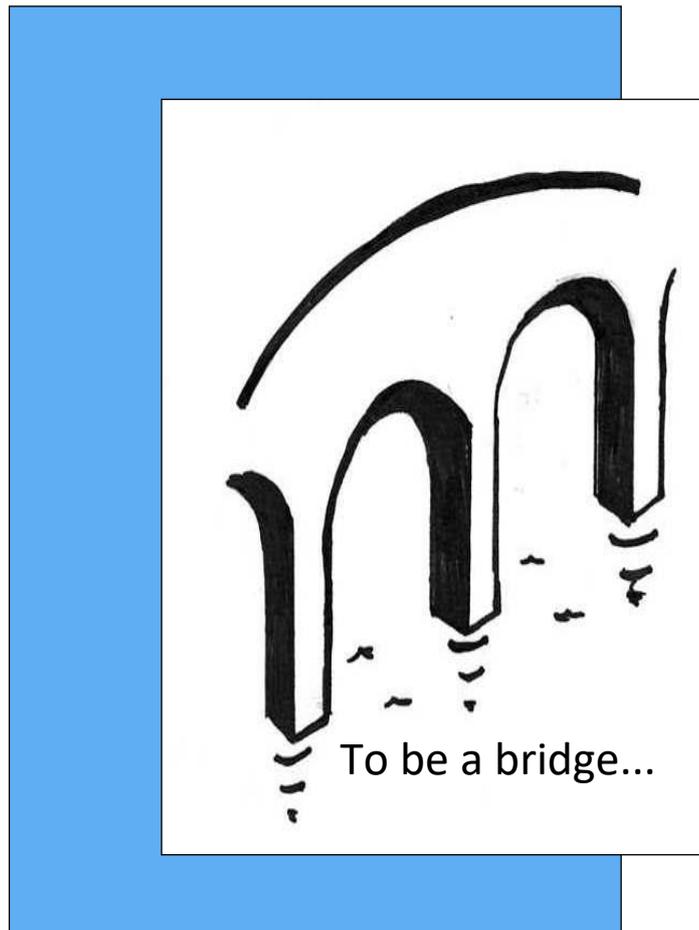


# FORWARD MOVE

## September 2017



Free Parish magazine for St Mary Church, Kippington.

Please take a copy.

Our mission ...  
To be a bridge between God and our community  
sharing the love of Jesus and  
growing in worship, welcome and witness

## Home groups and prayer opportunities for you to join us

### Home Groups:

*If you are interested in joining either of the groups listed below, do please phone the designated leader. You are always assured a warm welcome. Please remember that our groups meet on a fortnightly basis, unless otherwise indicated.*



**Tuesdays at 8.00pm**

**Lisa Cornell**

5<sup>th</sup> and 19<sup>th</sup> September

Any new members are very welcome.

**Wednesdays at 10.00am**

**Joan Taylor**

27<sup>th</sup> September

We are studying the Book of Hebrews and would welcome anyone who would like to join us.

**Hour of Prayer at 7.30pm**

**David Kitley**

The monthly hour of prayer will be held on Tuesday 26<sup>th</sup> September.

We invite you to join us to pray for our church family, that we may grow in faith and love and be an increasing blessing to our neighbourhood and our town.





I wonder if you have heard of Joni Eareckson? She is someone who has been an inspiration to me, and numerous other people, for a very long time.

Her life was that of a normal active teenager till at the age of 17 she dived into what she mistakenly thought was deep water. It was not - with life-changing consequences... She became paraplegic, with just the smallest use of her arms left. Discharged from hospital two years later, she has needed every help ever since for the tiniest of life's chores.

In spite of this, she has never given up on her Christian faith, but has instead shone like a beacon. I remember reading the first book that she published, simply entitled 'Joni', in which she tells the story of those early years of suffering. Only today, I realise, fifty years have passed since her accident. In that time she has published as many books!

Many of these books address the question of how suffering can be allowed by a God of love. For example, in 1997 with the help of another author she published 'When God Weeps: Why Our Sufferings Matter to the Almighty.' Coming from a person who has spent every day paralysed in a wheelchair, this would make interesting reading! In recent years there has also been increasing debate around euthanasia. She addresses this question in 'Life and Death Dilemma', again writing as one of very few people who experience the deepest suffering.

