

Goondiwindi Christian Church

A Spirit-Filled, Family Church

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Happy New Year Church! I just read a quote today;

“The dreams of the future are better than the history of the past”

It's good for us to look back to 2018 to “see what the Lord has done”, and to reflect on how we can learn from mistakes, but 2018 is now over and it's time to embrace Gods plan for the present and the future. He gives us dreams and visions!

Dive into reading Joel 2. He gives us eternal life, glorious life and abundant life!!!

Let us enter 2019 with hearts filled with praise and thanksgiving to God for all He is to us, and for Who He is in us. Let us pursue intimacy with Him, not just “knowing” Him, but “encountering” Him afresh and at a deeper level.

We pray Gods richest blessings be yours in 2019 as we walk together with Jesus, loving Him and each other more deeply than ever!

We love and appreciate you all very much, and praise God for you,

Ps Ivan and Ros



**** 26-27th January ** Visit from Ps Dwayne Van Vuuren from Alpha Crucis Bible College.**

- Ps Dwayne will run the Safer Churches Training on **Saturday 26th January**. This is a refresher for all who have done it previously, as well as initial training for anyone else.....particularly for BOARD MEMBERS, CHILDREN'S and YOUTH WORKERS. (Training has to be done every 3 years to stay current).

- Ps Dwayne will minister on **Sunday 27th January** and also speak to us about setting up our Bible College. He will be able to answer any questions we may have.



Highlighted KEY DATES for January

Fri 11th to Sun 13th Jan – YWAM Team visiting

Sat 26th -Sun 27th Visit from Ps Dwayne Van Vuuren from Alpha Crucis Bible College.

Children's Church and Youth in recess – Returning February 2019

Sat 26th – Fri 15th Feb Beginning the year with 21 Days of **Prayer and Fasting**.

Together we will seek God for Salvation of Souls, for Holy Spirit guidance, and for a fresh Encounter with Jesus both personally and corporately.



Weekly Prayer Focus Below is our weekly prayer focus roster for January
Dec 30 – Jan 5 The Year ahead 2019 !

Jan 6 - 12 (tba) **Jan 13-19** (tba) **Jan 20-26** (tba) **Jan 27-Feb 2** (tba)

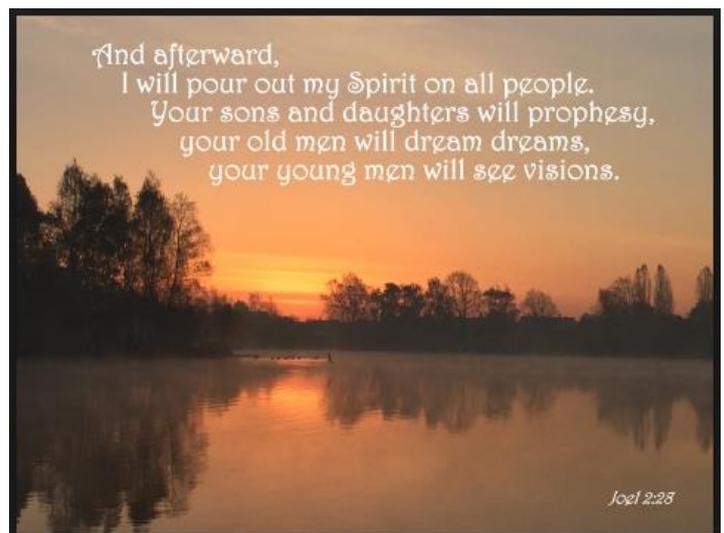
[Please find attached January Calendar](#)

Upcoming dates: * 13th Feb Ps Shane Willard * 24th Feb Ps Dean Wallace (Compassion)

If you were unable to attend or would like to recap any Sunday service, the audio recordings are available on SoundCloud – you can [CLICK HERE](#) or follow the link below to listen.

<https://www.goondiwindiaog.com/sermons>

*"So I will restore to you the years
that the swarming locust has eaten...
You shall eat in plenty and be satisfied,
And praise the name of the Lord your God,
who has dealt wondrously with you;
And My people shall never be put to shame...
I am in the midst... I am the Lord your God
And there is no other."
Joel 2:25-27*



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PRAY WITH ME...

I wanted to share this with the church and encourage you to share with those around you. It is copied, word for word, from a devotional app on my phone called First15.

They also have a website <https://www.first15.org/>



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December 18th 2018

PRAY WITH ME

Dear Reader,

I would love your partnership in prayer right now.

As we seek to end 2018 in a place of strength, I've been sensing a stirring to ask God's people to join with me and my team in prayer over the dream he's placed on our hearts.

God has been doing amazing things as His people are creating space to spend time alone with Him. Lives are changing, families are being reconciled, and churches are uniting in the goodness of His presence.

And these amazing stories only speak to the greater need that still exists.

Our world needs a large-scale revival of relationship-centred living. We need an awakening of God's Spirit pouring out a revelation of how good, near and worthy He truly is.

And as we near the end of this year, I think now is a perfect time to pray – to ask God to move in power and love in this beautiful season.

So with that in mind, feel free to pray in your own words, or join with my prayer below:

Father, as we near the end of this year, I first want to thank you for what you've already done. You have been so faithful. You are so good. As the lost find their way into your Church, and as families gather together to celebrate your birth, fill these spaces with your tangible presence. Make your love and nearness so real that we as your children can't help but establish communion with you as the centre of our lives.

God I'm asking for a revival of relationship-centred living. Keep your first and great commandment ever present in the minds of your people.

Empower us to love you with all we are and with all we have. And as you fill us with your love, guide us into meaningful ways that we can love our neighbours. Holy Spirit make our hearts one with you. Give us the courage to let go of desires that aren't yours, and the passion to fulfil the desires and dreams hidden within your heart.

Move in the hearts of your people we pray.

Amen