



# The VINES Uniting Church

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## THE GRAPEVINE – 27<sup>th</sup> October 2024

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Our recent road journey took us north to Pt Douglas, south to Canberra, and home via Horsham.

Vast outback plains, diverse crops, mountain-top views and tropical beaches induced appreciation of God's diverse Creation. Yellow canola crops, the lush greens of winter crops and pastures, and outback blue skies reminded us, as Psalm 24 v1 says, that... *"The earth is the Lord's and all that is in it, the world and those who live in it."* God is present in good times and bad.

We met some colourful characters on the way. (One bloke wanted to stop fires by getting rid of all Eucalyptus trees!) Visiting the Australian War Memorial in Canberra helped us to think about sacrifice.

There was history too. Country towns had old buildings with magnificent facades founded on hope, courage, and dreams of future blessings. God's promise was there in congregations large and small.

On his road journey back to Ethiopia a court official was helped by Philip to discover the good news of Jesus. (See Acts 8:26-40.) We saw Jesus in people and their relationships with others. Visiting extended family, and meeting former refugees were highlights, because they helped us to see our place in God's plan.

As you remember your past journeys, may they bring you joy, gratitude and God's rich blessings.

Ian

❖ **OUR VISION:**

*To be a vibrant, growing community of Faith.*

❖ **OUR MISSION:**

*To reach out and reflect God's Love –connecting others to Christ.*

We farewelled Malcolm and Sally Holmes last Sunday (20<sup>th</sup> October) as they have decided to relocate to a church closer to where they live. We farewelled them with prayer during Sunday's service. We are thankful for the blessing they have both been to the Vines congregation and trust that our Lord will continue to bless and use them as they move on.

Malcolm and Sally write:

"Dear church family,



*Farewell*

*Malcolm and I have decided to attend a church local to us, so we sadly have to say goodbye. It is not a decision we reached lightly, we prayed a long time about it.*

*We thank you for your friendship, fellowship and prayers over the last 17 years, which have been invaluable.*

*We will continue to be involved with the Vines Markets, so we will see you in November.*

*Love*

*Malcolm and Sally Holmes"*

**COMMUNION PREPARATION**

For a long time, there has been a small group of faithful women who have prepared the communion emblems each month. At the present time there are 2 people who do so every second month.

A few more would be very welcome. If you feel you could help, please speak to Marj Dredge or Chris McAvenna, who will explain what is needed.



### **AFTERNOON BIBLE STUDY.**

If you are interested in meeting with others for a daytime Bible Study....either at the church or in a home, please speak to David or Marj for further details

### **CAFÉ CHURCH**

This Sunday October 27<sup>th</sup> our meeting will be in the form of Café Church as Ian and Karen Kitto share with us some of the special God moments of their travels across the country. Please bring a plate of food to share for morning tea.

You are encouraged to grab your morning coffee on the way in, and be prepared to think of the times when God has unexpectedly touched your heart.

### **INVITATION OF MALCOLM BALDOCK, WE HAVE BEEN INVITED TO JOIN WITH THE HAPPY VALLEY BOWLING CLUB**

**Access Road ABERFOYLE PARK 5159**

where both women & men can dress up in their finest to enjoy a 2 course lunch.

Plan to arrive at 10.15 am for complimentary bubbles.

Fashion Parade by "Dressed for Success" from 10.30 am.

Race Day Trivia, Raffles, Sweeps, Prizes to be Won.

Prior to the start of the Race that stops the Nation.

**COST PER PERSON \$ 35.00.**

Please RSVP if you intend attending ASAP to;

Malcolm Baldock on 8381 6239

Bob Manson on 0499 001 883



**NEXT WEEK: Sunday 3<sup>rd</sup> November**

***Rev. Marty Rosenberg***



**Our Goal**  
**To reconnect with  
the community and  
share God's Love**

### **LIVE STREAMED WORSHIP SERVICES**

Each Sunday our worship services at the Vines can be accessed live at 9:30am via our YouTube channel. Please use the following link to access our services,

<https://www.youtube.com/@thevinesunitingchurch6373/streams>

After the livestream, each service will remain on our YouTube channel for watching later. They can be accessed using the same link.

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