Residential Living
Aged Care
Caring for Queenslanders for over 100 years
Wesley Mission Queensland has a long and proud history of providing compassionate and quality care.

When we opened the first aged care community in Queensland at our Wheller Gardens site in 1936, it was considered a 'challenging, even daring experiment'. This foresight paved the way for aged care in Queensland and 79 years on, we are still an innovative and leading provider of aged care with 13 residential communities across Brisbane.
The Albert Street Methodist Church’s mission was formally recognised as the Central Methodist Mission and Reverend Rowe established Sisters of the People supporting those in need in Brisbane’s city.

Queensland’s first community for seniors, the Garden Settlement (now Wheller Gardens), opens at Chermside.

The Bethesda Caring Centre at Corinda becomes part of Wesley Mission Queensland. A local landmark in the community it has been home to many notable Brisbane identities including a Lord Mayor in the 1800s.

Moorooka Central Kitchen and Laundry opens, supplying meals for aged care residents.

Sinnamon Village is built in Sinnamon Park to cater for the growing demands of aged care in Brisbane’s western suburbs. The site is now a thriving community hub, with six aged care residences, supported accommodation apartments, a respite centre for people living with dementia and a wellness centre.

Anam Cara, meaning ‘soul place’, opens at Bray Park. In 2011, Anam Cara became the first aged care community to achieve full accreditation for Eden in Oz & NZ™ in Queensland. This person-centred model of care promotes a holistic approach to maintaining the physical and mental health of not only residents, but their families and staff.

Stage one of the Wheller on the Park retirement community opens at Wheller Gardens, Chermside. The community is now complete and is one of the largest retirement villages in Queensland.

Little Marchant’s Child Care Centre opens at the Wheller Gardens site at Chermside. The centre has been commended for its Intergenerational Program, where the children make regular visits to the aged care communities on-site.

Parkview, a new state-of-the-art, aged care community opens at the Wheller Gardens site. The home represents one of the most significant building developments in WMQ’s history and has since won several architectural design awards.

John Wesley Gardens reopens in Geebung, after having undergone extensive development from the original aged care community built in the 1960s. The new, innovative design fosters a sense of community and independence, while the central historical chapel, known as the Sanctuary, built when the first community was opened, remains as a celebration of the past.

Dovetree opens at Sinnamon Village, furthering Wesley Mission Queensland’s commitment to providing trusted, exceptional aged care services to Queenslanders.
Ageing and moving into an aged care community can be daunting, but with us you know you are in good hands because just like you, we have years of experience too. We value the importance of you and your loved ones being involved in your care and we focus on building a relationship with you based on trust, compassion and friendship.

Since 2002 all of our aged care homes have been on a journey to embrace the internationally recognised Eden Alternative Philosophy™. This is a person-centred, holistic approach to maintaining the wellbeing of residents in a healthy and enriching environment.

The ethos around this philosophy is loving companionship, empowerment and variety - everything we all desire in our lives. It’s about promoting relationships and community life, and encouraging physical environments that include animals, children and plants. You will regularly see the resident pet greet you as you enter our communities, providing a wonderful sense of home and companionship to all who live within.

The Eden Alternative Philosophy™ is a way of life for residents, staff and families; not a program. It is an ongoing and evolving way of living and working where residents are encouraged to enjoy activities that are meaningful to them and we endeavour to create an environment of variety and spontaneity where unexpected moments of joy can occur.

### Pat’s story

I arrived at Jacob’s Court Aged Care Community in a wheelchair in July 2012 having just undergone brain surgery.

I had gone through a knee and shoulder replacement after arthritis ate them away. I had six kidney stones removed, which caused a fall that led to fluid on the brain and then brain surgery. I was 104 kilograms and had diabetes, so you could say I was in a pretty bad way.

With the incredible support of the nursing staff and therapy centre staff here I was up and walking by Christmas and have been doing ‘virtual’ walks to raise money and keep fit ever since. I just completed the 5km Bridge to Brisbane which was a fantastic milestone. On this journey I’ve lost weight and I’m feeling fitter than ever.

Leaving your home and neighbourhood and making that move to aged care is a major decision and can be a big adjustment; but once you’re here, what you do is up to you. I’ve been involved in setting up the raised garden beds and now water them daily. I’m also doing a computer course! I’ve had so much support from the staff and carers to follow my goals and am having the time of my life.

“Everyone looks after me here; they’re just wonderful. I have been here for three years and I have made beautiful friends who constantly keep me happy. It’s just such a nice and peaceful place to be.”

