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Maintenance Programme

Reminder that you will find the blue envelopes on the table at the back of the church and in the hall, if you would like to contribute towards the ongoing cost of maintaining our church.

Have you considered E-giving?

Envelopes with an "E" on the front, prayer requests or thanks can be placed in the offering bags on a Sunday morning.

** Payments can now be made by EFTPOS on Sunday.

Today

Leader— Jonathan(am) and(pm)

Preacher— Jonathan

Reader-Brunetta

Welcome-Lucinda

Manager—Ray

Musician –Brunetta

Technical Crew— Ruan, Rykhardt

(am), Ralph (am and pm)

Editing—Lucinda (audio)

Morning Tea—Linda and David

Next Week

Leader—James

Preacher— Jonathan

Reader-Chris De Brenne

Welcome-Rykhardt

Manager-John

Musician –Brunetta

Technical Crew—Ruan and Rykhardt

Editing—Rykhardt(Audio)

Morning Tea—Bob and Faye

The Weekly Word

Sunday 11th August 2024

Golden Grove Uniting Church Mission Statement

We are a Gospel-driven, connected, generous church family, mission-minded and outwardly focused.

Today

Preacher—Jonathan

Reader—Brunetta

Theme—Simply Irresistable

Reading: John 6:35, 41-51

Simply Irresistible

Remember back to a time when you first became aware that somebody you liked actually loved you... What did you feel?... What did you think?... And how did you respond?...

Let me guess... You went weak at the knees... your brain flooded with dopamine... and you were ready to sell your soul to them!

Jesus said that no one can come to believe in Him unless God the Father "draws them" (Jn 6:44). This means that God works in our lives by the power of the Holy Spirit to help us see our need of Jesus' saving grace, know that His grace is definitely given to us, and to believe it in our day-to-day lives. Jesus' grace is another word for His love.

Jesus doesn't say that the Father "drives" us to Jesus, but "draws" us. They are two very different things. To "drive" is to force (use a "stick"), to "draw" is to attract (use a "carrot"). If we are driven to Jesus by emotional pressure or fear, that won't be a relationship that will last. Only if we are drawn to Him by the attractiveness of His love for us will we have a relationship with Him that is true, deep, joyous and lasting.

Why do we believe in Jesus and worship Him? If it is not because we are overwhelmed by the sheer, breathtaking beauty of His love for us, it needs to be! Contemplate the promises of His love in the Bible until it does.

Grace and cheers, Jonathan.

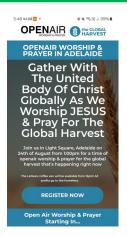
We would like to acknowledge the kind donation and delivery from "Garden Grove Supplies" of 7 cubic metres of Neutrog's biologically nutrient rich "Who Flung Dung" landscaping super mulch. I'm sure you would have all noticed the superb new look to our three existing Rose Gardens. We wholeheartedly encourage you all to visit and support this wonderful local, family owned establishment for all your garden plants and supplies and to stop and have a treat at their friendly on site "Cafe de Grove" Cafe.

A special thank you to Ralph Walcott, Rykhardt, Ruan and Lucinda Wilkinson, Peter Kollosche and John Wheatcroft for all the hard work in spreading the mulch at last Saturday's Working Bee. We can't wait to admire the expectant beautiful blooms in Spring.

Sandy & Trevor













"Yesterday is the past, tomorrow is the future, but today is a gift. That's why it's called the present."

If you have any announcements or interesting items for our newsletter, please feel free to send them to me at: ctwstokes@bigpond.com

Community Breakfast



Date: 24th August Cost: \$10 per head

Time: 8:30 for 9:00 am

Venue: Golden Grove Uniting Church Hall

Guest Speaker — Garry Rodgers - Head Chef @ Govt. House

Please RSVP by 16th August: David Mapp 0448 755 806

Quick Bible Quiz

1.	Where was Jesus born?
2.	How many books in the New Testament?
3.	Paul was shipwrecked on what island?
4.	After Jesus fed the 5000, how many baskets were left over?
5.	Who was the High Priest that put Jesus on Trial?
6.	Which insect did John the Baptist eat in the desert? -

Thank you all for your prayers and good wishes. They are appreciated more than you know. We are truly blessed with a wonderful church family.

Tina

Important Dates

Youth 3:16 Friday 16th August Bingo Night 6:15 to 8:15

Estia Worship Service - Monday 19th August

Church Council Meeting - Tuesday 20th August 7:00pm