### **MILLMERRAN & DISTRICT NEWS**



February 2024

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10 Ross Street Millmerran-\$599,000- Located in a quiet cul-de sac-Spacious three-bedroom home with sewing / office and hobby room or fourth bedroom. Main bedroom with reverse cycle A/C unit, ceiling fan, built in wardrobe plus walk through robe to ensuite with shower, toilet and vanity and a security screen door leading out on the back verandah. Two bedrooms with built in wardrobes and wall fans. Large open plan kitchen with plenty of cupboard space large pantry, wall oven, ceramic cooktop, dishwasher and ceiling fan. Kitchen adjoining the dining room and family room, with reverse cycle split system A/C unit, wood fire and ceiling fan. Bay windows throughout the home and security screens on all windows. Formal carpeted lounge. Spacious laundry with ample space and storage cupboards. Laundry has easy access to the clothesline. Main bathroom with shower, bath, vanity, separate toilet and vanity. 1.1 Meter hallway with linen cupboard. Two car garage 6m x 6m with electric roller doors. 2.1 meter verandah with entertainment area. Garden shed. Steel Adjustable stumps. Solar system, 2 x 5000gal tanks connected to the house with a pressure pump. Establish gardens and trees. Fully fenced yard - Allotment 1007 sqm

This is a quality home built by a local builder

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#### FOR SALE



66-68 Cheetham Street Cecil Plains-Neat 3 Bedroom Brick home on large allotment - 3 Bay shed + workshop or craft room - suit tradesman or hobbyist-\$399,000 All bedrooms are spacious. 2 Bedrooms with built-in cupboards and duchesses, solid timber Original kitchen adjoining the doors. dining and lounge area. There is a double wall oven and a dishwasher. Ducted evaporative cooling installed in 2021, gas heater in the lounge room. Linen Cupboard. Bathroom with separate bath and shower. Office with built-in desk, cupboards and shelving. Laundry with built-in cupboard. Large under cover outdoor living area, large, paved area. 2 rainwater tanks, 1 x 5000-gal, 1 x 4000 gal. 2 garden sheds, 3 KW solar system, solar hot water system. Shed approx. 9.75m x 7.6m Shed with concrete floor, 3 roller door access, adjoining workshop approx. 5m x 11m. Power and 3 phase power connected, underground power connected to house with 2 way switch. Generator point to run the house. Fenced on 3 sides. Landscaped gardens. Half acre allotment. 2 Titles. This is a unique property set on half an acre, with parklike views, located directly opposite the Cecil Plains Sports Grounds. The large allotment allows room to store the caravan. The large shed and well set-up workshop provide the opportunity to tinker with your hobbies and interests from home.





1B Weale Street Pittsworth-Neat 3 Bedroom Brick Home -Large Allotment-\$435,000-Vacant possession as of the 17th February 2024This 3 Bedroom home has ceiling fans in all bedrooms and built-in cupboards in 2 bedrooms. Bathroom with shower and bath. Open plan kitchen with adjoining dining area and lounge room. The kitchen has plenty of cupboard space, elevated oven with ceramic cooktop. Lounge room has a split system airconditioner and a ceiling fan. Separate living area or could be used as a 4th bedroom. Laundry. Separate Toilet. Partially fenced yard. Large back yard. Located close walking distance to the Hospital, Bowls Club and school.



Lot 4 Gore Highway Millmerran— Lifestyle + Location - 125.9 Acres Only minutes to Millmerran \$435,000— Box Belah grazing country, mostly open with timbered shade lines and scattered shade clumps. Watered by one dam. Access off the Gore Highway. This is an excellent lifestyle property in an ideal location with an opportunity to supplement your income.

Don't miss this unique opportunity as properties like this are impossible to find!



Welcome to a new year of the Millmerran & District News. Thankfully there has been rain in most spots since the December Newsletter and we can only hope that this continues in 2024.

The Community Christmas Tree was on display in Domville Place for the month of December. Thank you to Knights Electrical for their help with installation and dismantle along with the Australian Camp Oven Festival allowing us to use their cable covers. It was a wonderful sight to see so many enjoying the annual Christmas in the Bush on 16 December in Domville Place. It was a terrific night for our town to come together and enjoy the wonders that Christmas time brings.

Well done to the Shop Window Christmas Light winner Horizon Accounting and runner up Millmerran Rural Agencies. Only a small number of entrants for this year's Christmas Lights competition and we thank those who did join in the fun and enter. If you do decorate your home with Christmas lights, please consider entering the competition this year. The more the merrier and we appreciate the support to our community.

On 25 January, Mary Tosswill and myself attended the Darling Downs Alliance meeting held in Toowoomba. More on that in the March newsletter.

MCPI have had communications with both the Punch's Creek Solar Farm and Bulli Creek Solar Farm during January. On 24 January Punch's Creek Solar Farm held a Community Information Drop-In session at the Cultural Centre. We hope that Bulli Creek will do the same shortly so our community can understand the project and their intentions.

The TRC Library Manager has contacted me to arrange an upcoming meeting with regard to the library review and our request for the reinstalment of opening hours to 5 days per week. More on that to come.

The Millmerran Show Society has purchased four "Welcome to Millmerran" signs which have been installed on the poles at the entrances to town. The idea of these signs is for community groups to purchase the four signs which in turn welcomes people to town so they feel welcome and stop to enjoy our hospitality, as well as raising awareness for the group. The signs look great and we thank the Show Society for their support.

The next MCPI General Meeting will be Wednesday 21 February at the Catholic Church Hall, William Street, Millmerran – 5.30pm for a 5.45pm start.



**Brilliant Skies Broad Horizons** 

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General Meeting 21st February, 2024. Meetings held at Catholic Church	31 Campbell Street, Millmerran.	
Hall, William Street, Millmerran. Doors open at 5.30pm for 5.45pm start	Please submit your ads or updates by the 16th day of any month.	
Newsletter Editor: Roselle Crellin 0417 782 810	No Newsletter is printed for January of any year.	

BEST DISPLAY MILLMERRAN SHOP WINDOW COMPETITION 2023 HORIZON ACCOUNTING 31 CAMPBELL STREET, MILLMERRAN.







