

THIS WEEK

Monday

15th June

Tuesday

16th June

Prayer Time 9.30-10.30am in the Parents Room.
Talk'n'Do 9.30am

Wednesday

17th June

Women's Study 9.30 -11am
KYB 12.30pm

Thursday

18th June

ONE50 Dance 3.45pm

Friday

19th June

Youth Group 7.00-9.00pm

Saturday

20th June

Nepalese Church
8.30am - 12 noon
Grace Community Church
Music Practise 12noon-2.30pm

Sunday

21st June

9am Worship Service
10.45am Worship Service
2pm Grace Community Church Service

On-Line Giving

Account Name

Elizabeth Church of Christ

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Rip It All Out

See to it that no one falls short of the grace of God and that no bitter root grows up to cause trouble and defile many.

Hebrews 12:15

How many of you know what Tribulus terrestris means? Do you know it better as Caltrop? What if I said 3 corner jacks? This pesky little plant produces great pain in the lives of many people and animals. I had never heard of Caltrop before I came to Australia, and I wish I had never been introduced to the thorny annoyance. However, when we lived at 20 Shipton Street, our back yard became 85% weeds. I would say 83% of those weeds were Caltrop. Remember our family had never seen this plant before. Our lack of knowledge brought much trauma to the bottoms of our feet.

After many tears and many attempts to remove this plant we found ourselves in a very infuriating situation. I think it was year 3 in our endeavour, and we had tried everything to get rid of these painful plants. There was nothing that would make them stay away. We even discovered that the seeds could be dormant for many years before they would flourish. What? I realised then that we would never be rid of this yard-robbing thorns. Who knew how deep in the ground some of these seeds had gotten? Who knew how many were just waiting to pop out of the ground and bring incredible agony to my feet.

The following autumn after a summer of being trapped by Caltrop, I made a life changing decision. We would have the back yard dug up, removing a few inches of dirt, and replaced with thorn-free lawn. I have to say, this did the trick. It may have seemed drastic, but it was necessary for us to not be held captive by an angry little weed. After the overhaul, it was a matter of maintaining the lawn and not allowing those little devils back into our yard.

I am not sure if you ever think about the soil of your heart, the place that you allow various feelings and emotions to grow. Nevertheless, if you were to look into your heart you might find an area that is overrun by a thorny emotion. You might also find that areas of your heart are covered in dangerous passions and desires. This is common in the heart of humanity. Why? Jeremiah 17:9 tells us that our heart is deceitful: The heart is deceitful above all things and beyond cure.

Who can understand it?

Before we met Christ our heart was overrun with fleshly feelings and longings. Yet, when Christ saved

us, he gave us a new life, this includes a new heart. Just like my yard, when it received the new lawn, we received a new life. The old life and all its pesky and painful habits are being replaced with a new life. One that brings freedom and the ability to enjoy what we have been created to be.

But remember, if you're not careful those emotions like bitterness or anger and those desires like lust or greed will take root again and grow up to cause great pain in your heart. We have to be on guard and disciplined to not let the worldly weeds to take hold in our lives.

This Sunday we will look at a very important aspect of living by faith. Peter brings to our attention the attribute of self-control. When it comes to living a Godly life, we must have self-control. Without it our lives will be overrun with worldly weeds.

Is self-control a touchy subject for you? Have you tried over and over to rid your life of a particular emotion or desire, yet you have failed. Well, I think this Sunday will shed some divine light on the area of self-control. We have to keep remembering that God has given us all we need for this Godly life, therefore our self-control has to be empowered by him.

See ya Sunday, Brent

Monthly Prayer Meetings

Monday 15th June @ 2pm

at Jenny Hughe's House

Sunday 21st June @ 7pm

at John & Chris Fazakerley's House

FAITH
CONVERSATIONS

how to share
your faith
confidently &
naturally

sunday | 14th june
4-7:30pm

FOLLOWED BY A BBO LUNCH

FAMILY SERVICE

SUNDAY 28 JUNE

10AM

THIS COMBINED SERVICE WILL REPLACE OUR 9AM & 10.45AM SERVICES

A special welcome to all our visitors. May you be blessed by the time you have spent with us at the Elizabeth Church of Christ.

PRAISE & PRAYER NEWS

PRAISE GOD FOR:

- Brent's message last Sunday reminding us that faith opens the door to the new creation, yet faith also releases everything we need for a godly life.
- Pat Cailes who shared her testimony at the Sunday morning services.
- The youth who came to the new bible study on Sunday afternoons.
- The MumCo mums and their children who have started coming to church on Sunday.

PRAY FOR:

- Pray for opportunities to share our faith with others that we do life with outside of the Church.
- Our youth leaders and the young people in our church as they do life together.
- Those in our church who are not well. May they find God's peace in their time of recovery.
- Those people who are caring for family members who are sick or elderly.
- Pray for those who are affected by the current war conflict.

Romans 12: 1-2 "Therefore, I urge you, brothers and sisters, in view of God's mercy, to offer your bodies as a living sacrifice, holy and pleasing to God – this is true and proper worship. Do not conform to the pattern of this world, but be transformed by the renewing of your mind. Then you will be able to test and approve what God's will is – his good, pleasing and perfect will."



Sunday 14th June – Faith Conversations 4.30-7.00pm

Tuesday 16th June – Talk N Do

Sunday 21st June – Sunday Lunch @ Café Hope

Wednesday 24th June – MumCo

Sunday 28th June – Family Service

3E YOUTH

PARENT'S NIGHT

SUNDAY JULY 5TH
7PM-830PM
ELIZABETH CHURCH OF CHRIST

COME ALONG TO HEAR ABOUT OUR UPCOMING YOUTH EVENTS, NEW INFORMATION, GIVE US FEEDBACK, AND GET ANSWERS TO ANY OF YOUR QUESTIONS!

WE WOULD LOVE TO HAVE AS MANY OF OUR PARENTS THERE AS POSSIBLE!

**FOR ANY QUESTIONS OR INQUIRIES,
MESSAGE JADYN - 0432605528**



The June Bible Reading plan is available at the Information Desk and on the church website

Church History with Ferdinand



Twenty Five years ago a lady called Erma Mayes (the then ministers wife of the church) saw some families at the local shops interacting with each other and her heart was torn. She could see a better way of being a family, and so Mops Elizabeth was born. Now 25 years later, one name change and many, many mums and baby's reached, MumCo Elizabeth is still running strong here at Elizabeth. It is still happening every second Wednesday where mums can meet, be refreshed by coffee, food, fellowship and new ideas, and their children can be loved on by the carers at KidsCo.



Such a blessing to the families of Elizabeth for so many years.



ELIZABETH CHURCH OF CHRIST INC

boomerang CENTRE

URGENT SUPPLIES NEEDED
OPEN
TUES, THUR, FRI
9am-12noon

Winter Clothes
Jackets & Jumpers,
Pants & Trackies,
Towels, Curtains,
Tea-towels,
Bric-a-brac



Elizabeth Church of Christ Holiday Fun

Visit to Adelaide Museum

Wednesday 15th July 2026

Registration forms at Kids Ministry. All families are invited with their children. Children must be accompanied with a parent or caregiver

*Great is the Lord
and most worthy of praise.*

Psalms 48:1

