

My birth place was Currumbin Valley in 1930. My farming parents moved to a beach property when I was 5 years old. (Today, that property is the bird sanctuary car park.)

My parents attended the small Baptist Church on Tugun Hill and I went to Sunday School there, and the State School which is now the Gecko building. I had to milk a house cow before going to school.

When I was 13 years old, a young Baptist pastor encouraged me to give my life to Jesus. I did, but am still learning to grow faith after 75 years.

Doris, a beautiful Christian lady, and I married in 1957. We raised our four children on the farm and attended the Presbyterian Church on the edge of our property – still part of Elanora.

We belonged to the Gideon ministry from 1969 to 1981. We went to the first Emmaus walks in 1989, did the Alpha course and the two year Bethel bible course, which Doris led.

We love the Lord and all the people at Elanora and Currumbin Valley. I was elected an elder at Currumbin Valley Church in 1960.

We still live on part of the farm and I enjoy caring for our few beef cattle – a hobby.

I love sharing faith with others. You could say we have belonged to this parish since 1957.



1 NEWSLETTER – ELANORA UNITING CHURCH – 5 MAY 2019



The Adult Fellowship meeting will be held on Monday 6th May at 9.30 am for 10 am. Guest Speaker - Walter Evans, on his life in India. All most welcome

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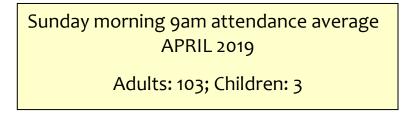
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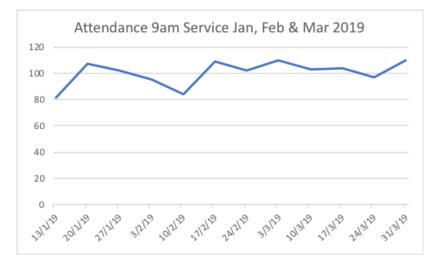


#### **OFFERING UPDATE**

The offering figures for 3 months to 31 March 2019 are:

Budget \$30,750 (\$2,365 Per Week) Actual \$24,706 (\$1,900 per week).





If you would like to make your offering by direct credit to the church bank account, the banking details are as follows: Bank St George

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Account Name	UCA Southern Gold Coast
BSB	334 040
Account Number	553861206
Enquiries to Mervyn Head, our Treasurer.	



# COMBINED MEN'S BREAKFAST Saturday 11<sup>th</sup> May, 7:30am

Tallebudgera Surf Club

Kingsley Neale urgently needs to know numbers for the combined men's breakfast. All men are invited to join others from Tallebudgera, Twin Towns, and Currumbin Valley churches. See Kingsley on Sunday or by phone 5598 3821 or email: keneale82@gmail.com Bring a friend.

Dianne Malimonenko is coordinating our second

FAMILY FUN DAY – 15<sup>th</sup> June

A variety of crafts are planned, but what we need now is more volunteers to help children with these craft activities. Please come forward NOW and let Dianne know if you will be available to help.

## **NEXT PLANNING MEETING – 8<sup>th</sup> May**

All welcome! Please come to the office at 11:30am.



### **BEEN AROUND BEFORE**

Saturday 25<sup>th</sup> May – 1:30pm Entry \$5, includes afternoon tea Parade & Sale of clothes Sizes 8-24 Mary Flynn or Gloria Bryant



**CONTACT DETAILS Church Office** 5534 5817 9am – 12 noon, weekdays **church@elanorauniting.com.au** Website: www.elanorauniting.com.au



#### **CHAPLAINCY DINNER**

Thursday 6<sup>th</sup> June, 6pm Please see Jan Drury for more information.

### MINISTER

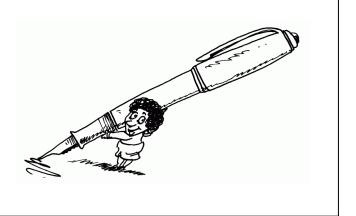
Rev Catherine Solomon is on leave until May 8.

Please contact Kingsley Neale for any urgent pastoral matters. 5598 3821

PLEASE NOTE: John Mavor is no longer contactable by email.

### THIS SUNDAY'S READINGS – Preacher Rev John Mavor

Revelation 5: 11-14 and John 21: 1-19





Men's Walk: May 9-12 Women's Walk: May 16-19 If you are intending to drive to Mt Tamborine for the candle lighting or closing at either Walk, please let me know if you could offer a lift to others. I could include this information in the next Newsletter.

Also if you would like to send some "goodies" for morning or afternoon teas, I am on team for the Women's Walk and will be driving up on Thursday 16<sup>th</sup> May.

Janine Kinnear 0402 851 349