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Verse for the Year: 'Enlarge the place of your tent, stretch your tent curtains wide, do not hold back; lengthen your cords, strengthen your stakes' - Isaiah 54:2

News Sheet - 14.3.2021 - Mothering Sunday



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We welcome you to our service this morning which is held on zoom. Paul will be bringing us God's word this morning and we will be looking at Romans 15

Log in meeting ID - 87015605160 Passcode - 606355

Services during March:-

March 21^{st} - Mark McAllister - Luke 6 v 27-36 March 28^{th} - Paul Smith - Matthew 5 v 11

Bring a Brew:-

Our next Bring a Brew will be held on Tuesday, 16th March 2.30p.m. - 3.30p.m. Make a cuppa and come and share a time together. How about inviting a friend or neighbour who might be lonely to join the session.

Zoom Log in details - Meeting ID - 821 0340 9922 Passcode - brew

If you would like to make a direct payment/donation/standing order to the church, the church account details are:Sort code: 30-99-08 A/c No: 22019560. If you are able to Gift Aid your donation, this would add 25% to your giving at no extra cost to you, please contact the Treasurer or the Church Office (office@wymondhambaptist.org).

Please remember in your prayers, thoughts and actions:-



Jane and David, Dave and Ann and family, Jenni and family, Gill, Jean, and Alan and Rose. Please continue to remember in your prayers the Youth Alpha course and the young people attending.

Pray for all children now back at school. Pray for wisdom for the leadership teams in schools as they support children who are struggling with their mental health. Pray for families who continue to have to isolate.

Calling all members of our Youth Church -

This week's question:-What is the Sunday before Easter called?



Answers to last week's question: -How many days in Lent? - 40 days

Why do we give eggs at Easter?

When does Lent Start and End in 2021? - February 17 to April 3

MISSION NEWS:-

Covid vaccines......confession and action!



Last Thursday, my brother WhatsApped to tell me that he had a date for his Covid vaccine. I was thrilled but, just for a split second, I thought, 'He's 2 years younger than me....I should have mine first'. What selfishness!!

So this week I'm sharing 2 outreach projects that are a bit different and which have been on my mind. Thank you to Christine, Cathy and Jane for passing on the information.

One is a Unicef project called 'Help Deliver History' and the other is a petition organized by UK Christians. Both are working towards ensuring that EVERYONE has equal access to the Covid vaccine, no matter where in the world they live. Please take a few moments to read through the information and decide if it something that you feel you can support.



COVID-19 VACCINES:HELP DELIVER HISTORY

Join Unicef's critical mission

The plan is ambitious. The scale and speed – unprecedented.

Covid-19 is the biggest global crisis since World War Two. And children won't be safe until everyone they rely on is safe.

With your support, Unicef will deliver 2 billion Covid-19 vaccines for health workers and the most high risk people on our planet.

From buying and transporting supplies through to administering the vaccine, you'll help deliver history. Your donation will ensure:

- vaccines get to even the most remote places in the world
- vaccines are safely stored using cold chain equipment
- health workers are protected and trained to vaccinate their communities

Donate now and help protect health workers in low- and middle-income countries. Your gift of £44 could transport 25 doses of Covid-19 vaccines.

To donate: go to www.unicef.org.uk

CAMPAIGN FOR A COVID-FREE WORLD



A campaign for a fairer future

Will you join us in fighting for a Covid-free world? Head to www.covidfreeworld.org.uk to sign the petition now.

Along with Baptists Together, the Baptist Union of Wales, the Baptist Union of Scotland, and together with the 241 member bodies of the Baptist World Alliance, we're petitioning the UK Government and governments worldwide to help make the Covid-19 vaccine easily accessible across the globe.

By signing, you will:

- join a movement of UK Christians whose signatures will go to 10 Downing Street, calling
 for the Government to take on the <u>four justice steps</u> outlined in the petition. We'll also
 provide you with prayer points and other opportunities to make a practical difference.
- add your support to the Baptist World Alliance's (BWA) petition calling for action from world governments, and thus stand in solidarity with the BWA family of over 47 million global Baptists.