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#### MILLMERRAN LOCAL AMBULANCE COMMITTEE



Don't forget to check your first aid kit & replace any items that have been used or which have expired, so it is always ready to be used.

> Next meeting is Thursday 8th February, 2024 at 6:00 pm at the Ambulance Centre. New members always welcome.

For more details contact -President Wayne Hardwick 0409 044 115 or Secretary Clare McGowan 0427 509 563.

## Millmerran Garden Club

MILLMERRAN GARDEN CLUB ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING 2024

Millmerran Garden Club AGM will be held on Friday, 9<sup>th</sup> February 2024 Followed by general meeting for February. It will be held at Mill Inn Tavern, Mackenzie Street, Millmerran 11.30 am. Start Lunch will follow meetings. Members, please contact Des Johnson on 0476 257 863 to confirm your attendance.

#### MILLMERRAN LANDCARE

Phone: 0427 952 336 Find us on Facebook

Email: millmerranlandcare@bigpond.com



#### Syntropic Farming Demo Field Days

As a follow up to our Syntropic farming workshops we will be carrying out 3 days of plantings, demonstrating the application techniques.

Tuesday 27th February– Grazing country

Wednesday 28th February - Cropping country

#### Thursday 29th February - Forested country



DROUGHT RESILIENCE-INCREASED PRODUCTION-DIVERSITY

#### **Current Projects and Activities**

Thanks to various grants and funding sources we are able to carry out and assist multiple landholders with

various on ground works. Bushfire grant has allowed works including firebreaks, dam installation, thinning of thickened vegetation, and cool burning. Drought resilience grant will see on ground works including landscape rehydration works (ponding and holding banks),



diversity of plant species, continual groundcover in lieu of bare ground, grazing and crop rotation and soil health improvements. Koala habitat grant will see many species of native trees incorporated into low vegetation areas as well as works to increase the ecological health and resilience of native vegetation area. If you are interested to know more or being a part of the drought or koala project please get in touch. This is all thanks to Healthy Land and Water, Australian Government's Future Drought Fund and

Australian Government Saving Koalas Fund.



#### CATHY MCCLYMONT BURSARY



MORE INFORMATION:

Round 4 Applications Open

\$500 BURSARY

TERTIARY

STUDY

**TO ASSIST WITH** 

Kindon Branch offers

a bursary to help an

with their study.

aspiring rural student

Applications close 1 March 2024



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#### **Millmerran Seniors** Water Aerobics

A big thank you to the Millmerran Lions Club for their donation of additional pool paddles. They are really appreciated as we now have enough for everyone.

We meet at our town new pool, every weekday for an hour exercise from 6.45am.

Come and join our happy group for exercise and fun with our pool noodles and paddles. Everyone welcome.

#### MILLMERRAN SENIOR CITIZENS

Well, well, well here we are again, February 2024, what happened to 2023. Hoping everyone enjoyed their Christmas and New Year festivities and had a much needed rest. We finished up our Senior Citizens year with an enjoyable shared afternoon tea and some fun games. We also drew our Xmas raffle, which was very well patronised, with our lucky winner of \$100. being Kenny Haslam and second winner Terry Harris with \$75. Hope you both enjoyed your win. On the 8th of February we will have our AGM so come along and join us, you may have some fresh ideas as we are always looking for something out of the ordinary to help us think " out of the square." On this day we will meet at 11.00- 11.30 for light lunch of finger food, our AGM then we shall have a game of bingo, possibly around 1.30pm. if you enjoy some fun come and join us. Seniors meet on the 2nd and 4th Thursdays at 1.00pm at the Cultural Centre. For more information phone Ann 0483 027 957

A little thought for you. (Heaven and Hell are not above or below us. We carry them in our hearts.) Cheers for now. Wishing each and everyone a very happy, healthy and prosperous New Year.

#### YALLAMBEE AUXILIARY

- Last year and Christmas were busy but good! The Yallambee Shop and the Auxiliary are enjoying happy times and we thank Crystal and her gang for lunch together! February/March will be quiet before we bounce into Mother's Dav!
- Are there any community members, or family members who would like to do a bit for the residents' comfort and happiness? We would welcome your ideas and input and help!! Our next meeting: FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 9<sup>th</sup>, at Patsy Baillie' unit.
- **Rezzies February birthdays: Bev** Shanks (13<sup>th</sup>); Bill Smith (18<sup>th</sup>); Kate Horneman (24<sup>th</sup>). Happy Days!!



#### Let's kick off the New Year with a cheerful shout-out for more **volunteers!**

If you have a bit of time to spare, we'd love some assistance with tasks like sprucing up our grounds, organizing, greeting visitors, diving into genealogy research, helping out with catering and general admin.

We hope you'll consider joining our awesome team!

Contact Christine 0402 576 453

#### Help support the jewel in the crown of our little town!

A recent visitor thought our Museum was "the best he's seen in Queensland!" That is fantastic feedback.

#### www.millmerranmuseum.com.au

#### Wylahra Grove Progress Assoc. Inc., Community Recreation Hall, 72 Primrose Drive, Millmerran Downs all: we progress72@bigpond.com Ph: 0417 782 810

https://wgprogress72.wixsite.com/2017

Activities and Events at the Community Hall

<u>Tuesday</u> 9am to 5pm—Hall Open—Library, Pool table & Table Tennis, Dart boards, Tennis Court, FREE <u>Friday</u> 6.30pm for 7pm start Darts \$3.00 <u>Saturday</u> Music Hub —3.30pm to 7pm \$1.00 All musicians, singers and audience welcome. <u>Mat's Arvo chat</u> Thursday 8th February, 1-5pm \$1.00 <u>Bible Studies</u>—Every Wednesday 1-2pm \$1.00 <u>Women's Circle—</u>Monday 26th February, 6-8pm \$1.00 <u>Progress General Meeting</u> Sunday 11th February, 10am Annual General Meeting—10th March, 10am

BREKKY IN THE BUSH—Sunday 4th February, commencing at 9am, Full Brekky \$6.00 Pikelets \$2.00

SUMMER TUNES— provided by Toowoomba Regional Council SUNDAY 18th FEBRUARY—Time 3-6pm— Artists—Duo act- Ethan Bielefeld and Joe Hunt. FREE PERFOR MANCE, everyone welcome to attend. Food and Soft drinks on sale during the afternoon with all profits going to progress.

