



Tin Can Bay Community Church

A Baptist Ministry

The Purpose Statement of our church is:
**NOW IS THE TIME TO BE GOD'S
LIGHTHOUSE IN TIN CAN BAY**



Jesus said, "I am the light of the world; whoever follows me will never walk in darkness but will have the light of life." John 8:12

17th January 2021

Turning Pain into Pearls



An incredible process begins when a foreign material, or a parasite, makes its way inside the shell of an oyster and begins causing damage. The intruder can threaten the life of the oyster, so something must be done. To protect itself, the oyster seals off the threat by using the same material that lines the inside of its shell (called nacre). The oyster cannot spit out the intruder, so it covers it with many layers of precious material, thus making it into a pearl. In other words, the producing of a pearl is a defense mechanism. The result? The painful intruders are turned into the beautiful pearls we have today.

There is much we could learn from the oyster. Too often, people intrude into our lives with qualities like discouragement, lies, insults, and anger. There is no doubt these cause damage. There is no doubt these can destroy relationships. However, when we respond in a kind and loving way, we can take someone who intended to do harm, and transform that person into something beautiful. Incredible changes can take place when we slowly respond to such intruders with layers of love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness, and self-control (Galatians 5:22-23).

As sad as it is, hurtful words and actions are going to enter our lives, but how we react to them is completely up to us.

Peter sums it all up in 1 Peter 3:8-9:

Finally, all of you should agree and have concern and love for each other. You should also be kind and humble. Don't be hateful and insult people just because they are hateful and insult you. Instead, treat everyone with kindness. You are God's chosen ones, and He will bless you.

Welcome to Our Service

We pray God's blessing on you and your family as we worship together. We welcome Simon Rattray who will present the message today.



Happy birthday to Aaron Hall today,
and Judy Finger on Friday

*God's blessings on
your special day.*



The Bend *in the* THE ROAD

Sometimes

*we come to life's crossroads
And we view what we think is the end.
But God has a much wider vision
And He knows it's only a bend—
The road will go on and get smoother
And after we've stopped for a rest,
The path that lies hidden beyond us
Is often the path that is best.
So rest and relax and grow stronger,
Let go and let God share your load
And have faith in a brighter tomorrow.
You've just come to
a bend in the road.*

~ Helen Steiner Rice



Prayer Requests

- ★ Healing for Frith Krueger
- ★ School Chaplains
- ★ Wycliffe Bible Translators
(see World News)

The Bible is Historically Accurate

There were several secular historians who wrote about the events of the New Testament at the same time the Bible was being written.

Josephus is the most well-known of them. He was a Jewish historian. **Tacitus** was a Roman historian who would have no benefit from not telling the truth. Both these men, as well as others, can be used to back up the historical accuracy of the Bible.

There are historical discoveries regularly coming to light that continue to support the accuracy of the Bible.

Merrill Unger, who compiled a Bible dictionary wrote, "Old Testament archaeology has rediscovered whole nations, and filled in historical gaps."



Milestone in Bible translation

The Bible has just been translated into its 700th language, a milestone that shows the acceleration in Bible translation work.

It is difficult to pinpoint which translation was the 700th, because a number of new printed Bibles and online Bibles appeared around the same time. The 700th Bible means that 5.7 billion people who speak 700 languages now have the Bible in the language that speaks to them best.

But there are still 1.5 billion people (roughly 1 in 5) who do not have the Bible in their heart language.
Wycliffe



Ladies KYB Groups will start on Tuesday 2nd February, with the first study for the year being Acts chapters 13-28 : "Message and Mission".

Verse for today

"Have I not commanded you? Be strong and courageous. Do not be frightened, and do not be dismayed, for the LORD your God is with you wherever you go."

— Joshua 1:9





We can make our plans, but the LORD determines our steps.

Proverbs 16:9

This Week in Our Church

WHAT'S ON

Sunday 17 Jan 9.00 am Worship Service

KYB Groups are in recess

Sunday 24 Jan 9.00 am Worship Service

Rosters

| Date | Singers 8am start | Data | Welcome | Offering Counters | Sanitiser Team | Chair Setup 7am start |
|--------|----------------------|---------|---------------|----------------------|--------------------|--------------------------|
| 17 Jan | Heather Hayley | Linda | Jan H Michele | Christine D Tony D | Kay Cox Trevor Uhl | Rob John P |
| 24 Jan | Scott Karen | Brendan | Carmel Katie | Rob Julie-Anne | Julie-Anne Kaitlyn | Rob Trevor |

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