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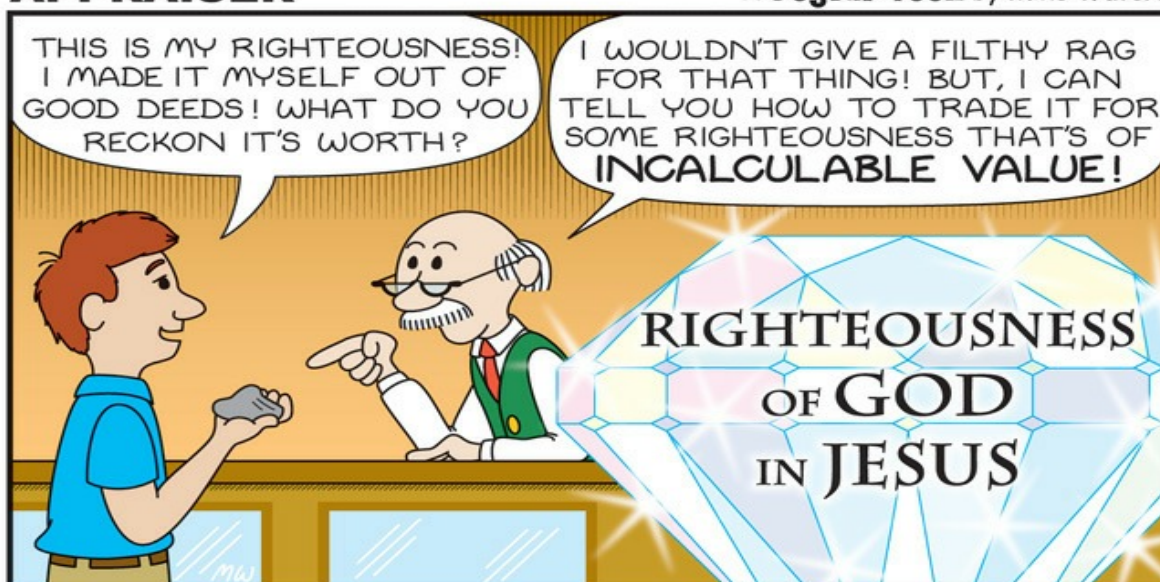
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APPRAISER

A Joyful 'toon by Mike Waters



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All of us have become like one who is unclean,
and all our righteous acts are like filthy rags;
we all shrivel up like a leaf,
and like the wind our sins sweep us away. – ISAIAH 64:6 NIV

Whoever pursues righteousness and love
finds life, prosperity and honour. Proverbs 21:21

Are you going to heaven ?
Are you trying to get there by doing good things?
Fancy finding out how to be sure you are going there?
Don't assume, follow the makers instructions....

Sunday & Special SERVICES in April		READERS	PRAYERS
1 st 11:00	Luke 22:7-20 Resurrection	Douglas McClintick	R
8 th 11:00	Luke 16:1-15 Stewardship	May Low	I
15 th 11:00	Luke 16:16 - 31 Pictures of the Kingdom	Alison Mitchell	J
22 nd 11:00	Luke 17:1-10 Sin, Forgiveness, and Serving	Jim Thompson	Youth
29 th 11:00	Guest Preacher	Elaine O'Brien	

Minister's Letter April 2018: Spiritually Blind

How would you rate your own spiritual sight and hearing? Are your values and ideas based on scriptural truths, cultural values or blind presumptions? God has been talking to me lately about how some become spiritually enlightened while others, even with the same opportunities, remain "blind". A minister friend asked me how I coped "with those who never seem to get it; you know, the ones who are more interested in the old words of the LORD's prayer or the type of worship songs they consider appropriate and the like." I replied "it is of course part of the mystery of God and the things of God. Also we humans close our eyes and ears spiritually, and permit wrong ideas, these are surely primary factors in this."

The discussion continued, "at least attending events sometimes, is better than never looking to God at all" I said. "How can God reach those who never make any time or space for the vital spiritual opportunities? Those that permit life changing experiences which He delights to give to those who truly and honestly want to have Him in their lives?" he replied.

