



# *Hawkesbury Church of Christ*

*Meeting at 23 Bosworth Street Richmond*

*Worship 10.00am. Bible Study 11.15am*

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## *May 2023 Bulletin*

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**Covid is still with us so mask wearing is encouraged during worship.**

### **Reflection**

#### **Unnecessary Burdens**

"Come to me, all you who are weary and burdened, and I will give you rest. Take my yoke upon you and learn from me, for I am gentle and humble in heart, and you will find rest for your souls. For my yoke is easy and my burden is light." ***Matthew 11:28-30***

With the bussiness of life we sometimes forget that we have a greater source of strength.

"My daughter Katie's backpack weighs almost as much as she does. If I had to carry that thing around all day, I'm sure I would end up in the hospital. It makes me long for the day when the digital revolution will finally overtake textbooks, enabling children to transport them on a lightweight electronic device.

Katie's two-ton backpack reminds me of what it feels like to carry burdens that are not my own. Instead of an aching back, they produce an aching heart, robbing me of the peace God has promised. It wasn't long ago that worrying about a situation I can't even remember kept me up most of the night. Then I ran across this quote from Mary Crowley, a single mother, who rose to prominence as the head of a multimillion-dollar company: "Every evening I turn my worries over to God. He's going to be up all night anyway."

Crowley's words remind me of the wisdom of novelist George MacDonald, who once remarked that "no man ever sank under the burden of the day. It is when tomorrow's burden is added to the burden of today that the weight is more than a man can bear." Where did MacDonald's wisdom come from? Most likely from the lips of the Lord

himself, who told his disciples, “Don’t worry about tomorrow, for tomorrow will bring its own worries. Today’s trouble is enough for today” **(Matthew 6:34)**.

We can’t off-load our worries onto some kind of digital device. But we have something far better—a promise from Christ that his yoke is easy to bear and that the burden he gives is light.

*Lord, help me not to get weighed down by burdens that I shouldn’t be carrying alone. When I begin to do that, remind me that your burden is light and that you have promised to provide rest to those who are weary.*

- This is an Excerpt from: Becoming a Woman at Peace.

### **Prayers**

For all the children on their first week back to school for the new term. Genevieve Coxon, Bev & Brian Robinson and their daughter, Lynette, Sam White, our church family, the saints throughout the world, the people of Ukraine and all who are in crisis.

### **Ladies Roster for May & June**

Month	Lord’s Supper & Morning Tea	
May	Angela Beetge	Bev Robinson
June	Jeanette Hatch	Wendy LAing

### **NEWS**

Birthdays in May: Bev Robinson 22<sup>nd</sup> May.

Birthday wishes to Nancye Courtney who celebrated her birthday on the 30<sup>th</sup> April while attending the Over 50’s Camp; to Ian & Kathy who also celebrated birthdays in April.

Anzac Day Picnic was once again enjoyed by many.

Toowoomba Lectureship is being held on 11-13 August at the Gipps Street Cchurch of Christ. Phone (03) 4630 1505 or email

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