Follow us on FaceBook: Wylahra Grove Progress Association Inc.



Attending Millmerran every MONDAY at 31 Campbell Street



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Please contact our Toowoomba office to make an appointment:

### 07 4631 9000

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#### MILLMERRAN GOLF CLUB inc. February 2024

Another year rolls around with our AGM held in December, we welcome some new committee members, Lachy Bliss, Tegan Linwood, Leon Oosthuizen and Mick Crank. Hoping its a good year for one and all.

Once again , there are 4 electric carts available for hire all day via the Vendi online platform. They are stored in the new shed and the roller door will be open during daylight hours, just scan the QR code and follow the instructions. The hire of the cart **does not** include green fees, green fees can be paid by cash or Tap and Go card system at the Clubhouse.

Although we haven't had great deal of rain, what we have got has certainly brightened up the course and looking good. Remember the course is maintained by mainly volunteers that give up their time to provide a top quality course at reasonable rates. As a member if you can help out please do.

Friday Sporters and Saturday Chook run usually kick off 2 > 3pm.

Competition starting times in Summer are 11.30am for 12n tee off ( no lunch)

Winter are 10.30am for 11am tee off..

February:Sunday 4thRJ & DA Armstrong - Pinehurst FoursomesBreakfast GolfSunday 11thCrank Brothers - 3 Person VagasScramble

Saturday 17th Club Trophies

Sunday 25th Matt Bellert 18 Hole Stroke Mug & Gobley



Sporting Shooters Association of Australia (QLD) Inc Millmerran & District Branch Inc. Range at 891 Heckendorf Road

#### Target Shooting - a sport for young and old

Target shooting is a sport for ALL Seasons Follow us on Facebook - "Millmerran District SSAA"

#### Our club caters for a wide range of target shooting interests -

Field Rifle: Centrefire and Rimfire. Shotgun: Field Pistol shooting: Single Action, Silhouette, Service pistol and Service Rifle. Metallic Silhouette: Rimfire & Centrefire. Service Rifle: Combined Service ~ Rifle

#### NEW MEMBERS ALWAYS WELCOME 2022 PROGRAMME NOW AVAILABLE

Contact: (after 7pm evenings)			
Pistol Sil & Service	.Adrian Blinco	0428 583 101	
Pistol S/Action	. Tom Briskey	0418 790 027	
Field Rifle	. Dean Grundon	0429 496 129	
Shotgun	.Gavin Antonio	0427 951 436	
Rifle Silhouette	Travis Caeser	0428 714 689	
Servive Rifle	.Torn Briskey	0418 790 027	
Junior support	.Jessica Blinco	0458 310 132	

#### Scrubby Creek Rural Fire Brigade

We have been very busy with fires in our area and been to Ingelwood. We know all our RFS family have been very busy as well with a lot of fires around Queensland and with the flood clean up, they are one of many Emergency services, they go anywhere to help. We like to thank our team who put their hands up to help other area's because they all come out to help us. So if you would like to join just come down to one of our meetings. You will need some ID to fill out paper work and you will need to apply for a blue card when you join, we can help you with that. So if you think you are that person and like to work in a team and help your community and other communities come and see us.

We do need Volunteers.

We will be at the Millmerran show come and say Hi. Our meetings are the 3rd Sunday of the month at 10.30 Training on Friday nights at 7pm

We still need some more rain before we give out permits to burn you can still do 2x2 we stress, it must be watched at all times! Just a little wind and away it go's

First officer & Fire warden James Pratt 0477 864 963

Deputy Fire warden Dennis Dwyer 0427699 070



#### Millmerran Mens Shed

Millmerran Mens Shed has resumed activities, celebrating the start of another successful year with Jonathon Lewis entertaining our members while enjoying a BBQ brunch. We continue to host the sausage sizzles outside Mitre 10 each Saturday morning and enjoy the many compliments kindly given to us for our efforts.

We would like to thank the Camp Draft Committee and Millmerran Pony Club for your very generous donations to our Shed. Donations like these make running the shed easier knowing we are supported by our community. Thank you so much! Our shed is well equipped and generally we are willing to help out community members who may need to borrow something occasionally. But we really appreciate it when these are returned promptly as we need these tools for projects at the shed.

We would also like to welcome new members as well as invite others to come along and see if you might like to become a member. If you would like to get involved or have an offer of support or need assistance from us, please contact:

 Howard Rickert
 Graham O'Sullivan
 Bob

 0437
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 357
 0437
 332
 371
 043

Bob McIntosh 0432 520 336

"It always seems impossible until it's done." Nelson Mandela



#### **MILLMERRAN SES**

(State Emergency Service)

## TRAINING IS 1st and 15th February 2024

For further information, feel free to send us an email at

#### or call Paul on 0488 441 425

New members are always welcome.

Remember, if you are in need of emergency storm or flood assistance contact the SES on 132 500



Come along and meet the team at 2 James Street Millmerran. Cubs Aged 7-11 & Scouts aged 11-15 meet every Friday during School Terms. Cubs 3:30 – 5:00pm Scouts 6:00 – 8:00pm Enquiries Phone: Len 46954100 or email: treasurer@millmerran.scoutsqld.com.au

#### BE PREPARED FOR LOTS OF FUN AND NEW ADVENTURES

Do you have cans & bottles lying around your house? Our group will happily accept any donated bottles & cans and the money received supports our group. Bottles & cans can be dropped off to our recycling centre located at the front of our Scout hut.



Find us on Facebook Search: Millmerran Scout Group



Pavilion

#### IMPORTANT INFORMATION TO REMEMBER

ALL ENTRIES TO BE TAKEN IN PAVILION AS PER SECTION PAVILION OPEN WEEK PRIOR TO SHOW: TUESDAY 12.30PM - 4.30PM WEDNESDAY & THURSDAY 9.30AM - 4.30PM

ALL ENTRIES MUST BE ACCOMPANIED BY A SIGNED ENTRY FORM ALL ENTRY FORMS TO BE COMPLETED BY THE EXHIBITOR SEPARATE FORM FOR EACH SECTION [NOT CLASS] PLEASE.

