



*“Truly he is my rock and my salvation;
he is my fortress, I shall not be shaken.”*



Psalm 62 verse 6

Sunday 21st February 2021

10:30 am Worship Service. Focus is on the life of Jacob, in Genesis chapters 28 to 30
11:45 am Eagles meet on Zoom - Look out for the link being sent round.

Zoom will be open from 10:00 a.m. Afterwards we will, as last week, have the option of joining others in chat rooms of about 4-5.

Here are the options:

1. Join us on Zoom. **Meeting ID: 816 7951 5569 Password: 956671**
2. Watch the recording later in the week, available later from our website via the 'online service' green button.

If you know of anyone outside of KCBC who joins us, please let them know about the recording or alternatively invite them by passing on the Zoom details. If you need help, please contact one of the tech team, who will be delighted to assist you - David B, Darren, Jack, Phil, Nick, Richard.

Prayer chain

Nat Bond 01626 366668 email: natfromfife@gmail.com

If you are not on the chain at the moment, would like to put things on the prayer chain or would like to be involved please talk to Nat.



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Facebook group: KCBC at home

KCBC Whatsapp Group OYOT if you would like to join please let Mark know.



Please remember our diary in your daily prayer

We are unable to meet to worship until we have the all clear but here is the virtual diary for this week.
There may be things added so keep an eye on your e-mail, and the KCBC at home Facebook group.

Tuesday 23rd February

10:30am KCBC Coffee Morning via zoom
Meeting ID: 889 1314 1548 Passcode: 410040

Wednesday 24th February

7:00pm Baptist Union Prayers online
7:30pm Musungwa homegroup meeting via Zoom to study Word Lyfe: Mission Possible
7:45pm Long Barton homegroup meeting via Zoom to study John
8:00pm Rundle Road homegroup meeting via Zoom

Sunday 28th February

10:30am Worship service

From David

We have been warned, many times. 'We' being Christians who preach in church regularly or occasionally. And warned by Bible Colleges, books on preaching and speakers at conferences. And warned, well, not to end every sermon telling people to read their Bibles and pray more. There is more to the Christian life than that and anyway, the more you say it the less likely people are pray and read.

Still, read your Bible and pray more. However tired we are of hearing it, and however bad we are at doing it, they remain key ways of sustaining a vibrant Christian life. I know you can know your Bible off by heart and pray lots and still be an awful Christian. But if you want to have a regular encounter with the Living God, these are staples. You learn from the Word, you express yourself in prayer. So let's do it – tomorrow.

But if you want to start now, you can do no harm in making it simple. How about the Lord's Prayer as your prayer time, and the Bible from one of those 'verse a day' calendars or an app. Time isn't the issue, is it? It's the habit. Get a habit.

I have been warned. I have not heeded the warning this time. So tell me if you have managed to pick up the habit this time and I won't mention it again.



Therefore encourage one another and build each other up, just as in fact you are doing” 1 Thess. 5:11

We need to encourage each other and stay connected.

Do you have a Bible verse, poem, passage or song or any of the following?

Something you are thankful for. Something that has made you laugh.

If you have found something online that would be a good resource for us please share.

If you don't feel comfortable sharing in "person" this may be the way for you to encourage others. *Sarah*

Thank you to Sue Furness for the following

For Every Action There is a Reaction

In our last newsletter, we are given chapter 6 verses 19-21 of Matthew's gospel which talks about where to store up our treasures, and that made me think. As a believer, I want to understand more about what it is that I believe in. As Christians we can take the bible on face value, or we can dig around to get a better understanding of its history and deeper meaning. Lately, I have been listening to a BBC radio series that uncovers the Bible through its historical journey. Clearly, it didn't just appear in all its formats and various translations.

By the age of 14, I had left school, so I never really learnt history. Now it excites me. In Vietnam, a Sri Lankan family employed me to help their son with his homework. He was a student at the British International School in Ho Chi Minh City, and through those homework tasks I learnt about the Romans, the American Civil War, Emancipation and Civil Rights, and Medieval England. Because I had studied the history of mathematics as an undergraduate, I discovered the period known as the Enlightenment and found it fascinating. Equally as fascinating is the preceding period, known as the *Dark Ages*, a period that affected most of the then civilised world.

After the fall of the Roman Empire (around 500 AD) Feudalism became the dominant political system. The *feudal system* of labour hindered upward social mobility, which basically means that poor people had very little opportunity to improve their condition in life. Unable to read the scriptures for himself, the common man was forced to rely on the church's interpretation of the divine message, meaning that religious superstition was widespread.

