



# THE WAY



FROM THE CHAPLAIN

Jesus is in the construction business, or should I say, the restoration business. He takes shabby, broken people and works on them through his Word, the circumstances he allows, his Holy Spirit and Christian peers to rebuild people into their true humanity. Every believer is a work in progress.

But the problem with construction sites is that they are ugly. We look at the unfinished project and wonder how long we have to wait for completion? How long do we put up with the noise and the mess? Parents, you know what I mean.

The bible calls us, parents and teachers alike, to be prayerful and patient.

*3 I thank my God every time I remember you. 4 In all my prayers for all of you, I always pray with joy 5 because of your partnership in the gospel from the first day until now, 6 being confident of this, that he who began a good work in you will carry it on to completion until the day of Christ Jesus.*

#### [Philippians 1](#)

I love this passage because it reminds me that God, unlike us, finishes what he starts. It reminds me, as God's construction partner, to focus on progress and prayer rather than the mess that comes as a result of construction.

Pray for the children at the College that they may grow into the type of people God wants them to be. Pray for the staff at Thomas Hassall, that they keep remembering that they partner Jesus in His good work.

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