Then preparing for our new study into Romans, I sensed that this could be another opportunity for some to set apart a little time each month to consider truths of God; not just any set of truths, but life-changing ones. I would be delighted if you let me know if you will study through this letter with us each month, in the magazine. Also you can share things with me, and I will reward the best contribution with a prize.

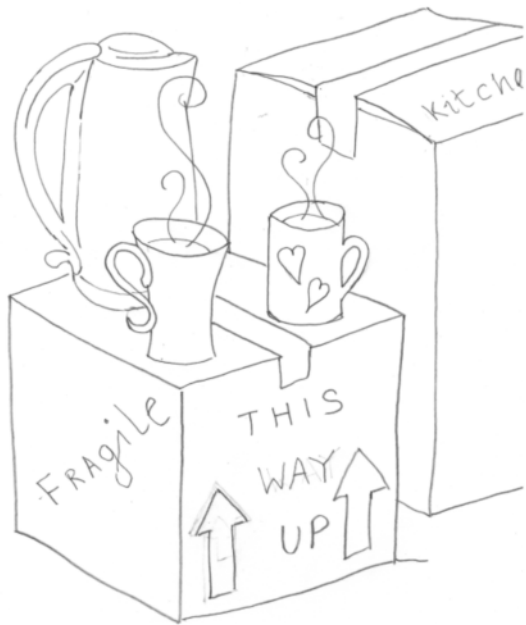
As well as how much we let God in, graciously God does work in the other direction. He makes all the first moves towards us, He gives us second, third and many more chances to turn to Him. He will never force us, but like a loving parent, He stands with arms wide open waiting for His child to run in for an embrace - a relationship which is tangible and which can grow deep.

The Psalmist wrote, **Truly my soul finds rest in God; my salvation comes from him. Psalm 62:1**

People go to paradise islands, or into the wilderness to "enjoy peace", but the deep spiritual peace is only found in God, Jesus and with the Holy Spirit.

In Romans 6 it says, **For "Everyone who calls on the name of the LORD will be saved."** ¹⁴ **But how can they call on him to save them unless they believe in him? And how can they believe in him if they have never heard about him? And how can they hear about him unless someone tells them?** ¹⁵ **And how will anyone go and tell them without being sent? That is why the Scriptures say, "How beautiful are the feet of messengers who bring good news!"** ¹⁶ **But not everyone welcomes the Good News, for Isaiah the prophet said, "LORD, who has believed our message?"** Some hear and walk away, some want to know more, and some become living disciples on route to glory. Your choice! ***Yours in Christ Gordon***

New neighbour?



If someone near you has moved into a new home, anywhere in our parish, please deliver a 'welcome' leaflet through their door. This leaflet invites people to our church, tells them about it, why we are here and what we do. Ask Helen for leaflets and more details.

HOME GROUPS

Wednesday at 7.30 p.m.

Contact Ian /Jenny Manning
2 Temple Mains Cottages,
Innerwick 01368 840334

Jonathan and Christine Idle
4 Salisbury Walk, Dunbar
01368 860922

See Calendar for dates

Continuing the study of
Psalms on Perseverance -
Come on keep going ...

Transport to the Church: We can arrange for someone to bring you to church and take you home each week. Please phone **Jenny Manning** by the Thursday evening, on **01368 840334**. If you could offer someone a lift, even occasionally, you could be a reserve driver, please let Jenny know, it would be greatly appreciated.

Sermon's are available on the Church website. Use the link on the Home page
(www.dunbarparishchurch.org)
to access them

*The LORD your God is in your midst, a mighty one who will save; he will rejoice over you with gladness; he will quiet you by his love; he will exult over you with loud singing. **Zephaniah 3:17***

See, I am doing a new thing! Now it springs up; do you not perceive it? I am making a way in the wilderness and streams in the wasteland. **Isaiah 43:19**

To be a Christian without prayer is no more possible than to be alive without breathing.