I was very interested recently to read an article she wrote in 'Woman alive' magazine, that is delivered each month to our Parish Centre. Here she talks about an art form called 'Kintsugi' that she has learned from her husband, Ken Takeshi Tada, a third-generation Japanese American.

'Kintsugi' is a method of repairing broken pottery. A special lacquer is made by mixing silver or gold, which is used to stick together the pieces of a shattered bowl or jar. The fault lines are not concealed. Instead one can see all the broken places, the cracks now filled with new gold or silver, creating a stunning work of art. I quote: 'The humble jar is much lovelier than it was before its injury'.

'The philosophy behind the technique is to recognise the fact that the object was broken, and to visibly incorporate the repair into an entirely new piece instead of disguising the brokenness. *That* is the part I love. The potter does not want to conceal the injury; he wants to showcase it in stunning gold.

'God does Kintsugi on his people all the time. When your life is shattered by a deep disappointment, God will 'put you back together' in a way that is far more beautiful than before the trial'. \*

This is a very helpful and hopeful way to view suffering! It lines up entirely with the words of St Paul in his letter to the Romans 'And we know that in all things God works for the good of those who love him, who have been called according to his purpose.' (Romans 8:28)

I hope you find this as helpful as I do. It encourages me to submit again my life to the Divine potter, to make of my life what he will, trusting completely in his good purposes and plans. I pray that you may feel able to do the same.

God bless you this Autumn!

With love in Christ,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "David".

\* 'Reproduced with permission from Woman Alive, the magazine for today's Christian Woman [www.womanalive.co.uk](http://www.womanalive.co.uk)', email dated 8 8 2017

## **OUR GLAZED SOUTH DOOR**

We are delighted that our glazed door should be in place by the end of September, having been on hold for over a year during the repairs to the Rose Window.

Our Victorian south doors are heavy to open and draught excluders and thick curtains have never been adequate in minimizing heat loss.

Our lovely glazed door will make the Church much more welcoming, providing natural light whilst retaining heat in colder months.

The wooden doors will be open all day.

None of the original features of our beautiful open porch will be affected and the Church will be seen to be more accessible, affording a view of the interior from the outside.

We are grateful for donations received without which this project would not have been possible. If anybody still wishes to make a contribution at this late stage, this can be done using the yellow pew envelopes. Please mark the envelope "Glazed Door".

*Brenda Ross  
Church Warden*

## **A harvest collection next month that will go somewhere different!**

That is to say, that when we have our annual service of thanksgiving for Harvest on October 1, we shall be collecting funds to feed people in Burundi, the land where I happen to have been born. For some years I have followed through newsletters the work of a remarkable English lady there (Chrissie Chapman) who has rescued abandoned and orphaned children in the capital city, Bujumbura. She began by adopting three babies twenty years ago, and became mother to fifty-three! That involved founding a school... you can read about it in her book 'The night when the angels came'.

Politically, things have been difficult in Burundi, with massacres along the same tribal lines as Burundi's more famous northern neighbour, Rwanda. On June 24<sup>th</sup> Chrissie sent the following:

*'Life here in Burundi continues to present all kinds of challenges. Due to the ongoing political challenges, the poverty level in the country is just unbelievable with so many people just starving to death and the amount of children dying from starvation every day is overwhelming. It has been wonderful to be able to partner with a team of missionaries who are based up in the countryside and have started a feeding centre to help those families who are most desperate and many would certainly die without the food and medical help being offered there. It is great to be able to channel funds sent for helping to feed the poor through this feeding centre. It does seem like such a small drop in such a big ocean of need but to those who lives are saved it is a very big drop in their ocean. We have been able to feed a lot of families and literally save the lives of so many starving children, so thank you to all who have donated money to help with this famine.'*

*Because there is no foreign currency in the country the government cannot buy fuel, so with very little left in reserve now and no sign of any change in the near future we are all pretty much house bound! We are also getting power cuts daily from 8am - 6pm... So, trapped indoors with no electricity and some days no water as well, the days can feel very long! However, even in the midst of all the daily challenges life goes on and this summer we have another nine of our CRIB\* kids who will graduate, which is a real blessing....they are all growing up so fast.*

