

Follow My Footsteps

Have you ever followed someone along the beach trying to step into their footprints as you go.

On our earthly journey it is important that we follow the footsteps of the Master; follow His example; be guided by how He lived and listen to the plans that He has for us.

Sometimes we are going along okay and then suddenly, it seems like the door ahead has just slammed **SHUT** on our dreams, our goals and our plans. We become very confused because we may have thought that going through this door was the right way.

But amidst our confusion we may not notice a second door which is marked **OPEN** right in front of us. And this open door may be exactly what we need at this point in time of our life.

God knows us, He sees us and He has plans for us while we are on this earthly journey. But sometimes we get caught up in what **WE** think is right for us or what we would rather be doing. Instead of following in His footsteps, we take a different turn, perhaps turning right around and going in the other direction.

To let go and let God guide us can be difficult and scary but also challenging and rewarding. If we are to live our lives fully and well we need to embrace the future that God is opening for us.

Sometimes it can take time to locate the **OPEN** door but through dedicated prayer, searching in God's word and allowing ourselves to just **BE** with God—we will hear the Holy Spirit as He guides us along.

The Pastor Is In

Please phone me on 0423 375 714 or catch me at the church on Wednesdays and Sundays. **PASTOR JUDI**



UPCOMING EVENTS

NEW KIDS KLUB

Starting May 2nd aimed at Primary school children from 6-12 yrs. The Klub will run from 4.30-6.30pm fortnightly, 1st and 3rd Fridays of each month. Activities will include:

Art/Craft Games Exploring our World Stories/Drama Anyone willing to come along to assist would be most WELCOME. A 'working with children's permit' is required.

CALLING ALL TRIVIA BUFFS!!!

Our Fund raising Trivia afternoon has a bonus—a fantastic 3 course meal \$20 per head. **When**—after church on Sunday 4th May. If interested please complete the sheet on the hall notice board as we need to know for catering.

WHAT WOULD HELP YOU IN YOUR CHRISTIAN JOURNEY?

From May I will be available for some extra time on Wednesdays and Fridays. I would like to hear how I may serve you better as Pastor of the church—whether that is developing programs such as a Prayer Group, Bible Study, special workshops dealing with various life issues, more Pastoral visitation.

If there is a keen interest from a number of you and it is realistic for my time then we can progress your interests.

EASTER SERVICES

Good Friday—combined with Baptist Church at 9am Easter Sunday—family service here.

Chelsea Church of Christ Services

CHURCH SERVICES 10 am Sunday

13 April 2014 PALM SUNDAY

Speaker: Colin

Reading: Matt 27:11-54 Theme: Palm Sunday

20 April 2014

SPECIAL EASTER SUNDAY FAMILY SERVICE



Speaker: Victor Siong Reading: John 20:19-31

Theme: Jesus appears to His disciples

CHILDREN'S SERVICES 10 am Sunday

13 April 2014

We will be preparing for our Easter Sunday service with the children helping.

20 April 2014

The children will join the rest of the congregation in celebrating the Easter Service

27 April 2014

We are going to take an adventure through God's great story—starting this week with God Makes the World—we will learn about the first people and the flood.

We will make a beautiful rainbow to hang in the chapel.

REGULAR WHAT'S ON

<u>Pastoral Care and Support : available from Minister Judi. Call church or Mobile</u>

0423 375 714

Tuesday: Kankama facilities Men's Shed 9-12noon

Wednesday: Community Breakfast 8-10 am,

Men's Shed 9am-12

Women's Group 2nd Wed of month

Bible Study for Women every Wed 10.30-11.30am

(Annexe)

Thursday: Men's shed 9–12

AA Meeting in Chapel 11am

Community Lunch 11am—1.00pm

Friday: starting May 2nd 4.30-6.30pm in Hall—**Kids Klub** for 6-12 yr olds. Runs 1st and 3rd Fridays of the month

Connecting Skills Australia @ the Men's Shed 9-12

Sunday: Worship & Kid's Sunday School 10 am each week

<u>Discussions group</u> 12 noon, Last Sunday each month

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