Martin Luther King JR

Easter Anecdotes

A guy comes down to earth, takes your sins, dies, and comes back three days later. You believe in him and go to heaven forever. How do you get from that to Hide-The-Eggs? Did Jesus have a problem with eggs? Did he go, "When I come back, if I see any eggs, the whole salvation thing is off."

One Palm Sunday, little Johnny was sick and stayed home from church. When his brothers and sisters came home carrying palm branches, Johnny asked where the palms came from.

His father replied, "When Jesus walked by, people held palm branches over his head."

"Just my luck!" Johnny said. "The one time I don't go to church, Jesus shows up."

£350,000 Restoration of Stonework and Stained Glass Improvement of Disabled Access Modernised Exhibition of Church's Heritage

At last we have clearance to start this work and it is anticipated that scaffolding will be erected around the Church by early April. The work involved is programmed to last about 8 months. During that time there will be a temporary contractor's site accommodation erected, probably on the parking setts at the south end of the Church.

The work will be carried out on weekdays with the weekends being free of workmen. There will still be parking available during the week although the contractor will be bringing to the site equipment and materials on lorries.

Additionally, members of the Church and local History Society are developing and implementing proposals to modernise and expand the exhibition of the Church's heritage. This will be displayed in the Apse (the area behind the pulpit). Disabled access to that area of the Church will be created by the construction of a ramp inside the North side of the Church.

Dunbar Churches Together Holiday Club

Monday 6th – Friday 10th August 2018

Can you be part of the team this year?

Help needed with small groups, music, crafts, activities, snack preparation.

We welcome all ages on the team – teenagers upwards.

It's great fun, can be hard work but very rewarding – please consider it!

PVG clearance will be required

Contact Dorothy Wildgoose for more information

Tel 863161 or dorothywildgoose@hotmail.com

Big Team planning meeting on Monday 23rd April at 7.30pm in Methodist Church

Things Kids Say

3-year-old Reese:

"Our Father, Who does art in heaven, Harold is
His name. Amen"

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A father was at the beach with his children when the four-year-old son ran up to him, grabbed his hand, and led him to the shore where a seagull lay dead in the sand. "Daddy, what happened to him?" the son asked. "He died and went to Heaven," the Dad replied. The boy thought a moment and then said, "Did God throw him back down?"

## **More Easter Anecdotes**

Having trouble selling my Lent calendars where every day you open a new square and it's empty.

"Easter is the only time of year when it is safe to put all your eggs in one basket."

Easter Egg Hunts PROOF YOUR CHILD CAN FIND THINGS WHEN THEY REALLY WANT TO

Golf is just the adult version of an Easter Egg Hunt....



## Fresh Encounter Group

| Week | Sunday 6:30            | Monday 1:30            |
|------|------------------------|------------------------|
| 2    | 8 <sup>th</sup> April  | 9 <sup>th</sup> April  |
| 3    | 22 <sup>nd</sup> April | 23 <sup>rd</sup> April |
| 4    | 6 <sup>th</sup> May    | 7 <sup>th</sup> May    |
| 5    | 20 <sup>th</sup> May   | 21 <sup>st</sup> May   |
| 6    | 3 <sup>rd</sup> June   | 4 <sup>th</sup> June   |
| 7    | 17 <sup>th</sup> June  | 18 <sup>th</sup> June  |

## WOMEN'S CONFERENCE

Saturday 28<sup>th</sup> April

9:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.

St John & King's Park, Dalkeith

Tickets £5 available from Liz Rankin

[lrarkin1@gmail.com](mailto:lrarkin1@gmail.com) or by phone:

07910268330

Speakers:

Kirsty Thompson, Lindsay Bruce,

Margo Cunningham

Worship being led by Liv Comley

## PASTORAL TEAM

Do you know anyone who could use some pastoral help? Perhaps someone infirm, lonely, or grieving for a loved one?

Maybe an illness, operation or another blow has knocked you a bit? Members/adherents who is interested contact Moyra Wright (tel. 863316) directly or via Church members.