FOR ART SECTION ONLY Entries to be delivered to the ART PAVILION, MILLMERRAN SHOWGROUNDS BETWEEN 9.00AM AND 4,00PM THURSDAY 29 MARCH 2024.

We look forward to receiving all the wonderful entries

Pavilion Schedule & Entry Forms available at the Newsagent or online at www.millmerranshowsociety.com



#### NEW LIBRARY EXHIBITION FROM 6 FEB Reflections an Exploration in Fibre Darling Downs Textile Art Group

Be amazed by the creativity and skill of Darling Downs Textile Group artists who have used a variety of techniques such as quilting, embroidery, weaving, painting and dyeing to create intricate designs that



showcase the landscapes and diversity of the Millmerran District and it's surrounds. Established in 1999 as a group of non-traditional art quilters with a shared interest in contemporary textile expression, Darling Downs Textile Art Group have achieved national and international success and their achievements recognised in various media. Millmerran Library every Tue, Thu & Fri 'til 2 April.

#### **AGM - SUN 11 FEB 11AM** THE LIONS ROOM, THE MILL INN

Guest Speaker Lexi Antonio! 11 for 11.15am meeting with members and guests invited to join committee members for 'buy your own' lunch in the dining room afterwards. RSVP by 9 Feb on our website or call 0412 137 570

www.millmerranartscouncil.com.au

#### <u>Millmerran Tennis Club</u>

Junior Tennis Coaching: Coaching has resumed for Term 1 2024. 3.15pm-4pm Beginners 4.00pm to 5pm continuing primary 5pm-6pm Highschoolers Times may vary depending on level of participation. Come and check us out and have a go. Cost \$10 per session. \$70 per Term Coach- Steve Farrell – 0475438958 Monday night social tennis 7-9pm \$5 per night

All are welcome beginners to veterans. Continues throughout the holiday period except Christmas and New Year's day.

Tennis is a great team building activity. Our club can assist with providing racquets , balls cold drinks, BBQ . Give us a call and we will assist in organizing a fun time team building for your team. Private court hire including racquets and balls

available by appointment. Airconditioned club house and kitchenet available for hire.

Graham O'Sullivan 0437 332 371

# McLean Care<sup>\*\*</sup> Yallambee

Hello from Yallambee!! We are looking forward to 2024. We have a few new residents and a few new staff.



Our newest Registered Nurse is Namita who just moved to Millmerran at the end of 2023. Namita has a master's in architecture in her homeland of India. She has lived in Australia for 4 years. When she arrived, she was looking for a purposeful career, so started her Nursing Degree at QUT, which she completed in December 2023 and is doing her Graduate year here with us at Yallambee.. Namita worked as a support worker for 2.5 years. Namita has an Open Dive license and is trained in Classical Indian Dancing. Her hobbies are diving, dancing & hiking. She loves Millmerran & has found everyone to be helpful and welcoming. If you see her around town, please say hello.



We had a lovely Christmas and New Year, with our doors open to allow visits from Santa and residents families & friends. Our residents enjoyed seeing all of the Community Christmas lights on their bus trips.







### MILLMERRAN SWIMMING CLUB

#### email: millmerranswimclub@gmail.com



The Millmerran Swimming Club would like to sincerely thank BUMA Australia for their very generous recent donation of \$2,000 to the club. These funds will help to purchase new equipment and benefit all members of the swimming club.

## The club would also like to thank Geoff & Merryl Stevens for their recent donation of updating the club sign at the clubhouse.

Our club is very fortunate to have the support of the community and we thank everyone who has been involved in helping out during 2023!



BUMA Australia Commodore Mine SSE Scott Millane presenting Club President Troy Williams with a cheque for \$2,000 for the club.



The newly refurbished clubhouse sign was recently donated by Geoff & Merryl Stevens.



## <u>Little Tackers Millmerran</u>

Enrolments are now open for 2024 but are filling up fast!

If you are interested in enrolling your child into Little Tackers please fill out our online enrolment or email the centre with any questions you may have! We can't wait for you to become part of our Tackers family!

Email: <u>millmerran@littletackerschildcare.com.au</u>









MILLMERRAN & RURAL DISTRICTS CHRISTMAS LIGHTS COMPETITION ENCOURAGEMENT 13 STANLEY STREET, MILLMERRAN

Elf Greg Santa and Marley

Christmas in the Bush 2023 Domv Place Millmerran





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 The rest position indicates to a driver that the supervisors are passive and it is safe to drive on.



 Supervisor in this position indicates, all vehicles should be stopped or stop as children are crossing on the supervised crossing.

 This angled sign indicates to drivers to slow down/ prepare to stop as the supervisor is about to move onto the roadway.





#### MILLMERRAN COMMUNITY SUPPORT SERVICE Building our Community—Together 30-32 Campbell Street Millmerran ~ 46 955 650



MCSS Open Hours: Mon-Fri 9am-12:30pm / 1:30pm-4:00pm unless unforeseen circumstances arise.

In this instance contact Virginia Wacker on 0448 608 869 or virginia.wacker@tr.qld.gov.au

Happy New Year! We hope everybody enjoyed a lovely Christmas break and safe New Years!

We are looking forward to another great year here at MCSS and supporting the Millmerran Community.

If you have an idea for an event, project or something that will benefit the greater community please pop in and speak with our friendly staff. We are always open to hearing new ideas and welcome community consultation.

May 2024 be kind to you and your families.



#### SERVICES AUSTRALIA

The Work Bonus has permanently increased.

It's good news if you're Age Pension age and get a pension. It helps you keep more of your payment if you're working.

All pensioners over Age Pension age and eligible veterans have a maximum Work Bonus balance limit of \$11,800.

New Pensioners over Age Pension age will have a starting Work Bonus balance of \$4,000 rather than \$0.

Carer payment and Disability Support Pension customers who are Age Pension age or older and working are subject to normal work rules for those payments.