*(\* CRIB stands for Chrissie's charity 'Children rescued in Burundi' – do look at her website.)*

When I shared the need to feed people in Burundi with our church council, they agreed that our Harvest giving should support the feeding stations there. Extraordinarily, I had already made plans to visit Burundi this Autumn! I had been invited to a church congress, as a child of former missionaries there, and had bought the flights. So I plan to meet Chrissie and see some of these feeding stations in action. I will also have the opportunity to travel 'up-country' with a local bishop to the village where our family home stood when I was 13-15; a place I have not been to since. I hope to take laptop computers to a school there, set up by a Burundian lady I met at a funeral in England in 2015. That's another story! (And in case you are wondering, I am not drawing on any funds for my travels from the Kippington church council.)

I hope you will feel inspired to give generously to feed starving people in Burund! We have SO much to be thankful for in this country, our larders are full to overflowing, food gets thrown away. Let's give of the bounty we have towards these needy fellow human beings – our neighbours in the global village. I plan as usual, of course, to document the visit with photographs, so that you can see where your gifts will go. This harvest, please take up the opportunity you have to make a difference to their lives!

*David Kitley*

## NEW BEGINNINGS IN JULY AND AUGUST



### Baptisms

July 23 Melody, daughter of Dan and Satsuki Gamble  
July 23 Charlotte, daughter of Matthew and Anneka Baddeley  
August 13 Freddie, son of James and Amy Window

### Weddings

July 15 Sophie Swaisland and Christian Porter  
August 27 Kayleigh Tivey and Joshua Groom

### Funerals

July 7 Maggie Llanwarne, aged 68  
July 21 Gavin Harrison, aged 54  
July 27 Marie Rolfe, aged 92  
July 28 Clare Anderton, aged 47  
(funeral in Cumbria; she used to worship with us here on Thursdays)  
August 7 Louise Williams, aged 93  
(funeral in Kings Lynn)

Louise moved from Sevenoaks to be near her family some years ago. She and her late husband Harry had been active members of the Kippington church family as well as serving the community of Sevenoaks where she chaired the Sevenoaks District Council. Her ashes will be interred beside the church of St Mary at a date to be decided. We will give notice of this in due course, for any of you who would like to gather with thankfulness in her memory.



### Coffee Rota



Coffee and tea are served after the 10.30am services each Sunday in our church centre, along with drinks and biscuits for the children – and grown-ups! This is a great way for us to get to know one another and to welcome newcomers.

It is staffed by volunteers! Please consider helping, telephoning Caireen with your offers.

With grateful thanks from everybody!

## EVENTS TO LOOK FORWARD TO CALENDAR FOR SEPTEMBER

### CALENDAR FOR SEPTEMBER

#### **Sunday 3<sup>rd</sup> September      Twelfth Sunday after Trinity**

- 8.00am      Holy Communion (Book of Common Prayer)
- 10.30am     Family Service in the Church with Baptism of Florence Towler.  
Crèche available  
Coffee and tea afterwards in the Parish Centre
- 6.00-8.00pm Youth Group – Games Night
- 6.30pm      Evening Prayer (Book of Common Prayer)



#### Wednesday 6<sup>th</sup> September

- 10.00am     St Mary's Monkeys resumes in the Parish Centre



#### Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> September

- 10.00am     Holy Communion
- 10.45am     Coffee and tea in the Parish Centre

#### Saturday 9<sup>th</sup> September

- 12 noon      Wedding of Daniel Cumber and Emily Clarkson  
Friends' of Kent Churches 'ride and stride' – see article



David says this is how he likes to imagine himself while cycling!!!

