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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 - 9.5.2021

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We welcome you to our service this morning which is held on zoom. Paul is leading our worship. This is the final week of our series on 'Heaven Help the Family'. We will be looking at Hebrews 12 v 5-11

Log in meeting ID - 87015605160

Passcode - 606355

#### Services during May:-

May 16<sup>th</sup> - We will be joining the BU Assembly on line service

Log in details will follow

May 23<sup>rd</sup> - New series - 10 lessons from Joseph - Genesis 37

May 30<sup>th</sup> - Genesis 37

From May 23<sup>rd</sup> we hope to be meeting in the Church. To book your place please go to <http://rsvp.church/r/iepgkEVd>

#### Bring a Brew:-

Our next Bring a Brew will be held on **Thursday, 13<sup>th</sup> May 2.30p.m. - 3.30p.m.** Make a cuppa and come and share an informal time together.

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](mailto:office@wymondhambaptist.org)).

**Our Vision is to be 'An authentic church with a place for everyone'**

## MISSION NEWS:-



### Virtual tea/coffee with Alan and Megan

Hello all,

Greetings from quarantine. We are nearly finished – the end is in sight!

We were wondering if anyone would like to join us for a Zoom afternoon tea or evening coffee again. If you, or anyone from your church, would like to join us on **Monday 10<sup>th</sup> May 3-4pm** or **Wednesday 12<sup>th</sup> 7.30-8.30pm** please let us know and we'll send out a Zoom meeting link. It will be great to catch up with people again.

We ask you to continue to remember in prayer the Covid situation in Nepal. Daily case numbers and deaths are shooting up. The number of new daily cases has increased tenfold in a couple of weeks. Already the health system is struggling to cope with the number of people that need inpatient care and ventilators. A vaccination programme had started but is slowing down because of lack of supplies and poor organisation. People are scared. We rejoice that things are so much better here in the UK but the picture is very bleak in much of South Asia – India, Bangladesh, Nepal and Sri Lanka especially.

Thank you! Hopefully we'll see some of you next week.

Blessings

Alan and Megan

### Windmill House

Thank you so much everyone, we really enjoyed and appreciated your time and efforts. The hymns were very well received and we enjoyed the pictures. Look forward to seeing you all soon, in meantime look forward to virtual church service.

Very Kind Regards

From all of us at Windmill House.

Jan, Doug, Mary and Vic would also like to thank all who remembered them in prayer on Tuesday.

### Foodbank News

Some of you may have seen in the news that Marcus Rashford (footballer) and Tom Kerridge (chef) have teamed up to on a joint venture called 'Full Time Meals' to encourage the uptake of Healthy Start Vouchers and free school meals for eligible families, and create and freely share recipe cards for healthy, cheap family meals. More info is here: <https://endchildfoodpoverty.org/> and we are looking at how we can include the recipe cards and / or recipe kits (with ingredients) with food parcels or in the future. Ideas are welcome!



**Please remember in your prayers, thoughts and actions:-**



Jane and family, Dave and Ann and family, Jenni and family, Gill, Jack and Kevin Cooper, Jeanette and Brian and many others in the fellowship facing difficult times. Remember also King's Church, Mildenhall in Suffolk as they search for new premises to accommodate their growing numbers. Pray also for the new Community Money Advise service which the church is about to launch.

Remember also the work of Christian Aid that the spirit of joyful giving will transform communities across this nation and the world during Christian Aid Week.

**Answers to last week's question for our Youth Church:-**

- What is the common name given to the first four books in the New Testament? - Gospels
- Who was the king of Judea at the time of Jesus' birth?
  - Herod



**This week's questions:-**

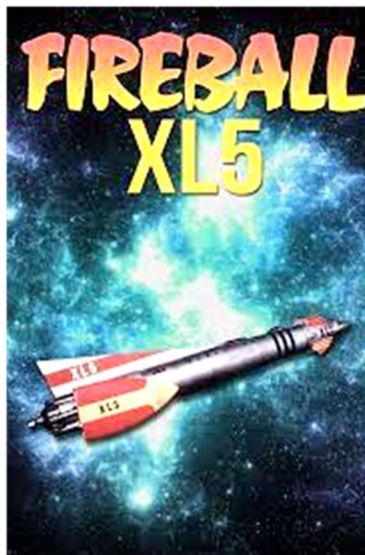
- Who recognised Jesus as the Messiah when he was presented at the Temple as a baby?
- Paul was shipwrecked on what island?