The pastoral team are genuinely interested in your well-being.

## CHURCH PRAYER MEETINGS

2<sup>nd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup>

Wednesday's  
at 7:30 pm

In the Eden Room

## Your Elder

All members and adherents should contact their elder if they know of any pastoral needs. If you don't know who to contact, ask Alan Low

## Opt - ins : Serving

There are many ways that you can serve with us.

**Your service is wanted.** Just let us know where you would like to serve? Here are just some of the possibilities :-

Coffee/Tea rota

Cleaning rota

Sunday Bible reading rota

Sunday **prayer** rota

**Prayer** Breakfast leader rota

**Prayer** Breakfast catering rota

## Prayer Breakfast Rota

1 April Catherine

8 April Ian M

15 April Derek & Margaret

22 April Jim

29 April Ian & Margaret

## Hall Bookings

Please Contact: Sonia Young she keeps the master diary and updates the hall one.

email [bhraggie@tiscali.co.uk](mailto:bhraggie@tiscali.co.uk)

Telephone: 07874 816326

## BASICS BANK BUDDY SCHEME

If you are not already part of the Buddy Scheme please drop an email to [basicsbankbuddy@gmail.com](mailto:basicsbankbuddy@gmail.com) and you will be kept up to date with a weekly email and shopping list.

| DATE           | SUNDAY DUTY TEAMS                                                                                                                         | FLOWERS in CHURCH                                         | CLEANING ROTA<br>(U) = upstairs<br>(D) = downstairs                                       |
|----------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| <b>April 1</b> | <b>April</b><br><i>Lorna McLeod</i><br>Denise Brunton<br>Margaret Croft<br>Lena Glass<br>May Low<br>Derek MacDonald<br>Margaret MacDonald | <b>Convenor:</b><br><b>Kath Ellis</b><br>Mrs K Ellis      | 2 Laura Pulner & Laura Girvan (U)<br>Vacant (D)                                           |
| <b>8</b>       |                                                                                                                                           | Mrs M Ramage                                              | 9 Moyra Wright & Anne Creedican (U)<br>Sandy & Ian Darling (D)                            |
| <b>15</b>      |                                                                                                                                           | Mrs M Dempster                                            | 16 Gordon & Gail Stevenson (U)<br>Jenny & Jason Kay (D)                                   |
| <b>22</b>      |                                                                                                                                           | Mrs M Wright                                              | 23 Val & Will Collin (U)<br>Jonathan & Christine Idle (D)                                 |
| <b>29</b>      |                                                                                                                                           | Mrs J Gullan                                              | 30 Vacant (U)<br>Margaret & Derek MacDonald (D)                                           |
| <b>May 6</b>   | <b>May</b><br><i>Barbara Leslie</i><br>Ian Darling<br>Eric Easton<br>Kath Ellis<br>Jason Kay<br>Alan Low<br>Ian Manning<br>Tommy Manson   | <b>Convenor:</b><br><b>Sarah McKenzie</b><br>Mrs V Collin | 7 Ian Gillian & Alison Mitchell (U)<br>Ian Coultart (D)                                   |
| <b>13</b>      |                                                                                                                                           | Mrs A Creedican                                           | 14 Margaret Croft & Lorna McLeod (U)<br>Ann & Norman Barr (D)                             |
| <b>20</b>      |                                                                                                                                           | Mrs M Cowan                                               | 21 Gill Phillip, Alistair Matthews & Mark Brown (U)<br>Fiona Fleming & Barbara Leslie (D) |
| <b>27</b>      |                                                                                                                                           | Mrs M Coltart                                             | 28 Vacant (U)<br>Laura Pulner & Laura Girvan (D)                                          |

### Magazine Input:

Please send your items in by **Friday 16<sup>th</sup> April** for April Magazine - out on **25 April** or if you would like a regular E\_Magazine

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Weekly Notices: Contact Denise

| 2018 Dunbar Parish Church Magazines |                    |                     |
|-------------------------------------|--------------------|---------------------|
| Magazine month                      | Articles by Friday | Magazine out Sunday |
| MAY                                 | 20-Apr             | 29-April            |
| JUNE                                | 18-May             | 27-May              |

## Article Series 9 (pt 1) Introduction to the book of Romans -

### SIN, Salvation, Sanctification, Sovereignty and Service

Please pray before you read Romans (1 chapter every 2 days or so)

Try keeping a journal of the things you like, the questions it raises, the things you don't understand, any new understanding etc.

