



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

27th June 2021

Guarding Our Words

(by Jerry Rankin - In The Secret Place)

"Set a guard, O LORD, over my mouth; keep watch over the door of my lips. Do not incline my heart to any evil thing." (Psalm 141:3-4)

Even those who are conscientious about their walk with the Lord, live a righteous life, and have gained a significant level of victory over sinful actions and behavior, find it is difficult to maintain control over the spoken word. It is so easy to utter a thoughtless remark, a sarcastic comment, or a cutting rebuke without realizing that it is inappropriate and contrary to the love and grace we should be expressing. Jesus explained that the real problem with our words is that they reveal what is in our heart. In Matthew 15:11 and 18 He clarified it is *"not what enters into the mouth [that] defiles the man, but what proceeds out of the mouth [comes from the heart], this defiles the man."* James 3:8 observes, *"But no one can tame the tongue; it is a restless evil and full of deadly poison."* That is why we must rely on God to put a guard over our mouth. But it is not just a matter of refraining from unwholesome words; we need God to guard our heart so we are not inclined to anything that is evil or unholy to which expression may be given.

The real problem with our words is that they reveal what is in our hearts. This is so important because we can be circumspect and conscientious in our devotion to the Lord and obedient in everything we do, but if we fail in the words we utter, it nullifies everything else and defies the sanctification we should exhibit. Always speaking with integrity and truth, avoiding casual slang that is associated with swearing even though we may not actually use a crude or lewd word, or foregoing insensitive criticism and gossip are all ways that God would lead us. James 3:2 says, *"For we all stumble in many ways. If anyone does not stumble in what he says, he is a perfect man, able to bridle the whole body."* This is obviously where we are most vulnerable and represents our greatest need for the Lord's help. It is not something we can do on our own and in our own strength.

After we are told in Ephesians 4:26-27 to get over our anger lest we give an advantage to Satan, verse 29 says, *"Let no unwholesome word proceed from your mouth, but only such a word as is good for edification ... that it may give grace to those who hear."* In this context the verse that follows indicates that we grieve the Holy Spirit when we do otherwise. So it is not just a matter of speaking evil of someone; we should ask God not to allow a word to escape our lips that is not wholesome but only that which blesses and edifies others.

Throughout the Psalms, the repetitive plea that God would hear our prayer and heed our supplications reminds us that we should not be presumptuous that God is always at our beck and call. He is always present

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Welcome to Our Service

We pray you will encounter God as we worship together today. If you are visiting please make yourself known to someone and stay behind for a chat.



Happy Birthday to Christine Davies celebrating her birthday today, and to Nick Davies on Wednesday. God's blessings on your special day even though both of you are going through a difficult time.

Prayer Points



- Pray for Christine Davies as she recovers from complications following her surgery. She is quite weak and tired and will probably be in hospital for a few more days. Praise God that the pathology results showed all cancer was removed.
- Pray for Gary Hooper as he recovers from a hernia operation during the week.
- Pray for our Federal Government – our Prime Minister Scott Morrison and his cabinet, and the opposition members for wisdom as they plan, deliberate, and make decisions in their role of government.
- Pray for our State Government and our Premier – Annastacia Palaszczuk and her cabinet, and for all opposition members of our State Government. Pray for ongoing wisdom in the management of the COVID 19 pandemic and our state's economic recovery.
- Pray for our local Gympie Regional Council and Mayor Glen Hartwig.
- Pray for the witness of the Christians amongst the parliament and council members, for wisdom and strength to vote on legislation in accordance to their ethical and conscience convictions.
- Please remember Christian groups in Australia who actively lobby the government – e.g. Australian Christian Lobby, Australian Family Coalition, Australia for Jesus – and other groups that you may be aware of.

Advance Notice for 2022 Church Directory

We will be having family photos with each entry in the directory for 2022. They will be passport size photos or slightly larger for big families. Brad Battaglione will be doing the photos at the conclusion of one or more services each month.

Details yet to be sorted. If you do not want your photo in the directory, please advise Glenn Batchelor so we can take it into account.

Men's Breakfast

On Saturday 3rd July will be a Men's Breakfast at the Crab Creek shelter commencing at 7am. Food is supplied with a gold coin donation if you are able. These happen on the first Saturday of each month. Contact Greg Willmann on 0478 526 215 for more information.

John & Karen Away

John & Karen are away on holidays from 25th June to 5th July. Please contact one of the Elders or Deacons in their absence.



