

Light from Galilee by Jack Countryman

Prophecy

The gloom will not be upon her who is distressed, as when at first He lightly esteemed the land of Zebulun and the land of Naphtali, and afterward more heavily oppressed her, by the way of the sea, beyond the Jordan, in Galilee of the Gentiles. The people who walked in darkness have seen a great light; those who dwelt in the land of the shadow of death, upon them a light has shined. — Isaiah 9:1–2

Out on the sea, drifting along in the calm of night, a captain awaits the sunrise that will break the darkness. In a similar situation, Isaiah spoke this prophecy in anticipation of light after darkness, of an explosion of light and Good News. For thousands of years, the Jewish people had been looking for the King who would come, bring an end to war, and usher in universal peace. They were waiting for the sunrise that would shatter their darkness once and for all.

Are you waiting for the Son-rise who will shatter your darkness once and for all? We will soon be celebrating His birth at Christmas.

The Pastor Is In.

I am available to chat about any issues. Please call me on **0423 375 714** for a suitable time to catch up. **Judi**



TONIGHT AT 7 PM Local Churches invite you to their CHRISTMAS SERVICES COMMUNITY CAROL SINGING L.F. Payne Hall (RSL Hall)

Featuring: Chelsea Concert Band; St Chad's Puppets; Combined Churches Singing Group Primary School Choirs; Freeway Community Choir and

The Christmas IQ Test

Who told Mary and Joseph to go to Bethlehem
 (a) an angel, (b) Mary's mother, (c) Herod,
 (d) The Roman Emperor, (e) Alexander the Great,
 (f) No one told them to

2. How did Mary and Joseph travel to Bethlehem?

(a) Camel. (b) Donkey, (c) Walked, (d) Joseph walked, Mary rode a donkey, (e) Jeep, (f) Who knows?

3. What did the inn-keeper tell Mary and Joseph?

(a) 'There's no room in the inn', (b) You can use the stable,(c) Come back after the Christmas rush, (d) Both (a) and (b),(e) None of the above?

4. Where in the Bible do we find the Christmas story?

(a) Matthew, (b) Mark, (c) Luke, (d) John,
(e) all of (a), (b), (c) and (d), (f) only (a) & (b),
(g) only (a) & (c), (h) only (a), (b) & (c),
(i) Only in the Gospel of Thomas?



CHURCH SERVICES 10 am Sunday

8 December 2013 Speaker: **Colin Duggan** Scripture: **Philippians 1:3-11**

15 December 2013

Speaker: Victor Siong Scripture: Philippians 4:4-7



22 December 2013

SPECIAL ALL AGE CHRISTMAS SERVICE: EVERY ONE IS WELCOME AND ENCOURAGED TO PARTICIPATE CHILDREN'S SERVICES 10 am Sunday

8 December 2013

The journey of Mary and Joseph – preparing for the birth of their son Jesus.

15 December 2013

The children will for our specialsay Happy Birth-Christ.



help to prepare items Christmas Service to day to our King Jesus

REGULAR WHAT'S ON

at Chelsea Church of Christ

Pastoral Care and Support :

available from the Minister Judi. Call church or Mobile number shown below.



Tuesday: <u>Kankama</u> facilities of the Men's Shed 9-12

Wednesday: <u>Community Breakfast</u> 8-10 am, <u>Men's Shed</u> 9am-12 <u>Women's Group</u> 2nd Wed of month

Thursday: <u>Men's shed</u> 9–12 <u>AA</u> Meeting in Chapel 11am <u>Community Lunch</u> 11am–1.00pm

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

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

One on One Prayer time 11.30-12 noon Front room with Judi

Discussions group 12 noon, Last Sunday each month

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