Read more at servicesaustralia.gov.au/workbonus

FAIR PLAY VOUCHERS-CHILDRENS SPORT

When a round is open, parents, carers or guardians can apply for a voucher valued up to \$150 for their child, which can be used towards sport and active recreation membership, registration or participation fees with <u>registered activity provider</u>. There is a limit of 1 voucher per child per calendar year. Not everyone is eligible for a voucher.

ROUND 10 OPENS: 9am on Wednesday January 24th

To check eligibility or to apply for a voucher please visit

Www.qld.gov.au/recreation/sports/funding/fairplay

Over the next 2 months you will see another friendly face in the MCSS Office.

Tammie MacFarlane will be joining the team working in Disaster Recovery for the Millmerran Region from January 23rd till April 7th 2024.

As Tammie will not be in the MCSS office fulltime please contact the Office on 46955650 to make an appointment or drop in for a chat.



#### MEET & MINGLE FREE BBQ BREAKY

#### DOMVILLE PLACE THURSDAY FEB 15TH 7:30AM - 9AM

bring the family before school & work

For more information please contact MCSS on 46 955 650

#### Centrelink Support Update

9am—11:30am: for walk in Centrelink support only. If you have a complex matter or new claim we request that you make an afternoon appointment as staff may not always have time to fulfill your request.

1:30pm-3:30pm: For pre made appointments only

NB If you are applying for a Services Australia payment for the first time an afternoon appointment will need to be made due to the time required.

All appointments to be made via 46955650

#### No Interest Loan Scheme (NILS)

The <u>No Interest Loan Scheme</u> offers people on low incomes safe, fair and affordable **no interest** loans for vehicle registrations, fridges, washing machines and furniture, as well as education, medical expenses and more.

CONTACT MCSS on 46 955 650



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We sell at Dalby Saleyards every Wednesday, plus we also offer other options for marketing cattle including:

- Auctions Plus
- Direct to Feedlots and Meat Works

Jason Fitzgerald	0428 951 355
<b>Travis Bulmer</b>	0409 951 355
Maurice Smith	0429 635 328

#### Millmerran Arts & Craft Welcome to 2024

Monthly meeting Saturday 17<sup>th</sup> February: 9am Arts&Craft Rooms : Cultural Centre

New members & visitors are most welcome

Tuesday Quilters .. 9am: 6th & 20th Feb

Craft in February .. 9am every Wednesday

A new year! If you're looking for new inspirations for all things arts and craft come join our group. Indeed, if you have some inspirations you'd like to share come join our group.

Our Boomerang Bag project continues if you would like to participate in eliminating plastic shopping bags come join our group.

We plan a number of needlework classes during the coming year, if you'd like to know more, watch this space or better still, come join our group.

Further information:-Leanne Brittan 0428 437 608

#### **Hospital Auxiliary**

Staff were saddened to farewell aged Care Resident Wayne just before Christmas. A memorial service was held for him in the new garden on the 8th of January. Our deepest sympathy is extended to his Sister Di and Family.

Our year will start with a meeting on 20th February at 1pm in the Training Room and we would love to welcome new members.



#### **Forest Pines Rural Fire Brigade**

5 Rosella Ave, The Pines

Hey there, folks! I really hope you all had a absolutely fantastic Christmas and New Year's. I just wanted to let you know that we've been incredibly productive these past couple of months, with a whole bunch of fires to tackle and some seriously awesome progress made at our facility. We've even kicked off our Wednesday night training sessions, and guess what? We're thinking about adding some weekend sessions too, on top of our usual Thursday morning activities. We've got so many innovative ideas in the works for this year, along with ongoing renovation projects. I genuinely believe that organizing some collaborative work sessions will really help us make some amazing strides forward.

Over the next few weeks, we've got a few repairs lined up for our trusty vehicle. And let me just take a moment to give a big shoutout to all the members who go above and beyond to keep our truck clean and organized, making sure it's always ready for those emergency calls. Your hard work is truly, genuinely appreciated!

Oh, and just so you know, our meetings are always on the 3rd Sunday of the month at 10 am. You should definitely come join us for a cuppa and a chat. Oh, and did I mention that some months we even have a BBQ? It's seriously good stuff.

If there's anything you need, please don't hesitate to contact us. We're here to help in any way we can.

Until then, stay safe, my friends!

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I will start this newsletter with late seasons greeting, and I trust that the Festive season treated you all well, and has led us to a happy and prosperous New Year. Big thank you is extended to all those helpers and the community who supported us during the last year. All monies raised is given back to needy clubs within the Millmerran Community.

Last year, we changed the format of our Xmas party, and held a beautiful meal at the Mil Inn Tavern. Thank you very much for the boys doing such a beautiful and appetising meal that was enjoyed by all. Liz Kelly was named our citizen of the year for 2023. Congratulations Liz as you are a very worthy of this award,.

\$3000 has been donated to the Millmerran fire victims and \$7000 has been donated to the local community originations in the form of Gift Vouchers. We look forward to another busy year raising money to be distributed locally.

Lions have been busy during December, catering for Xmas in the Bush for the Toowoomba Regional Council, and Carols by Candle light at the Lion' Park, plus a couple of private functions. Lions also gave School Bursaries to local schools and the winners were Brodie Blinco, Isabell Stein [State School}, and Josephine Wise {St Joseph).

Combined meeting at Brookstead Hotel with Lion' Club of Pittsworth was enjoyed by all.

#### Up and coming events

1. <u>Remember</u>, we are open for furniture sales and receivables all year round. Just contact one of the below Lion' members for help. PLEASE CONTACT Lois Lindenmayer on 0409 983 003. Rita Perry on 0428 954 184, Val Grundon on 0429 171 080

- 2. <u>Remember</u> we have a cold room and chairs for hire, if you need help with organising a party. PLEASE CONTACT Ben and Lois Lindenmayer on 0428 186 152 or 0409 983 003
- 3. 26<sup>™</sup> January, 2024 Australia day BBQ
- 4. 3rd February, 2024 Clearing Sale.

#### 5. Garage Sale $10^{\mbox{\tiny th}}$ February, 20247 commencing at 8.30 am to 12.00 pm

The Lion' Club of Millmerran is appealing to you who make up our wonderful community, and to see the community survive, then we are appealing to you to help keep your Lions Club going.'Meetings are necessary, but do not feel compelled to attend every meeting. You can do your bit to keep the Lion' Club viable just by joining and helping out at any functions we hold..