Having completed Daniel, God is now taking us through the book of Romans. It is considered to be **the most important letter** that anyone could ever read. Many scholars consider it to be a masterpiece which gives **the clearest and fullest explanation of the gospel in the Bible**.

Calvin said about it, "If one comprehends it, a road will be open to understand the whole of scripture". William Tyndale proposed that every Christian should learn it off by heart. **But watch out, once you read and study this book, if you open up to God as you read it, the chances are you will never be the same again** - but instead you'll be better, richer, and spiritually more illuminated.

Notably Augustine was converted as he read it for the first time. He wrote, "a clear light flooded into my heart, and all the darkness and doubt vanished away". Martin Luther said of Romans, "I began to grasp the truth that the righteousness of God is that righteousness whereby, through GRACE and SHEER MERCY, He **justifies US by faith**. Thereupon **I felt myself being reborn** and to have travelled through the open door into paradise" From then on his teaching brought new meaning for his students and two years later, he was pinning his thesis on the Castle church door in Wittenberg. The Protestant Reformation began there as a progressive result of **this book being opened up for Luther by God**.

Here is a brief overview :-

1. Ch 1:18 - 3:20 : **Sin**, the need for salvation as God is holy - so He condemns sin as it is spiritually and eternally deadly. Righteousness is required. God's righteousness is in His Law, but we are all slaves to sin in our human nature.
2. Ch 3:21 - 5:21 : **Salvation**, the way of salvation through God's grace. God's design of grace to **justify** sinners, crediting Christians as righteous and how God **imputes** righteousness to believers who walk daily guided by His Spirit.
3. Ch 6:1 - 8:39 : **Sanctification** and the life of salvation through God's action. How God demonstrated righteousness and how we are to obey and serve God.
4. Ch 9:1 - 11:36 : **Sovereignty**, the scope of salvation: Jew and Gentile. God's promises being fulfilled as righteousness is restored to His people and by *election*.
5. Ch 12:1 - 16:27 : **Service**: salvation calls us to service for God's glory and the salvation of others. The paths we travel with the righteousness applied and the demonstration of God's righteousness so that we turn new spiritual understanding into active effective service for the King of Kings towards others.

Let me know if you are going to study this, by email ([revgstev@gmail.com](mailto:revgstev@gmail.com)) or phone (01368 865482), and send me any items that you want to share or discuss?

Rich rewards available for all those who pursue GOD.

Gordon

# HOLINESS AND JUSTIFICATION

The rich are not always **godly**, but the **godly** are ALWAYS rich. *Anon.*

**Justification** never results from good works; **justification** always results in good works. *John Blanchard*

According to Scripture it is quite impossible to be **justified** by faith and not to experience the commencement of true sanctification, because the spiritual life communicated by the Spirit in the act of regeneration (which introduces the new power to believe) is morally akin to the character of God and contains within it a germ of **all holiness**. *Iain H Murray*

Counterfeit Christianity declares **justification** for all without demanding the inseparable partner **sanctification** which needs to come on the journey as well. *Gordon Stevenson*

Those who are unwilling to cleanse themselves of every stain of sin only show that they have not been cleansed from the guilt of sin. The **unsanctified** are **unjustified**. *Geoffrey B Wilson*

We do not strive to be **holy** in order to be saved; that is legalism. We do not strive to be **holy** in order to prove that we are saved, that is bondage. We seek to be **holy** because that is God's purpose in saving us and because we have come to be thankful to Him. *John Benton*

People are quick to have their ailments sorted but of much greater importance is having our hearts **sanctified** - take a guess which one God places the greater value upon. (Paraphrased) *Thomas Case*

**Righteousness** is a commitment to a relationship **with** God. *Don Garlington*

Hunger after **righteousness**. *Jerome*

## My 1st Book of questions and answers!

Section 6:  
Jesus as Prophet, Priest & King

60. How is Christ our Priest?  
*Answer:* We are guilty of sin and he has died as a sacrifice for the sins of his people. Now that He has risen and ascended, He continually prays for them.

