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# The Next Step

Canberra Christian Fellowship  
(in the Methodist Tradition)



Canberra Aboriginal Church

Also distributed to

A number of our Fellowship have been in the 'wars' recently or been feeling poorly.

Joan has balance problems, Dawn fell and broke hand / wrist bones, Ann, Marie and Denis have been off colour and having various tests. Jessica is finding breaking old habits challenging but worthwhile.

Others too have had the occasional 'off' day.

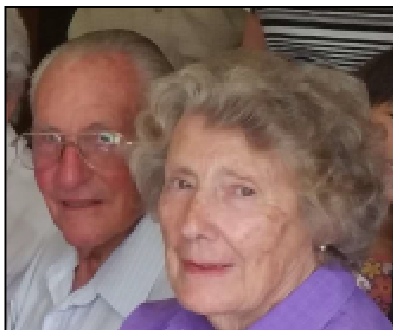


## Aged Care roundup

We rarely see some old friends as they are living in Aged Care homes and it is impractical for them to attend services, however they have all made significant contributions to our Fellowship's life and worship and are members of the Fellowship.



Valda



Ken and June



Isobel

Keep them in your prayers along with everyone else.



Prayer

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### Bible Reading



## Ukraine

Sarah from Mission Without Borders rang to request prayer for Ukraine now Russia has invaded the country. Ukraine is one of the countries where MWB operates.

Sarah mentioned that many of their programs have had to be suspended, some of their workers have had to leave their homes and a number of partner churches there have been creating shelters for the people.

The situation is changing very rapidly and there is a great deal of need.

We can assist MWB in meeting that need through prayer and any contributions we can give.

### Sunday, 16th January - Mrs. Joyce Hall - Treasures in Christ (1 Corinthians 1: 1-9)

In the reading, Paul announces his credentials (an apostle (sent one) of Jesus Christ) and addresses his letter to the Church of God in Corinth and Christians everywhere, to us.



Grace is our first treasure. It is by God's grace we are saved. **God's Riches At Christ's Expense.** At a conference, C.S. Lewis declared that Christianity's unique contribution to the world is God's GRACE.

God gives us peace - a peace beyond anything the world can provide.

Through Christ we also gain richness of life.

Christ will keep us strong in Him.

We can trust and rely on Him, He looks after us.

God's treasure store is open to all who believe.

He will keep us strong so we will be blameless when Jesus returns.

God will do as He says.

Grace, peace, enrichment, spiritual gifts, strength, fellowship and Christ's blood shed for us - a real treasure store!

We have plenty of reasons for thanksgiving.

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In her sermon, Joyce quoted two lines from a hymn - *In heavenly love abiding* by Anna Laetitia Waring, 1820-1910. (Number 528 in the hymn book we use.)

In heavenly love abiding,  
No change my heart shall fear;  
And safe is such confiding,  
For nothing changes here:  
The storm may roar without  
me,  
My heart may low be laid;  
But God is round about me,  
And can I be dismayed?

Wherever He may guide me,  
No want shall turn me back;  
My Shepherd is beside me,  
And nothing can I lack:  
His wisdom ever waketh,  
His sight is never dim,  
He knows the way He taketh,  
And I will walk with Him.

Green pastures are before me,  
Which yet I have not seen;  
Bright skies will soon be o'er me,  
Where the dark clouds have  
been  
My hope I cannot measure,  
My path to life is free;  
My Saviour has my treasure,  
And He will walk with me.

**Anna Letitia Waring** (or **Anna Laetitia Waring**; 19 April 1823 – 10 May 1910) was a Welsh poet and Anglican hymn-writer. Her philanthropic support included the Discharged Prisoners' Aid Society. She brought out her first hymn collection in 1850, but much of her work remained unpublished at the time of her death. A 1911 posthumous edition collected most of this, religious and secular.

Waring was born at Plas-y-Felin, Neath, the third of the seven children of Elijah Waring (1787–1857) and his wife, Deborah. Her family were Quakers, but she was baptised into the Church of England in 1842 at St Martin Church, Winnall, Winchester.

... She followed in her family's footsteps as "verse-writing was always a pleasant diversion to her." She learned Hebrew in order to study the Old Testament in the original.

