

Vision Statement:

We see a Jesus-orientated church having a passion for the Gospel and compassion for the world expressed through dynamic worship, love in action, the empowering of the servant leaders and the growing of disciples.

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I am available in the event of emergencies at any time, but other than that would appreciate not receiving calls on Wednesdays, where possible, as this is my day off.

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This Week's Roster

13th October, 2019

Preacher: **Joan**
Leader (am): **Cath**
Leader (pm): **TBA**
Welcome: **Janet**
Duty Elder: **Ray**
Reader: **Barrie**
Musician: **Brunetta**
Stewards: **John & Kevin**
Manager: **Neil**
Crèche: **Vacation**
KidzConnect: **Vacation**
Morning Tea: **Bob & Faye**
Audio: **Jim**
Visual: **James**
Cleaning: *********

Next Week's Roster

20th October, 2019

Preacher: **Bishop Michael Musale**
Leader (am): **Jonathan**
Leader (pm): **Jonathan**
Welcome: **Richardt**
Duty Elder: **Ray**
Reader: **Julia**
Musicians: **Brunetta & the Boys**
Stewards: **Neil & Sheila**
Manager: **Neil**
Crèche: **Chris H.**
KidzConnect: **Tina**
Morning Tea: **Eileen, Michelle & Ray**
Audio: **Jim**
Visual: **Alan**
Cleaning: **Chris & Ray**

SAMARITAN'S PURSE BOXES

The Samaritan's Purse boxes can be collected from the back table in the hall if you wish to support this wonderful cause again this year. It is just so special for many under privileged children to receive a gift.

The boxes will need to be returned by Sunday, 20th October, in order that they can arrive in time for the children.

Thank you for supporting this over many years.

Mission & Wider Work Committee



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<http://goldengroveuniting.org.au>

Sunday, 13th October, 2019

Seventeenth Sunday after Trinity

Preacher: **Joan**

Theme: **Persistence in Prayer**

Scripture Readings: **2 Timothy 4: 1-5 and Luke 18: 1-8**

Mission Statement: To draw people



to our Lord Jesus Christ

and nurture them through our church

Good, Good Father

Ever feel like you've been handed "the rough end of the stick" in life?... Let's be honest, we've all felt that way at some point or another! And unless people are going to trivialise human experience, we have to admit that it's quite understandable for us to feel that way at times, given the very real difficulty and pain that our circumstances can bring.

As people who believe in God, and that He is Lord of all things, this creates some tension for us, since that would make him ultimately culpable for our trials. And the Bible doesn't let God "off the hook" at this point. The Psalm writer says:

For you, God, tested us;
you refined us like silver.
You brought us into prison
and laid burdens on our backs.
You let people ride over our heads;
we went through fire and water,... (Ps 66:10-12b)

Yet we don't go through any trial on our own – God our Good Shepherd goes through it with us. He endured the cross for our sake – that's how much He loves us!

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He also sustains and carries us in His great grace – “He turned the sea into dry land, they passed through the waters on foot – there we rejoiced in him”; and “He brought us into a place of abundance.” (Ps 66:6,12c)

We can trust God, lean on Him in faith, and call on Him for help, in the hardest circumstances. He will never leave us, and He will bring us into a place of abundance. *We will again rejoice in Him!*

Grace and peace, Jonathan

A Message from the Elders

In our congregation, pastoral care happens both informally in an unstructured and everyday, loving manner and formally through a structured pastoral care network, consisting of care providers and members enjoying care.

Our congregation is blessed to have so many who provide mutual care and support in an unofficial capacity. This might be as simple as just saying G'Day to someone or going out of your way to help them in a bind.

If you would like to find out who is your official carer in our structured system, please refer to the pastoral care list available on the noticeboard in the church hall. Alternatively, if you would like to become more involved in providing pastoral care to your fellow congregation members, please speak to one of our elders.

Our church elders are: Jonathan, Andrew, Cath, David, Ray and Richardt.

A FUN Raising Night

Saturday, 26th October 6.15 pm for a 6.30 pm start

Fish, chips, salad, cake and coffee will be followed by a fun evening, with a cost of \$6 to cover the food.

A list is at the back of the hall. Please add your name, before it is too late.

Dates for our Vernal Diaries

- Commencement of Term Four: Monday, 14th October
- TTG Historical Society Tour: Monday, 14th October: 12.00 noon
- Church Council: Tuesday, 15th October: 7.00 pm
- Estia's Celebration of Life Service: Wednesday, 16th October: 1.45 pm
- A FUN Raising Night: Saturday, 26th October: 6.15 pm
- Working Bee: Saturday, 2nd November: 8.00 am
- Estia Worship Service: Monday, 4th November: 2.00 pm
- Women's Fellowship: Thursday, 6th November: 1.00 pm
- Elders Pastoral Care Meeting: Tuesday, 12th November: 7.00 pm
- Day of Prayer: Thursday, 13th November: 8.00 am to 6.00 pm
- The Dinner Table: Thursday, 13th November: 6.00 pm
- M&WW Sausage Sizzle: Sunday, 18th November: After Worship

ESTIA'S CELEBRATION OF LIFE SERVICE

Wednesday, 16th October at 1.45 pm

Everybody is welcome.



Bishop Michael Musale



Christ Victory Gospel Ministries was founded in 1998 by Bishop Michael Musale (pictured with his wife Emily) and others with a view to evangelising and equipping Christians to transform lives in our communities by sharing God's Word, God's Love and God's Wisdom. The Ministry's Headquarters is located in Turbo Town, Kenya, and has five local church branches in Western Kenya.

Its mission is to: evangelise and plant churches; to disciple Christians and equip them for the work of the Ministry; to set up Christian schools and provide free premium education and food to vulnerable children; to provide clean and safe water; to provide health care services by setting up medical centres and conducting free medical camps; to conduct wealth creation programmes in order to alleviate poverty levels in our communities.