

Sunday 6 July
Holy Communion

10.30 am WMC Worship Rev G Millar
12.00 pm IMC Worship Rev G Millar

Tuesday 8 July

7.00 pm WMC Victorian Fair Sewing Group (Dobson Room)
8.00 pm WMC Fellowship Hour *(Come when you can, go when you must)*

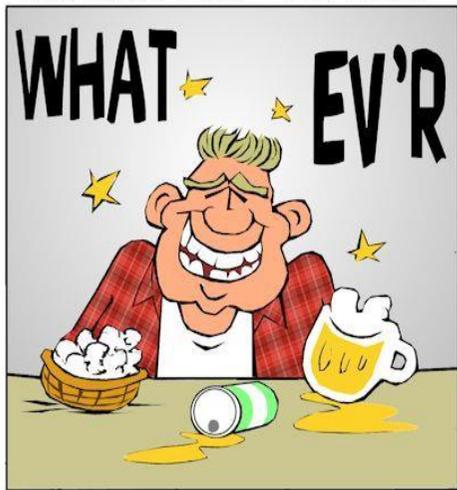
Thursday 10 July
WMC Craft Class

10.00 am

Sunday 13 July

10.30 am WMC Worship Rev G Millar
12.00 pm IMC Worship Rev G Millar

The Back Pew - Jeff Larson



Wine produces mockers, alcohol leads to brawls.. those led astray by drink cannot be wise. Pr 20:1

Steve McQueen was a top billing actor who led a life as tough as the ones he portrayed on the screen. Success filled his life until alcohol and a failed marriage left him empty. In his despair he attended a crusade led by one of Billy Graham's associates. McQueen made a profession of faith and requested an opportunity to speak with Billy Graham. A connecting flight in Los Angeles allowed Dr Graham to spend a couple of hours with Mr. McQueen in the actor's limousine. Dr Graham shared numerous scriptures in his quest to give spiritual hope and assurance. Steve McQueen struggled with the thought of God giving eternal life to a man who had such a chequered past.

In Titus 1:2, however, he found a promise that spoke to him - *"the hope of eternal life, which God, who cannot lie, promised long ages ago"* He requested something to write down the verse, but Billy Graham gave McQueen his Bible instead. Later, Steve McQueen died in Mexico while seeking experimental treatment for his terminal cancer. He passed into eternity with his Bible opened to Titus 1 and his finger resting on verse 2. Regardless of our past, we have the assurance of our eternal salvation because of God's Word.

THE ENERGY OF PRAISE

A study was done by psychologist Dr. Henry H. Goddard, on energy levels in children. He used an instrument he called the "ergograph." How he ever got some children to stand still long enough to connect them to the machine is a mystery. But he did, and his findings are fascinating. He found that when tired children are given a word of praise or encouragement, the ergograph shows an immediate upward surge of new energy. When the children are criticized and discouraged, the ergograph shows their physical energy take a sudden nose-dive. Those results could be probably be duplicated in adults. When we are praised our energy levels go up. When we are criticized our energy levels go down.

SOURCE: <http://ledgewood.1stbaptist.org/ill-link.html#HolwickWin95>.

BIKER SUNDAY

the irish chapter of tribe of judah motorcycle ministries will visit, lead the service of worship and preach in whitehead methodist church on sunday 20th july 2014 at 10.30 am.



all welcome to come and hear testimony of how god has blessed the ministry in 2013-2014 and how we expect greater blessings to follow. invite any bikers you may know!

"I Can't Change Jesus"

Bill Irwin, a man who is blind, has a talking computer he uses to study the Bible. He's had a few chuckles over some of the pronunciations. "For a long time," Bill says, "the computer pronounced Holy Bible as 'holly bibble' until I figured out how to modify it." But there was one thing Bill couldn't change. The computer uses the Spanish pronunciation for Jesus Christ -- HEYsus Krist. "The programmer is Hispanic," Bill told me with a smile, "and he made sure that HEYsus Krist cannot be altered."

I like that. It reminds me that among the things in life that can be changed to suit my taste, one remains tamper-resistant - *I can't change Jesus*. When life is unsettled, I gain great comfort from the Bible's affirmation that *"Jesus Christ is the same yesterday, today, and forever"* (Heb. 13:8). But the statement is also a stern rebuke to my tendency to try to modify the words and character of Christ when I don't like what He says. How easy it is to forget that I came to Christ longing for Him to transform me, not the other way around!

Praise God that His Word and His love are perfect and unchanging. And praise Him too that in His love He is working to change me. Bruce Howell, Lighthouse Community Church