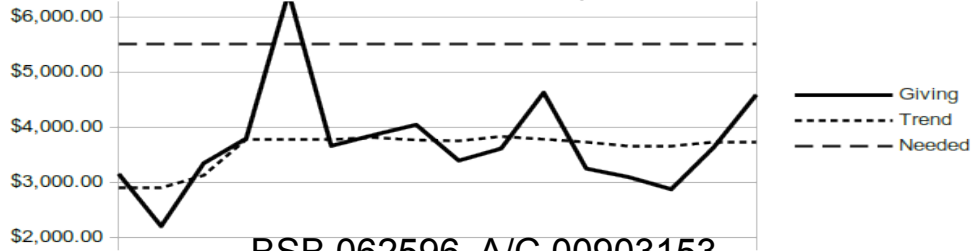


Financials (NOTE Earmarked gifts NOT included)



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Thank you for your heart of giving and commitment.



Amity Jackson
to be
baptised today.

Birthdays this week

Today	Rebecca Jackson
Wednesday	Beatrice Smith
Saturday	Jackson Davis



Anniversary this week

Thursday	Steve & Tracey Morsillo
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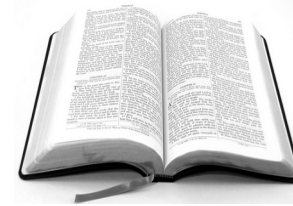
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Connect

News from Riverstone Community Church

5th February 2023

Topic: *A Better Story*
Not forsaken
 Speaker: Peter Gordon
 Chairman: Linc Marlow
 Creche: Chris & Lina



Next Sunday
Created for community
Connect

The Sunday After..
Created for community
Trust

Sp: Andrew Cowell
 Ch: Linc Marlow

Sp: Phillip Gummerson
 Ch: Linc Marlow

Cr: Daniel & Robyn

Cr: The Ratumu Family

The Program (D.V.)

10:00am
 Church which includes:
 Prayer and Praise
 Baptism
 Creche
 Worship
 Kids' Church
 Communion
 Preaching
LUNCH

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Prayer, Praise & News.

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

- * **Jenny McGechan** – Corneal transplant last Friday.
 Praise – Message from Jenny,
 “Yesterday's words from my surgeon after he looked at my new cornea today were ‘pristine & the shape is beautiful’,. He is not surprised I have motion sickness because it's the ‘best vision I have had for a long time.’ To me it doesn't feel great & my brain is a bit confused with the vision but my surgeon doesn't smile much & he had a big smile. I'm very happy. Not seeing him for a month. Thank you all for your prayers & thoughts.”
- * **Ron King** – Last month Ron was injured by a water pipe exploding.
 Praise – That he no longer needs to use a walking stick.
- * **Margaret Kennedy** – Another round of chemo & antibiotics. Little strength.
 Pray – That she recovers from this setback.
- * **Dave Ward** – Weekly checkups.
 Pray – That he recovers fully.
- * **Heather Davis** – Praise God she's now completed her therapy.
 Pray – For a good result from a scan tomorrow.
- * **Andrew Webb** – Battling cancer – difficulty eating much.
 Pray – For endurance, courage and a permanent cure.
- * **Lionel Sardar** – (husband of Jackie Sardar; they read the Connect).
 More fluid on lungs.
 Pray – That the problem can be resolved.
- * **Caleb Schulte** – Recent onset of *absence seizures* (aka *petit mal*).
 Pray – That a satisfactory resolution is soon found.
- * **Max; Ken Scott's (brother-in-law)** – Had a fall causing a brain bleed.
 Pray – That the resulting clot is removed.
- * **Mark Abraham** – Has flown to India. Will bring back his family 10th March.
 Pray – For God's protection and for their safe return.
- * **CrossConnect** – (GLO training)
 Pray – For the 5 new CrossConnect students as they settle into the discipleship training course at GLO.

Lunch at Church TODAY

What does the Bible say about euthanasia?

This topic is relevant because of current and future legislation. The Bible does not specifically mention euthanasia, but it does address issues closely related to it. It is the act of assisting someone in his or her own death.

Just because a society might say that euthanasia is good does not mean that it is. We are to obey God rather than men (Acts 5:29).

We are made in the image of God (Gen. 1:26), and it is the Lord God who gives us life (Job 33:4) and who has numbered our days (Job 14:5). This means that God is the sovereign Lord who determines the day that we die. Euthanasia plays God, judging whose life is worth living and claiming the right to decide that a person should live or die.

In the book of Job, when he is in great distress, his wife said to him “... Curse God and die!” But he said to her, ‘You speak as one of the foolish women. Shall we indeed accept good from God and not accept adversity?’ In all this Job did not sin,” (Job 2:9-10). Basically, Job's wife suggested a form of euthanasia to avoid the pain of his life, but Job refused to do so.

If someone is terminally ill, we should make them as comfortable as possible during this process of dying. We should not hasten their death. Instead, we should let death take its natural course, but make every effort to comfort those who are suffering. “...not a single sparrow can fall to the ground without your Father knowing it.” Matt 10:29 NLT

See <https://carm.org/about-ethics/what-does-the-bible-say-about-euthanasia/>

Impact Youth Questions



- 10th Feb Why are you here?
- 17th Feb Who is God and what is he like?
- 24th Feb Can I trust the Bible?
- 3rd March Is sin a real problem?
- 10th March Outing (TBA)
- 17th March Did Jesus really live?
- 24th March Did Jesus really come alive again?
- 31st March Is evolution correct?
- 21-23 Apr KYCK camp!!!



Impact Youth is for years 7-12
7-9pm @ Riverstone Community Church
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