Norah, Cooper House resident
Your care and wellbeing is at the centre of everything we do. From the nursing staff to the members of our hospitality team, you will feel part of a **supportive community**.

**Health and Wellness**

Residents have access to Wesley Mission Queensland’s own on-site specialised residential aged care health and wellness professionals. This means that residents have convenient and timely access to services such as podiatry, physiotherapy, dietetics, occupational therapy and speech pathology.

This provides a streamlined approach for care, with specialists easily and confidentially able to communicate with nursing staff to tailor support to the individual needs of all residents.

**Lifestyle**

Moving to an aged care community doesn’t mean you can’t enjoy your previous hobbies and activities or begin new ones. You may be in new surroundings, but we understand the importance of maintaining your existing connections with family and friends and remaining active and social.

We have a dedicated team of leisure and lifestyle coordinators who are passionate about providing spontaneous and meaningful activities for residents to enjoy. While we encourage all residents to take part in the activities on offer, they are optional for residents to do as they please.

**Dining**

Our staff work alongside residents to provide quality meals to ensure that the dining experience is an enjoyable and social one. Chefs regularly meet with our dietitians, nutritionists and speech pathologists to ensure the best possible quality of food for residents.

We recognise that food is a powerful vehicle for sharing and for celebrating and plays an integral part of our lives. That’s why all our dining rooms are set up for social interactions between residents; we can also provide places for families and friends to join residents for a meal or for residents to enjoy a meal in the privacy of their room. Each home also has the ability to cater for specialised diets.

**Pastoral and Spiritual Care**

Our pastoral and spiritual care team offers comfort, hope and a listening ear to all residents, regardless of faith. Chaplains walk alongside residents, their families and the care and clinical staff to offer a holistic service that can include everything from weekly church services to therapy groups.

**Volunteering**

As we age, staying active and connected to your community is important. Volunteering is a great way to continue to meet new people and give back to the community. Our volunteers play a vital role in helping us improve the lives of people in need. Residents can access a number of different volunteering opportunities through Wesley Mission Queensland’s volunteer services team.

**WHAT TO EXPECT**

All of Wesley Mission Queensland’s aged care communities offer ageing in place, with staff able to provide responsive and flexible care in line with each resident’s changing needs. This means that residents are often able to receive further care without having to leave familiar surrounds.
Wheller Gardens, Chermside

Wheller Gardens is a thriving community hub with four aged care communities, a retirement village, corporate office, and an on-site cafe and chapel.

Opportunistically located in easy walking distance to public transport, the Westfield shopping centre, multiplex cinemas, restaurants and the Chermside RSL and library hub, Wheller Gardens also provides a convenient shuttle bus for regular outings.

All aged care communities on the site are also part of our Intergenerational Program with the co-located Little Marchant’s child care centre. Residents enjoy regular visits from the children that consist of singing, playing games and special events. The program is mutually beneficial, providing company and spontaneity for the residents and valuable interactions for the children.

We have aged care communities located across Brisbane.
Each has its own unique personality, caring and qualified staff, and active social calendar.

Parkview, Chermside

Parkview is a modern, award-winning residence. Recognised for its premiere architecture and sustainable design, Parkview boasts a beautiful open-plan layout in all 145 rooms and communal areas. The numerous large indoor/outdoor spaces dotted throughout the premises allow residents to relax and enjoy Queensland’s balmy climate all year round.

Parkview specialises in palliative care and is made up of four individual communities: Tamborine, Moreton, Fraser and Glasshouse.

There is a community space with an expansive balcony, a theatre, events room, chapel and family gathering spaces, and a cafe. As well as balconies attached to each community, many rooms overlook the landscaped gardens, which residents are encouraged to use at their leisure.

All rooms are equipped with air conditioning, phone connection, ensuite, built-in wardrobes and large windows with views over the peaceful Wheller Gardens community. Residents can access Wi-Fi anywhere throughout the home. Full laundry services are also available.
Emmaus Village, Chermside

Emmaus Village has offered generations of seniors a caring community in which to live.

Designed around five interconnected courts, Emmaus Village residents can feel a sense of space while being in a safe environment. Each court has its own dining room and communal area, creating a lovely close-knit community atmosphere.

Spacious sunlit verandahs, the private lounge and multipurpose community space, and landscaped gardens provide the perfect places to relax or spend time with family and friends.

All rooms are single and equipped with air conditioning, cabling for phone, chest of drawers, built-in wardrobe and dressing table. All rooms include a basin and toilet, with most courts also offering ensuite rooms. Residents can access Wi-Fi anywhere throughout the home. Full laundry services are also available.