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and delights in blessing us and granting our petitions. But this is contingent on our prayers being in accord with His will and what is glorifying to Him, not just because we want our perceived needs fulfilled. That is why our prayers should be as incense offered to Him and with a heart of submission as symbolized by uplifted hands. While the snares of the wicked and those who would have ill will toward us are painful, it is the snares of our own carnal hearts from which we need deliverance. God is our only hope. We must look to Him to be our refuge and defense.

Children's Ministries



Lighthouse Kids is for children 3 years old to the end of grade 6. It runs each week of the school term during the sermon in our Sunday worship service. Our program includes bible lessons and follow-up activities.

Breakfast Club (a ministry of School Chaplaincy) is run on Tuesday and Thursday mornings at the Tin Can Bay State School. This is a fantastic way to minister to those students who are less

fortunate and also a great time to get to know the kids. "If we can give just a handful of children a good start to the day, then it is worth it."

Donations of food items are always needed to allow this ministry to continue - Margarine, Vegemite, Honey, Jam, Cheese Slices (individual wraps), Long Life Milk, Milo and Apple Juice Poppers (100% juice).

If you would like to donate money to Chaplaincy at Tin Can Bay State School then scan the QR Code which will take you directly to the donation page.



For God, Nothing Is Impossible

By Belinda Fox, Papuan Malay Team Leader

'For God, nothing is impossible.' That is the Papuan Malay translation of Luke 1:37 inscribed on the back wall of our translation office in blue decal stickers. They are words often quoted by our team because God is often doing impossible things in our midst!

But how about keeping a Bible translation project going during a global pandemic? What about translators not being able to travel freely to the office due to COVID restrictions? Or expat facilitators getting stuck in their home countries indefinitely? Or project funding being unexpectedly cut? Or the churches and groups we normally approach being shut for months?

'For God, nothing is impossible.' In fact, he didn't just overcome these particular challenges to enable the translation to run smoothly in a year that many would rather forget. He went one step further and did 'immeasurably more than all we [could] ask or imagine'. Ephesians 3:20 (NIV).

For years, we have been praying that our translation team, along with the local church and community, would take ownership of the Papuan Malay Bible translation. It's one of our main priorities as we look towards publishing the New Testament in the next few years. But you can't force ownership. No amount of team discussions, devotionals or meetings with church leaders will have any real effect unless God aligns hearts with a vision for Scripture in a language that speaks to their hearts and a longing to invest in seeing that vision accomplished.

And it seems that God has been doing just that. Our team members demonstrated greater passion, initiative, ownership and reliance on God than ever before. Doors opened to partnerships that had always been shut tight. Key leaders approached us asking how they can support our translation and distribution efforts.

Trying to reach an area larger than New Zealand with God's Word to prepare people for the New Testament in their language has always felt like an important but impossible dream. But, 'For God, nothing is impossible!' Of all years, he chose 2020 to accelerate the work and soften hard soil.

So we rejoice in his goodness and faithfulness! And we wait. With expectant hearts. Ready to see what impossible things God does next and join him as he prepares the ground for harvest. Knowing that, no matter what circumstances we may face, 'for God, nothing is impossible.'



Church Website

Links to the Sermon and Church Bulletin are emailed out each week but they are also available on our Church Website. In fact, you can listen to sermons from as far back as 2011. To access these and other great resources you need to register online and email Brad so he can confirm your registration.

www.tincanbaycommunitychurch.com.au

Website Administrator - Brad Battaglene, Email: bbattagl@gmail.com

Church Library

The Church Library is open each week after the service. It's located at the back of the Auditorium so take time to have a browse of what's on offer.



This Week In Our Church

Sunday 27th June	9.00 am	Church Service
Saturday 3rd July	7.00 am	Men's Breakfast at Crab Creek
Sunday 4th July	9.00 am	Church Service

Most ministries are in recess during the school holidays.



Rosters

Date	Worship Leader	Singers	Data	Welcoming	Offering Counters	Sanitiser Team	Chair Setup 7am start
27 Jun	Simon	Scott	Brendan	Kay Lynelle	Nick Jed	Sheryl Dorothy	Rob Jim
4 Jul	Simon	Carmel	Julie-Anne	Jan H Diane	Christine Tyson	Jan H Kay	Rob, Phil & Sheryl

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	Jim Menteith	0457 203 348
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<i>Contact Judy Finger until 25th July on 0400 167 420</i>		

Did you know you can give your offering electronically?

Bank details are -

Account Name: Tin Can Bay Community Church

BSB: 084-952

Account No: 01-500-4389



If you have any notices for the bulletin please let Glenn know by Wednesday night -

Email: glennbatchelor@hotmail.com

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From the Editor



Michele & I will be on holidays for the next 4 months so Glenn Batchelor will be doing the Bulletin in my absence. Please forward any notices to him. See you when we get back.

Trevor