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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

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We welcome you to our service this morning which is held on zoom. Neil Starling will be bringing us God's message this morning and we will be looking at Ephesians 4 v 29-32.

Log in meeting ID - 87015605160

Passcode - 606355

Services during March:-

March 14th - Paul Smith - Romans 15

March 21st - Mark McAllister - Luke 6 v 27-36

March 28th - Paul Smith - Matthew 5 v 11

Bring a Brew:-

Our next Bring a Brew will be held on **Tuesday, 9th 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 remember the work at Corringham Baptist Church in Essex and their new pastor John Kennett. Pray for the fellowship and the pastor as they build relationships and seek God's guidance for the future.

Pray for our children as they return to school this week, for headteachers and their staff as they engage with the children again face to face.

Welcome to everyone reading this news sheet – In response to last week's item – 'The first Sunday we came to WBC we were warmly welcomed and chatted to by Doug and Jan, and their kindness we won't forget. As I walked past a couple of ladies, I heard one say "how on earth does she walk in those shoes?"!! Six years later people are still asking and Vic is still chatting!! We love our Spiritual home here and know we are where God has placed us. **Have you got a story to tell of when you first attended WBC.**

HOME GROUPS

We would encourage you to join one of our Home Groups or perhaps set up a new one please contact Gill Price for more information

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MISSION NEWS:-



News from Rachel Spencer – The area where Rachel lives and works has seen a lot of racial tension recently and has been labelled and has been the subject of both a French regional television programme and a Guardian newspaper article.

Please remember Rachel and the team, Father Etienne (the local Catholic Priest) and the town in your prayers.

News from the Falconer Home – Neil has prepared a video with an update about the children's home. Please find the link below. It's lovely to be able to watch the children and staff and to hear the positive updates. There are also several prayer requests. Thank you Neil! You can see it by following this link: <https://youtu.be/nqslFnUlwLA>

From Hannah at the Norwich Foodbank 26.02.21

'I wanted to share a snippet of a reflection shared with me (thank you Gill!) from a song / hymn called 'I Do Not Know What Lies Ahead' as the title alone felt very apt!

'As I face tomorrow, with its problems large and small, I'll trust the God of miracles, give to Him my all.'

I know many of you aren't Christians or religious in any sense, but I also know those of us who do pray for our foodbank team, our city, country and beyond that we can continue to trust in God, especially as we really don't know what lies ahead.'

Calling all members of our Youth Church -

This week's question:-

How many days in Lent?

When does Lent Start and End in 2021?

Answers to last week's question:-

Who did God tell to build an ark? - Noah

How big was the Ark? - Length 300 cubits, breadth 50 cubits, height 30 cubits.

This equals in feet to 450 x 75 x 45, which compares with 850 x 92 x 64 for the Titanic

Thunderstorms - It must be a little while now since we last had a really bad thunderstorm in Wymondham which split the atmosphere. Troubles too, can boom through our hearts, minds and homes, also causing family struggles, relationship problems, even Church division. What Thunderstorms are shattering the calm in your life?

MISSION FOCUS - MARCH - OUR YOUTH



We have said many times how blessed we are at WBC to have so many children and young people. Each one is precious to us and to God. During the last year, Emma and Paul have been leading the youngsters in weekly Zoom sessions and beginning in March, some of our young people will be starting a Youth Alpha course online, led by Emma and Grace. So, during March, we would encourage you to think and pray for our youth and their leaders. Emma has kindly provided us with the following prayer for this month that we can use as a starting point for our own prayers.

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

Thought for the Week



It's still leaking!!

I was telling the Bring a Brew zoom meeting this week that I had spent a few frustrating days trying to find and fix a leak in our fish pond. I had thought I had successfully patched things only to find the next morning that the water level was still dropping as before. I suppose I could just leave it and accept that the water level will just remain 3-4 inches below the top.

Sadly though it's now become a bit of a challenge and a personal battle that I now have to win. I find that I get a lot of inspiration from the references to flowing water in the Bible. The concept of water is frequently used in both the old and new testament to remind us of the presence and movement of God in our lives.

John 4 v 14 – 'But whoever drinks of the water that I will give shall never thirst, but the water that I shall give him will become in him a well of water springing up into eternal life.'

I love the image of a babbling stream or brook of clear shining water that never stops flowing, constantly bringing renewal and refreshment along the watercourse and everywhere it flows. That's the personal promise we have from our Lord that his Holy Spirit is freely available to renew and refresh us and to satisfy our needs and desires.

So, don't worry about looking for or concentrating on and trying to patch up your failures, just rely on our Lord's promise to constantly supply us with his spirit and presence and allow his stream of living water to flow over and through us each day.



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

WYMONDHAM BAPTIST CHURCH FELLOWSHIP HANDBOOK – Thank you to all those who have responded to my 'checking' email. If you haven't responded yet please do so before March 14th. If you haven't received an email and would like to be included in the Fellowship Directory (which, when complete, will be distributed to all members of the fellowship), please contact Cathy either at the Church Office - office@wymondhambaptist.org or on 01603960940.

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.

*Shirley and Mary have been busy making lovely cards and 'hugs in a box' these have been left in the porch at 91 High House Avenue, Wymondham. So far donations for WBC for these items have raised over £100. Thank you for your support - any orders can be left either with Shirley or Mary. **Keep making ladies your talent is appreciated.***

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

World Day of Prayer 2021: Focus on Vanuatu

This took place on 4th March and you can find the resources at wwdp.org.uk. The service is an uplifting and interesting 40 minutes of introduction to the islands, praise and prayer. It also made me think of our Vision for WBC and our town.

The theme for this year's World Day of Prayer is: **Build on a Strong Foundation**

*'Unless the Lord builds the house,
Its builders labour in vain.
Unless the Lord watches over the city,
The watchmen stand guard in vain' Psalm 127: 1-2*

Our verse of the year contains the words 'strengthen our stakes' and this year's World Day of Prayer included the story of the wise man building his house on the rock...on a firm foundation. (Luke 6:46-49)

Jesus encourages us (instructs us!) not only to listen to His words but to act, by putting His words into practice.

This is our strong foundation.....Jesus....who is the Way, the Truth and the Life.

I also just really loved this prayer.....

Coconut prayer

Praying while looking at a coconut from that life giving tree.

Its water refreshes,

Lord refresh us in your love.

Its inner flesh feeds,

Lord feed us in your love.

Its oil is nourishing,

Lord nourish us in your love.

Its coir from the shell can be woven,

Lord wrap us around in your love.

Its leaves and trunk can build good houses,

Lord build in us the knowledge of your love.

So, we here on earth can be witness to your Love,

Given to us through your life-giving tree, the cross.



**Thank
You!!!**

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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.