... Waring [was seen] as typifying a conventional Victorian view of womanhood: pious, reserved, and given to "good works". She became involved in philanthropic work, particularly as a supporter of the Discharged Prisoners' Aid Society. According to a friend, Mary S. Talbot, Waring "visited in the prisons of Bridewell, and at Horfield, Bristol, for many years. To one who spoke to her of the painfulness of such work she answered, 'It is like watching by a filthy gutter to pick out a jewel here and there, as the foul stream flows by.'"

Waring died unmarried at her home in Clifton, Bristol on 10 May 1910. ... Her burial service, at Arnos Vale Cemetery, was led by Canon Talbot, the husband of one of her nieces.

[https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Anna\\_Laetitia\\_Waring](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Anna_Laetitia_Waring)

**Bachelor of Science (Psychology)**



Congratulations Kelly on your graduation !!!!!

**Kids' Spot**



Jonathan and Cassandra playing 'Simon Says' as part of the children's talk - 'What would Jesus say to do?'

**Canberra Aboriginal Church**

Face to face services resumed on 6 February with an open air meeting. It is a good thing they picked a nice day to forget to bring the church key.

Christine has commenced her dialysis treatment and is feeling the better for it.

Though I enjoy the sport, I could never date a tennis player. Love means nothing to them.

I was horrified when my wife told me that my six-year-old son wasn't actually mine. Apparently I need to pay more attention during school pick-up.



< Rev. Phil Anderson e-mailed to say "I am no longer working with AFP as a Chaplain; we have moved to The Sunshine Coast in Queensland".

Owen Chadwick has advised us he has finished up working with FOCUS at Canberra's universities. After some leave, he will be spending additional time working with Crossroads Church.



### Chaplains

**Rev. Bob Prior - Racecourse chaplaincy**  
**Rev. Paul Tabulutu - N.S.W. / A.C.T. Fijian churches**

Please remember Bob and Paul and their work in your prayers.



### Services over recent weeks have included the following:



**Mr. Matt Sweeney**

**Mrs. Joyce Hall**

**Mr. Mark Warren**

**Mr. Owen Chadwick**

**Mr. Mark Warren**

**Mr. Ian Denton**

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Sunday **9th January** – **Mr. Matt Sweeney** - The Hope of the Nations

Sunday **16th January** – **Mrs. Joyce Hall** - Treasures in Christ

Sunday **23rd January** – **Mr. Mark Warren** - Grieving over sin

Sunday **30th January** – **Mr. Owen Chadwick** - Delighting in the Saviour: His heart for our rest

Sunday **6th February** – **Mr. Mark Warren** - Time for the really good stuff

Sunday **13th February** – **Mr. Ian Denton** - Love your Enemies

Sunday **20th February** – **Mr. Ian Denton** - Proverbs

### Coming Services

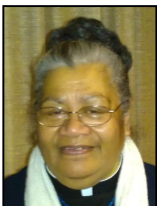
We meet at **Holy Trinity Finnish Lutheran Church, Cnr. Gould and Watson Streets, Turner**



**Mr. Ming En Chin**



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**Rev. Rachel Tonga**



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**Dr. Philip Foster**



**Mr. Roy Dallos**



**Mrs. Joyce Hall**



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**Mr. Roy Dallos**

Sunday **27th February** at 5pm – **Mr. Ming En Chin**

Sunday **6th March** at 5pm – ?

Sunday **13th March** at 5pm – **Rev. Rachel Tonga**

Sunday **20th March** at 5pm – ?

Sunday **27th March** at 5pm – **Dr. Philip Foster**

Sunday **3rd April** at ?pm – **Mr. Roy Dallos**

Sunday **10th April** at ?pm – **Mrs. Joyce Hall (Palm Sunday / Harvest Thanksgiving)**

Sunday **17th April** at ?pm – ? (Easter)

Sunday **24th April** at ?pm – ?

Sunday **1st May** at ?pm – **Mr. Roy Dallos**

Sunday **8th May** at ?pm – ?

Sunday **15th May** at ?pm – ?

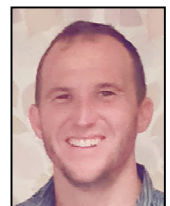
Sunday **22nd May** at ?pm – ?

Sunday **29th May** at ?pm – ?

Sunday **5th June** at ?pm – **Mr. Daniel Pennington (Compassion)**



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**Mr. Daniel Pennington**