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FROM THE MINISTER

Friends, temptation is anything that comes to us which can cause us to sin. The temptation itself is not sin. But if we allow it to continue in our thinking and give in to it, then we sin. Jesus Christ was tempted by Satan while He was here on earth, but He never sinned (**Mat. 4:1-11; Heb. 4:15**). He was victorious over temptation every time.

Where does temptation come from?

It comes from Satan (Genesis 3:1-5; 1 Peter 5:8)

It comes from our **old sinful nature**. Our new nature in Christ is at war with our old sinful nature (**Rom. 8:5**; **Gal. 5:17**; **James 1:13-15**)

It comes from the world around us. This temptation wants us to be conformed to the ways of the world. It comes to us in many ways, but particularly through the things we see with our eyes (Rom. 12:2; 1 Timothy 6:9-10; 1 John 2:15-17).

How to be victorious

Be ready. Temptations come in many different ways. It is up to us to be prepared to face temptations so that when they come we will overcome them (Mat. 26:41; 1 Cor 16:13; 1 Peter 5:8).

Learn to use the Word of God, the sword of the Spirit. Quote out loud the Word of God and pray, commanding Satan in the name of Jesus to leave you. Continue

to resist Satan and he will flee from you. Remember that the power of the Holy Spirit who is inside of you is greater than the power of Satan (**James 4:7; 1 John 4:4; 5:18**).

- **Pray for victory**. It is important to pray daily for victory over temptation (Matthew 6:13)
- If you yield to temptation and sin, it is important to **confess** that sin and ask God for forgiveness. Do it quickly because sin hinders fellowship with God (**1 John 1:9**).

I wish you a successful summer in CHRIST. REV. WILLIAM DAVIS

ROUND THE FAMILY

We were so sorry to hear of the death of Selina Williams at the end of April. She had been a member for many years and, although she was into her 90s she still managed to get to a good many of our services. We shall miss her in our congregation. Please remember her family, both here and in Nigeria, in your prayers.

Congratulations to Richard and Shardé Anaman on the birth of their son Lennox at the end of March, a brother for Hendrix and another grandchild for Dinah and Emmanuel Anaman.

On Sunday 14th May we held our 158th Church Anniversary. The service was led by the Rev. Dr. Andrew Goodhead, and after an enjoyable service there was the opportunity to chat over a cup of tea afterwards.

Marian

From the Editor

With this edition the magazine commences its 55th year of production—we are still going strong!

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When Mike started the magazine in 1968 it consisted of two double -sided foolscap sheets duplicated on a temperamental Gestetner machine that lived in our bedroom! It is now prepared on a computer and, as well as printed copies, it is sent far and wide by internet - something never dreamed of in those far off times!

Mike started the magazine as a way of keeping everyone in the church family in touch with what was happening in the Church, and I am sure that he never envisaged it still going strong over 50 years later. I am very appreciative of everyone who gives me articles, news and suggestions for things to include. If anyone has any news or an idea for an article, or even feels moved to write the occasional article themselves, please have a word with me or contact me - my details are inside the front cover.

I have been the editor for over 30 years, but production of the magazine is a team effort. The magazine is now mainly distributed electronically, though there are still hard copies for anyone who would prefer one. I would like to thank Dave Hynes, who maintains the mailing list and sends out the email version. Valerie and Andrew Tredinnick still collate and staple hard copies of the magazine, and the Pastoral Leaders help to distribute copies of the magazine if needed, so I would also like to thank them for their help.

If anyone would like to receive a hard copy instead of (or as well as) the electronic version, please let me know.

Marian

BLACKHEATH AND CRYSTAL PALACE CIRCUIT

Thursday Morning zoom Bible Study

Finding 'The Way' together

An exciting new opportunity: 'Working together' weekly Bible Study on Zoom: Thursday mornings 10.00am to 11.00am beginning on Thursday 18th May and weekly thereafter: facilitated by Margaret Boreham

The anticipated format is that the zoom will open at 9.45am with the study beginning at 10am. Conversations will be based on a Bible passage and there will be questions to make us think and rethink. There will be an opportunity and time to share our thoughts and questions. Closing remarks will be at 11am for those who want just an hour, but will stay open after 11am for anyone keen to chat or continue the conversations sparked by the Bible Study.

It would be helpful if you could please register your interest by emailing Margaret on mboreham5@gmail.com, 07483 86 86 12

Recurring zoom link: https://zoom.us/j/98461065032? pwd=NTJFUmJ1WHVubjZwaWVCNzd0M lEvdz09

Don't panic!: If you are not sure about Zoom, email or phone Margaret for a private session for you to learn how to download/ operate it



WESLEY'S CHAPEL AND MUSEUM OF METHODISM

As many of you know. I am a volunteer Heritage Steward (i.e. Guide) at Wesley's Chapel, Museum and House in London. Most of the stewards are retired, and, since we have re-opened after lockdown, several have decided not to return, so we are very short of stewards to greet visitors and show them round. Is this something that you feel you would like to do? You need only commit to two days a month (hours 10.30am –4pm) though you can do more if you want. It is very interesting, and we are now getting more groups from overseas visiting the chapel. Recently we had visits from a group of Koreans, a group from Brazil, a college group from Canada, visitors from Peru and Zimbabwe, as well as others from the USA and the UK. The official advert from Wesley's Chapel, with contact details, is below. If you would like to know more, please ask me.

Marian

Become a Wesley's Chapel & Museum of Methodism Heritage Steward

Would you like to show visitors around one of the most important Methodist sites in the world? Or perhaps you would rather help behind the scenes and assist with the collections in store?

