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

ABC NEWS

Aldwick Baptist Church



Sunday 16th May 2021

ABC ONLINE – TWICE A WEEK – EVERY WEEK

Following the Government's current guidelines and the subsequent advice from the Baptist Union, the church is now **open** for Sunday worship. We do, however, still need to follow the current restrictions which means, social distancing, masks, sanitiser, no singing and restricted numbers. We are restricted to 35 worshippers (more details inside). As numbers are restricted, we will be continuing with our online services on Sundays and Wednesdays. This Sunday, Simon returns to our series based on the "Names of God". This week we reach the sixth in the series and Simon's talk is entitled, "Names of God VI – Yahweh Bore". Through this series we will not only be looking at the different names of God but also how they reveal more of God's character and point us towards our response to His promptings. Derek

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 click here to go directly to the current service page. You can then watch the entire service through the without interruption by following the simple instructions on that page.

In our midweek series this week we continue with our 13 part series entitled, "Unstoppable – A journey through the Book of Acts". In this series we will be considering God's plans for His church and asking, "Why do we do what we do?" and "Is this what God wants us to do?"

This week Derek will be bringing us part 5 entitled "Extraordinary through the ordinary". This week's message covers the whole of Acts chapter 8 and so you may find it helpful to read through this chapter before the service.

This service can be accessed using the same link as above from 4pm on Tuesday.

THE CHURCH IS NOW OPEN FOR SUNDAY MORNING WORSHIP - We are now open for Sunday morning worship but still under the current restrictions which means, social distancing, masks, sanitiser, no singing and restricted numbers. We will be restricted to 35 worshippers, so, if you wish to attend, you have to **reserve a place**. As before, I really need a reply from everyone indicating whether they want to be classed as HOME or CHURCH. Unfortunately, we will not be able to admit anyone who is not on the list. This is for the safety of us all. If more than 35 want to come, then we will simply take the first 35 positive responses. As before please do not congregate in the car before or after the service. Current covid restrictions are still in force although the number of cases in this area is falling. The church remains closed for all other activities. We are monitoring the both the Government's and the Baptist Union's guidance as to when this may change. We just ask that you remain patient and vigilant for the time being. Derek.

STELLA – As most of you will know Stella Filby died peacefully last Sunday night. Stuart and Joyce spent two hours with his mum yesterday afternoon and sang, "Faithful One" to her. Stella raised her hands in joy. Please thank God for Stella's life and do pray for Stuart, Joyce and their family and friends. Stella's funeral will be held at 11.00am on 24th May at Chichester Crematorium - restricted numbers will still apply and so if you want to go, please contact Stuart.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY WISHES – To Emily Brown whose birthday is today. Do thank include Emily in your prayer this week. If you would like to share your birthday details with us then please contact Lynne Allard (265360) who is acting as our birthday monitor! If you want details of the BMS birthday scheme then please contact Brenda (265984).

THIS WEEK'S POEM

Even when you are having one of those moment's that bring a tear to your eyes or when you can't help yourself from smiling, the good news is that God sees it all and is right besides you because, "Our God is everywhere".

"Our God is everywhere"

I see God's face
In a beautiful day.
I see His joy
In a child at play.
I see His wonder
In the stars at night.
I see His freedom
In the birds in flight.
I see His love
In a mother's eyes.
I see His glory
In the golden sunrise.
I say His beauty
In a kingfisher's wings.
I feel His peace
When the Blackbird sings
Oh, what joy it brings
When I see all these things
Yes, I see our God
In all creation.
His almighty power
Beyond imagination.

Arthur McGee

ENCOURAGEMENT FOR PRAYERS AND SUPPORTS OF BMS.

It is encouraging to read that BMS has been much blessed by God in that it has far exceeded its targets for over the last five years in Health Matters by 307%, in Supporting Leaders and their Ministries by 291%, and in Development (health, hygiene, microloans, crop-growing, chicken-rearing and the supply of clean water and solar energy) by 153%. Successes were also above target for Emergency Relief, for Evangelism/Church-Planting as well as for Education, providing education for disadvantaged children, including refugees. Justice was also provided for more than 92,000 people, including sexually exploited women, who learnt new skills, and children vulnerable to abuse and imprisonment.

Baptist World Alliance, including BMS, did much to encourage the distribution of safe and effective Covid vaccines at cost price around the world. Barbara.

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THIS WEEK'S NEW PRAYER REQUESTS

- Shibali's father who had improved following our prayers, has been taken back into hospital with further COVID complications. He is now on oxygen. Please pray for healing and God's peace of mind for the family.
- Margaret Vincent has been having problems her left eye and now has to have an urgent operation in the next two weeks. After that she needs toi have another two operations to have cataracts removed from both eyes. Please pray that this all goes to plan and for the Lord to give Margaret peace of mind.
- Rosanne's brother in law Donald Gould was taken in to hospital earlier this week following a possible breakdown. Please prayer for an accurate diagnosis, correct treatment and healing.
- Rosanne also needs prayer as she had to decide whether to make claims for compensation following the death of her husband. Please pray for the Lord's guidance. Rosanne also has a new mobile number 07738544064.
- Pam Ryan is still in hospital and has been suffering from low blood pressure. Can you please pray for a correct and speedy diagnosis, correct treatment, peace of mind and healing?
- Eve Williams has now back at home at the Royal Garden Hotel with two black eyes and a cut on her forehead following a fall. She is now having to quarantine for 14 days. Please pray her ongoing recovery.
- Mavis Eede has had her scan but not the results. She remains a little bit apprehensive and has been told to do nothing but rest. Please pray for peace of mind and a positive outcome.

PLEASE ALSO CONTINUE TO PRAY FOR –Kay and Ken Tucker, Janet Sprules, Marion Bryant, Vivienne Newman, Hilary Naesmith, Jean Shaw, Mick Parker, Michelle and Jon Crane, Arthur and Eileen McGee, Chris Grant, Mary Edwards, Kate Moss, Joan Brett, Val Collett and for any others in our fellowship who are unwell at this time.

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