

# Thinking About God

**In April we will think about the gift of dancing.**

Psalm 30:11-12 *"You have changed my sorrow into dancing. You have taken away my sackcloth and clothed me with joy. You wanted me to praise you and not be silent. Lord my God, I will praise you forever."*

God promises that he will turn sadness into dancing. Notice that God doesn't stop sadness and make it disappear. No, He changes it into joy! God says, *"all things work together for good to them that love Him, and to those who are the called according to His purpose."* (Romans 8:28)

Our sorrows, disappointments, tragedies and failures are very real, but they are a chance for God to show His love for us. God will do it. Our part is simply to wait, believe and cling tightly to this wonderful promise, and to be ready to dance when our sadness is turned into joy.

**In May we think about the gift of Creation.**

Reading the Bible helps us appreciate the beauty of nature. When we think that God created the heavens and the earth, we are amazed by the beauty He created. Psalm 19: 1-4 reminds us to look at nature as a way to appreciate God! *"The heavens tell about the glory of God. The skies announce what his hands have made. Each new day tells more of the story, and each night reveals more about God's power. You cannot hear them say anything. They don't make any sound we can hear. But their message goes throughout the world. Their teaching reaches the ends of the earth."*

You can read these verses in your own Bible.

You can ask someone to read them with you.

You can pray and ask God to help you live the way He wants you to live. You can thank God for the people who tell others about Him.

# Remember this....??

It was lovely to see our old friend Charlie at Crossroads in March!  
We hope to see you again next time Charlie.

Clayton won the pass-the-parcel game, but we ALL had fun!



Lots of people admired the motorbikes.  
Which one did you like best?

Did you go to Janelle's Bible story corner?  
We heard about the friends of Jesus.



**Thanks to Marian for her Ribbons. It is one of our favourite Crossroads activities.**

We heard a new song from Isabel, who played her Ukulele while she sang.  
Thanks for sharing your talent with us Isabel.

There was awesome watermelon and summer sandal craft.  
Did you make something?



## Crossroaders with Cars

Do you help with transport? Be a good friend to the Crossroaders that you usually transport.

- Remind them of Crossroads events
- Invite them to your local church or community events
- Provide transport to events
- Arrange alternative transport if you can't attend Crossroads
- Keep in contact between Crossroads meetings.



# Coming Up

## April Crossroads Meeting

*When:* Friday 13 April 2018 7:00 – 9:00 pm.  
*Where:* Nowra Baptist Church, Old Southern Road, South Nowra  
*Theme:* **The gift of dancing**  
*Hosts:* **Salvation Army**

## May Crossroads Meeting

*When:* Friday 11 May 2018 7.00 – 9.00 pm  
*Where:* Nowra Baptist Church, Old Southern Road, South Nowra  
*Theme:* **The gift of Creation**  
*Hosts:* Nowra Baptist Church

## PICNIC in ULLADULLA

**Place:** Livvi's Place Accessible Picnic Space - Corner of Mitchell Parade and Ocean Street, Mollymook.

**Date:** Saturday 19 May 2018

**Time:** Meet in Nowra at 10.30am, to get to Mollymook at about 11.30am. Back in Nowra by 2.30pm.

**Transport:** Let Cindie know if you need a lift, and meet at Nowra Baptist at 10.30am to travel together.

**Bring:** Your lunch and a drink, sunscreen chairs if you need them.

There will be a sausage sizzle too.



Shoalhaven Crossroads is an incorporated branch of Crossroads Christian Fellowship NSW Inc.

It is an interdenominational Christian Fellowship for people with a disability, encouraging integration into the Christian Church and wider community.

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ALL WELCOME

# Shoalhaven Crossroads



## Newsletter

April and May 2018

Dear Crossroaders,

The last two Crossroads meetings were great fun. We had a sausage sizzle and indoor games in February. We enjoyed catching up with Crossroads friends and friends from Berry Community Church. In TAG time Nola helped us think about all the things we like to do in summer, like going to the beach, having a BBQ, playing cricket and swimming. She reminded us that God gives us good times to enjoy. We can thank God for all the good times we have. We listened to Psalm 9 and said a thank you prayer together.



In March the Christian Motorcyclists brought their motorbikes to Crossroads. In TAG time Jenny showed us a picture of an old washing wringer from her farm. Her friend got her fingers caught in it, and no-one was there to help her! Then Jenny said that God is not like that at all. He is our good friend who is always there to help us.

**GOD  
is  
LOVE** +



Remember:

Crossroads **membership for 2018 is \$10.00.**

Please bring your money to the April meeting.

This pays for our insurance and affiliation with NSW Crossroads.

Thank you to all those who have already paid their membership.