*20: and through Him to reconcile to Himself all things, whether things on earth or things in heaven, by making peace through His blood, shed on the cross.*

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## Communion

In order to keep accurate records of our Communicants, the Kirk Session is encouraging the congregation to hand in their Communion cards in the tray in the narthex. If you do not have one, can you please take one and place in the tray, or fill in the sign-in sheet at the table.

The next Communion is  
**Thursday 29<sup>th</sup> and then  
Friday 30<sup>th</sup> March 2018**

### DPC Verse for 2018

He says,  
'Be still, and know that I am God;  
I will be exalted among the nations,  
I will be exalted in the earth.'  
Psalm 46:10

### THE BIG Q

Bring and share lunch for April 2, 16, 30 in the church hall between 11:30-1:30.



## TEEN PAGE..... Psalm 23 “The Lord is my Shepherd”

On a number of occasions over the years, I've heard people saying that the Bible is not relevant. Often a view that is prevalent amongst the young. Many believe it is a collection of far-fetched stories or a book full of judgement and “thou shalt nots”. In the new technological age, where communication is via social media, delivered in short bites, that viewpoint is easy to understand. You have tweets with limited characters, photos that disappear after a few seconds, blogs and vlogs, facetime and Skype, snap chats and whatsapps and the latest celebrities are youtubers.

So when we read Psalm 23, one of the best known sections of scripture, how can it be relevant, how can describing God as a shepherd mean anything to young people in this sci-fi techno era?

It may help you, to re-interpret the words in your thoughts. So what is God to you? Here are some examples from Christians around the globe:

Latin America – “The Lord is my friend, he helps me find work each day”

Russia – “the Lord is my taxi driver, he helps me get safely through the streets of Moscow”

Australia – “The lord is my loving mother, she takes care of me all day long”

India – “The Lord is my Guru, he teaches me what I need to know”

To understand this verse better, we need to look more closely at the author. David was a shepherd. He cared for his sheep in the most hostile environments. He guided them through dangerous terrain. He ensured they were fed and watered in arid deserts. He fought off predators. If one went missing, he'd seek it out. It was his purpose, his responsibility; the flock relied entirely on him. No matter what happened, the shepherd stayed with the sheep and actively worked for their best interest. Have you experienced these things in your relationship with the Lord? *If not you're losing out!*

Psalm 23 is beautifully written, full of re-assurance, love, peace, tranquillity, healing, righteousness, protection and salvation. As David needed these in his day, surely we need them equally today.

So as time moves on, ideas change and evolve, humans become more advanced, but do our needs change? We still need the elements demonstrated in this Psalm.

While everything around us may change, we can be reassured that God does not. In Exodus 3 we read about another man tending his flock. When God appears to Moses in the burning bush, he tells him “I am who I am”.

Take some time to read this Psalm carefully, translating each line into your own experience.

I pray that you will experience God's blessing through this.

Blessings Derek

## April Prayer Letter by Douglas McClintick

Over the last few weekends prior to writing this letter, I have been blessed to have had the opportunity to go on two weekends away; the Veterinary Christian Fellowship Northern Conference and Carlisle Baptist's Young Adults Group weekend. These have been great opportunities to network with other Christians from a variety of backgrounds; spending time together worshipping God, studying the Bible and having fun. It has been a wonderful reminder of how the whole Church genuinely can be one big family, over and above the fellowship we have as a congregation here at Dunbar. It is as Jesus describes in Matthew 12:49-50; "Here are my mother and my brothers. For whoever does the will of my Father in heaven is my brother and sister and mother."