#### **Sunday 10<sup>th</sup> September      Thirteenth Sunday after Trinity**

- 8.00am      Holy Communion (Book of Common Prayer)
- 10.30am     Holy Communion (Common Worship)  
Guest preacher – Raj Patel for the Church Mission Society  
A special collection today for Kylie and Bhim, our mission partners  
Youth Group, Sunday Club and Crèche  
Coffee and tea afterwards in the Parish Centre

#### Wednesday 12th September

- 10.00am     St Mary's Monkeys in the Parish Centre

#### Thursday 13th September

- 10.00am     Holy Communion
- 10.45am     Coffee and tea in the Parish Centre
- 11.15am     Holy Communion Kippington Nursing Home

#### Friday 15<sup>th</sup> September

Deadline for articles for the October issue of Forward Move

#### Saturday 16<sup>th</sup> September

- 3.00pm      Wedding of Alexander Murdoch and Angels Martinez Arias



**Sunday 17<sup>th</sup> September      Fourteenth Sunday after Trinity**

8.00am      Holy Communion (Book of Common Prayer)  
10.30am      Morning Prayer (Book of Common Prayer)  
Jenny & Mark Beckwith from The Mission Aviation Fellowship  
will be our guest speakers.  
Youth Group, Sunday Club and Crèche  
Coffee and tea afterwards in the Parish Centre

Wednesday 20th September

10.00am      St Mary's Monkeys in the Parish Centre

Thursday 21<sup>st</sup> September

10.00am      Holy Communion  
10.45am      Coffee and tea in the Parish Centre

Saturday 23<sup>rd</sup> September

12 noon      Wedding of James Sparke & Helen Godley



**Sunday 24<sup>th</sup> September      Fifteenth Sunday after Trinity**

8.00am      Holy Communion (Book of Common Prayer)  
10.30am      Holy Communion (Common Worship) and Baptism of Rufus Cox  
Youth Group, Sunday Club and Crèche  
Coffee and tea afterwards in the Parish Centre  
3.00pm      Collation of the new Archdeacon of Tonbridge, the Revd Julie Conalty,  
in Tonbridge Parish Church  
6.00pm      Overseas Celebration at St Mary's Riverhead  
with the Archbishop of Estonia preaching



Tuesday 26<sup>th</sup> September

7.30pm      Monthly hour of Prayer at the Vicarage

Wednesday 27th September

10.00am      St Mary's Monkeys in the Parish Centre

Thursday 28<sup>th</sup> September

10.00am      Holy Communion  
10.45am      Coffee and tea in the Parish Centre

**CALENDAR FOR OCTOBER**

**Sunday 1<sup>st</sup> October      Sixteenth Sunday after Trinity      HARVEST SUNDAY**



OUR GIVING TO DAY IS IN AID OF FEEDING REFUGEES IN BURUNDI

– Please see article in this month's magazine

8.00am      Holy Communion (Book of Common Prayer)  
10.30am      Family Service in Church      Crèche available  
Coffee and tea afterwards in the Parish Centre

12.00pm Bring and Share Lunch  
6.30pm Evening Prayer (Book of Common Prayer)  
6.00-8.00pm Kippington Youth Group – ‘Jump In’

Wednesday 4<sup>th</sup> October

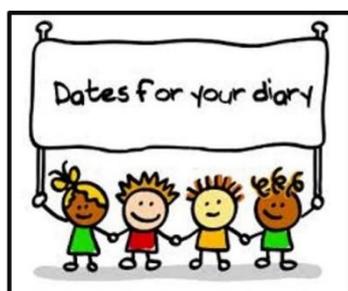
10.00am St Mary’s Monkeys in the Parish Centre  
12.30pm Lunch Club with a talk on “California Dreaming”

Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> October

10.00am Holy Communion  
10.45am Coffee and tea in the Parish Centre

**Sunday 8<sup>th</sup> October      Seventeenth Sunday after Trinity**

8.00am Holy Communion (Book of Common Prayer)  
10.30am Holy Communion (Common Worship)  
Youth Group, Sunday Club and Crèche  
Coffee and tea afterwards in the Parish Centre



Sunday 15<sup>th</sup> October - 6.00pm North-West Fellowship Autumn Service at St Thomas’ Church

Sunday 29<sup>th</sup> October - 6.30pm Service of Thanksgiving and Remembrance; preceded by tea in the Parish Centre at 5.00pm

Sunday 5<sup>th</sup> November - 6.30pm Julian Ross’s choir to sing at Evensong

Tuesday 7<sup>th</sup> November - 10.00 – 12.30pm– A ‘Bottle Stall’ Coffee morning for the Christmas Fair at Lynette’s house, 45 Chipstead Park

