

OFFERINGS:

| | June 9 | June 16 |
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| | \$ | \$ |
| General | 22.10 | 13.61 |
| Budget | 284.45 | 179.80 |
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| New Guinea Pastor | 306.55 | 193.41 |
| | 6.20 | 15.60 |
| Annual Offering Y. & C.E. Dept. | 27.00 | - |
| Missions | 2.00 | - |
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| | <u>\$341.75</u> | <u>\$209.01</u> |

ATTENDANCES:

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| | June 2 | June 9 | June 16 |
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| Morning | 154 | 138 | 120 |
| Evening | 41 | 66 | 54 |
| Communicants.. | 130 | 116 | 97 |

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CHOSEN TO SERVE:

JUNE 30:

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| <u>President:</u> | W. S. Hoens |
| <u>Readers:</u> | H. Risson (Isaiah 42: 1-9) J. R. Watson (Romans 12) |
| <u>Servers:</u> | R. P. Smith M. Smith J. G. Watson G. Melvin R. N. Watson G. L. Watson |
| <u>Flowers:</u> | J. Auld |
| <u>Communion:</u> | J. Auld |
| <u>Hospitality:</u> | Mr. and Mrs. W. S. Hoens Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Smith |
| <u>Hospitality Convenor:</u> | Mrs. S. Vincent |
| <u>"Glen Eagles" Service:</u> | R. H. Proud |

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WHY I BELONG TO THE CHURCH OF CHRIST!

Last week I said - "We believe in the necessity of faith, repentance, confession and baptism for the assurance of salvation"
Let's look at these acts in more detail and see what the Scriptures say -

1. BELIEVE or HAVE FAITH. This means having a strong conviction of the truth of the gospel as 'the power of God unto salvation to everyone that believeth', and is a firm and abiding trust in Christ as the way, the truth, the resurrection and the life.
The basis of faith - "But these are written, that ye might believe that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God; and that believing ye might have life through his name." John 20:31.

"These were more noble than those in Thessalonica, in that they received the word with all readiness of mind, and searched the scriptures daily, whether those things were so. Therefore many of them believed;" Acts 17:11 and 12.

"So then faith cometh by hearing and hearing by the word of God." Romans 10:17.

Faith defined - "Now faith is the substance of things hoped for, the evidence of things not seen." Hebrews 11:1.

"And being fully persuaded that, what he had promised, he was able also to perform." Romans 4:21.

Faith and Salvation - "I said therefor unto you, that ye shall die in your sins: for if ye believe not that I am he, ye shall die in your sins." John 8:24.

"... Sirs, what must I do to be saved? And they said, Believe on the Lord Jesus Christ, and thou shalt be saved, and thy house." Acts 16: 30 and 31.

2. REPENT. This is a change of mind based upon reflection, and leading to definite results; also a godly sorrow for sins.

Repentance not to be confused as sorrow - "For though I made you sorry with a letter, I do not repent, though I did repent: for I perceive that the same epistle hath made you sorry, though it were but for a season. Now I rejoice, not that ye were made sorry, but that ye sorrowed to repentance: for ye were made sorry after a godly manner, that ye might receive damage by us in nothing. For godly sorrow worketh repentance to salvation not to be repented of: but the sorrow of the world worketh death." 11 Corinthians 7: 8-10.

Command to repent - "Bring forth therefore fruits meet for repentance." Matthew 3:8.

"And the times of this ignorance God winked at; but now commandeth all men everywhere to repent." Acts 17:30.

Repentance and Salvation - "I tell you, Nay: but, except ye repent, ye shall all likewise perish." Luke 13:3.

"Repent ye therefore, and be converted, that your sins may be blotted out" Acts 3:19.

".... and glorified God, saying, Then hath God also to the Gentiles granted repentance unto life." Acts 11:18.

3. CONFESS. This means a frank, open, unhesitating acknowledgment of belief in Jesus as the Christ, the Son of the living God.

The fact of the Good Confession - "Let us hold fast the profession of our faith without wavering;" Hebrews 10:23.