If you fell that you would like to help out your local Lion' Club, please feel free to contact one of the below numbers. Community Service is both powerful and personal, and the aim of Lions is always there for the community

Contact numbers for Lion' are R. Richter 0428 956 165 B. & L LINDENMAYER 0409 983 003 V. Grundon 0429 171 080 Until our next Catch-Up, please stay safe, well, and informed

Yours in Lion'

Ros Richter



#### MILLMERRAN SHOW SOCIETY INC

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The Lions Club of Millmerran is proud to endorse and nominate a truly exceptional individual from our community, Liz Kelly, for the Lions citizen of the year.

Liz Kelly embodies qualities of a compassionate and dedicated community member who consistently goes above and beyond in her various roles. as a Nurse, she has been described by those who know her as caring and dedicated, frequently extending her efforts beyond the call of duty. However, her contributions to our community extend far beyond her work as a Healthcare professional.

Liz has lived in Millmerran for most of her life, and her involvement in numerous local events and initiatives is truly remarkable. She has selflessly dedicated her time and energy to various school and church activities, including Deb Balls, Sheep Races, P&F Association, Tuckshop, Sports Days, Swimming Club, Tennis Club, Millmerran Show Canteen and the Camp Oven Festival. Her tireless commitment to these events has left an indelible mark on our community, and she is always ready to lend a helping hand where its needed most. What makes Liz truly exceptional is her unwavering dedication to the well-being of others. She has taken time off to volunteer at these events, ensuring the welfare of those in need. Her willingness to check on the health and safety of individuals at these gatherings speaks volumes about her genuine concern for the people of Millmerran.

In addition to her local commitments, Liz has also ventured beyond our community to make a positive impact. She has completed the Kakoda Challenge raising essential funds for the Kakoda Youth Foundation, and participated in Relay for Life, a significant community fundraiser for cancer research and support services. Her active participation in these events demonstrates her commitment to making a difference, not only at home but also on a broader scale.

What sets Liz apart is her modesty and her aversion to seeking recognition or reward for her actions. She acts out of deep-seated desire to help and support others, making our community a better place to live.

It is with great pride that the Lions Club of Millmerran endorses Liz Kelly for the Citizen of the Year award. Her dedication, compassion, and unwavering commitment to the well-being of others exemplify the spirit of our community and the values we hold dear. She is truly deserving of this honour.



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Coaching for Junior Bowlers after School Friday afternoons. Enquiries:

MILLMERRAN BOWLS CLUB (07) 4695 1169 after 3.30pm





#### Local Office 10 Margetts Street. Pittsworth P 4693 1595

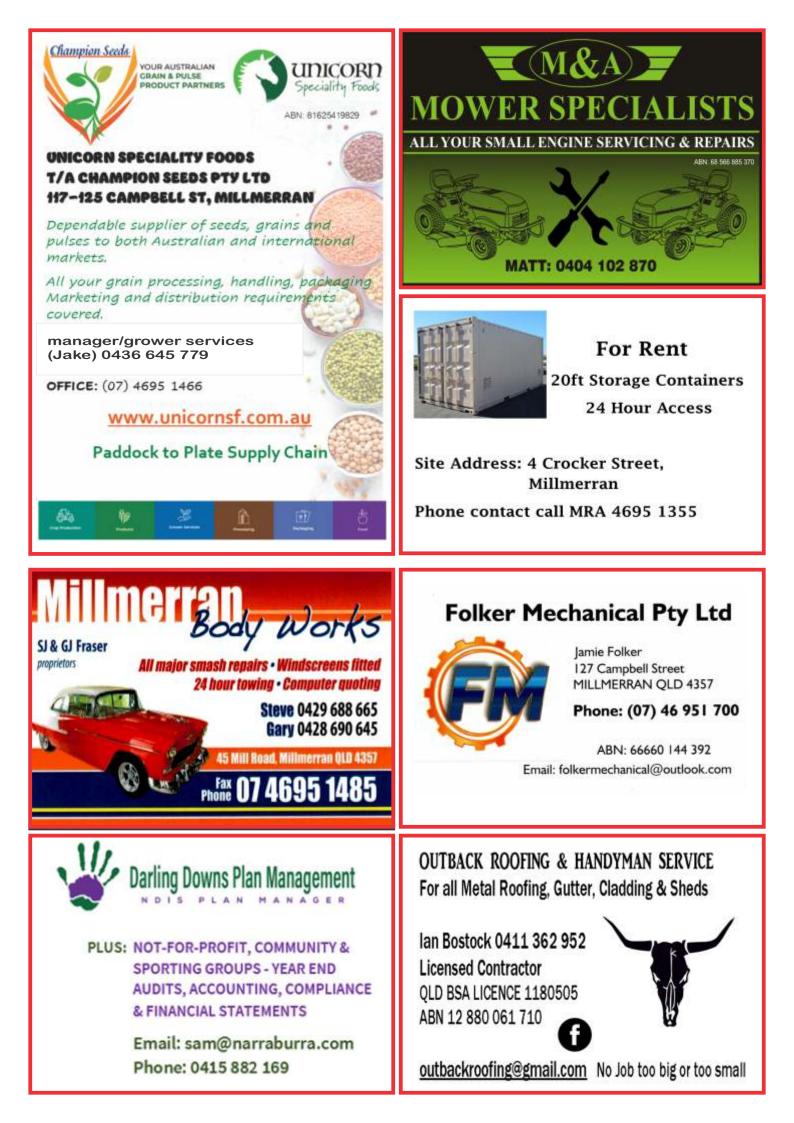
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- Eligible to apply for, or hold a current Blue Card
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- Live or work within a reasonable distance of auxiliary fire station
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- Manual C Class driver's licence



Millmerran Congregation Central Downs Parish 41 Florence Street, Millmerran



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#### **Mission Statement** -

We seek to be a multi-generational church with Jesus central to our beliefs. As Disciples of Jesus, we serve and connect to the vulnerable and marginalised of our society, offering a sanctuary for the broken and sick, a place where people are nurtured and cared for. We believe our church is given to the Holy Spirit, making us a Spirit-led church. We invite you to become part of our family because we are part of God's family through GRACE.