Friday 17<sup>th</sup> November - 7.45pm ‘Christmas Pudding Making’ at Jenny Gyte’s house, 57 Brittain’s Lane

Saturday 25<sup>th</sup> November - Kippington Triennial Christmas Fair in the Parish Centre

Saturday 3<sup>rd</sup> December - 3.00 – 5.00pm Children’s Christmas Crafts in the Parish Centre

Sunday 10<sup>th</sup> December - 5.00pm Christingle Service followed by tea in the Parish Centre

Sunday 17<sup>th</sup> December - Kippington Carol Service - Time to be announced: it may begin at 5.00pm



- Saturday 9<sup>th</sup> September -

## **SPONSORED RIDE AND STRIDE**

**Anytime Between 10am - 6pm**

This year the Friends of Kent churches annual "Ride & Stride", sponsored event is on Saturday 9<sup>th</sup> September.

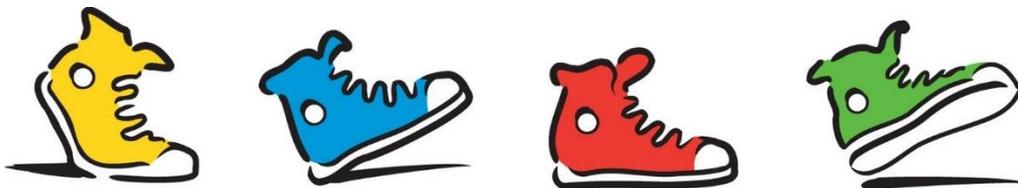
If you would be interested in cycling, walking, running or can help for just one hour, to sign in visitors to our church, then please contact me.

Sponsorship forms and a list of over 700 churches that will be open on the day, are available.

Last year David Kitley along with Martin and Carolyn Bush had a great ride and raised £1060 in support of this charity.

Fifty percent of any money that we raise is returned to us for the maintenance of the building and fabric of our church.

*Glynn Hicks.*



### **Lunch Club**

This is to remind you that this year we start our Autumn Programme with a Lunch on Wednesday 4<sup>th</sup> October when Michael Bunn will entertain us with a talk entitled "California Dreaming".

It will be good to meet all our friends again.

May I further remind you that if you are unable to attend you must let Joan Miller know before Wednesday September 27<sup>th</sup>, then your cost will be refunded.

We would welcome new Members. If you would like to join or just come for this lunch, please contact me also before September 27<sup>th</sup>.

*Best wishes  
Joan Taylor, Chairman*



## **Christmas Fair Saturday 25<sup>th</sup> November**

Now that summer is drawing to a close it is time to think of the Christmas Fair. Where to put the summer reads you have no space for? Isn't it a good time to sort out the toys no longer used and the jigsaws you won't do again? Do you have jewellery you don't wear? A scarf or handbag that is nearly but not quite new, and still attractive? Something for the silent auction (an item or an offer of services)?

The Lifestyle stall is going to be a bit different. We will collect good quality, as new, decorative items for the home or accessories, such as bags, scarves, a new candle, a picture, unopened perfume etc and decide whether it should be placed in the silent auction, the raffle or on the 'Lifestyle' stall.

We know that sometimes you would be willing to offer something nice but rarely used or a good vase that lives in a cupboard, or jewellery that lives in the drawer, but you don't want to let it go if it won't make a reasonable sum. We have a solution! Talk to Carolyn, Jean or Maggie (see below), agree a price with them and they will attach a special label with your name on the back. If it is unsold, the item won't be given to a charity shop or similar, it will be put in a box for you to collect on Sunday morning after church.

Offers of services for the silent auction could be a couple of hours of gardening, help to sort out a loft, time in your holiday home, a starter music lesson, help with a tax return or a young or IT-talented person to help someone less confident with their computer.

Next month there will be more details on the produce stalls, plant stall, children's games, Santa's grotto (sssh!) and catering needs. This month I will concentrate on 'things'. So please use the 'back to school/end of summer' month to have a sort-out.

Helpers are still needed but also your contributions. Stallholders of "things" would like to receive your contributions early so that they can sort, label and price. Jigsaws have to be counted and toys checked for completeness and safety, so please offer your....

