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Pastoral Notes / Prayer Points

- ◆ **NEW OFFICE NO: Carpentaria Presbytery Office has new phone number: 0459 544 507**
- ◆ **Link Newsletter will now go out every 2wks (not weekly) – next Link on 19 June**
- ◆ **Prayers for Pastor Perry Yunkaporta and Kathleen & their son Hilton who is very sick in ICU in Cairns**
- ◆ **Prayers for traveling mercies for Robyn and Gavin as they drive around the Presbytery to meet with congregations from June-July**
- ◆ **Rev Wendy McHugh's conclusion service was on 1 June at Aitkenvale UC**
- ◆ **To subscribe to Uniting News: Click the link [here](#) and add your details.**



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Carpentaria News...

DATE CLAIMERS

- **4th June** – Presbytery Leadership Team meeting
- **22nd June** – Mark Dewar conclusion service at Innisfail UC at 2.00pm
- **21st June - 1st July** – Christy Allen on holidays
- **11th - 16th July** – 17th Assembly in Sydney
- **2nd - 4th September** – Presbytery Leadership Team face to face meeting in Townsville
- **31st October** – Garry Hardingham's final day as Presbytery Minister Rural
- **1st - 3rd November** – Presbytery Meeting 2 in Townsville
- **4th - 7th November** – Presbytery Leadership Team Strategic Meeting in Townsville

Napranum for Christ Crusade information from 27th - 30th June 2024

The evangelism crusade starts at 6pm. Speakers are as follows:-

- a. Thursday Night - Rev Tevita Niurua [Minister - St Barnabas Uniting Church - Napranum]
- b. Friday Night also Youth Night # 1 - Rev Bruce Moore [Qld Synod Moderator]
- c. Saturday Night also Youth Night #2 - Rev Semi Raturvoka [Minister - House of Hope Church - Weipa]
- d. Sunday Morning at 9.00am - Crusade Closing - Rev Ben Hakalitz [Snr Minister - Living Light Gospel Church – Cairns]

Biggest Morning Tea at Kirwan UC

Kirwan UC is hosting a Cancer Council Biggest Morning Tea on Tues 11 June at 9.30 am. Donation to Cancer Council upon entry.

RSVP by Sunday June 9 to kirwanunitingchurch@gmail.com

Grant Writing Online Workshop on 6 June 2024

Do you want information and guidance on applying for grant funding? Please join the Ethnic Communities Council of Queensland's (ECCQ) [Grant Writing Online Workshop](#) on Thursday, 6 June 2024 from 6:00pm to 8:00pm. At the workshop you will learn how to present your idea in a grant application in a clear way and make sure you provide all of the information needed for the grant assessors.

If you would like to attend, please visit <https://events.humanitix.com/grant-writing-online-workshop-tjhdkxfn> to register. If you have any queries, please email advocacy@eccq.com.au. You can also visit [ECCQ's website](#) for information on other upcoming workshops and to access their [Online Learning Hub](#) courses and resources.

Church Planting and Rebuilding Workshop

The Moreton Rivers Presbytery has a strategic commitment to church planting. As a church planter, I know that effective leadership is pivotal to a start up faith community or congregation. Therefore, the Presbytery has developed a leadership pathway for planting churches and rebuilding congregations. **The Intensive will run in two parts. The first part will be run on June 17th and 18th. The second part will run on October 8th-10th. The total cost for this 5 day workshop will be \$200. The sessions will run from 9.30am-3:30pm with morning tea, and lunch provided.** The information session and the intensive are open to people from and beyond the Moreton Rivers Presbytery.

This course taps into the pressing need within the UCA to raise up leaders who can launch new church plants or rebuild congregations as vibrant missional communities of faith in this day and age. The two part intensive is focused on equipping people to lead or be a part of a core team that plants a church or rebuilds a congregation. It is part of the overall leadership pathway for church planting across numerous presbyteries in the Qld Synod.

REGISTRATION: <https://forms.office.com/Pages/ResponsePage.aspx?id=y-R4lO-iMUKeObmwhc-Y3D6iJkJMSWBHI-bfHX-bWydUNE1NNVdVV1FINTVCM1ZUMINDVDdRSzUwMi4u>

Christian Leadership Course:

The course will run over two parts as per below and run from Clayfield Uniting Church as a face to face workshop. Craig Bailey will be leading this course and for any further questions please contact office@mrpres.org.au. This course is designed for all leaders across the life of the church.

