



DU Grape Vine



AUGUST 2022

PROFILE—ELIZABETH & TOM THOMAS

Elizabeth was born in the south of India in Kerala State with three siblings. Her father was a professor of English and her mother a gynaecologist. They moved to the mountains in the north to Lucknow for their work when she was very young. Her schooling was all done at boarding school before she went to the Lucknow University where she completed a Bachelor of Arts in Psychology, a Master of Psychology and then a Bachelor of Education. Elizabeth notes that she stayed at university as long as possible because it then meant marriage. Her marriage to Tom was arranged by the families and they met for fifteen minutes prior to the wedding weekend. They were married in 1977 in an Anglican church by a Scottish minister. Tom was raised by his grandparents in Lucknow who ran a tea plantation. They have two sons, who both work in IT jobs, and four grandchildren. They moved to Bangalore where Elizabeth was a teacher then the Department of Psychology Head.



They came to Australia in 1983, sponsored by Elizabeth's sister, and lived in Albury (where they met Rev Christine Moimoi). Tom's Bachelor of Economics and Politics were not recognised in Australia and Elizabeth's only partly. Elizabeth worked as a psychologist with the Department of Health and then the Department of Community Services, and for a time in private practice. Tom took a job as a motor mechanic, because of his interest in cars, and later became a teacher in the TAFE sector after completing further study. They retired to Clifton Springs in 2012 to be close to the children and to the sea. Elizabeth volunteers in the Op Shop once a week and enjoys line dancing, walking, and taking time to enjoy life, whilst Tom has an interest in model planes.

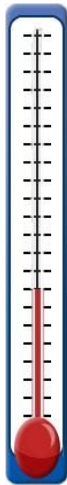
Elizabeth attended the Anglican church in India and then the Uniting Church in Albury before coming to us. She attends because she likes the music, the fellowship and the experience of church.



Op Shop hours:
Monday—Friday
11 am—4 pm
Saturday 10.30 am—12.30 pm



LOOSE CHANGE



\$1000

For Feed Me Bellarine. Our offering for August has totalled \$108. This is a community food project, collecting spare food and excess produce and sharing it with the community who need it. One of the donation projects notes that \$10 pays for a crate of food to be delivered to a family.

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We have received a thank you from CWCI for our donation for the MegaVoice devices—what they consider to be an exciting ministry.

THANK YOU from Marie

Marie Harris would like to thank everyone for their prayers, wishes and Christian love sent to her at the time of her operation and now while in recovery. She has certainly felt God’s presence with the help of her church mates, and is very grateful.

PRAYER CHAIN

This is a special ministry of our congregation that prays for members of the congregation or their family and friends. Anyone can ask for a prayer for themselves or with approval from someone else can ask for a prayer for that person. There are about fifteen members of the congregation as part of the group who pray independently when requested. Prayer request are sent out by email by Wayne Myers. People tell us how valuable this has been, so please do not feel this is a burden for the group. Detailed reasons for prayer do not have to be provided.



This months' services

- 7 Aug —10.30 am Rev Karen Eller
HC & Loose change
- 14 Aug —10.30am Rev Karen Eller
- 21 Aug —10.30 am Wayne’s Team
- 28 Aug —10.30am Rev Karen Eller

PRAYER ·

This inspiring prayer was shared by Bishop Guli Francis-Dehqani, the Bishop of Chelmsford UK, as part of the Lambeth Conference prayer journey: 'Lord of all, as we thank you for the family of the Anglican Communion, we pray that in our wonderful diversity we may each know ourselves created in your image and loved by you.

Inspire us to work together to hasten the day when people will come from north and south, east and west, to find their honoured and equal place at your table and their home in your kingdom.

Through Jesus Christ our Lord, Amen.



Happy birthday!

AUGUST

- John Miller
- Pat Duch
- Lynda Smith
- Glenice Benney
- Margaret Underwood
- Lois Mellross
- Andrew Robertson
- Bruce Van Every
- Ian McLaverty
- Brenda Jacobs

Happy birthday!

	MORNING TEA	WELCOME	READING	PRAYERS	VESTRY	COUNTING FLOWERS
AUG 7	Jenni’s Team	Brenda	Claire	Pat	Ken	-
14	Marg & Dianne	Kelvin & Glenice	Margaret	Ken	Lynda	Jenni
21	Alma & Win	Lynda	Wayne’s Team	Carol	Claire	Brenda
28	Melva & Brenda	Melva	Pat		Pat	Susan

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Our Vision—Reaching out with God’s love and care

MOWING

JUL Norm & Marg