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Vision: Loving God, Loving Each Other, Loving Lost People

ABC NEWS



ABC ONLINE – TWICE A WEEK – EVERY WEEK

Have you ever heard the phrase: 'Elvis has left the building?' How about, *'Church* has left the building!' I want to say today, that we may not be in a building anymore, but we are still church, because it is nothing to do with buildings in a way. The Church is the people. Church is when just two are gathered in his name, and actually, we are all Church if we are believers, because we belong to each other and to the Lord!

This weekend we take a break from our normal pattern as we invited you to contribute to our "Open Sunday Service". I am pleased to say that we had a number of responses which are included in today's service and even enough for a second service that will take place on July 1st. My message today very much fits with other things shared, too. The focus I have for my short contribution today, is Joshua 1, and the famous v9...

'Have I not commanded you? Be strong and courageous. Do not be terrified; do not be discouraged, for the LORD your God will be with you wherever you go.'

Simon.

Our online services

Our Sunday morning service will go "live" at 6pm on a Saturday evening. However, if possible, we would like you to join us on Sunday in prayer at around 10.20am before watching the service at 10.30am as normal. Please pray for your church family and for all the frontline workers who are keeping us going in these difficult times. Please pray too for our prime minister and the cabinet who have the unenviable task gradually easing lockdown. It is becoming clear that, as the lockdown continues, people will become more agitated, so, as we said last week, we need to keep our eyes firmly fixed on Jesus.

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In our midweek service this week we will conclude a series entitled, "Guarding your heart." This week's message, "Following the heart of God, will be brought to us by Clive and is based on 1 Samuel 13:14 & Acts 13:22. In this talk, Clive will be asking us to think carefully about our personal values. What do you regard as the most important thing in your life? the thing that consumes your thoughts, your time, and your energy. For many people it is a job, a house, a hobby, or a person – maybe for you it is your children or grandchildren or just being healthy, comfortable, and happy. Now there is nothing wrong with any of those things in themselves but are any of them really the most important thing for us to focus our hearts on? Don't miss final episode in this important series! This will go live at 6pm on Tuesday

If you missed any of earlier services these can be viewed online services by going to http://www.aldwickbaptist.co.uk/latest-news/online-sermons

SERMON' NOTES – Over the weekend, we will be emailing the notes from Simon's talk today and from last week together with the news sheet. If you don't have an email address, then we will be hand delivering both the news sheet and the notes to you early next week.

PLEASE JOIN SIMON FOR PRAYER - On Monday, Simon intends to pray for the church at 9.30am. He would like us all to set this time apart to join him in prayer before he sets out on his rounds.

FRIDAY NIGHT IS QUIZ NIGHT – Every Friday at 7.15pm, Jon Robinson (my son) is organising a quiz through his church website and on Facebook. It lasts around 20 minutes and is really good fun. If you want to take part then join via www.stjohnssouthbourne.com or through the We Love Southbourne Facebook page (facebook.com/welovesouthbourne). Derek

JUST TO CLARIFY – Although the latest advice from the government says that churches can now open for individual prayer from Monday 15th June, we will not be doing so. As Baptists we believe that we can pray anywhere and indeed we urge you to do that. Your safety remains our top priority.

CELEBRATING BIRTHDAYS – Even in isolation, don't let us miss your birthday! So, if you know of any pending birthdays, just let me know. This week will be celebrating Mavis's birthday on the 21st, Marie Stoneham's and George Wood's on the 26th.

SO HERE WE GO WITH OUR WEEK FIVE (in isolation) BIRTHDAYS

HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO MAVIS (21st), MARIE (26th) & GEORGE (26th)



Our resident poet

This is the time of the year when my brother died in very tragic circumstances. They had a memorial service at his church in London, so that many people got up to speak about him. If you are feeling sad today, I wrote this poem for you – because I know how you feel. Arthur

"NEVER SAY GOODBYE AGAIN"

So many times, we have to say,
"Goodbye" along the way;
How we longed for them to stay.
We hold on to all the memories
Of times we shared;
And Lord how much we cared.
Every moment was so precious
When we look back over the years;
All the laughter, joy and tears.
But Lord, how wonderful that
we have the assurance of life to be.
Together again in eternity.
In that place; away from sorrow and pain
Where we will never say "Goodbye" again.

Arthur McGee

URGENT PRAYER REQUESTS - If you have, or know of, an urgent need for prayer in the coming week then please contact Simon as first responder. He will then activate the prayer chain as appropriate.

URGENT PRAYER REQUEST 1 – George's wife Eileen has had a breakdown this week and is currently in hospital for assessment. Please pray for a swift diagnosis and correct treatment for Eileen. Please also pray for George who is naturally very concerned.

GOOD NEWS – This week, we heard from Katrina that Michelle is in recovery from her mental stress and has been physically checked over and is fine. She is now back home with Daniel and they are both beginning to recover. Rosanne wants to thank all those who prayed for her and the family last week (which was one of their most stressful) but would like to remain in people's thoughts and prayers.

URGENT PRAYER REQUEST 2 – Maureen Jones who has ongoing problems with her legs which are continually weeping and very painful. She can't get down the steps into her garden so is stuck indoors. Please pray for relief and the correct treatment for her problems.

URGENT PRAYER REQUEST 3 – Marie Stoneham has to go to Southampton hospital on Friday (her birthday) for investigations into a lump in her tummy that has appeared since her last operation. Please pray for a speedy diagnosis, correct treatment and healing.

PLEASE CONTINUE TO PRAY FOR – Mary Edwards, John and Michelle Crane, Kate Moss, Joy Smith, Pam Brown, Stella Filby, Joan Brett, Joy Puffett, Marion Bryant, Pat and Mick Parker, Val Collett, Pam Ryan, Tony Brock, George Woods, Sid Evans, and for any others in our fellowship who are unwell at this time.

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