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

ABC NEWS



Sunday 23rd July 2023

Series: The Unveiling

The Unveiling - Revolutionary

John 2:12-25

Simon Downing

TODAY'S WORSHIP SERVICE – This morning Clive will be leading worship and Simon will be bringing our third message in our series, "The Unveiling", based on the book of John. Simon's talk is entitled, "The Unveiling - Revolutionary" based on John 2:12-25. In contrast to our earlier talks in this series, today we see a different side to Jesus as he turns over the tables in the Temple. Today we will meet *Jesus the Revolutionary.*

Of course, we do hope you can join us for the service in the church but if you can't actually join us, you will be able to access the service at any time by going to: **http://www.aldwickbaptist.co.uk/category/current-sermons.**

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING – We will be meeting together on Thursday at 7 pm in the church for our annual general meeting. This is a very important meeting, and we do urge you to attend if you are able. Among other things, there will be the election of deacons and approval sort for the annual accounts. These have already been emailed to everyone on our database. If you do not have internet access and would like a summary document, then do ask me for a copy. Derek.

JOAN BRETT - As most of you will know from last week's news sheet, Joan Brett recently died. There will be a service of thanksgiving for her life here on Wednesday 2nd August at 2.30 pm. You are all invited to join the family in this celebration. Joan's funeral will be taking place in Hampshire.

BECKY SEAL – Many of you will remember Becky as a member of our Girls' Brigade and as a worshipper here for many years. Mavis tells us that Becky has been diagnosed with bowel cancel, and had an operation on 8th June when a large tumour was removed and a stoma bag fitted. She is taking one day at a time and receiving Chemotherapy regularly. Please do pray for Becky's ongoing health and peace of mind. Derek

CHILDREN'S WORKERS NEEDED – We urgently need a new team of workers for our young people as Liz feels it is time for her to step down. Can you help with this essential ministry? Please speak to Simon or one of the leadership team if you want to know more. Of course, we also need to say a big thank you to Liz for her sterling work over many years.

CRAFT GROUP - The Craft group will be having a break throughout August. Our final meeting will be on Monday 31st July and we will return on Monday 4th September. Tricia.

TRICIA RICHARDSON – Unfortunately Tricia tripped over in the garden and has broken two bones in her left wrist. She has to back to the hospital on Monday for more x-rays and then have the wrist replastered on Wednesday. Please thank God that the injury wasn't worse and do pray for healing and peace of mind.

THIS WEEK'S POEM

This week we return to Arthur for another one of his inspiring poems. In his poem today, Arthur points us to a glorious future promised to all who call on Jesus as their Lord and Saviour. A time when we will be with our Lord forever more.

To be with Him

How awesome the wonder of creation.
God's power beyond imagination.

How can we take for granted,
The wonders all around?
From the very smallest creature
To the universe unbound.

The miracle of creation
In everything we see.
How great is our creator,
What a wonderful God is He.

He made us in His image,
Self-aware and free.
So we can choose to be with Him
For all eternity.

Arthur Magee

NEWS FROM SAT 7 - **"**Christian churches were everywhere, and they were working silently," says Melih Ekener, Executive Director of SAT-7 TÜRK. *"Even the Christians who had barely survived, even the ones who had lost their family… They had forgotten their own pain and were just focused on helping their neighbours. This was an amazing witness."* Many viewers are still reaching out to SAT-7 for prayer and to the viewer support and counselling team months later.

NEWS FROM BARNABAS FUND - Meanwhile Barnabas Aid continues to help refugees fleeing from unrest in Sudan into such as South Sudan and Egypt with a simple act of kindness. "Many Sudanese men, women and children have escaped from persecution, war and poverty in Sudan," said our project partner in Egypt. "This relatively small addition to the joy of their Sunday worship services was appreciated highly."

What is this small addition? A simple sandwich lunch for Sudanese believers after their Sunday worship. This is one of the reasons we support Barnabas Fund.

AND FINALLY

BRAD – Two updates from Glad. On Monday, "Brad has now been moved to Appledram ward as that is for cancer patients and they are going to do loads more tests. There is some concern about his kidneys so on an intravenous fluid drip". On Thursday, "They are moving Brad yet again to Witterings Ward. They are sending all Haematology patients to Worthing hospital but as Brad isn't receiving any chemo treatment at the moment he is being classed as Medical. Their aim is to get him back on his feet and mobile to then be sent home. He still has the infection but they don't know its source. We appreciate the prayer support and so grateful to be part of God's family". Please continue to pray for both Brad and Glad at this very difficult time. Derek.

ANDRE GAUDOIN – A update from Heather, 'Andre was discharged back to his home last Friday evening. Claire and I saw him on Saturday and he was in good spirits and ready to go shopping. His speech still isn't quite right and he needed a little support walking, but was much improved. Thank you to everyone for their prayers and support.' Heather.

Please continue to pray for Andre and that he settles back into his routine quite quickly. Please also continue tom pray for Heather as she is still waiting for the date of her operation to be finalised.

MOLLY HAWKINS – Molly has asked us to pray for her and specifically that her troublesome hip doesn't give way completely. It is gradually crumbling away and Molly doesn't know how she could manage without it. She already has great difficulty in moving around and has to have help at home to help her cope.

PRAYER POINTERS – Please continue to pray for David Hanchard, Haze Lodge, Ian Surrell, Brian Calvert, Pam Ryan, Marion Bryant, Kay Tucker, Sandra Field, Jon Crane, Mary Bullock, Mavis Eede and Katrina Gould. Pray too for others who are in need of prayer and for our friends in the local nursing homes.

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