St Mark’s, Chermside

St Mark’s boasts an old world charm. Residents are encouraged to bring their favourite ornament or knick-knack from home to add to a collection featured throughout the building. Personal touches such as these give residents the opportunity to make St Mark’s their home away from home.

St Mark’s is comprised of three houses; Church, Settlement and Jubilee, with a communal lounge and dining room in each. The homely lounge rooms are equipped with pianos, TV, DVD and stereo and allow residents to socialise together or host family and friends.

The spacious outdoor area at St Mark’s includes ample seating and a BBQ that can be used to entertain family and friends. This welcoming space also plays host to several St Mark’s events.

All rooms are equipped with air conditioning, phone connection, and a chest of drawers, with some double rooms available for couples. Residents can access Wi-Fi anywhere throughout the home. Full laundry services are also available.

Cooper House, Chermside

Cooper House was named after Mr and Mrs Sam and Lucy Cooper, the first people to make a donation to the vision of Wheller Gardens over 79 years ago. This is a fitting legacy for Cooper House, which prides itself on being a close-knit community with caring staff and volunteers.

Cooper House has 58 cozy rooms all with easy access to an expansive outdoor area with beautiful gardens, seating, a gazebo for entertaining visitors and a children’s play area.

A large communal lounge room overlooking the gardens, equipped with a piano, TV, DVD and stereo, encourages residents to socialise together or with family and friends. All rooms are equipped with air conditioning, phone connection and a chest of drawers. All rooms include a basin and toilet, with most courts also offering ensuite rooms. Residents can access Wi-Fi anywhere throughout the home. Full laundry services are also available.

Sinnamon Village, Sinnamon Park

Built in 1977 to cater for the growing demands of aged care in Brisbane’s western suburbs, the Sinnamon Village site in Sinnamon Park is a thriving community hub, known for providing high-quality care services.

The site comprises six aged care residences, supported accommodation apartments for young people living with a disability, a hydrotherapy pool and the Sinnamon Village Therapy Centre.

The leafy and quiet surrounds of the community, with safe walkways and gardens, mean residents can enjoy walks in the grounds and maintain their independence.

There is a wonderful sense of community and friendship within the village, with residents encouraged to attend weekly concerts and group activities.

Residents can enjoy all the benefits of being part of the wider Sinnamon Village community, which include: a GP clinic, coffee shop, library and club lounge, chapel, hair salon, expansive grounds and streamlined on-site residential health and wellness services.

The village is opportunely located in easy walking distance to the Sinnamon Park shopping hub, Jindalee Golf Club, Homemaker City Jindalee and DFO. There is a public bus stop within the grounds for convenient access to Brisbane city and surrounding areas.

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Reid Court, Sinnamon Park
Reid Court has its own dining room and two cosy lounge rooms with large windows looking out over the garden. There is a children’s play area with toys for visiting kids and grandchildren. There are two sunny enclosed balconies, where residents are encouraged to sit and relax or spend time with family and friends, and an inviting lounge room for social events. The 52 private rooms are equipped with air conditioning, phone connection, an ensuite, a chest of drawers and a built-in wardrobe. Residents can access Wi-Fi anywhere throughout the home. Full laundry services are also available.

Dovetree, Sinnamon Park
Nestled within the wider Sinnamon Village community, Dovetree offers 148 spacious suites, including single suites and superior suites. Taking the very best of everything we have learned through our 80 year history of aged care and incorporating it into the most up-to-date model, every suite has been designed with comfort and relaxation in mind. Dovetree consists of four separate wings – Riverhills, Brookfield, Bellbowrie, and Rosewood – named after surrounding Brisbane suburbs. Designed to create an intimate sense of community and to promote connectedness between residents, each wing has its own dining room, lounge room and outdoor garden for residents to enjoy together and with their loved ones. All rooms are equipped with a bed and bedside table, ensuite bathroom, air conditioning, built-in wardrobe, and armchair. Residents can access Wi-Fi anywhere throughout the home. Full laundry services are also available.

Nash Court, Sinnamon Park
Nash Court is situated close to Reid Court, with residents of both homes joining together to share in many activities. There are two large communal lounge rooms, equipped with a piano and entertainment system, which encourages residents to socialise together or enjoy concerts and activities. There is easy access to an outdoor gazebo for residents to spend time relaxing or joining family and friends for a leisurely cup of tea. All rooms are private and equipped with air conditioning, phone connection, an ensuite, a chest of drawers and a built-in wardrobe. Residents can access Wi-Fi anywhere throughout the home. Full laundry services are also available.

