

A man is praying to God one day and asks, "How long is a million years?" To his surprise God answers, saying "To me, it's about one minute." The man then asks, "God, how much is one million dollars?" and God replies, "To me, it's a penny." The man thinks and then asks, "God, may I have a penny?" God replies, "Wait a minute."

A little girl was sitting on her granddad's lap while he read her a story. She kept taking her eyes off the book and reaching up and touching his old, wrinkled face. After a few times doing this, she finally asked, "Grandpa, were you made by God?" "Yes, dear." he replied. "I was made by God a long time ago." The little girl paused for a moment and then asked, "And did God make me?" "Of course, dear." replied her grandfather. "God made you not long ago." The girl felt her own face and then her granddad's again, thought for a moment and then said, "God's getting better at it, isn't he?"



A scientist went to God and said triumphantly, "We've worked out how to make a man without you."

God laughed and said, "Okay then, show me. Go ahead..." So the scientist bent down and picked up a handful of dirt but God stopped him. "Oh no you don't." said God. "Get your own dirt."



The Maroochydore Herald

Maroochydore Uniting Church



Uniting in Christ
acting with love
living with hope
witnessing in faith
working for justice



We seek to be a prayerful and listening church

14th Sunday after Pentecost
25th August

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English Language Sundays, 8.30am M: 0413 836 557

Korean Language Sundays, 11am

Korean Leader: Ps. Gil Park

Thank you for the ongoing support for the Ministry, & Ministry of our Church. A reminder that direct deposit offering is available. Our Church Banking Details:

UCA Maroochydore Uniting Church

- St George Bank. BSB 334 040: Account No. 553864 511

Uniting Church Links - For Information from the Wider Church

Qld Synod Information - <https://ucaqld.com.au/>

For links an information to Synod Resources and Activities.

National Assembly News - <https://assembly.uca.org>.

Please send any notices for next week's 'Herald' to janstrudwickart@gmail.com by Wednesday afternoon

The happiness of All Who Trust in God

"Blessed is the nation whose God is the Lord, the people he chose for his inheritance". — Psalm 33:12

Is happiness found in social and economic policies? Or in educational and cultural programs? These things can be good and helpful, but a nation can only find true happiness when its people recognize the Lord. This occurs when hearts transformed by the grace of God seek to do his will.

In our pluralistic world today many people claim that all religions are equal and that all paths lead to God. Many national leaders today don't even recognize the Lord.

Is there any nation that serves the Lord today? Not truly. While some nations may claim to trust in God, their actions show that they follow the ways of the world. Even if they do some things right, their leaders seldom give credit to God. We should not be surprised, then, to see a moral and spiritual vacuum in so many places. Wickedness leads to perversion, and ungodliness leads to immorality.

Within every nation, though, there are people who say, like the psalmist, "We wait in hope for the Lord; he is our help and shield. In him our hearts rejoice, for we trust in his holy name." These are the people of God's kingdom, and they know true happiness is found in Christ. They share his love with others, and he says to them, "Well done, good and faithful servant[s]! . . . Come and share your master's happiness!" (Matthew 25:21).

Lord and God, you are the solution our nations need today. Help us to honour you and seek to live your way for Jesus' sake. Amen.

From Devotion of the day by Hernandez Lopes

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1 Kings 8:(1,6,10,11)22-30,41-43
Psalm 84
Ephesians 6:10-20
John 6:56-69

15th Sunday after Pentecost

Father's Day = 1 Sep 24
Song of Solomon 2:8-13
Psalm 45:1,2,6-9
James 1:17-27
Mark 7:1-8,14,15,21-23

Sunday 25th August

-8:30 am Rev Costa Stathakis

Sunday 1st September

-8:30 am Rev Jan Rossow (Communion)

Please join us for morning tea after the service



Other notes