

### **UB News - Summer Edition**

Sunday 20th & 27th December 2020 Service time - 9.30am



## Season's Greetings!

1 Corinthians 13:13 until then, there are three things that remain: faith, hope, and love—yet love surpasses them all. So above all else, let love be the beautiful prize for which you run.

# Merry Christmas and a Happy, Blessed New Year to you all!

Love is in this season. This is the Saviour's day! Love became personified, displayed, living, touchable, crucified and resurrected. Our prayer to you and your family during Christmas is simply this: make it count. Celebrate, be joyful, and be extravagant in love. May you, your family and loved ones experience this love in a new, profound way, reaching deeper and deeper into your heart, transforming the world around us so that growing deeper relationships with Christ and each other is our reality.



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As we prepare ourselves to enter a new year, leaving 2020 in behind, what have we been able to take with us on the journey? What have we learned that will aid us in moving forward and enable us to keep pursuing Jesus more and more? And while 2020 will carry different memories and experiences for each one of us, my encouragement is to think about what you will take with you into 2021.

The season we are about to embark on is a season of celebration, a season of rejoicing, a season of reflection. What will be different? What will be required of me and what is God saying to my heart? I cannot stress the importance of what we each must respond to in these questions. Bible history reveals there are things we must glean in our journey; lessons learned, mistakes observed and relationships forged together along the journey. Deuteronomy 8:2 says And you shall remember [always] all the ways which the Lord your God has led you these forty years in the wilderness... (AMP)

If I can speak openly, pride restricts us from learning anything. Stubborn hearts and unrepentant lives can push God away (Romans 2:5). We are all challenged with how to respond to what we have experienced and walked through. May we watch over our hearts (Proverbs 24:3) as all the issues of life ebb and flow from this core of who we are. God resists the proud, but he gives grace to the humble (1 Peter 5:5), and this leads us to our last thought concerning our values at UBC.

#### **Our value: LOVE**

What God seeks to outwork in our church, in His people, is to reshape our ideas and lives. Keeping us centrally focused on who we are becoming in Christ. Our values at UBC help describe and shape our behaviours and they are only beneficial if we action them and live them out every day. Let's be a blessings to others.

Love, as stated, is the greatest (1 Corinthians 13:13). Love says you have to let go, you have to move on, you have to heal, you have to be well, you have to forgive and deny yourself. It says you don't have to be right, win and get what you want. You must accept God's love in your heart. Without love we are just a noise, an irritation at worst and a distraction at best. Love is not conforming people to your ideas, or pressuring people to be something they should not be. Love is enabling and empowering people, to be everything God has called them to be

#### Love impels us to:

• care for ourselves and for others as Jesus cares;

and with the goal of Seeing God change lives through me.

- embrace unity in diversity;
- seek forgiveness and to extend mercy;
- listen and learn from each other;
- discern the will of God together;
- act at all times with courage and with humility.

May we each allow this work of God in our heart to change us from glory to glory (2 Corinthians 3:18). May this life transforming Love reminds us of God's image within, revealing His likeness and nature in and through us. Not only are we to reflect this glory and share this love, but also we are to encounter this love on a daily basis. The divine work originating with the Spirit's desire to lead us, (Philippians 2:1; 2 Corinthians 13:11) comfort us and fill us with peace.

Will you join me in Prayer?

Heavenly father, in this season of great joy and celebration, as we centre our lives around and on the person of Jesus, I ask you to guide my life. Reveal to me your ways, create a new fresh burden for the lost and show me how to live your love out to my family, friends and neighbours. May the greatest message and example of love the world has ever seen or heard become a sure reality through my life. May I show your work of faith and hope leading towards the greatest of these – love. Help me not to live a day without knowing that you are my strength, my Saviour and my Lord. When I get it wrong, and I will, there will be no need to beat myself up and dwell in self-condemnation, but rather allow your forgiveness and love to restore my heart. Let no bitterness, or judgment steer my heart into disobedience, but always allow faith to outwork through love and may your mercy enrich me and your love edify my life.

