



Allora Uniting Church
44 Warwick Street, Allora

23rd – 25th February 2024

Downs & Toowoomba Churches Together

Please pray for...

- Abrahamic Faiths Gathering on 6th March
- Theme for this year's Seminar
- Peace – peace that comes from within

Report

We had to cancel out February Abrahamic Faiths Gathering. It will now be held on Wednesday the 6th March at 5.45pm at the Garden City Mosque. The topic for the short presentations from each faith group is “Stewardship of Creation – as a person of faith what can I do for creation?” The speaker for the Christian faith will be Rev Dr Clive Ayre, a retired Uniting Church minister and author. Please see attached flyer for more details. The following Abrahamic Faiths Gathering will be held on the 1st May at St Anthony's Catholic Community Centre at 3 Memory Street, Toowoomba.

The Week of Prayer for Christian Unity is from the 12th to the 19th May. We are working with a couple of Catholic Parishes in Toowoomba to hold Ecumenical Services during that week. The Liturgy for these services are provided by the World Council of Churches and can be adapted to meet local needs. It is a great feeling to be a part of these services in the knowledge that millions of Christians around the world are joining in a similar service. I encourage you to be part of the services and if your congregation is outside Toowoomba to work with other Christian denominations to hold an ecumenical service. I will forward the liturgy when it becomes available.

Our Ecumenical Seminar this year will be held from tea time on Friday 21st to after lunch on Sunday 23rd June at St Ursula's College in Toowoomba. We have not settled on a

theme yet. Our guest speaker is the Rev Bruce Johnson. Bruce is a former Queensland Moderator and a former Chair of Queensland Churches Together.

Recommendations

1. That this report be received.

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If you have questions, please email before the meeting.

The background of the top section is a faded, historical map of the world, showing continents and oceans. Overlaid on the map are three prominent religious symbols: a Star of David (Magen David) on the left, a Latin cross in the center, and a crescent moon with a five-pointed star on the right. The text 'Engagements with Abrahamic Religions' is centered over the map.

Engagements with Abrahamic Religions

Abrahamic Faiths Gathering

Date: Wednesday, 6th March 2024

Time: 5.45pm, followed by light dinner

Venue: Garden City Mosque,
217 West Street, Harristown Qld 4350

The evening will begin with a short presentation by each faith group on:
“Stewardship of Creation – as a person of faith what can I do for creation?”

- Mohammad Aminul Islam, Imam of Garden City Mosque.
- Ariel Heber, President and Community Liaison,
Queensland Jewish Community Services Inc.
- Rev Dr Clive Ayre,
Retired Uniting Church minister and author.

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