens
when we die?*

Sp: Andrew Cowell
Ch: Peter Gordon

Carol and Lina

**The
Program
(D.V.)**

10:00am

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

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Prayer, praise & News

- * **Ralph & Jess Hearsey** – A new baby to be born late March.
- * **Rhys & Rhiannan Morsillo** – A new baby to be born in May.
Pray – For safe delivery for mothers and and their babies.

- * **Andrew Webb** – 5 days of radiation therapy done so 18 more to go.
Chemo is 7 days a week so 30 days more to go.
Pray – For endurance, courage and a permanent cure.
- * **Mary Crossingham** – Multiple tumours.
Mary now transferred to Mt Druitt’s Palliative Care Unit.
Pray – For encouragement for Mary and Derek.
- * **Christine Scott** – Now has atrial fibrillation.
Pray – That medication can bring it under control.
- * **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.
- * **Margaret Finlay** – Left total knee replacement on Wednesday.
Pray – For successful surgery, recovery and pain management.
- * **Chris Barrington’s brother-in-law’s father** –
Open heart bypass surgery last Tuesday – not too good!
Pray – For recovery but especially that the family finds salvation.

Glad Forward’s funeral service will be live streamed on Tuesday
from Faith Community Church – Buderim:
<https://faithcommunitychurch.com.au/live>
starting at 2:30pm (Sydney Time).

The power of prayer

Last week believers around the world rejoiced that Christian convert from Islam, Naser Navard Goltapeh was released from prison in Iran. Naser had served nearly five years of a ten-year sentence in Tehran’s Evin Prison for running an illegal “house church” and for his alleged links to Christians in other countries.



The reason for his release is unknown, but it is a reminder to us that the Lord does hear our prayers.

When the Apostle Peter was in prison, the Christians in Jerusalem gathered and were “earnestly praying to God for him” (Acts 12:5).

Yet when Peter was miraculously freed, and made his way to the home where the believers were gathered for prayer, they did not believe at first it was really him! (Acts 12:15).

Perhaps we too can find ourselves doubting that our requests on behalf of our persecuted and suffering family will be granted. But we can be encouraged that the release of Naser demonstrates that the Lord is both able and willing to work through the prayers of His people.

Let us therefore “always keep on praying for all the Lord’s people” (Ephesians 6:18).

From “<https://www.barnabasfund.org/au/news/editorial-the-power-of-prayer/>”