In Jesus name, Amen. Pastor Louis



# Mary DATES

Sunday 20th December Church Family Picnic

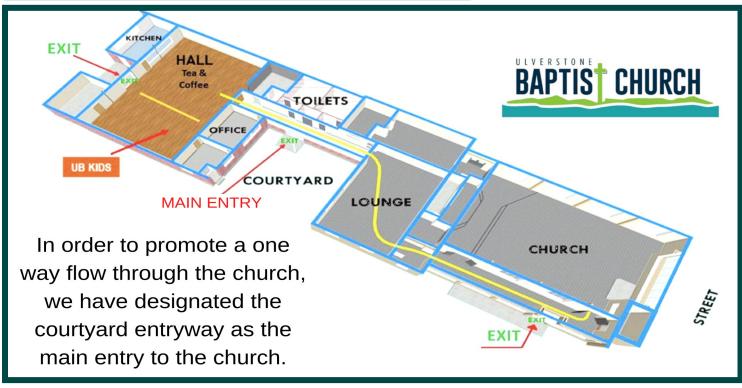
Thursday 24th December Christmas Eve Service



**Sunday 3rd January**Communion

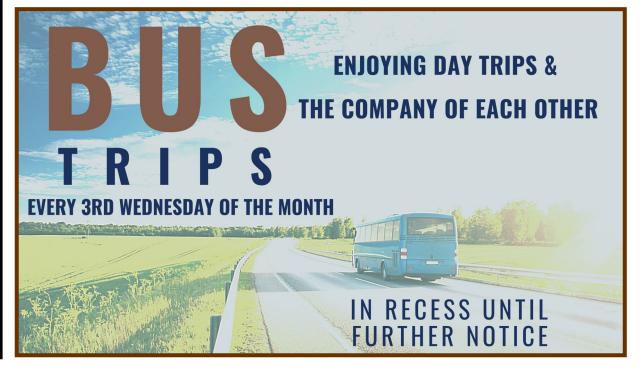
Sunday 10th December Church Family Picnic

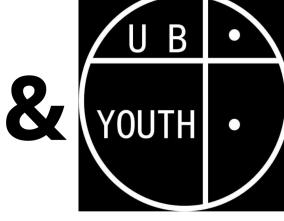
Sunday 24th December Church Family Picnic











**G1 YOUTH BIBLE STUDY** 

6.30 to 7pm

**YOUTH GROUP** 

7 to 8.30pm

**Grades 7 to 12** 

Saturday Nights | Fortnightly | During the School Term

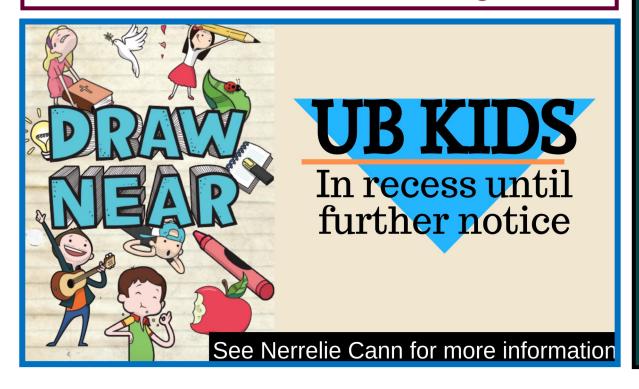
Seeing God Change Lives Through Me

LIFE GROUPS

Life Groups Meet At Different Venues Throughout The Week. If You Would Like To Be Part Of A Life Group Please Contact Roger Cann.



Because Life Is Better Together



### **GIVING**

# TITHES AND OFFERINGS

WORSHIP THROUGH GIVING



### ELECTRONIC GIVING

Direct Deposit BSB: 037-013 Account: 921369



iGive go to ub.church click on "Get Connected" then click on "Giving"

### NON ELECTRONIC GIVING

Acc Name Ulverstone Baptist Church BSB: 037-013 Acc No: 921369

Place your offering in the offering box as you enter church on Sunday Morning.

Arrange a direct debit with your bank into our account above.

Take cash/cheque into a westpac Branch & debit it into our bank account above.

Write a cheque and post it to:

Ulverstone Baptist Church. PO Box 250

Ulverstone 7315

Thank you for your faithfulness, your generosity and commitment every week.

## **GIVING**

## GIVING THROUGH UB.CHURCH



1.Go to www.ub.church and click on the 'giving tab' up the top.

2. Here you will find the details for electronic banking or you can click on the iGive button down the bottom, to give through card/direct debit.





3. If you click on the iGive button, it will take you to the page as seen on the left here. Go to "learn more" if you want more information or to "pay now"

4. Once you click on "pay now" two options will come up, choose whichever is your preferred option and then fill out the form that appears on the page.



## **UB Info Hub**



Over the month of January we plan to update our church family contact details in Elvanto.

