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Wollongong Congregational Church

24th July, 2016

Welcome to all worshipping with us this morning.

Please continue in fellowship over a cuppa after the service.

ROSTERS		
Date	24 Jul	31Jul
Prayers	Max	-
Bible Reading	Wendy Andrew	JaniceB Jennifer
Lawns	Rob	-
Servers	Richard Wendy	Janice B Leigh
Cleaning	Cleaners	Cleaners
Morning Tea	Lynda Leonie	Robin Joan
Welcome	Roger Robin	Lynda
Comm. Prep	-	-
Crèche	Jill	Jill
PowerPoint	-	Glenn
Counting Offering	Rob	Wendy

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Prayer Chain. If you have a request ,
please ring Con or Leonie. If they are not
available please ring Wendy, Annette or
Tim. Phone numbers above.

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Income for month of June: \$ 5665.40
Expenditure for month of June: \$ 6094.97
Difference - \$ 429.57

Please note that we can accept
your offering by Direct Debit
Please see our Treasurer.

Building Fund \$11,349. (includes grant monies) If you would like to help with the cost of repairs etc please place your gift in an envelope marked Building Fund.

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Emergency Food Coordinator
Jill Donnelly 4229 5248

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This 4 weeks' regular tithed giving will go to the work of  
**THE BIBLE SOCIETY**  
Additional gifts may be placed in the plate at any time, using a suitably labelled envelope.

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THIS WEEK.

Monday 12 .30 pm: Bible Study at Leigh's -fortnightly
Tuesday: 10.00 am: Bible Study at Annette's
Wednesday: 7.15 pm: Men's Bible Study at Church.
Thursday: 10.00 am: Home group at Ruth's.
9.30-11.00 am: Playday in the hall

Next Sunday 31st July 10.00am : Worship Service

5.30 pm Fellowship Tea—incorporating the 7.00pm Evening Service.



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The truths of Romans 10, give us a unique insight into the mind of the Apostle Paul.

Paul teaches he does not do things on his own authority. He doesn't pick out random ideas and present them in this short chapter. Paul quotes from the Old Testament at least 12 times. More than half of this chapter is made up of Old Testament quotes, i.e. the practical working out of the Old Testament teaching from the perspective of one of the masters of the Christian faith.

Chapter 10 is one of 16 fact filled chapters in a wonderful theological masterpiece.

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The Bible says that we reap what we sow and God will not be mocked or fooled!

It is when we hear the truth in clarity that we must respond and change our ways- this was Paul's dilemma with the nation of Israel, we wanted them so much to see the truth of the Lord Jesus and respond.

The good news is that many did. Acts 6:7 *"And the word of God continued to increase, and the number of the disciples multiplied greatly in Jerusalem, and a great many of the priests became obedient to the faith."*

For Paul the concept of being saved was paramount- He was a Jew, he loved his people and rightly so. He also knew that they had got it wrong; all the best intentions under the sun were not good enough.

He writes:- *Brothers and sisters, my heart's desire and prayer to God for the Israelites is that they may be saved.² For I can testify about them that they are zealous for God, but their zeal is not based on knowledge. ³ Since they did not know the righteousness of God and sought to establish their own, they did not submit to God's righteousness. ⁴ Christ is the culmination of the law so that there may be righteousness for everyone who believes.*

- His heart's desire is that His people may be saved.
- He acknowledges that they were zealous for God.
- This zeal was based on their own works and knowledge.
- Salvation is the product of God's righteousness not ours.
- All that they were taught throughout the centuries was pointing to the Lord Jesus- the Christ!

Five basic truths! They were relevant then and they are just as relevant now!

Prayer Points

- ◇ Please continue to pray for the Evening Service;
- ◇ Wisdom and opportunity to reach our community with the Gospel;
- ◇ Wisdom as we move forward with our maintenance program;
- ◇ One new family;
- ◇ Continue to pray for Jean Millman who is now home.
- ◇ For Janice and her son Steve.
- ◇ Lynda would appreciate continued prayers for Ron who is in care.
- ◇ We bring John, Joyce Souter's son before the Lord in prayer as he continues treatment for cancer.
- ◇ Gail and Ray Warhola in Hong Kong, Jenny and Dave Rowe in USA ;
Roger Dethlefs, working in West Timor and the Edwards in Fiji;
- ◇ Our FCC Churches; Raceview Qld;
- ◇ Church family members ; Gordon Coates ;
- ◇ Please bring our annual meeting before the Lord, also the nomination of office bearers. (9th October)
- ◇ Pray for the needs of Pulse 94.1 FM Appeal;
- ◇ Also for the effectiveness of Con's radio program;

FCC \$1 Habit. . Donation Money Box will be available at morning tea.

ROSTERS will be prepared for the months August, September and October. Please let Jo and Jennifer know if you are unavailable for any roster **OR** if you are able to help on any other service . We need this information no later than **24th July. TODAY!**
Thank You.

- ◇ **14 Aug Church Meeting**
- ◇ **28 Aug Nominations open for Church Office Bearers**
- ◇ **17 Sep Church 1-Day Camp at Girl Guide Campsite**

Pastor Con on Pulse 94.1 FM Sunday Worship 7-10am.
Also Tuesdays 10 pm to midnight. Daily devotions 6:45 am.