



GIRL TALK...

She.... Is Precious!

Hey Girlfriend

You are more precious than diamonds and pearls!

You are the apple of Our Heavenly Fathers eye. The one who puts a smile upon His Face.

You are a daughter of the King of the Universe!

He delights to spend time with you. He loves to share the desires of His heart with you. He beckons— "Come, daughter. Sit here at My Feet, I have much to tell you, and great things I long to show you."

The love of God for each one of us, is so amazing. And it is an overflowing love. A love that never dries up.

Open your heart to Him now as you read, go deeper—you will be glad you did!

Cherish Him—He is the lover of your soul. The One who knows all your weaknesses and all your failures and still loves you with a passion like no other!

My spirit stirs within me as I write.

I see Him reaching out His Hand to take mine and I am drawn into the arms of love! There is nowhere I would rather be!

Come rest, come refresh, come renew yourself in His arms. You will be so glad you took the time to do so.

The Bible says "Come near to God

and He will come near to you." [James 4:8]

Girlfriend that is His promise! He is the waiting Friend, the One whose door is always open, ready to invite us in. The One who comes running when we call. The One who took an excruciating beating and lay down His life to death on the cross to draw us near! No greater love is there than this.

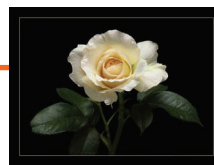
This is our God—this is our King. Lets worship and adore Him. Lets desire Him like nothing and no-one else!

Sit with Him every day and you will be so blessed!

Love & blessings...

Jenny

PS I hope you can join us for Christmas dinner!



Coming Soon...



GIRLS CHRISTMAS DINNER NIGHT

At : The Centre, Jannali

Date : December 6, 2007

Time : 7 pm

Cost : \$15-00

Speaker : Lana Vawser

Girl to Girl—getting to know one another

This week we are interviewing.....

Elma Miller

How & when did you become a Christian?

As a young child I attended Sunday School at St Nicholas Anglican Church at Coogee, the minister was irreverently known as "Old Paddy Greenwood". Then the "Open Air campaigns came. We sat as children in the back, had a great speaker, and sang to a piano accordion. I still remember "Jesus loves me this I know". We had to learn our texts and repeat them the following week, we won books too! At age 10 I had to go home to my parents Sunday School then at St Luke's, Clovelly, advancing to evening service in my teens. I had 2

friends, one Methodist, the other Presbyterian. At time I went to their churches. Time went or the war came, I married and for the next 7 years, I lived in many places, mainly in Victoria. Then 2 years in Wentworth Falls, finally to Oyster Bay 59 years ago. My 3 boys went to the Congregational Sunday School, but in those days I can't remember if there was another church in this area. Then Billy Graham came to Australia and with a friend I went to his meeting. He was a wonderful speaker and it was then I became a Christian. I suppose, because of home commitments and lack of transport, I didn't attend a church. I knew Marj Ward slightly and she asked if I would join the "over 21's".

That would have been 6-8 years ago, then my youngest son asked had I heard of Phil Littlejohn (my son is also a cyclist). I met Phil one afternoon, & he invited me to church. That's a brief account of my life. I try my best to be a good Christian, at times its been hard, but I can only try.

What is your favourite Bible Verse & why?

John 3:16 & the 23rd Psalm

Is there a hymn or worship song that really touches you and draws you into our Heavenly Fathers loving arms?

Just A Closer Walk With Thee

What is your favourite colour?

Blue

Blind Spots....

—a word from our Pastoral Care Co-ordinator, Doris

Has this happened to you?

You're driving in city traffic and want to change lanes. You check the mirrors and confidently move over, only to hear the sound of a blaring horn and look across to see the angry face of a fellow motorist, who can't believe you could be such an idiot. You feel completely embarrassed and give one of those sheepish, "I'm sorry" waves.

How could you have missed seeing that car?

Every car has a blind spot - an area where the mirrors don't show you what's in the next lane. Like cars, people have blind spots too. We all have parts of our lives that we just don't see. Attitudes, responses and behaviours that can hurt others but which we just don't see.

The Bible tells us that the "words of our friends can be trusted". In Proverbs 17:17a it says "A friend loves at all times". Our friends are the ones who will point out our blind spots and save us from serious errors.

Thank God today for good friends.

I am reminded of the Hymn "What a friend we have in Jesus" you will never find a better or truer friend than Jesus. Let's thank God for Him.

