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"ANCHOR OF HOPE" NEWSLETTER

Not All Creatures Great and Small but All Problems Great and Small.

The Bible is a book of problems because it tells the stories of people and all people experience both great and small problems. As Christians we are not immune from problems and even though we know problems are a part of life, sometimes we are left in shock.

Some problems develop slowly, over a period of time and weigh heavy on our hearts, while some problems, when faced, strengthen us.

What about you? Do you have any problems today, great or small?

We are told in the book of James that when we experience trials and temptations we are to welcome them as friends!!

This may be hard to understand but when we bring all of our pain to God—He will handle them; He has our back; He stands by us: He never leaves us.

Have you discovered the God who loves you and sees no problem too big or too small to handle?

God gives us the needed wisdom and He uses our problems to strengthen our faith and endurance.

If you want to know the God who loves you more than anything, you are invited to speak to Pastor Judi.

Mondays: Pastoral care and Prayer support available by appointment with Rev. Judi (0423 375 714)

Wednesdays:

Food Pantry 7am to 11:30am Big Breakfast 7.00am to 10am Orange Sky Laundry 7am to 8.30am.



MAY SERMON SERIES

1st May—Stepping out in faith.

8th May—Special Mother's day service.

15th May—God Speaks

22nd May—God is light

29th May—Waiting patiently for the Lord

Friday-

Private prayers with the Pastor 9.30-10am.

Group Prayer Meeting 10am-10.30am Women's Bible Study 10:30-11:30am. Monday and Friday mornings: The Green Glade Garden **Pantry News** Numbers were slightly lower however it fluctuates meaning we still need all items except tinned vegetables and pasta, If you can help you can either drop to the church or call Kathy on 0409588770 for a pick up.

If you would like to share your testimony to include in our newsletter, speak to Kathy. Your written permission will be sought.

Our pantry is run in line with justice and it is great to recognize the many people who show a positive side to others as following Jesus' example for mission, love and care for our neighbours. **Di Pantry Co-ordinator**

Rays Pilgrimage On The Camino

Ray is back from his pilgrimage from Le Puy (France)to Pamploma (Spain); walking 900 kms with just a backpack of clothes, and his small bible that was given to him when he was 9 years old.

His adventures took him though amazing country side; visiting many splendid churches, chapels and cathedrals along the way. He met some amazing people and was intrigued by how simply they lived but always showing kindness to those doing the Camino walk. Along the way, Ray reevaluated his life to think more of others than himself.

Judi asked Ray to bring a beautiful organ home in his backpack unfortunately all he could manage was a mouth organ

Joke Of The Day

What Does A Frog Do When His Car Breaks Down? He Gets It Toad Away.

Easy Recipe For The Month Blossoms's Nanna's Choc Chip Peanut Balls 1 Egg 1 cup of crunchy or smooth peanut butter 1 cup gluten

free chocolate chips 1 cup of dark brown sugar. Mix all ingredients together, roll Into balls, place on an oven tray, press with a fork to flatten then bake In a hot 160 degree oven for 10 minutes or until golden brown. **Gardening News Urgent.** Seeking an energetic and dedicated person to help with our small Community Garden. Days and hours to suit.

Getting to know our Community

Kathy - Pantry helper Let me tell you a little it about myself and my recent involvement with Church of Christ and Careworks. I felt that my life was a bit empty as my children had all grown up and I had retired from my job.

I approached my Dr. who suggested I could do some volunteer work. I spoke to Judi and she suggested I could help Di out in the pantry. I knew it was a community that cared about people and I've been very happy helping as a volunteer. It makes me feel worthwhile and needed. The people I have met here has restored my faith in humanity. I know that God has led me here for a reason. All the people of the community, in their own unique ways have really made me feel worthwhile and needed when I was a bit down. I look forward to my chats with you and to share your journeys in this life that throws many curve balls at us.

If anyone has any snippets of news or inspirations that they would like to contribute to this social newsletter please email me: kwillis3@bigpond.net.au.



You are invited to test your knowledge at our Trivia day – Saturday May 28th from 11.30 to 3.30pm. (Includes 1hour lunch break)

Cost: **\$5.00** per person - includes Buffet lunch, tea and coffee.

Location: Chelsea Community Church of Christ Hall 3-5 Blantyre Avenue Chelsea There will be a mixture of questions to answer and images to decipher.

There will also be a special segment of questions suitable to children.

Bookings are essential. Call Kay, our Office Manager on 9773 0301