



Being the family of God, Bringing others into the family of God...

Sunday 1<sup>st</sup> August 2010

**GBC  
Ministry Staff**

**SENIOR PASTOR**

Stewart Pieper  
Day Off: Monday

**ASSOCIATE PASTOR**

Scott Pasley  
Day Off: Friday

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**Who works on what  
Days in the office**

**Monday:**

Karen

**Tuesday:**

Alison

**Wednesday:**

Alison and Karen

**Thursday:**

Alison and Maureen  
( please note items for  
the Bulletin must be in  
**NO LATER** than 12  
noon on Thursday )

**Friday:**

Alison and Maureen

**PASTOR'S PONDERINGS**

**What an entrance!**

The amazing crossing of the Jordan River whilst in flood would have been an amazing sight. Here was dry ground, where before was a raging torrent of water. The water upstream flooded out up to a town, miles away, but refused to flow down to impede the Israelites crossing. One of the more interesting elements of the whole episode was the involvement of the priests carrying the Ark of the Covenant (ark coming from the Latin, *arca* – meaning 'box'). The priests carrying the box set out first before all the people and as soon as their feet touch the water, it is cut off upstream and heaps up on itself. The priests walk through to the middle and stand there, on dry ground, while the people pass by them. Once all the people have passed through, the priests walk out and as soon as their feet step off the dry ground of the Jordan, the waters are released and continue surging on downstream. What an entrance!

However, at the centre of it all is this box being carried by the priests. It's a box so special that it can't just be called a box. It gets called the ark of the covenant or the ark of the LORD or ark of the testimony. Inside it were the stone tablets with the Ten Commandments, Aaron's rod and manna. It symbolised God's presence with his people, it was a link to their past involvement with God, a testimony to God's faithfulness. But it was also the testament to God's promises for their future, his covenant pledge to make them a great nation, to give them the land of Canaan, to bless them and the world through them. God is bringing these things about. You have to wonder why sensible people would carry a box into raging floodwaters unless they had good reason to believe what they were doing would benefit them and not hurt them. Israel had such a reason; their God had shown his faithfulness to them time and again in the wilderness and had made promises to them about delivering them safely to the promised land. So, holding fast to the faithfulness of God to them in the past and to the sure and certain promises of God for their future, the Israelites followed the priests onto the dry land where raging waters had once flowed.

We trust in the same God. His faithfulness is demonstrated throughout the pages of Scripture and his promises are as sure as Christ's resurrection. Our trust in God is firmly rooted in the past and points us forward to the redemption of our bodies to come. The God, who safely brought his people through the raging Jordan, will safely deliver His people into His kingdom. He will do it!

*May God himself, the God of peace, sanctify you through and through. May your whole spirit, soul and body be kept blameless at the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ. The one who calls you is faithful and He will do it.*

1 Thessalonians 5:23-24

**Pastor Scott**





**WELCOME, please make yourself at home.**

Join us for a cuppa and a chat after the service, so we can get to know each other. If you are new to our church and want more information about us, or if you desire to make GBC your church home, please fill out a **CARE CARD** which is available in the boxes attached to the back of the pews. There is also a **VISITOR'S BOOK** in the Entrance Foyer that we invite all visitors to sign. May the Lord have a special word for you today as we praise Him.

**Crèche** is located to the right of the entrance of the Main Auditorium. It is supervised during the sermon.

**Kids Church is on.** Watch for prompt on screen for when to go out.

A **Babies' Room** is available for parents and babies next to Crèche.

**The Church Library is open after the morning service - 11am till 12 noon.**

**CHURCH NEWS**

**CATERING TEAM REQUIRED**

We are asking for expressions of interest from anyone who has a heart and a passion for hospitality. Someone who would be available to organize functions such as the fellowship lunches that we have about four times a year. Please contact the church office if you are interested.

**BIG THANK YOU**

June Smith would like to say thank you to all the ladies who came to her rescue with help and sewing. She has prayed God's blessing on each one of you and is grateful that you helped her to stay sane.