By the middle ages, circa 900 AD, the bible had been translated into Latin, the language of the people. Later, Latin became the language that only educated people knew, so a change happened in 1387. Under the leadership of John Wyclif, a group known as *the Lollards* produced the first English translation of the bible.

As contemporary English scholars and philosophers began to reason about what it means “to be” ... to be alive, to be human, so the common person, now able to read the bible for themselves, felt released from restrictive doctrines and developed a personal view of salvation. Wyclif himself asserted that every man had a right to a direct, personal relationship with God, through the bible, and went on to denounce the church’s monopoly on the interpretation of scripture.

The social and cultural changes as a direct result of this reforming movement was perceived as threatening to the established order. In the middle ages, the established order was the closely intertwined church and state. Not only did this cost Wyclif his job at Oxford¹ but also, brought about the Suppression of Heresy Act, of 1414. The Act made heresy² an offence. It also enacted that:

Whoever should read the Scriptures in English (which was then called Wyclif’s Learning) should forfeit land, cattle, goods, and life, and be condemned as heretics to God, enemies to the crown, and traitors to the kingdom; that they should not have the benefit of any sanctuary, though this was a privilege then granted to the most notorious malefactors; and that, if they continued obstinate, or relapsed after pardon, they should first be hanged for treason against the king, and then burned for heresy against God.

There’s so much to learn about in this period of English history that we ought not to ignore. As we live out our faith today, with all its freedoms, our testimonies may never be as powerful as that of **Cicely Ormes**.... More about that next week...

1. Balliol College dates from the 13th century.

2. Belief or opinion contrary to orthodox religious (especially Christian) doctrine.

Friday Outings are transforming into Friday Elevenses at Home. They will take place once a month on Zoom on a Friday morning at 11am, and are an opportunity for a chat. Our first session was on Friday 12th February at 11am. If you are interested please contact Christina Greeves or Sue Watkin (kcbcscribe@hotmail.com) who can send you the meeting link. Thanks Christina



Can you help Kingscare, you don't need to leave your home...

The Covid-19 Cookery Book Project

Background - As the Covid-19 pandemic drags on with little prospect of a return to normal in the near future, so many people are getting bored with the monotony of it all. We're all finding it that much more difficult to keep upbeat and positive and trying to think of something new to talk about is getting harder.

Cue - we need a new project.

The idea - most of us have memories of particular delicacies that we enjoyed in our family home. Often it was created by a recipe that has been handed down through the generations. Sometimes it's something that was found in a magazine and became a firm favourite or even something that Mum created herself and everyone loved.

Do you have a recipe that you would like to share with others? If so, we'd love to hear from you. To take part all we ask is that you:

1. Decide on the recipe
2. Create the dish
3. Take a colour photo of the dish
4. Write up a history of the dish
5. Choose a photo of yourself or an old family photo of the creator of the dish or the family together

"I don't cook any more" - No problem. We have volunteers who will cook it for you.

"I don't have a camera" - No problem. We have volunteers who can take a photo.

"I don't have a computer" - No problem. We do.

If you don't have a recipe you can still be involved, we need a name for the book and would love your suggestions.

Submit the recipe and the photos to manager@kingscare.co.uk by 5pm on **Friday 19th March**.

The book will be printed in full colour and presented as an A4 ring bound edition. All contributors will be given a **FREE** copy.

For more details, please ring the KingsCare office on 01626 357090

Videos and photos of you... To keep us connected, how about putting together a short video (no more than 3 minutes) on what you have been doing over lockdown. You could show us something that you have grown or built, somewhere you have gone or someone you met up with. Or a pet. Or your latest car if you have changed it. I suppose it could just be a photo but a short video maybe done on your phone would be fun. The idea is to give us a window into our life at a time when we are blocked off. Think what you can do and then send it over to me or the Tech Team and I will slot it in our time together on Sundays.

'How to join the Sunday Service'

The screenshot shows the homepage of Kingsteignton Community Baptist Church. At the top right, there is a search bar and a green button labeled 'Online service' with a play icon. Below the navigation menu, a pink callout box with the text 'Click The Green Button' has a red arrow pointing to the 'Online service' button. The main content area features a warm welcome message and a notice about the suspension of activities due to COVID-19. A sidebar on the right contains contact information, meeting times, and links to recent sermons and the church's location.

1. Go onto the internet and type kcbchurch.org.uk
2. On the Home Page (the first page with the Coronavirus statement) in the top right-hand corner is a green bar and on it is written "online service" with an arrow.
3. Click on the green bar/arrow and you'll go straight to the video.
4. Either press play or it will automatically start playing