



*1 Peter Series:*  
*Certain Hope in the Midst of Suffering*

(1 Peter 3:8-22)

**SUFFERING FOR DOING GOOD**

"It is better, if it is God's will, to suffer for doing good than for doing evil."

As we continue to examine Peter's first letter he returns to one of his main themes of encouraging us to **cling to the living hope** we have in Jesus **even if we suffer for doing good.**

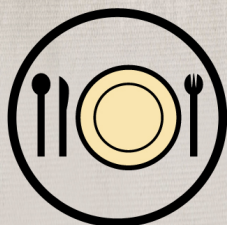
But how can we do this in the face of trials and difficulties that seem to plague us, sometimes on a daily basis?

As we strive in our hearts to set apart Christ as Lord, to treasure him and his word above all else, Peter has some encouraging strategies to help us.



**REGULAR MEETINGS**

**SUNDAY CHURCH**.....weekly at 9:30am  
**SUNDAY MORNING PRAYER**.....8:15am on 1<sup>st</sup> Sunday of the month  
**WEDNESDAY FRIENDSHIP GROUP**.....weekly at 9:45am  
**WIGGLING WOMBAT PLAYGROUP**.....Thursday from 10am  
**THURSDAY CHURCH**.....weekly at 6:30pm  
**COMMUNITY PRAYER NIGHT**.....7pm on 4<sup>th</sup> Sunday of the month



## Thursday Church is 1 year old!

On the 11th August 2016 we started our first week of Thursday Church. We were challenged to be praying more together as a church weekly. As a result of this we set aside a night every week to **gather together to share a meal, during which we now share the communion meal, we reflect on the Scriptures, and then we set aside the rest of our time to pray together.** This has been such a wonderful opportunity to be in each other's lives and to pray regularly together as a church. This has also become the weekly way that Tony is able to engage in the church community while at St Mary's Baptist. The Elders and Deacons would like to invite and encourage you as you are able to come along and join us on a Thursday Night.



## LEADERSHIP ACADEMY

### WESTVIEW @ GWFC Leadership Academy

Eight of us from Westview have been along to the Greater West for Christ Leadership Academy on Monday nights. This course **will continue to run for the next 4 weeks.**

We would value the prayers of the church for those who are going along that it would be a time that God would use to **challenge and shape us** as a people and as leaders for His glory.

**It is not too late to be involved.** Speak to JJ for more information. Thank you for your prayers.



# Sunday community

## PRAYER NIGHT

**THIS Sunday 27th August @ 7pm**

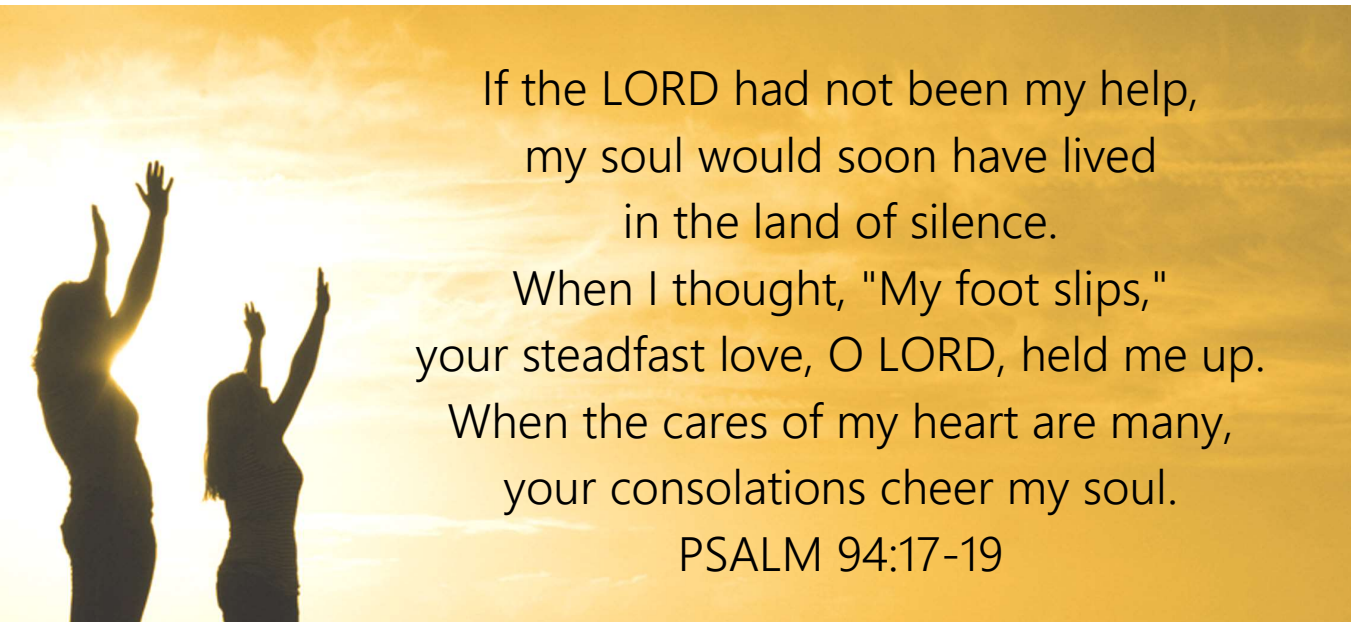
Sunday we will be meeting for a time of prayer together at the church property. This is a great opportunity to **praise and thank our God** for Who He is and what He has done and is doing. A time to pray for the **work of the gospel locally and globally** and for our own process of **discernment with church planting**. We would love for you to join with us if you are able. All are welcome.



## Handmade Greetings

**HANDMADE Birthday & Gift Cards available from Janelle**

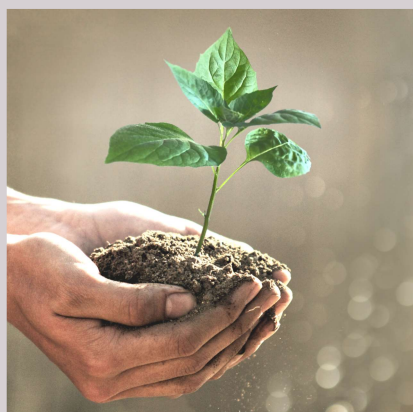
From this Sunday Janelle will be selling handmade cards for all occasions for \$2 each.



If the LORD had not been my help,  
my soul would soon have lived  
in the land of silence.

When I thought, "My foot slips,"  
your steadfast love, O LORD, held me up.  
When the cares of my heart are many,  
your consolations cheer my soul.

PSALM 94:17-19



## CHURCH PLANTING Discernment Night and Going Forward

A huge **thank you** to those who came along last Sunday night as we sought to discern further together this idea of church planting in 2 years. It really was a wonderful time to see how God is leading us in this together.

There are **minutes available** [online](#) or **via email** (if you have not already received it). **Please do continue to pray and ponder this** as we seek to discern together. And please offer any thoughts to the Elders or Deacons.

**Another meeting** will be organised in the coming weeks. And it is our hope that **by our October WRAP Meeting we will have a clear yes or no** as a church for the way forward.

## CONNECT WITH US

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