

FRCC VISION & PURPOSE

- Our vision at FRCC is to be a Household of Faith, Hope and Love, in a multi-cultural Assembly, united by a Bible worldview. Whereby, our focus is on equipping the Saints with the move of the Word and the Spirit, so as to be Christ-like to the community and a prophetic voice to the nations. We are to be a Word-raised and Spirit-filled Church.
- The Authorized Bible, as the authoritative Word of God, is to prevail in all matters of conduct and doctrine while being yielded to the leading of the Holy Spirit. ■ We are open to the operation of the gifts of the Spirit and submitted to the function of the five-fold ministry-gifts in the local assembly (Ephesians 4:11-13).

OUR PURPOSE & CREED

Given our divine purpose as revealed in the diversity of our multi-cultural Assembly, we do not get tied up with the non-essentials of the Christian faith, which are the socio-cultural issues and the debatable details of denominationalism which divide the Body of Christ.

Rather, at FRCC, we hold fast and adhere steadfastly to the basics and the fundamentals of the Faith - which are the profound truths contained in the ancient Apostles' Creed.

In this way, we connect with and remain rooted and grounded in the love of Christ and in the original heritage of the Christian-faith, while seeking and contending earnestly for the restoration and the revival of that "**faith which was once delivered unto the Saints**" (Jude 1:3). The basics of our tenets of faith, therefore, remain as the ancient Apostle's Creed, herewith stated: *I believe in God, the Father Almighty, the Creator of heaven and earth, and in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord: Who was conceived of the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried. He descended to the dead; The third day He arose again from the dead. He ascended into heaven and sits at the right hand of God the Father Almighty, whence He shall come to judge the living and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy universal church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection from the dead, and life everlasting. Amen.* [For a detailed listing of our tenets of faith, please visit the Church website: www.faithrevival.org.au]

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18th Annual Thanksgiving /End Year Events 2025

Sun 7th Dec: Annual Thanksgiving Service

Venue: Labrador & Robina Campuses -AM Services

Week of Thanksgiving Prayers (Mon-Sun 1st-7th Dec): Please use the insert message on thanksgiving (inside page) as part of your week's devotional/preparation for the annual thanksgiving of Sun 7th.

Combined Labrador & Robina Event

**Venue: Runaway Bay Com Ctr,
Lae Drive, Runaway Bay QLD 4216**

Sat 20th Dec: Christmas Carol & Multicultural Dinner

Time: 4.30pm–6.30pm (Setup team: 3.30pm)

**4.30pm: Nibbles/Drinks/Memorable Christmas
Photoshoots.**

The Practice Of Thanksgiving for Our Heart's Transformation

*"Because of that, when they knew God, they glorified **him** not as God, neither were thankful; but became vain in their imaginations, and their foolish heart was darkened" Rom 1:21.*

Being unthankful to God, we become less Godly. Becoming more thankful, we become Godlier. The Body of Christ is ordained by God to be the light of this world and spearhead a transformation that will impact our world: worldviews that are neither glorifying God nor being thankful, hence, their foolish hearts become darkened.

It is about a much-needed change from ingratitude to gratitude, and from selfishness to selflessness, which releases the true praises of God in hearts. This release of thankfulness in our hearts is in itself the strength of true worship in spirit and truth (John 4:23-24). Hence, as the bible shows us:

- (1) Thanksgiving strengthens our praises, and our strong praises strengthen our worship.
- (2) Thanking God changes and humbles our hearts to see God as (and then trust Him as) our source of all things.

Expressions of thanksgiving to God Ephesians 5:18-20

"Giving thanks to God always for all things ..." (verse 20) is the divine secret that prepares our hearts to become "filled with the Spirit..." always (verse 18-19).

That is, thanksgiving provides the gateway to being filled with the Spirit. There is a 'How To' practice thanksgiving to God regularly until it truly becomes our Godly habit. We shall now examine the three basic ways of biblical thanksgiving.

(1) Thanking God Through Words: - Thanksgiving prayers - How do we do this? That old song says it all:

"Count your blessings, name them one by one, count your blessings, see what God has done. Count your blessings, name them one by one, and it will surprise you what the Lord has done".

(2) Thanking God Through Songs: Singing songs whose words are made up of expressions of thanksgiving. Some songs express prayer, consecration, adoration, etc. Similarly, there are songs too that simply express our thankfulness to the Lord. Psalm 92; 96:1; Exodus 15:21.

(3) Thanking God Through Heart-Felt Giving: This is called a thanksgiving offering. The traditional churches know it and practice annual thanksgivings. We should do more as Evangelical/Pentecostal churches. Yes, FRCC does as we always do, now in our 18th annual. It is about designating a special Service to express our heart's gratitude, thankfulness and contentment for the year 2025 AD; while looking forward with expectation for the year of our Lord 2026. God not only hears our words, but he also hears our heart's expressions that go forth through our offerings. Heb 13:15-16.

The biblical expression of thanksgiving through our offerings grows our heart's Godliness: faith, love and obedience. The teachings of Christ (Matthew 6:21-24) draw a strong connection between our hearts and treasures:

"For where your treasure is, there will your heart be also"

Our special offerings or treasures of thanksgiving, when done cheerfully, touch God with our hearts. Similarly to forgiving, prayer and fasting (the other practices taught along with Giving: being the themes of Matthew 6).

To Cornelius came the Angel with a message from God saying, Your prayer and your offerings have come up for a memorial before God. Acts 10:4. We see here heartfelt prayer and heartfelt giving.

May our prayers and thanksgiving offerings and praise stand as true memorials before our heavenly Father, in Jesus' name.