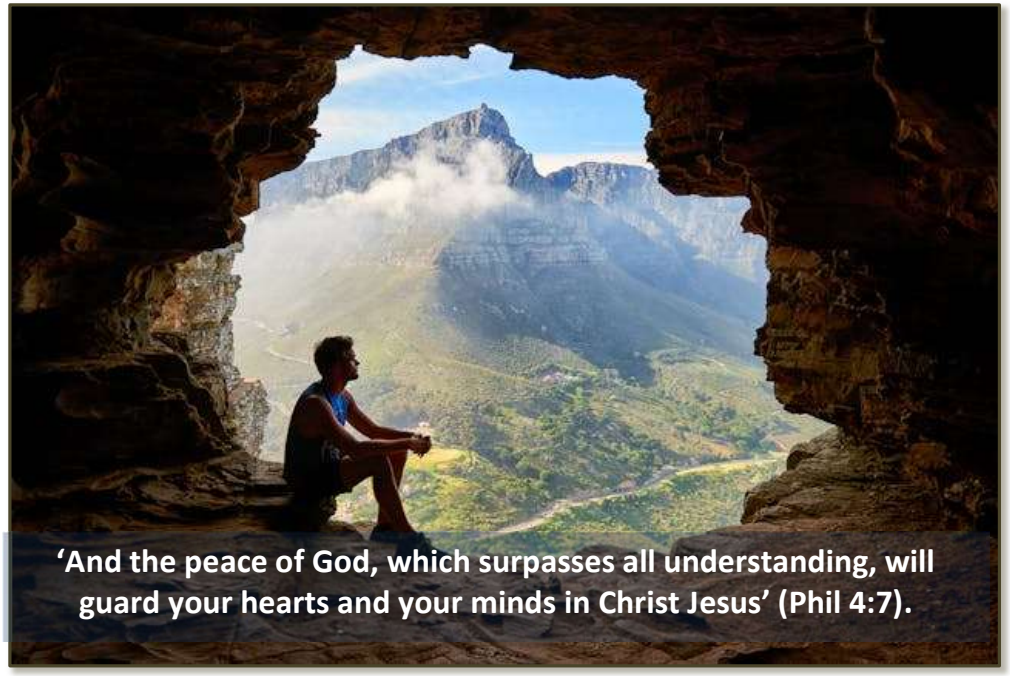
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ABC NEWS



Sunday 1st December 2024

Series: Advent 2024

The Prince of Peace - Peace in a troubled world

Isaiah 11:1-10

Clive Bennett

TODAY'S WORSHIP SERVICE – Today is the second Sunday in Advent as we continue to look forward to Jesus' birth**.** Simon will be leading Brenda's band before Clive brings God's word to us today. The title of Clive's talk is 'Prince of Peace: peace in a troubled land.' 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: https://www.aldwickbaptist.co.uk/category/current-sermons.

CHRISMAS IS COMING 1 – Don't miss out on the joys of Christmas



CHRISTMAS IS COMING 2 - We would like ABC to help provide 3 Christmas hampers for CAP (Christians Against Poverty) clients by latest Sunday 15th December to show our love to them. Please put items in the box provided in the foyer. The suggested items are: Sweet biscuits, Savoury biscuits, Nice family cake, Tinned fruit, Custard, Tinned meat, Mince Pies, Trifle (boxed), Crisps, Tinned salmon or tuna, Christmas crackers, Stuffing, Fruit juice, Tea and/or coffee, Jam and/or marmalade. **BUT** no alcohol or "value" food please. Thanking you in anticipation. Polly

CHRISTMAS IS COMING 3 – to Eastergate Village Hall on 21st December at 7pm. With songs, carols, videos, readings and a seasonal quiz. There's something for everyone to enjoy. Plus refreshments during the interval – and it is all free. Come and enjoy the true joy of the season. Organised by Westergate Christian Fellowship. For further details check the website www.westergatefellowship.co.uk or phone 01243 263821

PLEASE NOTE THESE NEW NUMBERS - Simon Downing (07411 919928); Church office (07743 257860)

This week's poem

This week Arthur's poem reminds that life is a gift of immense value and that we should treasure every moment of it while we still can.

The Gift of Life

How I would like to take that road home
To how life used to be.
Just to see once more the loved ones
Who meant so much to me.
To play once more in those fields of green
And to fish in that peaceful stream.
So wonderful to be free
With no heavy burdens of responsibility.
So many new songs to be sung
In that wonderful world when I was young.
'Thank you, Lord' for the gift of life,
Of all those memories gone by.
So many that made me happy
But some that made me cry.
It so amazing to comprehend
That I will spend forever
With my Lord, my master,
But most of all my friend.

Arthur Magee

SEBA HOME MISSION FOCUS FOR NOVEMBER 2024 - Every month we receive a Home Mission Focus from Paul Kerley which is usually in the form of a short video from one of our Home Mission supported churches. This month the SEBA Focus is on Westvale Community Church, where their minister in training is Miranda Odysseos-Beaumont . The Link for the video on the SEBA Web Site is https://www.seba-baptist.org.uk/?show_media=333566&show_file=374007
YouTube Link - https://youtu.be/8CNmPffu7CE

SIMON DOWNING – Simon is now going through a phased return to work under guidelines given to us by the Baptist Union. This means that he will gradually take on more responsibilities as his strength and his health improves. Please do not add any extra burdens into Simon during this period.

FIRST RESPONDER –I will continue to act as first responder for the time being, so please don't try to contact him, instead contact me in the case of problems.

... and finally

Prayer Board

Please pray for little Mabel who is two.
She is the great niece of one of the Mum's, Tracey, from Toddler Time.
Mabel, who lives in America, has been found to have two cancerous tumours on her liver.
She is having chemotherapy in order to shrink the tumours before they operate.
Pray for her and her parents, pray that her treatment and care bring about a positive outcome.

Please continue to pray for Frank who has really been unwell for several weeks now. Pray for an accurate diagnosis, correct medication and healing. Pray too that Frank will soon be able to return to his ministry in our local schools.

Please pray for Peter and Joyce Kaufman as they struggle to cope with the recent death of their son, Paul. Pray too for their own health as they have both been unwell for sometime.

Please continue to pray for Sheila's granddaughter Lara who is in great pain at the moment. Please pray for pain relief and healing.

Please pray too for Molly Hawkins, Mary Bullock, Pam McClaren, Val Colette, Mo Howland, Arthur Magee, Vivienne Newman, Hazel Bell - all of whom need our prayers. Do thank God that Simon has been able to rejoin us in church. Do pray for a gradual return to full health.