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UCA Queensland Synod Corona-virus Update

For the latest COVID-19 updates and resources, visit the <u>Synod website</u>.

Pastoral Notes Celebrations & Prayer Points

Please Pray For:

- 1. Garry & Teresa Hardingham for wisdom, discernment, easy solutions to difficult issues & safety as he travels around our Presbytery.
- 2. Christy & Peter Allen & family, for wisdom, discernment, easy solutions to difficult issues & safety as she travels around our Presbytery.
- 3. Louise Brennan having a complete knee replacement 24/3.
- 4.Rev Robert Brennan & the staff @ Wontulp-Bi-Buya College, dealing with multiple difficult issues.

Monday Prayer:

God of Grace, Rekindle in us life in all it's fullness; Restore in us the gift of faith; Awaken in us the call to every good thing you have prepared in advance for us to do. Ephesians 2: 1-10

Moderator Andrew Guntton



Aurukun Church

Can you help, Aurukun Church are looking for a desktop computer & screen.

Please contact Marie office@ucacarpentaria.com.au / 07 4068 8131

Free Community Training

March

Ingham 18-19 March 2021, 9am - 5pm Register: https://lifelineingham.eventbrite.com.au

April

Great opportunity for vital training in **Cairns / Innisfail / Port Douglas-Mossman** for Community Disaster Recovery . *Registration as below.* (limited numbers)

Cairns 20-21 April 2021, 9am - 5pm Register: https://lifelinecairns.eventbrite.com.au

Innisfail 21-22 April 2021, 9am - 5pm Register: https://lifelineinnisfail.eventbrite.com.au

Port Douglas 22-23 April 2021, 9am - 5pm Register: https://lifelineportdouglas.eventbrite.com.au

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3-Tutti Frutti (Strawberry, Apple, Orange)

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BSB: 014-676; Account #: 4749 06 525

Just a thought

Just wanted to share with you part of our Negativity fast & Positivity Feast:

The crucial Moment From Igniting Hope Ministries (Steve & Wendy Backlund)

Taking every thought captive. 2 Corinthians 10:5

What are the most important moments in the life of a growing Christian? Is it a powerful God encounter? Is it a fresh dedication to the purposes of God? Is it when we hear what the Spirit is saying to the church?

While these are important, I propose that there is another "God moment" that will have a greater effect on our destiny than these. What is it? It's when we fail or have experiences that do not line up with the promises of God.

In that moment, we have a choice. Do we keep our identity (and God's identity) in His promises, or do we use experience to empower a negative identity for us and for God? We must remember that negative strongholds are created and strengthened when we put our experiences above God's Word.

When failure happens, we must think like this: "I may have sinned, but I am not a sinner. I may have had an accident, but I have a covenant of protection. I may be in lack, but I am a prosperous person. Healing may not have manifested, but I'am healed and bring healing to others."I don't deny my experience, I just don't create my identify from it. I may need help from others concerning the failure, but I resist the temptation to make negative conclusions from it.

Those who passively rely on experience to identify who they are (and who God is) will greatly limit God in their lives; however, those who seize these crucial moments by taking thoughts captive will powerfully break down restrictive strongholds and enter into their promised land.

Declare:

I rejoice in apparent times of failure. These are my crucial moments in life.

I am who the Bible says I am.

Blessings, Marie

Synod News & Info.

UnitingWorld's new celebration!

<u>Seven Days of Solidarity</u> is a week-long celebration of UnitingWorld's global partners. <u>Join us</u> on a journey around the globe from 18-25 April to meet our neighbours and hear their stories of God at work.

Church resources are now available <u>online</u>. They include a <u>video to help promote</u> the event, a video for the first Sunday and a full liturgy for "Celebration Sunday" (25 April) with a video sermon from UCA President Dr Deidre Palmer. You can also order physical resources from the website.

During the week share stories, photos, prayer requests and actions that you can take in solidarity. Each day is a beautiful window into a different part of the world, with a glimpse of God using ordinary people to create extraordinary change.

For more information contact me or visit the website.

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Plenty mission priority: Transforming communities



part of the conversation. Register your interest.

Our Church is blessed to be present in so many communities across Queensland. Every one is different. *Transforming communities- engaging in environmentally conscious processes and practices* asks us all to consider how we can care for creation.

Director of Mission Strategy Scott Guyatt explores *Trans*orming communities in the context of environmental susainability—"God committed creation to our stewardship and care".

If this theme speaks to you, we would love to have you as

Easter Madness 2021

Easter Madness, the camp for high schoolers who want to explore their faith with friends across Queensland, is back for 2021. This year has a new flavour and new venue but still the same amount of awesomeness you have come to enjoy.

We are swapping cabins for glamp-style tents, the Sunshine Coast beach for Cooby Lake near Toowoomba and a worship hall for a worship marquee. It's new for Easter Madness and something we believe is needed as we transition into the "normality" of a world touched by COVID-19.

It's different and the Easter Madness team hope you embrace the change of scenery.

Easter Madness is happening 9-12 April at Reflections, Camp Cooby, 239 Love Day Road, Geham.

Head to the Easter Madness website for more information.