God Bless,

Doris

Over 21s with Marj

The Over 21 Club has been in existence for probably 30 years, started by Elaine Arnold. Elaine could see how lonely some elderly folk were, so invited them to her home for afternoon tea. That was the beginning....

We have had so many members over the years and

it has been sad to see them pass on.

We meet the 2nd and 4th Wednesday of the month and teach craft and have many outings.

God keeps blessings us with new craft ideas!

Monies raise by the Over 21

club helps to provide necessities for The Centre.

If you would like to know more or are interested in joining, age is not barrier so give me a call!

Marj

Into His Word with Angeline....

2 Corinthians 9: 6 - 11 reminds us "... *whoever sows generously will also reap generously.*" With the festive season just around the corner, what better time to think about giving. What makes a good present? Is the time it took to make it, the price that was paid, the fancy wrapping, the thought that went into it or that it was unique? According to verse 7, it's not the gift so much that matters but the attitude in which it is given. Gifts should be given willingly, not under compulsion and for the right reasons. It should be heart-felt. Gifts can be anything we're willing to give away eg. possessions, our time, use of our talents, giving of ourselves in friendship, hugs, sharing with those in need etc.

Some might worry that in giving, they might not have anything left for themselves. Who's going to look after them? Verse 8 gives the answer most beautifully: "*And God is able to make all grace abound to you, so that in all things, at all times, having all that you need, you will abound in every good work.*" God is the answer to our insufficiencies. He will supply all that we need, so that we/He can bless others. If we are willing to offer ourselves to God, in verses 10 and 11 it says that God will increase our capacity to give, so that we can be generous on every occasion. Perhaps if we prove generous with what we already have, He will entrust more to us.

Giving generously without

expecting something in return, giving with a happy heart, to the right person, at the right time will result in praise and thanksgiving to God. It will be a testimony of the work of His grace in our lives.

Consider God's generosity to us, how He gave His one and only Son, Jesus to die for us, so that we might truly live. Now that's the ultimate gift, given in love and at great cost.

We have been blessed to be a blessing, so let's get to it!

Angeline

Heavenly Father, You are the God who beckons me to draw near! You are the God who loves with a great and mighty passion! You are the God to whom I am so precious, and dearly loved! You are the God who left heaven to live in the flesh and give me life through Your sacrifice!

Lord, as I look upon the tiny babe in a manger this year, help me to remember what You gave up to come to earth to rescue me. Help me to see in this child, the One whose mission was to rescue me, so that I might live forever in the arms of love!

Thank you for the great love that You poured down from heaven for me. In Jesus Mighty and Beautiful Name, Amen.

Images with Irish

The Vodafone advertisement on TV says "The common mayfly has a life expectancy of 1 day and he has the time of his life! If we make every moment in life count like the mayfly, what a life that would

be."

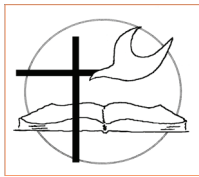
Made me think of some quotes I read recently :

"Yesterday is gone. Tomorrow has not yet come. We have only today Let us

begin!" - Mother Teresa

"... send me someone who has a deep heart for God, and one day at a time, they serve." - Mother Teresa

Irish



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Phone 9520 0921

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Phone the Pastoral Care Team
Co-ordinator, Doris on 9528 9028

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SUNDAY AT O.B.C.C.

PRAYER TIME

9 AM

WORSHIP & TEACHING SERVICE

9:30 AM

EVENING CHURCH

6:30 PM

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EQUIP THE SAINTS
EVANGELISE THE SOCIETY**

THINGS TO DO



MONDAY

10am—12noon

Bible Study Home Group with Angeline

For more details phone—9589 0846

TUESDAY

10am—12noon

Playtime with Lisa— 9525 1811

7:30pm

Bible Study Home Group with Ed

For more details phone—9589 0403

WEDNESDAY

1st Wed of Month

Garden Club with Marj

Phone 9528 9119

2nd & 4th Wed of the Month -

Over 21s with Marj

Phone 9528 9119

FRIDAY

Porcelain Art Class with Annette

For more details phone—9528 8157

VARIOUS OUTINGS

Call the church office for more information

OBCC Crazy Campers

OBCC Bikers

GIRLS JUST WANT TO HAVE FUN!

It is a great honour & privilege to serve

the Lord and His Cause.

May you be blessed by this newsletter!