
WEEKLY BULLETIN – 7TH JANUARY 2018

A MESSAGE FROM OUR LEAD PASTOR...

This weekend I want to give you some information that may change your perspective on the way you read the letter to the Philippians.

The Apostle Paul wrote this joy-filled letter of appreciation from prison to the church that he started around ten years earlier in Philippi, and even in the middle of this significant trial (Paul was in prison), we see that Paul receives joy from God, and in this letter we will see joy or rejoice or similar words a number of times.

And I love it when you find a piece of information that changes your perspective. Like I wonder if you have ever met anyone and thought “I don’t really like that person, they are rude and snobby and stuck up!”

But then, when you find out a little bit more of their story, and you hear what they have been going through, your heart changes for them because that new piece of information changes your perspective.

Over the next four weeks, I hope to be able to feed you those pieces of information that help you gain a new perspective from Paul’s letter to the church.

May God bless you as you seek to gain a new perspective...

Pastor Ben



Series: **Perspective**
Part 1: **Now What?**

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| Upcoming Dates

Thurs	01/02	7.00pm	Myanmar Information Night (St John's Meeting Room)
Sun	04/02	2.00pm	Installation of Pastors Ben & Roelof (Bethany)
Wed	28/02	to 06/03	Myanmar Mission Trip

| Today

Thank you to Gary Hermann and Bob Weiss for leading worship at Bethany and Grace today.

| Happenings & Notices

Prayer Haven in recess from 5th December. Will begin again on 6th February, 10am-12 noon at 86 Raceview Street. Enquiries and prayer available during recess on appointment. Contact 0455777008.

Days for Girls An Information afternoon will be held at **Bethany Worship Centre** on **Friday 19th January from 3-4pm**. Plastic bags are out so come and sew a shopping bag or if you don't sew, join flower making or other nifty things. Come and hear how you could get involved with 'Days for Girls'. We will be having pizza (\$12.00) for tea afterwards. RSVP's to Glenys 0418 694 566 or Jacki Ledger 0408 303 293.

Time Out...with the Shepherd orders are now being taken for this 2018 Devotion Book. Each meditation is a 'time-out' of about 3 plus minutes and consists of a Bible reading, some thoughts on that passage, and a short prayer. This book provides Christian devotions based on the lectionary Bible reading for the day. The devotions can be used for individuals, families and groups. Order your copy now at the church office – 3202 4035 or simply make your request on a careslip today 😊 Cost \$22 including postage.

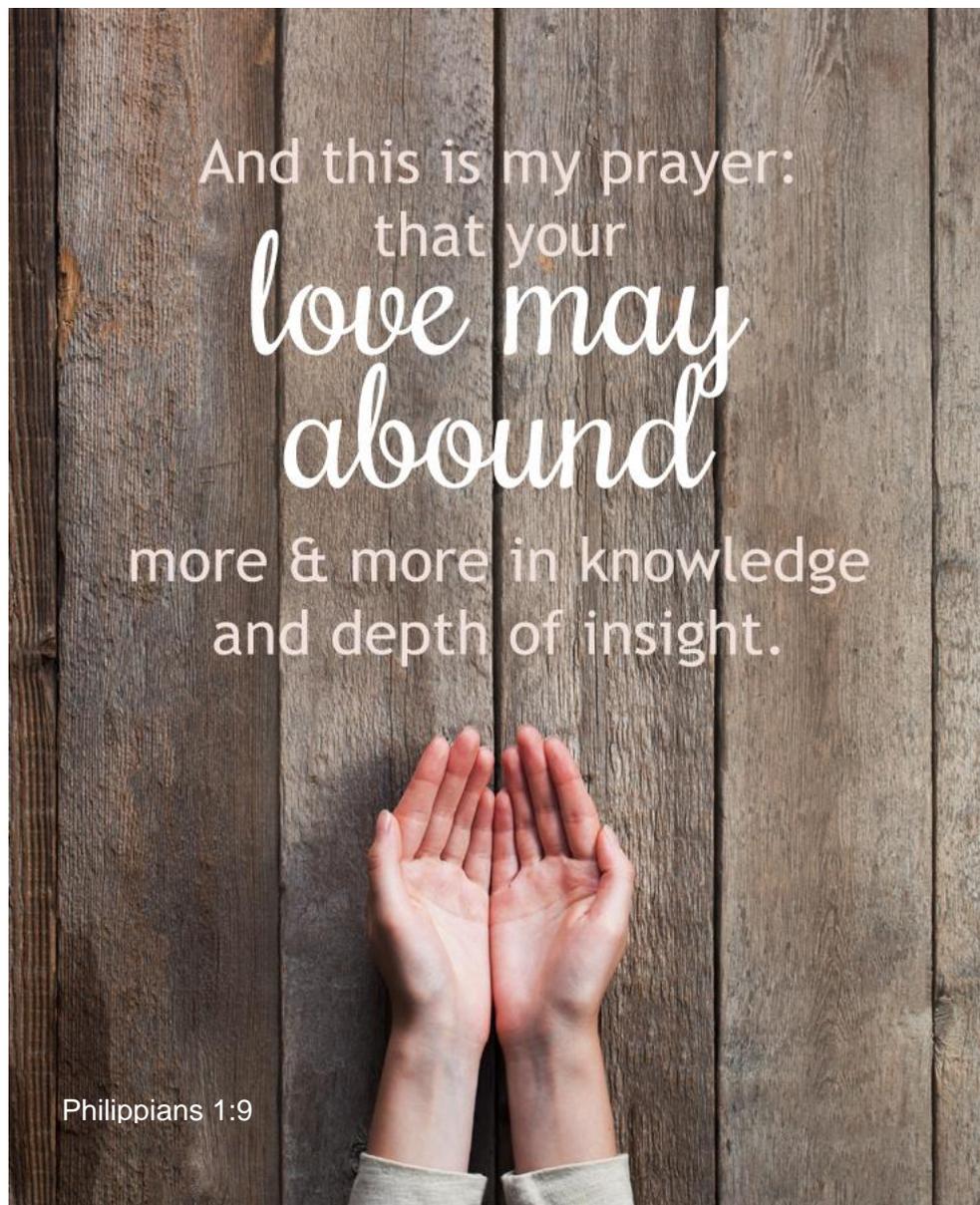
Volunteer for Food Pantry if you enjoy grocery shopping why not combine it with helping the wider community. We require another person to join our wonderful team who shop for our food pantry. Please contact the Church office if you would like to volunteer or require further information.