For many however, the Church does not feel like a family. We pray that in these situations there would be opportunities for reconciliation and relationship-building; for all of us to have the discernment to reach out to those who are isolated, hurting or alone. We pray that through time spent together caring for one another, all of us within our congregation and the wider church would feel welcome and loved. We also ask that as a Church we would have the courage to engage in the more difficult aspects of being a family: acting sacrificially and holding one another accountable. LORD give us guidance and wisdom as we serve you together in this we **pray**.

LORD Jesus we **pray** for initiatives such as Passing the Baton, which aim to combat the isolation and loneliness which makes individuals vulnerable to homelessness. We give thanks for its befriending service, for the volunteers that spend time with those who are socially vulnerable. LORD bless these meetings and be present there. We ask Lord that, through this work, hope and opportunity would abound for those who are most in need of a positive change in their circumstances. Thank you also, Father, for the Cinnamon Network and Bethany Christian Trust who provide support for Passing the Baton as well as many other social initiatives.

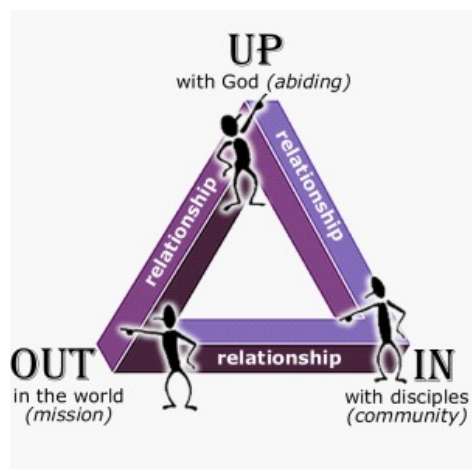
We give thanks for other charities such as Livability and Linking Lives UK which look to foster social connections for people who are in the most challenging circumstances for being able to maintain or build their personal relationships. May Your Hand work through these organisations and their generous volunteers to rebuild communities and to challenge loneliness caused by poverty, disability, bereavement or broken relationships. Most of all we ask that You, Jesus, would be made known to all involved. May they know that the one person who will never forsake them, will love them and will always be there for them is You.

Finally, the advent of social media has appeared to result in the problems of isolation and loneliness growing as increasing numbers of people trade the intimacy and depth of physical friendships for more superficial virtual connections. We therefore pray LORD that there would be a recognition of the value of personal contact and communication. Help us to remember this in our relationship with You, that we would take the time to **experience You personally** and to just be still in your presence.

In Jesus' Name, Amen

## How Is Your OUT Doing? - By Shiona Liddle

All sorts of good things come in triangles: Dairylea cheese, Doritos and, best of all, Toblerone! In our youth mentoring group Adam, Lewis and I are habitually asking ourselves questions based on the following diagram.



In my role as Pioneer Minister I am often concerned with the OUT side of the triangle, asking questions like: *'who am I connecting with in our community - who am I helping take one step closer to Jesus?'* That's one of the reasons I go to Slimming World every Thursday at 5.30 - I'm making new friends as well as losing weight and eating more healthily. Other places I meet people are Basics Bank where we eat soup together and have conversations and also The Hungry Hatch – the fortnightly community meal run by the Ridge Café in Bleachingfield. I've also made 1650 my default café in town (mostly) so that I can begin to know the regulars.

At my recent Forge pioneer training weekend in Chester we met with a group of evangelists at the Light Project in Chester.

<http://www.lightproject.org.uk/about-the-project/chester/> They encouraged us to be more intentional about connecting with people in very simple, everyday ways. When you are in a shop why not ask the assistant: *'how is your day going?'* It's amazing the kind of conversations that open up from a simple, caring acknowledgement of someone serving you. We were also tasked with choosing an object and praying about who to give it to. Our pair chose a small wooden plaque with the words: *'you are doing a great job'* written on it. Then we walked the town, asking God who to give it to. A lovely smiley fruit shop assistant had her day brightened by the brief encouraging conversation and the gift of the plaque.