Yvette will be in contact with you to check and make sure your contact details are correct.





May we each walk in the richness of Christ's love.

May our love of Christ shine brightly over this season and look for ways to stay in fellowship.

We pray safe travels over this holiday period and may we know the great love and comfort of Christ and the Holy Spirit during this time.

Congratulations on your engagement

## Lili & Reed

God's richest blessing to you both as you plan your future lives together.



We look forward to joining together again for

# TEA & COFFEE

**AFTER THE SERVICE** 

Sometime In The New Year.

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# **SERVICE INVITATION**

As many of you may be aware, during or at the close of most services, we are extending a warm invitation for you to engage with God and others, "to see God change lives through me". We believe that church is a place for many to participate, to share out what God is doing in you for the benefit of others. Our invite is a reminder that what you bring with you is of great worth. You are gifted, you are blessed, and we love you. On any particular day, we believe you can enrich others by your care. Our encouragement to you is, be courageous, to step out in faith, respond and gift your faith to another. These invitations unite our values to allow the hope you have to be shared around, the faith you hold to encourage each other and the love you know to serve and strengthen one another, "growing deeper relationships with Christ and each other".

What does this look like? Good question, it means in that space of invite or after the service to be sensitive to each other, to be led through relationship to leave your seat and go and ask, "Would you like me to pray with you". In conversation, ask, can I pray with you over this matter? Acknowledge God is moving and be part of what God is doing and can do through you. Our Church gatherings should be a reminder of the encouragement to give freely! If we cannot do it at church, where can we do it? While there is no pressure we can only ask, be led by the Spirit of the Lord and be a blessing!

So please join with the leadership, as we lean in to give out of the fullness of our hearts and generously share our gifts with one another.

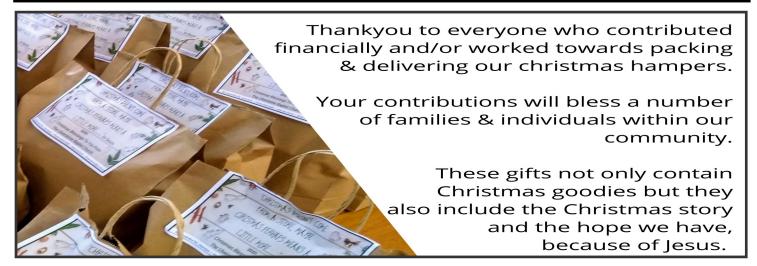
(Romans 12:4-8; 1 Corinthians 1:3-4, 12:27; Philippians 4:6-7,9.)

#### God bless Louis





## **UB Info Hub**



**UBC Covid-19 Register** 

It is now a requirement that we keep a register of people who enter and remain on the church premises for at least 15 minutes.

Please fill out the form located in the pink folder upon entry.

We thankyou for your cooperation in this matter

Please note, that you do not need to sign this register for Sunday Services.





Approx 15.5 thousand boxes were filled in Tasmania this year. There was a last minute change of destination and our boxes went to Madagascar. Boxes from Australia also went to Malawi, Fiji and Cambodia.

Madagascar is a country where over 75% of population live in extreme poverty and has the 6th highest rate of malnutrition in the world. Over 40% of population is under 15 years. The boxes open opportunities for the local Christians to share the Gospel with these young people.

Thank you to all who have supported OCC by filling boxes, contributing items and finances and praying. Your support is really appreciated. Many thanks, Ruth Cannon

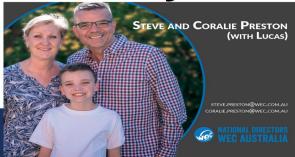
## **MISSION**

**Beyond Our Community** 



Stephen & Jocelyn have been serving with Heartstream since April 2002. Their ministry of pastoral care to those working in cross cultural ministry takes them to many countries involving 40 different organisations.

For more information visit their Facebook page:
Heartstream Resources New Zealand



In 2015 Stephen & Coralie Preston began a new role as the WEC Australia national directors. They are based at the WEC head office in Sydney and their purpose is to facilitate the training & sending of cross cultural workers overseas.

For more information visit: http://www.wec.com.au Email: member.care@wec.com.au



Supporting projects, teams & people groups, as they share Jesus & transform communities.









Empowering Communities to develop their own distinctive ways of following Jesus.

**Rob Head** Wycliffe Bible Trans/PNG





Ruth Cannon Samaritans Purse

# Pray for our School Chaplains





## Allow Us To Serve You.

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