


Birthdays this week

Today	Tevita Ratumu
Monday	Elissa Hughes
Tuesday	Izabelle Ratumu
Friday	Leslie Gerry (Thomas)



“Sound of Freedom” showing at Hoyts Penrith
 Thursday 24th, Friday 25th, Saturday 26th, Sunday 27th August
 10am (Standard format) -- 3:30pm & 6:30pm (Large screen)
<https://www.hoyts.com.au/movies/sound-of-freedom>
 (NOT SUITABLE FOR CHILDREN)

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Church & Building Bookings: (rivochurch.com/church_calendar.php)



Topic: *Portrait of a Healthy Church:
 Eldership excursus 1*

Speaker: Andrew Cowell

Chairman: Peter Gordon

Creche: Robyn & Emilia

The Next Sunday
*Portrait of a
 Healthy Church:
 Eldership excursus 2*

The Sunday After..
*Portrait of a
 Healthy Church:
 Multigenerational,
 Active Members*

Sp: Andrew Cowell
Ch: Peter Gordon
Cr: Chris & Lina

Sp: Brett Davis
Ch: Peter Gordon
Cr: Ratumu Family

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

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Prayer, Praise & News.



* **Pray for all those grieving lost loved ones.** ...Then we who are alive, who are left, will be caught up together with them in the clouds to meet the Lord in the air, and so we will always be with the Lord. Therefore encourage one another with these words. 1st Thessalonians 4 15-18

We know that they will meet again but comfort is needed now.

* **Heather Davis – (to be monitored every 3 months).**

Praise – The tumour has shrunk and the other spots are stable.

* **Ace's friend - Ron Siao** – Hospitalised with possible leukaemia.

Pray – For the families involved.

* **Johanna Skelly's sister-in-law** – Palliative care, blood clots & cancer.

Pray – For her to come to salvation.

* **Johanna Skelly** – Cardiac ablation treatment last Thursday.

Pray – That it cures her atrial fibrillation.

* **Paul Volkart** – Was in Hawkesbury hospital with low haemoglobin level. Currently undergoing multiple tests whilst at home.

Pray – For wisdom for the doctors and peace for Marilyn.

* **HSC Students** – Cate, Josh, Kaylen and Zac.

Pray – That they will be rewarded for their studies.

Lessons from Job

"God whispers to us in our pleasures, speaks in our conscience, but shouts in our pains: it is his megaphone to rouse a deaf world." – C.S. Lewis

From Job's experience we see:

- **Suffering is inevitable and unavoidable in this fallen world.** *"There was a man in the land of Uz whose name was Job, and that man was blameless and upright, one who feared God and turned away from evil."* Job 1:1
- **The worth of God is not dependent on our comfort.** *Then his wife said to him, "Do you still hold fast your integrity? Curse God and die." But he said to her, "You speak as one of the foolish women would speak. Shall we receive good from God, and shall we not receive evil?" In all this Job did not sin with his lips.* Job 2:9-10
- **You can have the right theology but still make wrong conclusions.** *"... they sat with him on the ground seven days and seven nights, and no one spoke a word to him, for they saw that his suffering was very great."* Job 2:13
- **Even in the most appalling suffering God is still there and still faithful.** *"Yet he knows the way I have taken; when he has tested me, I will emerge as pure gold."* Job 23:10
- **Job sets us up to embrace a Savior who suffers.** *"For I know that my Redeemer lives, and at the last he will stand upon the earth."* Job 19:25

Jesus, the Son of God, didn't shy away from suffering, but took it upon Himself to eliminate it forever. He met it head on, giving Himself so that it would not be the last word for our souls.

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