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The Newsletter of

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REFLECTION FROM THE MINISTER

Friends, thanks so much for welcoming us to be part of the Anerley family and also for your prayers. For our reflection/ letter this month, we will briefly reflect on divine guidance and the Holy Spirit. When we give our life to Christ, we are saying that we give Him authority over every aspect of our life. We cannot live the Christian life in our own strength, but only as we depend on the power of the Holy Spirit. The Holy Spirit must be our Guide. The Holy Spirit is God Himself within every believer. At the time we received Christ as Saviour, we also received the Holy Spirit.

WHAT DOES THE HOLY SPIRIT DO.

1. He convicts of sin and righteousness and judgement. [John 16:8-9]

- 2. He is our Helper/Counselor. [John 16:7]
- 3. He leads us into truth. [John 14: 16-17, 26]

4. He is the seal or assurance that we are saved. [Rom.8:16, Eph. 1:13-14]

5. He is our Guide. [John 16:13, Romans 8:14]

6. He gives us power to live the Christian life and for witnessing. [Acts 1:8]

7. He helps us in our weakness and in our praying. .[Romans 8:26-27].

We must be filled by the Spirit and this can be done by

a. Examining ourselves to see what sins there are in our

lives.[2 Cor. 13:5]

b. Confess all known sin.[1John 1:9]

c. Yield yourself to God. [Romans 6:13, 12:1]

d. Pray and ask God to fill you with His Holy Spirit. [Luke 11:13]

e. Believe you are filled and do not doubt. [John 7:38-39a, Romans 14:23]

f. Continue to obey God's will as revealed in the Bible. [John 14:15, Acts 5:32].

How can we know that we are filled by the Holy Spirit?

a. We will show the fruit of the Spirit in our lives. [Matthew 7:17-20, Galatians 5:22-23]

b We will witness with courage. [Acts 4:31]

c. We will have a desire to thank and praise God. [Ephesians 5:18-21]

d. We will be knowing God better and better every day. [Ephesians 1:17]

I wish you a successful month

Rev. William Davis



ROUND THE FAMILY

Our thoughts and prayers are with David Hynes, whose sister Jane died suddenly at the beginning of August; please also remember Jane's son and daughter at this time.

Please also remember in your prayers Maureen Cole, who is receiving end-of-life care at home, her husband Adrian and her family at this difficult time.

Anita Yusuf is now recovering from her knee operation, and thanks everyone for their thoughts and prayers.

For many people the autumn is the start of a new phase in their lives; small children starting school for the first time, older children moving on to Junior and Senior Schools, and young people moving on to further education. Others starting new jobs. We think of everyone or whom this is a time of change.

Marian

WELCOME SERVICE

The Welcome Service for our new Minister, the Rev. William Davis, took place on September 3rd at Anerley. The Church was full, with members from Anerley, Upper Norwood and the rest of the Circuit, together with representatives from other local churches and friends and colleagues of William's from his time in the New River Circuit in north London, including Anthony Boateng, the current Vice-President of the Methodist Conference. The singing nearly raised the roof, in true Methodist fashion, and the service was followed by a buffet tea. Thank you to everyone who helped in any way in arranging and helping with the Service, and with the refreshments afterwards.

Andrew's Railway Journeys

2. Complimentary ferry trip included!

Back in 2013 Valerie and I were on holiday in Lowestoft. One day we visited Norwich by train. It was an hourly service and we noted there was a return service shortly before 4pm.

Having been to the cathedral and had a good look round the city we made our way back to the station in time for our planned departure. Norwich station is a terminus and from the concourse there is barrier-free access to the trains. The service was duly indicated on the departure board and we followed other passengers to the relevant platform where a two coach diesel unit, with its engine running, was waiting. The train began to fill up. However, the departure time came and went and we still stood there. Five minutes later the engine fell silent. A cleaner boarded and began her duties. We enquired what was happening and all she could tell us was that it wasn't the service for Lowestoft!

We got off and were followed by another 20 or so passengers all searching for a member of staff. We eventually arrived at the Customer Service Counter where we were informed the train had already departed on time from another platform! I asked why the change hadn't been announced and was told that the public address system was out of order! Surely, I said, someone could have come across and made an announcement to the passengers on board our train – after all it only had a couple of carriages.

Although we were visitors, the majority of passengers caught out were locals, including school children, who were clearly used to getting that train from that platform. To their credit the

staff said they would organise taxis for everyone.

Three other passengers joined us in the first cab to leave. A short way on a schoolgirl got out, followed a little later by a lady who lived in one of the other villages. Then without warning we found our taxi had driven aboard a small vehicle ferry to cross a river (it was very much off the beaten track and to this day I don't know quite where we were). Our remaining fellow passenger looked puzzled. She was going to Oulton Broad and said, *"This isn't the way"*. She tapped on the glass to query where we were going but the driver replied this was the route he knew.