**MAY MISSION FOCUS - RACHEL SPENCER**

**Prayer for the month**

Dear heavenly Father, we pray for the nation of France as it currently faces various challenges. We pray first for the effective management of the Covid-19 crisis, that the numbers of cases, hospitalisations and deaths would continue to decrease, and for the vaccination campaign which has faced a number of obstacles. We also pray for all those who have been affected over the last year by terrorist attacks in France. Lord, bring healing and peace where there is pain, grief and fear. We pray for the church in France, and for our brothers and sisters there, that through them your light will shine into dark places. As the church faces new restrictions from the anti-separatism law passed last month, we pray that your gospel will not be hindered, that your people will boldly proclaim your name, and that your church will continue to grow, bringing transformation where it is most needed. We pray for the leaders of the National Council of Evangelicals, representing the churches to the government. Lord, give them wisdom and favour as they seek the best way forward. We pray for the church-planting ministry of FranceVie in SQY-Sud, reaching out to the predominantly muslim community. During this time of Ramadan, we pray that you would reveal yourself to those who are earnestly seeking the truth of God. Lord, lead us to those people, and give us opportunities to show your love to all around us. We pray for the developing partnerships with the MissPop and the Catholic Church, that we would find unity around our desire to make Christ known, and that we would find effective ways to work together in our shared community. We pray for each member of the team; Rachel, Monika, Sam, Linda and Dorothy, that you would encourage and comfort them during these difficult times. We pray for strong relationships within the team and with others from the community, for opportunities to love and serve their neighbours, and for deep joy as they carry out the work to which you have called them. In the name of Christ we pray, amen.

## THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK



### Zoom!

Just a year or so ago, most of us had never heard of zoom, except maybe in a comic or a TV programme like Fireball XL5 that says, " ..... we'll zoom our way to Mars ....." Or maybe I've gone too far back for anyone to remember! (45rpm hit record Don Spencer 1963)

Anyway, zoom has now taken on a completely new meaning, as it is now a way of live communication on the phone, computer and tablet. The only downside, perhaps, is that you can be seen. This does mean that you have to try and look presentable, glasses on, hair brushed, make-up on, teeth in etc!

Now the only trouble is you can mute or unmute yourself, so you can or can't be heard. The lesson to learn and be aware of is that when you're not speaking, mute yourself! This does, of course, prevent you from saying anything that might not be too good, not helpful or a little derogatory. Apart from anything else, it will save you from a lot of embarrassment and apologies later. After all, words spoken and heard cannot be taken back.

The Bible has something to say about how powerful the tongue is and Proverbs 18:21 puts it like this, "The tongue has the power of life and death". You see, our tongues can build others up or they can tear them down.

So don't forget to mute yourself on zoom. But more importantly, go out each day to lift others up when you speak, to encourage and be gracious in all your conversations.

Are you part of a Home Group? Would you like to be part of a Home Group? What is a Home Group? Perhaps you have asked these questions and wonder where you can find the answers. One aspect of our vision is that everyone in the fellowship is a member of a Home Group where we can learn together, read God's word and share what God is saying to each of us in a small group. Where we can ask questions, delve deeper into God's word and support one another as we learn together. More information is available from Gill Price - 07796274037 - [gillprice@hotmail.com](mailto:gillprice@hotmail.com). Don't miss out on this opportunity.



### **Tools With A Mission**

For some years we have held a collection of used tools etc. which we have passed on to TWAM. Unfortunately, we were unable to do this last year due to Covid, but we are arranging a collection this year on Saturday, July 3<sup>rd</sup>. If you are having a sort out and have any tools that you no longer use, or perhaps a sewing machine, knitting machine, desktop or laptop computer you don't use, please put them aside and bring them along to the church on Saturday, July 3<sup>rd</sup>. All tools are expertly refurbished and sorted into trade kits and sent to other countries where the people cannot afford such equipment. Don't throw it away, see if it can be renovated and used in support of those less fortunate than ourselves. Unfortunately this year TWAM cannot take Scholar Packs and Educational books, which they have done in the past. More information will follow in due course.

### **Summer Programme**

The leadership team are meeting on Thursday 13<sup>th</sup> at 7.30p.m. to 9p.m. to plan the summer programme for WBC. If you have ideas how we might make summer 2021 a summer to remember for WBC, please either pass your ideas on to a member of the leadership team or join us at the meeting at the church.



### **Join us in prayer for India - News from Open Doors**

As you have probably seen, Covid-19 is on the rise in India with devastating consequences. A few days ago the number of new Coronavirus infections in the country passed 20 million. The health system is strained, hospitals are over capacity, and many are suffering without sufficient treatment.

Open Doors partners, volunteers, and their families have also been affected - some are in critical condition and a few have sadly passed away. Brother Solomon\*, an Open Doors Partner shared:

“The virus has been spreading rapidly in the rural areas like small towns and villages where the medical facilities are almost negligible - this can lead to high mortality rates in these areas. Most of our community people are concentrated in these areas, therefore their lives are more vulnerable.

We really praise God and thank all who are praying for India, around 12 of our partners and family members have recovered from COVID. (But) around 35 of the partners and family members are still recovering from COVID and two of them are on oxygen support.”

Please join us in praying for our brothers and sisters in India:

- Pray for the Lord's healing, peace, and comfort to be with all those who are ill or who are grieving lost loved ones.
- Pray for the Lord to sustain India's hospitals and to provide sufficient supply of the necessary medicines, ventilators, and oxygen.
- Pray for Open Doors partners in India who are in good health, as they continue to minister to those who have been greatly affected by the lockdowns and are living with meagre food and resources.

Thank you for standing with your persecuted family at this very difficult time.