- Toys (clean, safe and complete) and jigsaws to Maggie Moat and the Ashpittel family
- Books to Kath Wood and Joan Miller
- Bottles for the tombola to Jenny Gyte
- "Lifestyle" items to Carolyn Johnston or me
- Jewellery to Jean and Stephen Day
- Handicrafts to Barbara Craig

If you aren't sure how to contact anyone, just ask me.

Thank you all in advance for your contributions.

*Janet Eilbeck*

## Readers and Intercessions Table for September

### **Sunday 3<sup>rd</sup> September Twelfth Sunday after Trinity**

8.00 am	Holy Communion (BCP)	Exodus 3:1-12 Matthew 16:21-25	
10.30am	Family Service with Baptism of Florence Towler	Exodus 3:1-12 <i>Intercessions</i>	<i>The Lea Family</i>

### **Sunday 10<sup>th</sup> September Thirteenth Sunday after Trinity**

8.00am	Holy Communion (BCP)	Exodus 12: 1-13 Matthew 18: 15-20	
10.30am	Holy Communion (CW)	Exodus 12: 1-13 Matthew 18: 15-20 <i>Intercessions</i>	David Green Wendy Pritchard <i>Graham Roper</i>

### **Sunday 17<sup>th</sup> September Fourteenth Sunday after Trinity**

8.00am	Holy Communion (BCP)	Exodus 14: 19-29 Matthew 18: 1-6	
10.30am	Morning Prayer (BCP)	Exodus 14: 19-29 Matthew 18: 1-6 <i>Intercessions</i>	Roger Fishwick Martin Bush <i>Chris White</i>

### **Sunday 24<sup>th</sup> September Fifteenth Sunday after Trinity**

8.00am	Holy Communion (BCP)	Exodus 16: 2-12 Matthew 20:1-16	
10.30am	Holy Communion (CW) With Baptism of Rufus Cox	Exodus 16: 2-12 <i>Intercessions</i>	Rich Morrow <i>Sharon Fishwick</i>





## PRAYERS TO SHARE

*“Be still then, and know that I am God”*

Psalm 46 v10

I have been reading a book written to help us find a new appreciation of all God’s creation and a closer relationship with Him. At the end of each chapter we are encouraged to take a little time every day to be still, to shut out of our minds all that is occupying us that day and to find, in the silence and stillness, hope and joy and praise.

In the introduction we read:-

*“All shall be Amen and Alleluia.  
We shall rest and we shall see.  
We shall see and we shall know.  
We shall know and we shall love.  
We shall love and we shall praise.”*

These words were written by St Augustine of Hippo, as a ‘resurrection prayer’ but, read slowly and quietly, they could I think be helpful in our meditation at any time.

Turning to our psalm again, looking at the list of possible disasters contained in it, and considering the state of our troubled broken world today, we pray again and again for peace, and perhaps we can find in the psalm reassurance and reasons for thanksgiving and praise. Used as we are to the NIV words, perhaps you would like to read the King James words which, for me anyway, paint a more powerful picture of the might and majesty of God.

About a thousand years ago the Venerable Bede wrote:-

*“O Christ, our Morning Star,  
Splendour of Light Eternal,  
Shining with the glory of the rainbow, come and wake us  
From the greyness of our apathy and renew in us your gift of hope.”*

As the psalm repeats *“The Lord of hosts is with us,”* - So we lift our head and go onward in hope, praying with St Benedict:-

*“O gracious and holy Father,  
give us wisdom to perceive you,  
intelligence to understand you,  
diligence to seek you,  
patience to wait for you,  
and a life to proclaim you.  
Through the power of the Spirit of our Lord Jesus Christ.”*

**D.M.A.**

## On the Money

The new £10 note has provoked some disgruntled comments from Jane Austen fans. For it comes with an odd quotation from *Pride & Prejudice*: 'I declare after all there is no enjoyment like reading!'

What's wrong with that? Well, within the context of the book, those words were spoken to deceive. The simpering Caroline Bingley was only trying to woo Mr Darcy, whom she knew loved reading. Caroline Bingley actually hated reading!

So these words, now printed on thousands of £10 notes, are a prime example of 'proof-texting'. This is the practice of taking isolated, out-of-context quotations from a document to establish a proposition which may not reflect the original intent of the author.

