



Hawkesbury Church of Christ

Meeting at 23 Bosworth Street Richmond

Worship 10.00am. Bible Study 11.15am

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With Covid spreading so easily, mask wearing is encouraged during worship.

A GREAT WEAPON AGAINST TEMPTATION

We all face temptation; Satan is going to make sure that none of us are exempt. We read in 1 Corinthians 10:13 that it is a common challenge for all people but those who are in God's family will be provided ways to resist and eliminate temptation.

One great weapon we can use against the devil and his enticements is wisdom. Wisdom is available to every Christian who asks God for it (James 1:5) and can help us make good choices when we're tempted.

But this is nothing new, long ago the wise man of Proverbs wrote about the advantages of using wisdom against evil. (Proverbs 2) When wisdom enters our hearts (minds) and we use knowledge wisely, discretion will be key to keeping us from sinful things.

Wisdom will help us recognize social pressure which gives the desire to "go along with the crowd" and participate in things not pleasing to God. Wisdom shows us that resisting physical desire contrary to wholesomeness (substance use, sex, dishonest behaviour) will only give temporary pleasure that can lead to more trouble down the road.

James 1:6-7 warns us that the Christian who doesn't tap into the free offer of wisdom will be "wishy-washy" in their struggle with temptation and sin. Doubting ourselves and God can and will have devastating results in one's spiritual life. But we can be happy to know that asking God for and receiving wisdom can lead us down the path of righteousness and a life that is pleasing to God.

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"Blessed is the man who endures temptation; for when he has been approved, he will receive the crown of life which the Lord has promised to those who love Him. Let no one say when he is tempted, "I am tempted by God"; for God cannot be tempted by evil, nor does He Himself tempt anyone." (James 1:12-13)

Prayers

Jane & Paula Johnson, Bev & Brian Robinson, Genevieve Croxon, Sephron and Albina Joram and the congregation in Kapini, PNG.

Our church family, the saints throughout the world, the people of Ukraine and all who are in crisis.

September Preaching Roster including 1st week in October.

DATE	PREACHER	LEADER	LORD'S SUPPER
5 th	Dennis Rayner	Israel Rogonasau	Geoff Hatch
11 th	Greg Grant	Dennis Rayner	Israel Rogonasau
18 th	Joey Lemoe	Israel Rogonasau	Geoff Hatch
25 th	Dennis Rayner	Israel Rogonasau	Geoff Hatch

Ladies Roster September & October

Month	Lord's Supper	Morning Tea
September	Nancye Courtney	Jeanette Hatch
October	Kathy Reynolds	Angela Beetge

NEWS

At the age of 87, our dear sister in Christ, Sylvia Johnson, was laid to rest on Monday, the 22nd August, at Richmond Lawn Cemetary. Sylvia's faith was strong all through her life as she faced happy times and very sad times. Sylvia will be sadly missed by many, both family and friends, but her reward is assured. Our prayers are with Paula and Jane who have taken such wonderful care of their Mumma whilst she was in Aged Care. Our condolences go to the Johnson and Simmons families.

Birthdays coming up in September:

Lyn Sandoz, Geoff Hatch, Dennis Rayner and Eliyanah Rogonasau.



In August, many of the congregation celebrated Wendy Laing's special birthday.

*I can do all things through Him who gives me strength.
Philippians 4:13*