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Welcome to this service for Stuart

Saturday 6 March 2021 at J Fraser and Sons Chapel. Led by Bill Pawley Bible reading: Ecclesiastes 3:1-4, 11-14

BECAUSE HE LIVES

God sent His Son
They called Him Jesus
He came to love, heal and forgive
He bled and died
To buy my pardon
An empty grave is there to prove my Saviour lives

Chorus
Because He lives
I can face tomorrow
Because He lives
All fear is gone
Because I know He holds the future
My life is worth the living just because He lives

How sweet to hold
A new born baby
And feel the pride
And joy he gives
But better still
The calm assurance
That child can face uncertain days because He lives

Chorus

And then one day
I'll cross the river
I'll fight life's final war with pain
And then as death
Gives way to victory
I'll see the lights of glory and I'll know He lives

Chorus

THERE IS A REDEEMER

There is a redeemer Jesus, God's own Son Precious Lamb of God, Messiah Holy One

Chorus
Thank you, oh my father
For giving us Your Son
And leaving Your Spirit
'Til the work on Earth is done

Jesus my redeemer
Name above all names
Precious Lamb of God, Messiah
Oh, for sinners slain

Chorus

When I stand in Glory
I will see His face
And there I'll serve my King forever
In that Holy Place

Chorus

A faithful cowboy

Stu, Stuart Erskine that man means so much to so many, here's why, A farmer, a builder, a get stuck in and do it kind of guy.

He helped so many people during his life, Whether it was before or after they got into strife.

A faithful servant in Christ, always sharing God wherever he went, We're sure that Jesus will say "well done son, your time was well spent".

A proud grandad of two beautiful boys and a father of three, A fantastic father-in-law and a loving husband to Ali.

Many years of good memories both on and off the farm, Waking up to the sunrise, a natural kind of alarm.

Wednesday nights the radio would be on and dinner a quick digest, Country music night, we had to ring up and give Stu the Country Road song request.

If Stu didn't know how to fix it then no one else could, He was a kiwi ingenuity guy, if you would.

And so the faithful cowboy hung up his hat one last time, As Stu would say there's no better way to end this rhyme.

"That's a good job done" he would usually say, Except it wouldn't be Stu saying it on this day.

We're sure the Lord would be looking at him as he met him at the gates,

"Welcome home good and faithful servant, you are not a minute late.

You've rounded up my sheep and not just animals I might add, You've been a faithful husband, friend, Christian and dad.

Now enjoy eternity with the creator himself, We've got a place for your cowboy hat right here on the shelf.

I'll watch over your family, till they join you one day, And if I've got any farm jobs, I'll be sure to send them your way."

> So Stu, it's not goodbye, it's see you soon, We love you so much, from the earth to the moon.