A big thank you also to all those who helped out with the Soup Sunday Family lunch last Sunday.

**CONCERT**

Tuesday 17<sup>th</sup>  
August at  
7.00pm. Port  
City Christian  
Church is  
holding a



**Steve Grace Heritage Concert** with classic hymns and songs of hope for the journey. **Entry is FREE.** A free-will offering will be taken. **People are required to help with set up and pack up at concert.** This is to be held at 12 McCann Street.

For further details contact Fiona Forrest on 4979 2866 or 0409 791 488 or email portcity@dodo.com.au

**MAG NEWS**

Please note in your diary, **Friday 24<sup>th</sup> September** that Chris and Bronwyn Downes will be visiting GBC to share about their mission work. This is to be followed by a fellowship BBQ tea which includes Kids Games and Bush Dance.

**LOVE GLASTONE REGION PROJECT**



**Today is your last chance to place your order for T-shirts.** Give the number of shirts and size required to Maree at merutherford@bigpond.com or given to the church office. Cost is \$15 each and the sizes are as follows: - small, medium, large, x large and xx large.

**Love Gladstone Region Launch Rally** – 6.30 – 7.30pm, 27<sup>th</sup> August. **Kindness Explosion Projects** – 10.30 – 12.30pm, 28<sup>th</sup> August. **Combined Worship Celebration** – 6.30 – 8.00pm, 29<sup>th</sup> August at Shed 19 Dalrymple Drive. Coming together after serving together. To worship together.

**LADIES AGLOW**

Aglow would like to extend an invitation to women of all ages to a coffee and dessert evening on Tuesday 10<sup>th</sup> August at 7.00pm. To be held at Gladstone Community Hub 5 Buller Street. Cost for the evening is \$10.00 and our guest speaker is Mrs. Sandy Cusack from Port City Church. Enquiries to Pam on 4972 2523.

**CREATION MINISTRIES**

Friday 6<sup>th</sup> August Rod Walsh of "The Ark Van" will be visiting Trinity College from 9.00am – Years 1-3; 9.50am Years 8-10 and 11.30am years 4-7 to be held here at the church. For further enquiries phone Tim Young on 4979 1854. Creation resources are also available.



**LADIES**

The **CQ Ladies Camp at Coolwaters in Yeppoon** is to be held from 27<sup>th</sup> – 29<sup>th</sup> August. If you did not receive a flyer or do not have a pigeon hole, spare copies can be obtained from the Information desk or the church office. Please let Rosemary Ward or Alison Hall know if you are intending to go.



**LIBRARY**

**Church family, the library is open soon after the service on Sunday mornings.** Do you want a



book, DVD or CD? There is a great variety for you and your children to borrow why not come up and check it out! You can borrow books for three weeks and DVDs for one week with a gold coin donation.

## Kids Hope Story of The Week HAPPY THOUGHTS

Written by a KHAUS Mentor

My little charge enjoys writing in her Diary each week (we started it last term). She asked if she could take it home to write happy thoughts during the holidays. Each week we talk about something positive and happy to record (nothing too personal). This also encourages spelling improvement. I have agreed to provide another Diary for the remainder of the year, but it has to be a red one because that is now her favourite colour. Lots of changes are happening in her life, but I think she is enjoying the consistency of KIDS HOPE AUS.

*KIDS HOPE AUS. builds caring relationships....one child, one hour, one church, one school*

### PRAYER POINTS –

- Pray for the upcoming federal election. That we would have wisdom and discernment at the ballot box.
- Pray for the Church board as they meet this Tuesday evening.
- Pray for the Love Gladstone Region project, for enthusiasm, creativity and participation.