A visit to Lush (a soap and skincare shop) led to a very natural conversation with a helpful young shop assistant who brought up the idea of spirituality. He was already open - all we had to do was connect. He was beaming after a brief prayer of blessing. Our evangelist trainers explained that people in this post-Christian culture are all at different stages of closeness to Jesus. Our job is just to help them step a little nearer by showing them that God is good and we care. That really takes the pressure off!

It is all about being intentional. Start to identify where you go on a regular basis and who you meet there. Pray that you will be led into natural conversations which might or might not lead to talking about Jesus. Don't force it. Trust that you will be led. You will be surprised at what happens when you keep your antennae up!

### Join us in the OUT

As an exercise in the OUT dimension of the triangle, Adam, Lewis and I are choosing an object each and praying about who to give it to. Simple and a little bit scary. Please ask us how we get on.

**Hugs & Hot Cross Buns.** Then there is the opportunity to bless our town as we give out free hugs and hot cross buns on Easter Saturday from 10am-12 noon outside the town house. This is a joint venture with St Anne's and the aim is to bless, to start to change the atmosphere of the town and perhaps people's perceptions of Christians and church.

**Light & Life Fair.** Another low-key way to introduce friends or neighbours might be to invite them to our Light and Life evening on **April 27<sup>th</sup>** at The Royal British Legion at 7.30pm. In the meantime, keep your antennae up and remember the OUT.

Shiona Liddle

## April 2018 Calendar

| Date | Time      | Event                                                     | Location             |
|------|-----------|-----------------------------------------------------------|----------------------|
| 1    | 09:30     | Prayer breakfast                                          | Eden Rm              |
|      | 11:00     | <b>Easter Day Service</b> Luke 22:7-20 Resurrection       | Church               |
| 4    | 19:30     | Home Group                                                | Idle's               |
| 8    | 09:30     | Prayer breakfast                                          | Eden Rm              |
|      | 11:00     | <b>Service</b> - Luke 16:1-15 Stewardship                 | Church               |
|      | 18:30     | Fresh Encounters : Ephesians week 2 - Our Seat            | Eden Rm              |
| 9    | 13:30     | Fresh Encounters : Ephesians week 2 - Our Seat            | Eden Rm              |
| 11   | 19:30     | Prayer Meeting                                            | Eden Rm              |
| 15   | 09:30     | Prayer breakfast                                          | Eden Rm              |
| 17   | 14:30     | Mentor Meeting                                            | Manse                |
| 18   | 19:30     | Home Group                                                | Idle's               |
| 19   | 12:30     | Cairn Huddle                                              | Edinburgh            |
|      | 19:30     | DCT Meeting                                               | Methodist Ch         |
| 22   | 09:30     | Prayer breakfast                                          | Eden Rm              |
|      | 11:00     | <b>Service</b> - Luke 17:1-10 Sin, forgiving, and serving | Church               |
|      | 18:30     | Fresh Encounters : Ephesians week 3 - Daring to Dream     | Eden Rm              |
|      | 13:30     | Fresh Encounters : Ephesians week 3 - Daring to Dream     | Eden Rm              |
| 25   | 19:30     | Prayer Meeting                                            | Eden Rm              |
| 26   | 12 to 2   | Ploughman's Lunch                                         | Halls                |
| 27   | 19:30     | Light and Life                                            | Royal British Legion |
| 29   |           | Pulpit swap with Michael Veitch                           | Wooler               |
|      | 09:30     | Prayer breakfast                                          | Eden Rm              |
|      | 11:00     | <b>Service</b> - (Guest Preacher)                         | Church               |
| 30   | 09:30 - 4 | Reformation Conference                                    | Edinburgh            |
|      | 19:30     | Board Meeting                                             | Eden Rm              |

**It doesn't matter  
whether the glass is  
half full or half empty.  
because the tomb is  
empty.  
He is risen  
HAPPY EASTER**

