



From the Pastors' Desk... 



Welcome to 2017 at Riverside Church!

Some may have a mindset of another year... ho hum. Others don't want to think about what's coming; they want to just hunker down and get through it. There are others who are looking forward to all the possibilities that exist and all the new things that will unfold before us.

Having a Godly expectation is crucial for the life of a follower of Jesus. We firmly believe that even though we may go through trials and challenges, all things are for the greater benefit; benefit to ourselves, benefit to others and, most importantly, benefit to the kingdom of God. Granted it may take us some time to acknowledge or accept what is happening, or to even understand it, but in the long run we know that it is all for good.

We live lives of purpose... eternal purpose for the glory of God, so let's take hold of whatever may come and...

- believe for the best - hope for the best - give our best

For us as a church, I believe there will be an increase in many areas. The Lord has put *Isaiah 54:2* on my heart which best sums up what it will require:

*Enlarge the place of your tent, stretch your curtains wide, do not hold back;
lengthen your cords, strengthen your stakes.*

To enlarge we must stretch, not hold back and we must lengthen and strengthen. I don't know how it will all unfold, or what areas of our lives will be affected, but I'm prepared to enlarge by stretching, not holding back, lengthening and strengthening.

Let's look forward to a great year ahead and see the amazing things God will do.

Paivi and I will be on annual leave from January 2, returning January 27. If you have any pastoral needs during that time, please contact Pastor Randall Gill on 0407 224 052.

God bless

Pastor Jim

Services: 9:30am Sundays
Riverside Church
26 Glenwood Street, Chelmer

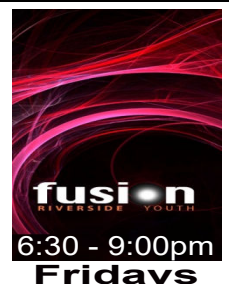
Contact: Pastors Jim and Paivi Cameron

Phone: (07) 3278 5969 or 0413 006 741

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PO Box 11, Corinda QLD 4075

Email: info@riversidecc.org.au

Website: www.riversidecc.org.au



6:30 - 9:00pm
Fridays
Starts again 3 February
Talk with Daniel Wangatau
0430 286 557





Bruce Holliday



Melina Marquardt



Roger Mai



Brad Smith



Lee-Anne Longton

Connect Groups...

Connect Groups... connecting us to each other and to God's Word.

Start back on week of 29 January.

DAYTIME:

Friday 10:30am at Graceville
Phone: 0417 190 902
Leader: Bruce Holliday

EVENING:

Tuesday 7:00pm at Paddington
Phone: 0408 755 275
Leader: Roger Mai

Tuesday 7:30pm at Oxley
Phone: 0411 255 161
Leader: Brad Smith

Tuesday 7:30pm at Corinda
Phone: 0405 819 556
Leader: Melina Marquardt

Friday 7:30pm at Goodna
Phone: 0438 756 962
Leader: Lee-Anne Longton

PowerKids...

...a fun program during church for children aged 4-12 (all leaders have Blue Cards.) Directions from the Welcome Team. Starts back from Christmas Break on Sunday 29 January.

Glowbugs...

Letting our little lights shine!

A program run for 1 - 4 year olds after worship concludes.

~ Fun ~ Stories ~ Songs ~
~ Play for Toddlers ~

Talk to a Welcome Team member at the door for directions.



Serving Opportunities...

Great opportunities to serve in 2017:

SOUND DESK OPERATION TEAM

... on the rostered team (full training)

CAR PARK ATTENDANTS

... rostered to help with parking on Sundays.

DATA / VIDEO PROJECTION TEAM

... on the rostered team (full training)
Please speak with Pastor Paivi.

Electronic Giving...

For those who find it more convenient to give electronically, deposits can be made directly to the church account.

Bank: Commonwealth
Acc Name: Riverside Christian Church
BSB No: 064 162
Acc No: 10116916

Please designate 'Tithes', 'Missions', 'Building Fund', etc, in the transaction description.

... Mobile EFTPOS machine at the Welcome Desk.

Prayer Requests...

If you have an emergency prayer request, please contact the church office (3278 5969 or 0413 006 741) for passing to the Prayer Team.



Prayer requests can be posted on the Riverside [facebook](#) (closed group) page.

SERMONS can be downloaded from iTunes – go to the church website at www.riversidecc.org.au and click on...



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official opening

Saturday, 11 February 2017, 4:30 - 6:00pm

Special Guest Speaker

Ps Wayne Alcorn, National President, Australian Christian Churches

Please RSVP to info@riversidecc.org.au by 1 February 2017