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Prayer group each Tuesday 10.30am

Minister:Rev. Willie Liebenberg 0477 888 185Elder:Graham O'Sullivan 0437 332 371

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Mainly Music is a program for babies, toddlers, and preschoolers. We offer weekly sessions that are full of songs, rhymes, actions, and movements designed to engage both the parent and the child. Weekly sessions are interactive 30-minute structured sessions where a passionate volunteer team brings out the best in the children and help them to gain the skills in readiness for school. Not only will your little one(s) be delighted by the one-to-one attention you give, but you'll love the way they respond and develop. You'll be creating memories together. There is also a lovely morning tea for the families after the session. We ask for a donation of \$5 per family per session but if a family can't afford it, they are still very welcome to join. If this excites you, please come and join us! We are running two programs now:

Place:Millmerran Uniting ChurchDay:Tuesdaysfollowed by morning tea for all.Time:9:00 am(During the School Term)Tel:Annette0427148808

For more happenings and video clips search our facebook page

#### The Millmerran Ministers Association

We are looking forward to a very productive year in 2024

Our first meeting of the year is on Tuesday13th February at 10.30 am in the Uniting Church.





St Andrew's Presbyterian Church

Service time: 2.00pm Sunday

#### All welcome to join with us in worship.

"God is our shelter and our strength, always ready to help in times of trouble" (Psalm 46 V1)

Enquiries:

Gary Schultz 0427 334 258

Howard Rickert 0437 004 357



 MILLMERRAN BIBLE BAPTIST CHURCH

 Every Sunday 9:30am - Millmerran Cultural Centre (43-45 Walpole St)

 2nd & 4th Sunday (of each month) 3:30pm - Pittsworth Function Centre (42 Hume St)

 Bible Preaching
 Hymns

 Bible Study
 Sunday School

"And Jesus said unto them, I am the bread of life: he that cometh to me shall never bunger; and he that believeth on me shall never thirst." John 6:35



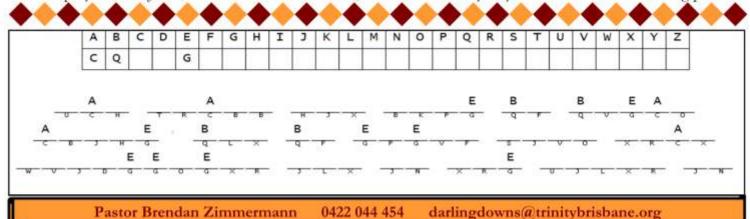
This year we are going to look at several things that Jesus called himself. We know Him as Jesus, the Messiah, Christ etc, but there were some titles that Jesus told people that He was, which were often preceded by the words "I am". Almost all of these are recorded by a disciple of Jesus, named John, so we will find these written in his books. The first one is "I am the bread of life" (John 6:35).

Now, Jesus certainly wasn't hinting that he was literal bread, but bread is something that all mankind could, and still can, relate to. Bread is a staple food source. History points to the fact that anyone who is starving would be content to have just a piece of bread. But Jesus says more than that he is just bread though. He says "I am the bread <u>of life</u>". Jesus is referring to the fact that he is something

that is so much more than what normal bread can offer. As we read on in v48-58 of chapter 6 we will see that Jesus is talking about the effect He has on a person's life if they would ingest (absorb) Jesus into their life.

When we eat bread it satisfies our hunger, but only for a time. When we eat bread, the goodness of that bread gives us energy, sustenance, and health, but only for a time. Jesus continued to teach his listeners and explain to them what he meant by this statement "I am the bread of life." He spoke of the bread that God sent to Israel when they walked the deserts, after leaving Egypt in Moses time. That bread was sent down from God to feed the physical need of the people, but Jesus was sent down by God to feed the spiritual need of the world. He tells them (John 6:33) "For the bread of God is he which cometh down from heaven, and giveth life unto the world. ... (48) I am that bread of life. ... (51) I am the living bread which came down from heaven: if any man eat of this bread, he shall live for ever...) He was saying that although he was similar to normal bread, the affect upon the one that consumes Jesus, that absorbs Him, that accepts all of Him into their spiritual life, would be life - life eternal/ everlasting life. This Bread would satisfy for ever! "As the living Father hath sent me, and I live by the Father: so he that eateth me, even he shall live by me. This is that bread which came down from heaven: not as your fathers did eat manna (bread), and are dead: he that eateth of this bread shall live for ever." (John 6:57-58) Jesus wasn't saying that his flesh was to be eaten, as some people got confused with, but was explaining that He was the answer to their spiritual hunger that could only be satisfied with Jesus Christ, the Bread of Life.

Have you eaten of this Bread? Have you placed the sustaining power of Jesus Christ <u>into</u> your life and fed the spiritual hunger that only He can satisfy. We "eat" of this Bread by asking Jesus into our heart. Untreated sin leaves us starving for Jesus, but asking Him to fill us with His goodness, will fix the hunger that sin has caused. Nothing will satisfy what can only be quenched by accepting all the bread sent by God, Jesus Christ. It takes faith to pray and ask Jesus, the Bread of Life to fill us, but this is the only way - We must trust His saving power.



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As Hebrews 9:27 reminds us, And as it is appointed for men to die once... So as surely as you were born and are alive, there is going to be an exit. And that can seem daunting for some.

But death is nothing to fear for the child of God because Jesus said, *I am the resurrection and the life* (John 11:25). If we die before Jesus comes, we simply slip out of our bodies...just like a hand slips out of a glove. And with Jesus' hand in ours we simply step into heaven. Those who know God will never taste of death.

In 1 Thessalonians 4:13 Paul is encouraging believers when He said, And now, dear brothers and sisters, we want you to know what will happen to the believers who have died so you will not grieve like people who have no hope. Now that doesn't mean we don't miss the person or that there aren't going to be tears.

This hope we have is not wishful thinking, *Well*, *I* hope so...! It's not a desperate attempt to cover the torments of life. This hope of the Christian life is a confident expectation and assurance of the future...of heaven.