Knowles Court, Sinnamon Park
Knowles Court boasts lovely verandahs and outdoor areas for residents to spend time relaxing or visiting with family and friends. Residents share a dining room and two lounge rooms, complete with a piano and entertainment system, where residents gather to listen to concerts or enjoy happy hour. All rooms are single with ensuite and are equipped with air conditioning, phone connection, a chest of drawers, a built-in wardrobe and a dressing table. Residents can access Wi-Fi anywhere throughout the home. Full laundry services are available along with a resident laundry for those who prefer to do their own.
**Kentish Court, Sinnamon Park**

Kentish Court is a vibrant community that offers a variety of care and support options. The dining room and communal area create a lovely close-knit atmosphere for residents and are the perfect places to spend time with family and friends.

With a recently upgraded outdoor garden space, complete with an alfresco BBQ dining area, residents can enjoy potting their own plants and spending time outdoors.

All rooms are single and equipped with air conditioning, phone connection, an ensuite, a chest of drawers, a built-in wardrobe and dressing table. Residents can access Wi-Fi anywhere throughout the home. Full laundry services are also available.

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**Jacobs Court, Sinnamon Park**

Jacobs Court boasts a beautiful expansive garden and a covered entertaining area for residents to spend time relaxing or visiting with family and friends.

Large raised garden beds and two bird aviaries adorn the recently upgraded garden space, where residents can enjoy tending to their own herbs and plants, while remaining in a safe environment with shade protection from the sun.

Residents share a dining room that opens onto the garden and two large lounge rooms, complete with a piano and entertainment system, where residents gather to listen to concerts or enjoy happy hour.

All rooms are single and equipped with air conditioning, phone connection, an ensuite, a chest of drawers, a built-in wardrobe and dressing table. Residents can access Wi-Fi anywhere throughout the home. Full laundry services are also available.

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**Bethesda Caring Centre, Corinda**

With its shady Moreton Bay figs, vibrant jacarandas and walking path that takes in sweeping views of the Brisbane River, Bethesda is a place of natural beauty that has a proud history of nurturing generations of Queenslanders.

The main homestead spans across three units, each with its own spacious sitting room and dining room, some still with original features and fire places. The gated garden and outdoor areas allow for families to visit for a BBQ while grandchildren play safely. The large function room on the upper floor caters for concerts, private and community events and special family get togethers such as birthdays, anniversaries and Christmas dinners.

All rooms are equipped with air conditioning, phone connection and a chest of drawers. Some rooms offer ensuite bathrooms. Residents can access Wi-Fi anywhere throughout the home. Full laundry services are available, as well as a domestic washing machine for residents who prefer to do their own.

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**Anam Cara, Bray Park**

First aged care residence in Queensland awarded full Eden in Oz & NZ™ registration.

Set in the tranquil surrounds of leafy Bray Park in Brisbane’s north-west, Anam Cara, meaning ‘Soul Place,’ is an innovative and award-winning aged care community.

Built in 2002, Anam Cara is home to 105 residents who live across six custom-designed houses interconnected with outdoor walkways, filling them with ample natural light.

All houses are single storey, with their own private outdoor balcony and easy access to expansive outdoor gardens, where residents can entertain family and friends in the BBQ area and children’s playground.

All rooms are equipped with air conditioning, phone connection, an ensuite, a chest of drawers, a built-in wardrobe and dressing table. Residents can access Wi-Fi anywhere throughout the home. Full laundry services are also available.

On-site services include: a cafe, hair salon, chapel, community hall, outdoor entertaining area and a retreat where residents can take their family and friends for a more private visit.

Anam Cara is conveniently located close to many community amenities in Bray Park with a bus stop across the road and hotel and shopping centre nearby.
John Wesley Gardens, Geebung

John Wesley Gardens, located in Geebung on Brisbane’s north side, is an aged care community that champions natural light, spacious living areas and expansive gardens to provide a premiere lifestyle with tailored, flexible care.

Spacious single, double and superior suites have been designed with privacy, comfort and relaxation in mind. All are finished with quality fittings and fixtures including large windows, an ensuite, air conditioning, and Wi-Fi and phone connection. Full laundry services are also available.

Large entertaining areas provide the perfect setting to meet friends and family, while an onsite café, hair salon, day spa and library enhance the community lifestyle. Residents also enjoy meals prepared by John Wesley Gardens’ dedicated chef.

John Wesley Gardens’ varied social calendar and scheduled outings offer an exciting program of events in line with the Eden Alternative philosophy of care, which promotes loving companionship, empowerment and joyful experiences.

We walk alongside people in need offering care and compassion and promoting choice, independence and community wellbeing.”

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