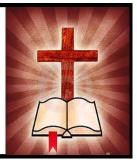


# THE CHURCH NEWSLETTER

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#### **Mission Statement**

As Followers of Christ we seek to know Him: worship Him and share His love with all people

#### <u>Regular Meet-</u> <u>ings</u>

<u>3rd Tuesday</u>: Church Council/ Worship & Pastoral Care Meeting at the Church office

### <u>John 15:5</u>

<u>I am the vine, you</u> are the branches; he who abides in Me and I in him, he bears much fruit, for apart from Me you can do nothing.



# Connect ... Commit ... Communicate

## 'She has been helpful to many, and especially to me.' Romans 16:2 NLT

When it comes to life's great achievers, the apostle Paul is in a league of his own. But he takes one entire chapter of the Bible, Romans 16, to acknowledge all the people who helped him to succeed in his calling. The chapter could be captioned 'I couldn't have done it without you!' He starts by talking about Phoebe, '... **who is worthy of honour ... for she has been helpful to many, and especially to me' (Romans 16:2 NLT).** President Lyndon Johnson said, 'There are no problems we cannot solve together, and very few that we can solve by ourselves.'

When God created Adam, He said, **'… It is not good that man should be alone; I will make him a helper …' (Genesis 2:18 NKJV)**. And He created Eve. From the beginning of time, God teaches us that very little of significance is ever accomplished by an individual acting alone. Look below the surface, and you will invariably find that all the single-handed feats are really team efforts. Australian pioneer of the aviation industry, Charles Kingsford Smith, with his co-pilot Charles Ulm achieved a series of aviation firsts. Australian doctors Ken and Jocelyn Elliott were a formidible team, working in Burkina Faso. Even German-born physicist Albert Einstein acknowledged: 'Many times a day I realise how much my own outer and inner life is built upon the labours of my fellow men, both living and dead, and how earnestly I must exert myself in order to give in return as much as I have received.' The secret to success in any endeavour can be summed up in these three words: **connect … commit … communicate**.