Eventually we drew near to Oulton Broad where we joined a line of queuing traffic. I remarked to our fellow passenger that it looked as though the swing bridge had opened to let a boat through. "Oh no", she replied, "The queue's because the level crossing gates have closed for the next train from Norwich!" After dropping her off we eventually arrived back at our destination having had an eventful and interesting journey. However, it seems we could have saved several minutes if the Customer Service staff had suggested we waited for the following train!

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CHURCH HISTORY BOOKS

Book 10 of the Church History, "*Where Next? Looking to the Future*", is now available from Valerie, Price £2.

OXFAM

Valerie, our Pledged Giving representative, has received a letter from Oxfam, thanking us for our recent donations.

"Thank you for sending your generous pledged giving donation of $\pounds 203.50$. These gifts could allow us to give 19 households in Bangladesh hand washing facilities to help them practice good hygiene and prevent the spread of disease.

"Abdulahi Farah Isse, 27 years old, is a pastoralist in Puntland, Somalia. His livestock is heavily affected by drought and he is worried about the future of his family.

"I had about a hundred cattle before but now only 60 remain. Within the last 5 months close to 40 have died....this is the worst drought I have ever experienced. I am married with one wife and 3 children. This drought will definitely have an effect on them. Our children need milk from the cows, which is a challenge now...If these cattle all die the people will be at risk. We depend on our livestock because we sell them for money (income), and also to get meat and milk from the cattle, so if the cattle die those opportunities will no longer be available.

"Thanks to supporters like yourself and your donors, we are aiming to supply emergency food support, cash, clean water and sanitation to nearly half a million families like Abdulahi's in Somalia. We will also make sure life-saving assistance goes hand-in-hand with helping their communities deal with climate change and conflict long-term.

Thank you again for helping to make this kind of life changing work a reality. We hugely appreciate your continued support.

Best wishes

Nathaniel Micklem Supporter Relations Oxfam GB

INTROIT

The introit for the next two months, starting on Sunday October 2nd, will be as follows:-

There's a quiet understanding when we're gathered in the Spirit, it's a promise that he gives us, when we gather in his name. There's a love we feel in Jesus, there's a manna that he feeds us, it's a promise that he gives us, when we gather in his name.

> Tedd Smith Singing the Faith no.36 CCLI 221943

CHURCH FLOWERS

Thank you to everyone who has helped to decorate the Church, either by donating money or by arranging flowers for services.

Perhaps you have a special day during the year which you would like to have remembered. Why not do this by providing flowers for the nearest Sunday. You could arrange the flowers yourself or simply pay for the flowers.

We are in urgent need of more people willing to arrange flowers on a regular basis and new "designers" (single or joint efforts) are always welcome. Also, if you would like to make regular or "one-off" donations to the cost of the church flowers this would also be welcome.

Please speak to Janice Friend if you are interested in providing and arranging the church flowers or in making a donation..



ELTHAM PARK PLEASANT SUNDAY

AFTERNOON ORCHESTRA

Sunday 30st October 2022,

and 27th November 2022

at 3pm

The PSA orchestra is delighted to be once more entertaining us with their ever-popular afternoon concerts

LIGHT CLASSICS

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ADMISSION FREE

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Autumn Fayre Burnt Ash Methodist Church Burnt Ash Hill, SE12 0QD (between Kingsand Road and Heather Road) Saturday, 29th October 2022 11 am - 2 pm

... plants/bulbs/seeds ... crafts ...

jewellery ... homemade cakes/preserves ...

tea bar ... ploughman's lunch

second-hand books, bric-a-brac

Christmas decorations/gifts/ cards/wrap/calendars/ diaries

ADMISSION 50p (Children free)



COOKERY CORNER

Date and Honey Pudding

Cooking time: 1 hour ; Oven temp.325°F/Mark 3/170°

Ingredients

175gr. (6 oz) chopped dates 100gr.(4 oz) self-raising flour 50gr (2 oz) breadcrumbs 75gr (3 oz) suet 2 tablespoons honey milk to mix

<u>Honey Sauce</u> 1/2 teacup honey 1/2 teacup water lemon juice

Method

- 1. Finely chop the dates and place in a bowl with the flour, breadcrumbs and suet.
- 2. Work in the honey (warmed if it is very stiff) and gradually work in enough milk to make a soft constituency.
- 3. Place the mixture in a greased pie dish and bake in the centre of a moderate oven, for an hour.
- 4. When cooked, turn out and serve with honey sauce.
- 5. To make the sauce, place the honey, water and lemon juice in a saucepan and stir over a gentle heat until boiling and slightly thickened.

