



## E - NEWS

14 December 2023



### *Christmas greetings from our Pastors*

Once again we have the joy of celebrating with you all at CrossLife another year and another season of remembering the birth of our saviour the Lord Jesus. You have been a continual blessing to us as we have walked together in 2023 and for that we are forever thankful to you and to God. Our family continues to grow as we see those three boys who joined Helensvale with us 21 years ago becoming young men establishing families and/or careers. We thank you for your investment in their lives.



May this Christmas and New Year season be a blessing to you and all with you as you look more closely to the Lord Jesus and the grace and truth He brings to our lives. We share a verse that we read and pondered this morning together

*"Therefore, with minds that are alert and fully sober, set your hope on the grace to be brought to you when Jesus Christ is revealed at his coming." 1 Peter 1:13 NIV*

*Matt and Robyn Hunt*

Merry Christmas CrossLife family! It has been a big year and a big December so far! Much love and prayers for a Christ exalting and Christ centred Christmas that is filled with hope, peace, joy & love. May you treasure God as His beloved children:

*"But to all who did receive him, who believed in his name, he gave the right to become children of God, who were born, not of blood nor of the will of the flesh nor of the will of man, but of God." John 1:12-13*



*The Lennon's*

Dear Crosslife. From the Maslen family to you,  
Merry Christmas! It's been a wonderful year – for the first few months it was a time of reset and rest for me personally and for our family a number of firsts including Elijah graduating from school (that went fast). We pray for God's blessing over you this Christmas period. Not only that you would have a wonderful time as you celebrate the first coming of Jesus, but also that you would be able to joyfully love and bless those around you in the name of Jesus by the power of the Spirit.



*With all our love, Stefan, Belinda,  
Elijah, Ava, Ellie and Eden.*

Happy Christmas from the Hills!

We have loved journeying with you all this year, and in particular are deeply encouraged how God has been at work in many of you. We serve an incredible God, awesome in might, overflowing in love, and we pray that this Christmas there might be an even deeper revelation of the wonder of what God did in the sending of His son Jesus Christ. May you find rest, and space to hear God speak to you during this Christmas period.



*Blessings! Jim, Christie,  
Chloe, Ezra, Micah and Elijah.*

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**CHRISTMAS GIVE AWAY** – Simply email me  
something you are grateful for and why,  
and go in the draw

**Up For Grabs** - One NIV The Daily Walk Bible  
and One Praying the Psalms (Drawing near to  
the heart of God) devotional...

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### CHRISTMAS SERVICES

**Sunday 17th** 9.30am Christmas Hope #3 | Jim @ HV | Stefan @ SP | Dale @ UC

**Sunday 24th** (Christmas Eve) Christmas Hope #4 | Matt + Dale @ HV 9.30 +5pm

Jim @SP 9.30am | Stefan @ UC 5pm Food + 6pm service

**Monday 25th** (Christmas Day) Christmas Hope #5 @ 8am

Dale @ HV | Jim @ SP | Stefan @ UC

### Notice of Membership:



The Elders & Board have overseen interviews with the following people with the intention of admitting them to membership

Dharah Puck Cordeiro Ferreira Bispo

Southport campus

Marcus Ricardo Azevedo Bispo

Southport campus

It is our practice to give notice of pending admission to CrossLife membership to all current members. If you have any interest in this admission, please talk to one of our Elders within the next week.







In the case of an emergency  
you can contact Pastors  
Matt Hunt, Dale Lennon or Stefan Maslen

For Prayer points contact  
[pam.watkins@crosslife.org.au](mailto:pam.watkins@crosslife.org.au)

OUR OFFICES WILL BE  
**CLOSED**  
FOR THE  
*Christmas Holidays!*

FROM NOON FRIDAY 22 DECEMBER  
BACK ON DECK MONDAY 8 JANUARY 2024

Listen to



SUNDAY SERMONS  
*online*



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### I have a Prayer Request

Your request will be treated with the utmost care. You can  
choose the level of privacy you are comfortable with.

**Click on the link above or contact CL pastor for prayer**  
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# What's coming in 2024? SAVE THE DATES

DATE CLAIMER - 20 January 2024, 9am - 11am



@ CrossLife Helensvale, 23 Discovery Dr

Looking to complete your First Aid Training after our Safe Church session?

- CPR ONLY \$45
- FIRST AID + CPR \$85



Scan the QR Code  
or **CLICK HERE** to  
register for  
First Aid Training!



Thank you to all our amazing Ministry Team Members for your heart to serve and for your support in creating a Safe Church Culture within our CrossLife Community!

As 2023 is coming to an end, it is time to send out a "Save the Date" for our 2024 Safe Church Training!

**Saturday 20th January 2024, 9am @ CrossLife Helensvale, 23 Discovery Drive**

This year, all our Leadership Teams (Board/Elders/CLT) are asked to participate in the annual training alongside our Ministry Teams and Staff.