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Part 1 | June Wed - Thurs 19th & 20th 9am- 3:30pm

Part 2 | Oct Wed - Thurs 16th-18th 9am – 3:30pm

The cost is \$400 per person for the full course (invoiced). Morning tea and lunch are included in the price. This course covers a range of foundational elements of Christian leadership. It will focus on understanding different leadership styles, how Christian leadership is distinct and what skills are essential for leading others that reflects the image of God.

Celebrating Multicultural Queensland program for event funding!

The 2024-25 Celebrating Multicultural Queensland program's events funding round is now open!

If your organisation is planning a cultural event or multicultural festival for 2025, you can now apply for funding under the 2024-25 Celebrating Multicultural Queensland (CMQ) program.

Events funded under the CMQ program will:

- improve appreciation of cultural diversity;
- increase understanding of new and emerging culturally and linguistically diverse communities;
- increase a sense of belonging by people from a culturally and linguistically diverse background;
- improve feelings of social inclusion by people from a culturally and linguistically diverse background; and/or
- increase intercultural connections between people from various backgrounds.

Eligible applicants can apply for **one-off funding of up to \$20,000** for cultural and multicultural events to be delivered in the 2025 calendar year.

Please ensure you carefully read the **Funding Guidelines for Multicultural Events** for applicant eligibility, and funding information and requirements. Please [click here](#) to download the guidelines.

To submit an application, [click here](#) to apply online.

For further information, visit the website at www.dcssds.qld.gov.au/cm-q-program.

If you would like assistance in preparing your application, you can attend the Ethnic Communities Council of Queensland's [Grant Writing Online Workshop](#) on Thursday, 6 June 2024 from 6:00pm to 8:00pm. At the workshop you will learn about how to present your idea in a grant application in a clear and succinct way and to make sure that you provide all of the information needed for the grant assessors.

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THE CLOSING DATE FOR APPLICATIONS IS [30 JUNE 2024](#).

Safe Church update - Follow-up

New Statement of Personal Commitment

The [Statement of Personal Commitment](#) (SOPC) has been reviewed using feedback from congregations to improve it. The new SOPC uses simple words that everyone can understand. It includes rules and guidelines for all volunteers, what you need to know about volunteering, and what's expected of you. The new SOPC replaces the Junior SOPC and the 'old' SOPC and is located in the Hub. All volunteers who signed their SOPC this year are still compliant and can use the new SOPC next year.

New ministry agent Statement of Commitment

The ministry agent [Statement of Commitment](#) (SOC) has been updated to align with the new Safe Church Policy. All ministry agents who signed their SOC this year are still compliant and can use the new SOC next year.

More information is available on the [Hub](#).

Please let us know how we can work together better to ensure everyone can connect, contribute and belong. Contact Lynde Davy at safechurch@ucaqld.com.au or [07 3377 9983](tel:0733779983)

30th Anniversary of the Covenant – 10 July

July 10 marks the 30th anniversary of the [Covenant](#) between the Uniting Aboriginal and Islander Christian Congress (UAICC) and the Uniting Church in Australia. The National Assembly will soon release resources to equip Uniting Church communities to mark and celebrate these anniversaries in worship and reflect on their history and ongoing significance.

- [Read more and sign up for resources](#) when they become available

Learn more about Living the Covenant Locally [here](#)



From The Word for Today...

Get ready to go!

'Get ready to cross the Jordan River into the land I am about to give them—to the Israelites.'
Joshua 1:2 NIV

The words for you today are

1) Get ready. For forty years, Joshua had served Moses and been mentored by him; now he was ready to lead Israel into the promised land. This raises the all-important question: are you ready for the success you seek? The frustrating thing about preparation is sometimes it takes more time than the event you're preparing for. Are you self-disciplined? Are you up to date on your career or calling? Do you have the right relationships in place? Is your home life in order? Do you have strong character? As the old saying goes, 'You can claim to be surprised once; after that, you're unprepared!'

One author writes: 'Talented people are sometimes tempted to take shortcuts. Character prevents that. Talented people may feel superior and expect special privileges. Character helps them to know better. Talented people are praised for what others see them build. Character builds what's inside them. Talented people have the potential to be difference makers. Character makes a difference in them. Talented people are often a gift to the world. Character protects that gift.'

2) Go! God told Joshua, *'I will give you every place where you set your foot, as I promised Moses'* (Joshua 1:3 NIV). Don't be like Alice in *Alice's Adventures in Wonderland* who asked the Cheshire-Cat, 'Would you tell me, please, which way I ought to go from here?' 'That depends a good deal on where you want to get to,' said the Cat. 'I don't much care where—' said Alice. 'Then it doesn't matter which way you go,' said the Cat. To succeed, you must do the right things, moment by moment, day by day, following through with them in a consistent way.

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