### Calendar Dates

**14<sup>th</sup> August**

Library Open Day and  
Trinity College Open Day

**27<sup>th</sup> – 29<sup>th</sup> August**

Love Gladstone Region Project

**13<sup>th</sup> September**

Ladies Coffee & Dessert Night

**24<sup>th</sup> September**

The Downes visiting



## Mission Spot – Chaplains Beth Waghorn

There is still some confusion amongst the community about the role a chaplain plays in a school. From my experience I can only say that every school is different and has different needs compared to others. Thus, each chaplain has similar roles but also diversify according to their individual schools needs.

We recently had a child who was having a difficult home life and was out of school due to a suspension. The great thing about chaplains is that they are not 'authority'. Because of this I was able to visit the child at home and spend time with the family. You never know how things are going to go but fortunately the family requested I visit again. The reality was that the **mum** needed someone to talk to which we would not have known if not for the fact that chaplains also have the flexibility and capacity to go out from the school and into the community. A big part of our job is being where God wants us to be, serving Him by being available not only to kids, but to their parents as well.

**Beth Waghorn**

**Prayer point:** That the present and future government recognise the importance of chaplains and maintain the funding to the schools.

**SERMONS TODAY**

**9:30am – Pastor Scott** – E100 The Essentials  
– Effective Christian Leadership. Josh.3-4  
**Communion**

**6:30pm – Michael Trafford** – E100 The Essentials – I did it my way? Josh. 5:13 – 6:27

**NEXT WEEK**

**9:30am – Pastor Stewart** – E100 The Essentials – Endangered Species. Judges 2:6 – 3:6

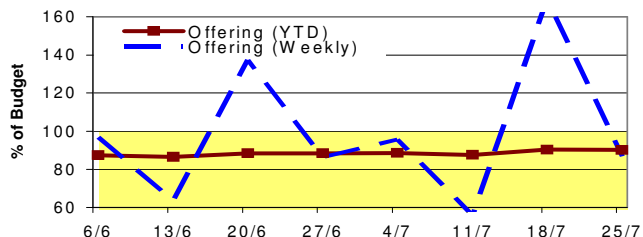
**6:30pm – Kerith Roby** – E100 The Essentials – Girl power. Judges 4-5

**OUR FINANCIAL POSITION**

Weekly Budget \$7,609  
Offering Last Week 87%  
Year to Date 90%  
Shortfall for the Year \$22,377

Regular Direct Debits can be set up on request. For Electronic Transfers use BSB 704913, Acct 465, label "Tithe"

**Offering Records**



**KIDS CHATTER**

**BYG NEWS:** Next BYG House night is on the 7<sup>th</sup> August. BYG House is running fortnightly this term. Make sure you grab a flyer from the info desk.

**Prayer Meeting:** There is a prayer meeting for all the children's and youth ministries of our church each week at 4pm on Thursday. Meet at the comfy chairs at the back of the auditorium, I look forward to seeing you there, all welcome.

**Kids Church:** Kids Church grades 3-5 is

trialling a new behaviour management strategy this morning. If your child is in this group they should bring home a letter explaining this new strategy. If you have any concerns please come and see me.

**Crèche:** We are currently looking for a new Crèche co-ordinator for 2011. Kerrie Suter has done an amazing job coordinating this ministry over the last couple of years and is more than happy to help settle someone into the role this year. Please see Michael or Kerrie if you would like to know more about coordinating this incredible ministry.

*Michael Trafford*

**ROSTERS** [Please check the roster and arrange replacements if necessary.]

	1 <sup>st</sup> August	8 <sup>th</sup> August	15 <sup>th</sup> August
<b>Welcoming AM</b>	Don & Joan Sutton	David & Debbie Eborn	Graeme & Janelle Miller
<b>Welcoming PM</b>	Youth	Neil & Jacky Golding	John & Lynda Mitchell
<b>Crèche</b>	Nathan & Leanne Wyer	Neil & Jacky Golding	Dale & Kylie Lawrence
<b>Morning Teas</b>	Anthony & Helen Mann Bruce Mattingley	Geoff & Lynette Spencer Hazel Benn	Brian & Debbie Anderson Helen Harrison