



By Philip Brown

Six Little Stories with Lots of Meanings using these words: Faith, Trust, Hope, Confidence, Love & Attitude

- 1) *Once all villagers decided to pray for rain. On the day of prayer, all the people gathered, but only 1 boy came with an umbrella. That is Faith.*
- 2) *When you throw babies in the air, they laugh because they know you will catch them. That is Trust.*
- 3) *Every night we go to bed without any assurance of being alive the next morning, but still we set the alarms to wake up. That is Hope.*
- 4) *We plan big things for tomorrow in spite of zero knowledge of the future. That is Confidence.*
- 5) *We see the world suffering, but still, we get married have children. That is Love.*
- 6) *On an old man's shirt was written a sentence 'I am not 80 years old: I am sweet 16 with 64 years of experience'. That is attitude.*

Have a happy day and live your life like these six stories. Remember—Good friends are the rare jewels of life, difficult to find and impossible to replace!!



Wonderful news —
A Baptism on Sunday morning at 11am on 14th August 2022 for **Stanley Kristopher Watkins** please come along and support the family



August

- 14th Barry Fraser & Janet Williams
- 15th Philip Hailstone
- 17th Les Rodrigues
- 18th Donald Cummins
- 21st June Magann



Last Monday night Scripture Union organised its annual fund-raising event with a dinner at the Parkwood Golf Club.

This event was to raise awareness, support and much needed funds for the local school Chaplains (Chappy) on the Gold Coast.

The photo is of a group of Christians who went along to give their support, whilst enjoying the night of entertainment. If you wish to know more or give funds to support this much needed program, please speak to Sandra Uptin or any member in the group photo .

Surf Report

10th Sunday after Pentecost
14th August 2022

Bringing Jesus to our Gold Coast community



Hello Surfers!
What an awesome lunch we had yesterday (I'm assuming because I'm writing this ahead of the actual event). The feedback we get about the monthly 'all church' luncheons are really encouraging. Don't forget to put your name on the list in the foyer (or alternatively send us an email ahead of time and we can add your name in for you). It's a great day of fun, fellowship and food – as long as you bring the latter!

We began our August sermon series last Sunday with a focus on Hebrews, specifically from chapter 11 and onwards. This will be in our spotlight for this month as we consider **By Faith; Holy Kingdom, Holy Life**. This Sunday we look a little closer at Hebrews 11:29-12:2, where we discuss a little more about what faith actually is.

Faith is trusting in what God says will happen even in the face of unlikely circumstances. His promises are what drives us as Christians to behave in ways that bring Him glory and honour, but are there other things that might spur us on confidently apart from God's word? We'll explore that this Sunday.

Often in the Bible we find themes and analogies that might seem a little 'open to interpretation'. One such selection we find in John's gospel account where we find Jesus describing Himself as the true vine (Jn. 15:1-8). Did Jesus literally mean He was a vine? Does this have much to contextualise it in the Bible? I'm glad you asked. Today's Old Testament reading describes God as being the creator and owner of a vineyard, and that vineyard is His people (Is. 5:1-8). Almost certainly Jesus was considering this selection of the prophet Isaiah when He made this parable.

So, too, is this analogy of the transplanted 'vine from Egypt' written about by the Psalmist in today's Psalm (Ps. 80:1-2,8-19). Congratulations to Pauline for getting back to me about what Psalm 50 has to do with the coat of arms of Spain from last week! The Spanish coat of arms has some of the words of this Psalm (in Latin) as its motto.

I pray you have a blessed week. Jim Raistrick, Priest-in-charge.

BIBLE READINGS

- Isaiah 5:1-7
- Psalms 80:1-2, 8-19
- Hebrews 11:29-12:2
- Luke 12:49-59

What's Happening this Week

Monday 15th August

- 8.30 am Morning Prayer
- 9.30 am Craft

Tuesday 16th August

- 8.30 am Morning Prayer
- 10 am Paintpots Playgroup
- 3-5 pm Pure Dance

Wednesday 17th August

- 8.30 am Morning Prayer
- 10 am Holy Communion

Thursday 18th August

- 8.30 am Morning Prayer
- 3-6 pm Pure Dance

Friday 19th August (Jim's Day off)

- 9.30 am Mainly Music
- 11-1 pm Pure Dance

Saturday 20th August

- 9.00 am Music practice (S Carey)
- 9.00 am **Pastoral Care Meeting 11—5pm in Hall Harmony in Paradise Fashion Parade**

Sunday 21st August

- 7.15 am Holy Communion
- 9.30 am Holy Communion
- 4.30 pm 4Thirty



MISSION



JOIN A BIBLE STUDY GROUP

Phone a contact person to join a group

TUESDAYS	12.00 pm	Lyn Aitken 5538 1731
	3.15 pm	Jim Raistrick jim@surfersanglican.org.au
	7.00 pm	Sandra Uptin sandrauptin@icloud.com
WEDNESDAYS	11.00 am	Judith Atkins 5532 0798
	7.30 pm	Robert Kelly 0439 339 395

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TRIP TO TARA 14-17 October, 2022



Cost: 3 nights' accommodation and meals, plus contribution to travel costs. If you are interested in being involved in this ministry to the people of Tara, please put your name on the list in the foyer or speak with Judith Atkins. Geoff and Carol Vidal are looking

In Remembrance



Alan Marshall (15.8.1990)
Dorothy Nell Edwards (19.8.10)