"Seeing then that we have a great high priest, that is passed into the heavens, Jesus the Son of God, let us hold fast our profession." Hebrews 4:14.

The form of the Good Confession - "And Philip said, If thou believest with all thine heart, thou mayest. And he answered and said, I believe that Jesus Christ is the Son of God." Acts 8:37.

The necessity for the Good Confession - "Whosoever therefore shall confess me before men, him will I confess also before my Father which is in heaven." Matthew 10:32.

"That if thou shalt confess with thy mouth the Lord Jesus, and shalt believe in thine heart that God hath raised him from the dead, thou shalt be saved." Romans 10:9. Also refer 1 John 4:15.

4. BAPTISM. The Greek word has no other meaning than to "immerse" or "submerge".

The manner of baptism - "Therefore we are buried with him by baptism into death: ... "Romans 6:4. "Buried with him in baptism, wherein also ye are risen with him through the faith of the operation of God, who hath raised him from the dead." Colossians 2:12.

Baptism and Salvation - "He that believeth and is baptized shall be saved; but he that believeth not shall be damned." Mark 16:16.

"Then Peter said unto them, Repent, and be baptized every one of you in the name of Jesus Christ for the remission of sins ... "Acts 2:38. Also refer to John 3:5; Acts 16:30-33; Romans 6:1-11; 1 Peter 3:21.

WE BID YOU WELCOME as you share with us in the worship and fellowship of to-day's services. TONIGHT'S GOSPEL SERVICE will be conducted by the Christian Women's Fellowship. Their President, MRS. J. FLOOD, will lead the service, and SISTERS PROUD, MALE, HOBBS and WOODWARD will direct our attention to the question - "CAN YOU PRAY THE LORD'S PRAYER?" Soloist will be MRS. J. H. SMITH.

NEXT SUNDAY NIGHT - JUNE 30 - we shall be combining with the Albion Church in the gospel service in their chapel, commencing at 7 o'clock. There will not be a service in our chapel next Sunday night.

THIS WEEK'S ACTIVITIES:

WEDNESDAY - 7.30 p.m. - Prayer and Bible Study.

FRIDAY - 7.30 p.m. - Christian Youth Fellowship.

SATURDAY - 7.30 p.m. - Tennis Club - Courts at Woolloongabba Police Station. New members welcome!

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FAMILY NEWS:

We extend our good wishes to MR. and MRS. TOM WILLIAMS who leave tomorrow to spend a month in the U.S.A. with Rod and Barbara and family who expect to be leaving the States later this year. We send our greetings to the family.

MRS. ANN FILES is amongst those who have been ill recently, and at the same time she is concerned about the condition of her mother who has now been admitted to the Annerley Nursing Home. We remember them in our prayers.

Our prayers are also for MRS. V. M. YOUNGBERRY to whom we extend our Christian love and sincere sympathy in her time of sorrow occasioned by the passing of her daughter and son-in-law - MR. AND MRS. M. J. HILLBERG - who were killed in a road accident on Rainbow Beach Road near Tin Can Bay last Monday about mid-day. The combined funeral service was held at Albany Creek Crematorium on Thursday at 1.15 p.m.

MRS. B. BETTS was attacked by a dog yesterday and was badly shaken. We wish her well.

FAMILY NIGHT! Next Thursday night is the monthly meeting of the MEN'S FELLOWSHIP. This will take the form of an 'open' night for Ten Pin Bowling at the Exhibition Bowl. Please assemble at the chapel at 7.30 p.m. "THANK YOU!" to those who shared in the car rally and picnic yesterday afternoon. There were six cars in the rally. Two other cars proceeded directly to Slaughter Falls where the rally ended.

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TO-DAY is your LAST OPPORTUNITY for ordering a personal copy of the new church hymn book if you wish to obtain it at the special pre-publication price of \$1.50. The secretary will accept your order.

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ANNUAL OFFERING FOR OVERSEAS MISSIONS - JULY 7. The church makes a budget offering. Envelopes are available if you wish to contribute.