



# Uniting Church of Australia BOLWARRA

## Newsletter

17 September 2024

Our new Leadership Group have been elected as follows:

David Branscomb - Chairperson

Anne Robinson – Secretary

Louise Trist – Treasurer

Lindsay Moxey – Property

Leanne Bentham – Communications Officer

On Sunday 22 September, 9am Rev Dr Rod Pattenden and Rev Neil Smith will lead a Family Teddy Bear Service at Bolwarra. It will be lots of fun for all those young, and young at heart! This is a great opportunity for young families to come along and see what our church can offer. Please invite anyone who may be interested. There will be craft activities, fairy bread and cakes! Bring your Teddy along and join in the fun. For more information click here [Teddy Bear Church](#) or [contact us](#).

A couple of weeks ago we were contacted by a woman from Wagga Wagga who has a 90 year old uncle in a care home. The uncle read the book about Safari, the little boy from Kenya with severe burns. The uncle was very taken with Safari's courage and resilience and talked about him often. The niece thought she would see if they could get in touch with Safari. A member of our congregation arranged for Safari to ring the uncle as a surprise when the niece was visiting him. The uncle was so thrilled to speak to Safari and told everyone in the care home. Safari was pleased that their chat made the uncle so very happy. It's a lovely story!

We have had a change of date for our church Spring Fair – it will now be held on **Saturday 9 November**. We need helpers and would be very grateful if you could contact any of our Leaders to let them know you are able to assist. As well as the plant sale, we will have Devonshire teas, second hand book stall, cake stall, car boot sale, Teddy bear display/competition and children's art competition.



Safari and his son Leo

Our "Cuppa & Chat" morning tea, held on the second Tuesday of every month, is continuing to have a good roll up, with some regulars coming every month. For more information, please contact Wendy Eade PH: 49301073. Everyone welcome!

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