Myanmar Partnership Trip Please let Pastor Ben ASAP if you would like to be a part of this next trip (28/02-06/03). We are looking to make the initial bookings from the 10th of January, so please contact him prior to then for any more information.

Installation of Pastors On **Sunday the 4th February** we will not be having our regular morning worship. Instead we are going to have a combined worship service at **Bethany** Worship Centre at **2pm** as Bishop Paul Smith installs Pastor Ben as our Lead Pastor and Roelof Buitendag as our Associate Pastor.

Thankyou Pastor Ben and Church Office Staff The Kompenhans family would like to thank them so much for being there, and for all that they've done in making everything happen for the funeral of Fritz Kompenhans. It's much appreciated.

Pantry Items for Pastor Roelof, Rebecca and family As a welcome to Pastor Roelof and his family, it would be wonderful to stock their pantry with food and household items. If you would like to help out please bring your gift to church next Sunday 14th January☺



| Prayer

Prayer Points

- Thank you Heavenly Father for delivering the promised Saviour Jesus Christ.
- Health and healing for those hurting.
- Peace and patience for those in need.
- Be with those who have lost loved ones.
- Thank you for the rain.
- Prayers for peace throughout All Nations.
- Pray for mothers, midwives and babies.
- Thank you Lord for 2017 and many blessings for 2018 for everyone.

General Prayers

- Please continue praying for
 - the Pastors, staff team and leaders of the Church
 - all upcoming meetings around the Church
 - worship services across all our locations (beforehand and as they take place)
 - specific events as they arise (i.e. funerals, weddings, baptisms etc.)

| Stay Connected

Want to know more about Jesus? Head to 'Next Steps' on our website: www.ipswich.church or alternatively, speak to one of our pastors. We would love to hear from you and help you if you want to continue in your faith walk, learning more about our Lord and Saviour, Jesus Christ.

Guests – we trust that you have drawn closer to God in worship today. Our church is blessed by your presence today. Please stay and enjoy a 'cuppa' with us after worship and make yourself known to us. We'd love to answer any queries you may have, and be able to bless you with a special welcome pack & gift – just for you!

Help Us To Care - if you know of someone who has fallen ill or who is suffering in any way, please let the Pastoral Care Coordinator or one of the Pastors know by contacting the parish office so that appropriate care and follow up can occur.

Looking for Christian Education? – We are blessed to be able to partner with Bethany Lutheran Kindergarten (86 Raceview Street, Raceview Ph: 3294 0024) and Bethany Lutheran Primary School (126 Cascade Street, Raceview Ph: 3288 8799 www.bethany.qld.edu.au). as they provide quality Christian education to the children and families of our city.



*Worship
Times*

8am
St. John's
*(32 Roderick St.
Ipswich)*

9am
Bethany
*(86 Raceview St.
Raceview)*

9.30am
St. John's
*(32 Roderick St.
Ipswich)*

10am
Grace
*(19 Ipswich Rd.
Riverview)*