What about us? How often do we so focus on finding a comforting biblical quotation that we forget to consider the context? Take a prime example: Jeremiah 29:11, much loved for its cuddly promises that God has in mind great plans that will benefit us. (It was Bible Gateway's second most popular verse in 2016.)

Yes, God spoke them to comfort Israel, but what was actually happening at the time? Israel had sinned greatly, and so God had let her be taken into exile in Babylon. She had 70 years of captivity, exile and hardship ahead of her. And now God commanded Israel not to expect immediate blessing, but instead to seek peace and prosperity for Babylon. She should pray for her enemies, who had taken her captive.

So – in practice, the words of Jeremiah 29:11 are a challenge as well as a blessing. Israel will not be rescued right away, she needs to accept her current situation so totally that she prays for those difficult people around her. She must be patient. BUT – God *does* promise that it will ultimately work out for her blessing. He has in no way abandoned her.

For us, it is perhaps a call to commit to the place in which God has put us, whatever that is, and to 'go all in', to seek to build up the people around us, and accept the difficulties and limitations. We can then know that God will bless us, in his perfect timing.

Going back to Austen – perhaps there really is no enjoyment like reading ... quotes in context!



## John Wesley Chapel City Road, London EC1Y 1AU

Our U3A London Studies Group enjoyed a day out visiting 'The Mother Church of World Methodism' recently. We picked up a number 43 bus from London Bridge Station which deposited us next door to the chapel which could not have been handier.

John Wesley built this chapel in 1778 as his London base and we were immediately greeted by his statue in the forecourt as we arrived. The chapel is an utter delight with lots of stained glass windows (plain in Wesley's day). Fifty seven flags hang from the balconies which represent the fifty seven nationalities who currently worship here. There are box pews, each numbered on the side, plus an extra 'pull-out' seat perhaps to accommodate a servant sitting next to their 'family' back in the day. The balconies are supported by marble columns, each one bought with funds given by an overseas Methodist community. Originally there was a three-tiered pulpit, now reduced to just the top tier.

Would you believe that this chapel boasts a Grade 1 Gentleman's toilet? Ian assures me that it is a work of art! The ladies facilities are utilitarian to say the least.

Lunch was taken at a restaurant close by the Barbican. We walked through Bunhill Fields burial grounds which are classified as a Grade 11 listed non-conformist graveyard where you can see over 2,000 monuments, mainly headstones, including one to Susannah Wesley, the mother of John and Charles. John Wesley is buried in the chapel gardens. Name dropping time...Margaret & Denis Thatcher were married here in 1951.



*Pat Campbell*

Dear Readers

This issue, to me, carries a strong message of love, hope and inspiration. Love between people, hope for a better future and inspiration from a couple of truly remarkable people.

The first person we meet is Joni Eareckson who David mentions in his Vicar's Letter. The second person we meet is B Wren, who composed this poem in 30 minutes of anger on hearing that the British Immigration Officials tried to deport the German fiancé of an English friend as they returned to Britain from a Student Christian Conference in Geneva.

This issue also carries the knowledge of God's love for all of us, as is so eloquently written by the Venerable Bede, mentioned in this month's Prayers to Share.

Despite all the despair and suffering in our world and in our personal lives, there is the knowledge that a love far greater than ours is there for us, pulling us through and making us stronger.

I hope you enjoy reading this poem and that it touches your heart in some way.

God bless,

*Sue Shepherd, Editor*

LOVE makes a bridge  
from heart to heart, and hand to hand.  
LOVE finds a way,  
when laws are blind, and freedom banned.  
LOVE breaks the walls  
of language, gender, class and age.  
LOVE gives us wings  
to slip the bars of every cage.  
LOVE lifts the hopes  
that force and fear have beaten down.  
LOVE breaks the chains  
and gives us strength to stand our ground.  
LOVE rings the bells  
of wanted birth and wedding day.  
LOVE guides the hands  
that promise more than words can say.  
LOVE makes a bridge  
that winds may shake, yet not destroy.  
LOVE carries faith  
through life and death, to endless joy.

*"Piece Together Praise"*  
*B Wren*  
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