Ann Vickery

INTERNATIONAL BIBLE READING ASSOCIATION

<u>Fresh from the Word: Read, Reflect, Grow</u> offers a fresh approach to Bible Reading and is written to support all readers of the Bible, from new Christians to those seeking to deepen their faith and relationship with God. Bringing together over 50 international writers to give you new insights every day, <u>Fresh from the Word</u> contains Bible verses, notes, prayers and action points.

It gives global perspectives on carefully selected passages from the Bible. Our writers include theologians and Biblical scholars, church leaders and activists for peace from across the world, all of whom share a passion to bring the Bible into conversation with day -to-day concerns. This helps you to grow in your knowledge and appreciation of the Bible and carries on the 140-year-old IBRA tradition of encouraging people around the world.

I am now taking orders for *Fresh from the Word* for 2023. Please contact me by **Sunday 6th November** if you would like to order a copy. The cost will be about £11.70 (including discount).

Marian

Update on Jumoke Holiday Activities Food Programme (HAF)

The holiday club was a great success. We ran for 4 weeks during August. We were able to reach out to 40 children all from the local area. We provided a range of activities from arts and crafts, games, a Dinosaur fun walk at our local Crystal Palace Park and more.

All funding for the group was provided by the London Borough of Bromley.

Audrey





REGULAR CHURCH USERS		
Amaze Penge Tuesday 10-12 Term Time	Tel. 07882 760 828	
Campbell School of Dance Friday 4-7pm	Tel. 020 8777 7529	
Harlequins Theatre School Monday 4.00-6.30pm	Tel. 07773 066 645	
Hill Dance Academy Tues 4.30pm—8.30pm, Sat 11am—3pm	Tel.07772 199 103	
Only Believe Christian AssemblyTel.020 8778 0863Tues 7.30pm to 10.30pm		
Penge Community Pre-School Monday to Friday 9.15am to 4pm	Tel. 020 8289 6771	
Salvation & Deliverance Ministry Sunday 2pm to 5.30pm;	Tel. 020 8683 3094	
Tai Chi - Thursday 8pm - 10pm	Tel. 01424 420 050	
UNITY OF SELF COUNSELLING SERVICE		

Are you depressed, confused or just would like someone to talk to? I am a qualified counsellor and supervisor offering a confidential service to adults, children and families. CALL ME TO MAKE AN APPOINTMENT ON 020 8244 0512 or 07956 351 511

Email:wendy.blenman@ntlworld.com

WENDY BLENMAN (Dip. Couns., MSc in therapeutic counselling)

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

OCTOBER

Wed 5th	Wednesday Club 8pm Darts
Sat 8th	Pastoral Visitors' Training. 10am-12 noon, Lewisham Methodist Church
Sun 9th	Circuit Evening Service 6.30pm by Zoom
Wed 12th	Wednesday Club 8pm Surprise Evening
Mon 17th	Christian Action Group 8pm Church Side Hall. Speaker: Rev. Charles llunga
Wed 19th	Wednesday Club 8pm Music Evening
Thur 20th	Church Council 7.45pm in the Church
Sun 23rd	All Age Worship and JMA Service. Preacher: Hilary Waterhouse
Wed 26th	Wednesday Club 8pm Holiday Slides
Sat 29th	Autumn Fayre Burnt Ash Methodist Church 11am-2pm
Sun 30th	Pleasant Sunday Afternoon Orchestra 3pm Eltham Park Methodist Church
NOVEMBER	

Wed 2nd	No Wednesday Club
Fri 4th	Wednesday Club Fireworks Evening at 32 Lloyds Way at 7.30pm. Everyone welcome.
Wed 9th	Wednesday Club 8pm Programme Planning
Sun 13 th	Remembrance Sunday Service 10.50 am. Preacher: Valerie Tredinnick
Sun 13th	Circuit Evening Service 6.30pm by Zoom

Sun 13 th	MAGAZINE ITEMS TO BE GIVEN TO MARIAN!
Mon 14th	Christian Action Group 8pm in the Church Side Hall. Speaker: Rev. Richard Grocott
Wed 16th	Wednesday Club 8pm Church Christmas Decorations
Sat 19th	College Park Players: "As Time Goes BY",. Burnt Ash Methodist Church at 3pm
Wed 23rd	Wednesday Club 8pm Church Christmas Decorations
Sun 27th	Pleasant Sunday Afternoon Orchestra 8pm at Eltham Park Methodist Church
Wed 30th	Wednesday Club 8pm. Christmas Card Making

DECEMBER

Mon 5th Christian Action Group 8pm. At the Church Side Hall

Morning Services are held every Sunday at 11am. Holy Communion will be celebrated on 16th October and 20th November.

All Age Worship will take place on Sunday 23rd October (JMA) and Sunday 27th November

There are no evening services at present.

The Prayer Meeting is not meeting in person at the moment, but is meeting via email. For more details contact Margaret Boreham m.boreham5@gmail.com