Heaven is not an imaginary place to escape earth's problems. It is a real place. All the streets, gates, thrones and houses are real. It is not a place we have to work to get to. We get there by believing on the Lord Jesus Christ because heaven is a gift. It's a place where all sorrow and tears will be wiped away.

We know the moment a believer dies; they instantly move from earth to heaven for to be absent from the body and present with the Lord (2 Corinthians 5:8). The physical body dies and is buried but the spirit of a person lives forever. If you have accepted Jesus as your Saviour, you will live forever with God. One moment you are alive on earth and the next you are in heaven with Jesus.

Heaven is real...so is hell. The life we live here on earth the Bible tells us is like a vapour...so short compared to the life that is after death. That life is forever. Have you given any serious thought as to where you will spend eternity...heaven or hell? Your eternal destination has nothing to do with how good or bad you are or have been, but it has everything in the world to do with how good God is and whether or not you have received what He did for you in Jesus.

You might ask, why would a loving God send people to hell? He doesn't. He has made heaven available to every single person but He has left the choice with us.

Jesus came so each of us can have the opportunity to enjoy heaven and miss hell. John 3:16-17, a scripture that most can recite, clearly defines why Jesus came, For God so loved the world that He gave His only begotten Son, that whoever believes in Him should not perish but have everlasting life. <sup>17</sup> For God did not send His Son into the world to condemn the world, but that the world through Him might be saved. Jesus came to give abundant life, but many refuse the gift.

God is not your enemy. He loves you and wants you to enjoy the abundant He has provided for you through Jesus. He gave His own son so that you could choose to have abundant life and God's love and goodness. So how do we receive that abundant everlasting life? Romans 10:9 *If you openly declare that Jesus is Lord and believe in your heart that God raised him from the dead, you will be saved.* 

Is it time to re-evaluate your life? Is it time for you to know God for yourself? From my heart to yours, I encourage you to.

For here is the way God loved the world-He gave His only, unique Son as a gift. So now Christmas in the Bush 2023 Santa Drive-By In Millmerran Thursday 21st December.

> Santa was driven around Millmerran by his nice Elf and visited 15 homes and gifted 55 bags of treats to the children who eagerly awaited, his arrival at their own homes. Thank you to everyone who welcomed Santa, Greg the Elf and Ted the HR Holden Ute.

#### Chappys' Corner

This time of year is a wonderful opportunity to make any changes in our lives that we feel may be lacking. The Bible has some valuable advice for us in Philippians to help us. Fix your thoughts on what is true, and honourable, and right, and pure, and lovely, and admirable. Think about things that are excellent and worthy of praise" This is valuable advice for us all, in all aspects of our lives, especially in relationships. It is very easy for us to see faults in others, which eventually outshine all the good character gualities that are present. Close your eyes to the irritating habits of those around you and consciously ignore the negatives. Focus instead on the positives to enhance your relationships with everyone you come into contact with.

Wishing all of you a happy and blessed 2024

Chappy Barry School Chaplain Millmerran P-10 SS.

#### ST FRANCIS DE SALES CATHOLIC CHURCH

February weekend Mass /Liturgy times:

Sunday February 4 <sup>th</sup>	Mass 9.30am
Sunday February 11 <sup>th</sup>	Liturgy 8.30am
Saturday February 17 <sup>th</sup>	Mass 6.00pm
Sunday February 25 <sup>th</sup>	Liturgy 8.30am

- School is back!! We pray for a great year for all our school communities in Millmerran.
- Fr. Thomas has spent January with his family in Kerala, we pray all has been well.
- Thank you to Fr Salvador for looking after us all January!
- Wednesday February 14<sup>th</sup>: ASH WEDNESDAY. Mass at 9.30am.
- Friday February 23<sup>rd</sup>: School Opening Mass
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### Returned & Services League R.S.L.

Monthly Meetings

No meeting to be held in December 2023

Next Meeting will be 24th February 2024

For Further details please contact Paul Farrington 0439 971 819



RETURNED & SERVICES LEAGUE OF AUSTRALIA QUEENSLAND BRANCH



#### <u>Lutheran Services for</u> <u>February</u>

February 4<sup>th</sup>: 8.30am HC Pittsworth February 11<sup>th</sup>: 10.30am HC Pittsworth February 18<sup>th</sup>: 8.30am RS Pittsworth February 25<sup>th</sup>: 8.30am HC Pittsworth

#### All welcome.

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#### St Peters Anglican Church

#### Services for February

Sunday 4th 9.30 am Morning Prayer

Sunday 11th 9.30am Morning Prayer

Sunday 18th 9.30 am Morning Prayer

Sunday 24th 4pm Holy Communion

Service conducted by Bishop Cam

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\*\*BIBLE STUDY EVERY WED 1-2 PM++ COMMUNITY HALL 72 Primrose Drive, Millmerran Downs. What is the secret of LOVE? It is COMMITMENT. And the secret of commitment is CHOICE. That is why God planted 2 in the middle of the garden: the tree of Life and the tree of knowledge (of good and evil). The Bible says that God told Adam that he could eat from everything in the garden BUT NOT from the tree of knowledge. What a blessed life it must have been.! Adam and Eve didn't have to worry about anything, but tend to the garden and experience freedom.

They didn't have to fear "the snare of the fowler and the perilous pestilences". No stabbing, no thieving, no covid or others! Created in God's image, they lived in a perfect environment, with a perfect Father who came to commune with them at the end of each day and were themselves perfect.

But one day, everything changed! Eve wandered a bit too far and found herself at the tree of knowledge. The tree looked so good and the fruit so tempting. She knew she shouldn't touch it or eat it, or else she would die, God had said. SEE! God never intended for them to know GOOD, neither to know EVIL, but to know HIM, God. He never intended them to have to choose between Him or evil, but He wanted them to walk with Him, to know His voice and do what He said. And He hasn't changed. "He is the same yesterday, today and forever". the Bible says. So, for us today, we are to COMMIT our life to Him, through

Jesus Christ. It is not a matter of choice between good and evil, but it is a matter of life and death. Jesus our ONLY choice! New year! New life in Jesus





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