Family Fun Quiz via Zoom

Date: Saturday 20th March Time: 6.00 – 7.00 pm

(log-in from 5.45pm)

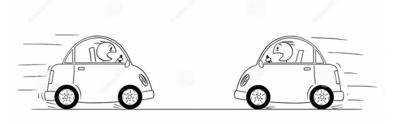
Entry: FREE

Numbers per team: up to 5 people

If you can, please register/ show interest by the Monday 15th March: email Nicki Waterworth on nickiwaterworth@gmail.com or phone on 07854 452093

There is a Kett's Book voucher for the winning team For any further information please contact Nicki as above

Annual Reports - If you are responsible for an annual report please make sure it is sent to the Office ASAP and certainly by the end of March. Thank you.



Thought for the Week - Faith!

The other day I was driving along the main road at about 50mph and coming towards me was a car travelling at a similar speed. Quickly doing my maths I realised we were closing in at 100mph. Well, at that speed you can imagine the damage done if we weren't each driving on the correct side of the road!

My mind then wandered a little and I thought about faith. When you think about it we all exercise faith every day. We press the switch and we have faith that the light will come on. Train journeys and bus trips are the same. We have faith in the driver to take us where we want to go. Imagine the No. 3 or No. 6 bus saying it was going to Norwich and then going the other way to Kings Lynn. No, we have faith, so we get on and trust the driver.

It seems funny that we have faith in people that we don't even know and trust them with our lives, yet the question came to me, how strong is my faith in God. Do I put my faith solely in Him and trust Him with the whole of my life? I should do that, because, as Jesus said, "I am the Way, the Truth and the Life". There is no other way to dwell with the Father and as the Bible also says in 1 Peter 1:21 "Through Jesus you believe in God, who raised Him from the dead and glorified Him and so your faith and hope are in God". And so, I know where I'm putting my faith, what about you?

MISSION FOCUS - MARCH - OUR YOUTH

Father God,



We bring the youth of WBC to you as they develop spiritually, mentally, emotionally and physically.

Father draw close to them as they come to know you more and grow in their faith.

We pray that they would boldly share Jesus with their friends and that the relationships built during the early stages will continue to build in future years. Father help those entering their teenage years to find the answers to their questions and walk their journey with their eyes fixed on you. We pray for authentic, lasting heart transformation in the lives of the children of the church. Father we bring all those involved with the youth ministry to you, we pray for wisdom and guidance from the Holy Spirit as they seek to be spiritual leaders. We also pray for the parents, that in the busyness of life, they would make church a priority in their family's life. Father God, help us all as a fellowship to understand the importance of our witness to the youth, recognising that we all have a role to play.

In Jesus name Amen



BOOK SWAP – If you have run out of things to read or fancy something different, Rose is offering a book swap service as she has a lot of books in her garage!! Please contact Rose on 01953 605990 to arrange a Covid-safe exchange.

Do you have something you would like to share - any ideas to share, please let us have your thoughts and contributions, so that we can support and encourage one another.





Thank you to all who completed the Skills Survey. There was a good return. The results of the surveys are being collated and analysed. Paul and the Leadership Team will give a broad feedback at the April Annual Church Meeting.

How the NHSCFA protects the NHS and its patients

The Covid-19 pandemic has been extremely tough on the NHS, and to make matters worse there's been a surge in attempted fraud affecting not just the NHS, but the wider health sector and the general publix. The NHS Counter Fraud Authority (NHSCFA) is tasked with overseeing, preventing and investigating fraud and other crimes against health services, and has assessed that **the NHS vulnerability to fraud, bribery and corruption is an annual £1.21bn.**

So, it's vital for staff, temp workers, contractors and you to know what NHS fraud looks like and how you can report and escalate your concerns. Check out the NHS Fraud guidance website.

Stay safe.

Which scam alert team



Shift into Neutral

Before our Polish friends took over the Car Wash, a man waiting in front of me was on a mission, he strode around his car to check nothing would snag the high powered rolling brushes. He then

pulled onto the automated track where he left his automatic car in Drive. The attendant shouted "Neutral... Neutral.." but the man's windows were up. Needless to say he zipped through the car wash in 4 seconds flat, his car barely got wet. Why is time in Neutral necessary for Driven people???

A mini thought in light of the Cards and Hugs boxes which were started through 'Bring a Brew' - "Creativity is to glorify God and help others."

And another - "When you see a Bible, look at it like this - "The Bible is a love letter, written to YOU, by God."