More details to come on the structure of the morning but as per last year, we will have **First Aid Training available for those who are interested** (12pm to 2pm). For those interested, the training encompasses both online and face-to-face components. Please ensure you sign up and complete the online training before the Training Day.

**CLICK**

## MINISTRY TEAM APPLICATION

If for some reason you haven't completed a [\[Ministry Team Application\]](#) yet (including Leadership Teams), please do so as it is important that all have completed the application form and Safe Church Culture Course prior to the Training Day.



**See you there! Christina Paton**

**CL Safe Church Manager & Systems Officer**



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## Present a Q+A session

VENUE TBA

Tuesday 20th February  
10.00am for morning tea  
10.20am for session

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## Demystifying the Aged Care Process Seminar

Planning ahead for either  
your own or a loved one's  
transition to a new chapter of life.



Early Planning

Retirement  
Villages

Home care

Aged Care

SAVE  
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### I'd Like to know more about Jesus

### I'd like to enquire about Baptism

### I'd Like to be a volunteer at CrossLife

We are committed to ensuring that CrossLife - A Baptist Church sites are safe places for both participants and our volunteers. Anyone who wishes to be involved in CrossLife Ministries is required to complete a Ministry Application form, hold a valid Blue Card and complete the required training.

### I'm Interested in joining a Life group or Care Group

Where God things happen.

### I'd like to know more about membership at CrossLife

At CrossLife we see membership as a reflection of the Lord's guidance in bringing someone to CrossLife as their 'spiritual' home. It is a local and physical expression of our deeper connection to the broader body of the Lord Jesus across time and geography (1 Cor 12:12-13).

Click on the links above or contact [info@crosslife.org.au](mailto:info@crosslife.org.au)

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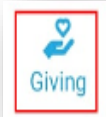
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# GIVING

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by Credit card by clicking on the Giving  
icon HERE



**GIVING BY DIRECT DEPOSIT** | Account Name: CrossLife—a baptist church

Bank of Queensland | BSB 124-025 | Account Number 2185 4579 (Helensvale)

| BSB 124-025 | Account number 2185 4454 (Southport)

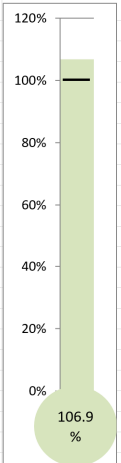
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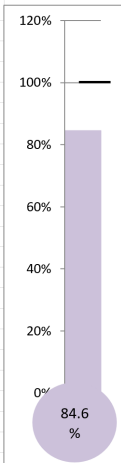
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Week to 10/12/2023 WK50

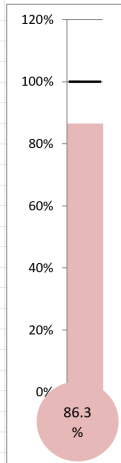
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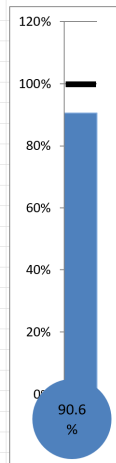
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Helensvale



CrossLife



Avg Wkly Offer	4,254	4,399	6,836	15,489
Target	3,981	5,200	7,920	17,101
Difference	273	(801)	(1,084)	(1,612)

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3:10

Bring the whole tithe into the storehouse, that there may be food in my house. Test me in this," says the LORD Almighty, "and see if I will not throw open the floodgates of heaven and pour out so much blessing that there will not be room enough to store it.

## SUPPORTING OUR COMMUNITIES BY PARTNERING WITH COMPASSION CONNECTION

CROSSROADS - MINISTRY TO THE DISABLED | CL FOOD PANTRIES | CC COUNSELLING REBATES

Don't forget to send your personal details (name, address, email, amount donated)  
to CC so we can send you a tax deductible receipt at [finance@compassionservices.com.au](mailto:finance@compassionservices.com.au)

### To give to the Food pantries

Account number: 400046652  
BSB 704913

### To give to Crossroads

Account number: 100001020  
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### To give to the Counselling rebate

Account number: 400041638  
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## WE'D LOVE TO HEAR FROM YOU...

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CrossLife family, serving the Lord, each other  
and communities both locally and globally...

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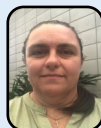
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## CROSSLIFE ELDERS



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**Jim Hill** \*\* +Board



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**Dale Lennon**



**Tim Philips**



**Jude Morris**

## CROSSLIFE BOARD \*\*



**Elaine Picton-Warlow**  
(Board Chair)



**Naomi Burns**



**Elsie Asiata**



**Adam Godby**



**Anthony Goldstone**



**Stephen Knott**



**Josh Zenas**



**Zach Haslem**  
(Board Secretary)



**Martin Hall**

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*With Jesus*