Wesley's Chapel and the Museum of Methodism are always looking for committed and enthusiastic volunteers to support day-to-day operations. This is an excellent opportunity to meet interesting visitors from all over the world, work with staff and our many volunteers and to learn more about the historic Chapel and Methodism.

No previous knowledge of the history of Methodism or experience is necessary, full training will be provided. We pay travelling expenses and also offer a generous volunteer discount in the museum shop.

If you are friendly and enthusiastic and can commit at least two days per month, we would love to hear from you! Please contact the Chapel on 020 7253 2262 or email museum@wesleyschapel.org.uk

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The Introit for the next 4 months (starting on Sunday 4th June) will be as follows:-

Be still, for the presence of the Lord, the Holy One, is here; come bow before him now with reverence and fear; in him no sin is found we stand on holy ground. Be still, for the presence of the Lord, the Holy One, is here.

David J. Evans Singing the Faith no.20, v. 1 . CCLI 327359



Andrew's Railway Journeys

6. A front row seat to the action

In the early seventies I commuted regularly from Elmers End to London Bridge. Carriages didn't have just two sets of sliding doors as now but 8 or so individual 'slam' doors, above each of which was positioned the communication cord together with a dire warning about the financial penalty for improper use.

Unlike today where trains run at regular intervals and stop at every station to Ladywell, the rush hour service then was a mixture of slow and semi-fast trains. There was no pattern to which stations calls were made, so passengers had to listen very carefully to the announcements.

On this morning because the previous stopping train had been cancelled it was announced that the next semi-fast train would stop additionally at New Beckenham, Lower Sydenham and Ladywell.

We called at Clock House as expected but the train sailed straight through New Beckenham. I saw a frown on the face of the young man sitting opposite. It is only another two minutes to Lower Sydenham. The train showed no sign of slowing. He looked up at the communication cord clearly wondering what he should do. As the train was about to enter the station at speed he stood up, grabbed the cord and yanked it down. The brakes came on immediately. The train came to a halt but our carriage had overshot the platform. No one said anything. He opened the door, jumped down and made his way back towards the station. Other doors were being opened and more people were getting off.

After several minutes the guard appeared. He knew the cord had been pulled in our section of the coach. It seemed as though he was about to say something, but everyone either ducked behind their newspaper or looked away. He noted where the cord (a chain) was hanging down. There was now quite a delay while the system was reset, and I imagine some sort of communication with higher authority. Eventually, we got underway again – I expect the delay to other services had been considerable.

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EASTER OFFERING SERVICE

The Circuit Easter Offering Service took place at Lewisham Methodist Church on the afternoon of Sunday 21st May. The Service is prepared by Methodist Women in Britain on behalf of the World Mission Fund, and this year was entitled "No Borders to God's Love". The service was thought – provoking, and was well-attended by members of Churches from across the Circuit.

During the service, Certificates were given to three local preachers, Paddy Boothe (Sunfields), Mary Sparkes (Burnt Ash) and Garry Young (Eltham Park), in recognition of having served for 25 years as local preachers. Paddy, Mary and Gary had all trained together and had been recognised as Local Preachers together in 1998, so it was particularly memorable for them. FOR OUR YOUNGER READERS



Help this woman find the silver coin she has lost. Then you can colour the picture. *The story is in Luke 15:8-10.*

COOKERY CORNER

LIME AND ORANGE MOUSSE

Ingredients

I packet lime jelly
11 oz can of mandarin oranges
½ pint boiling water
1 small (6oz) can evaporated milk, chilled

<u>Method</u>

- 1. Chill the evaporated milk in the fridge for an hour or more.
- Secure a paper collar of double thickness greaseproof paper around a soufflé dish (2pint mould or 1 pint soufflé dish)
- 3. Break up the jelly and put into a bowl, pour over the boiling water, stir to dissolve the jelly.
- 4. Drain the juice from the mandarin oranges and chop half of the fruit,
- 5. Add the juice and chopped fruit to the jelly.
- 6. Leave in the fridge until it is on the point of setting.
- 7. Whisk the evaporated milk until thick and then whisk it into the jelly.
- 8. When evenly blended, pour into the soufflé dish or rinsed-out mould.
- 9. Put in the fridge to set, then decorate with the rest of the mandarin segments.
- 10. Add grated chocolate in the middle of the mandarin ring if wanted.
- 11. Can be frozen for 1 month, then thaw for about 6 hours

Ann Vickery

3Generate 2023

An opportunity for young people from our circuit to share in fun, faith and fellowship with other young people from across the Methodist Church in Britain.

What: Methodist Children and Youth Assembly

When: 6th - 8 th October 2023

Where: NEC in Birmingham (coach transport provided)

Who: For ages 8-23

How much? FREE (Usually £120+)

For more info, and to book, contact Craig Gaffney: craig.gaffney@methodist.org.uk

Deadline for booking with Craig is SUNDAY 25th JUNE

www.methodist.org.uk/our-work/children-youth-familyministry/events-including-3generate/3generate





REGULAR CHURCH USERS

Amaze Penge Tuesday 10am-12 noon term time	Tel. 07882 760 828			
Campbell School of Dance Friday 4pm to 7pm Tel. 020 8777 7529				
Harlequins Theatre School Monday 4.00-6.30pm Tel. 07773 066 645				
Hill Dance AcademyTel. 07772 199 103Tuesday 4.30-8.30pm; Saturday 11am—3pm				
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 JUNE

Sat 3rd	Penge Festival Fete 11am-5pm at Royston Field, Penge
Wed 7 th	Wednesday Club 8pm.
Thur 8th	Zoom Circuit Bible Study 10am
Wed 14th	Wednesday Club 8pm
Thur 15th	Zoom Circuit Bible Study 10am
Mon 19 th	Christian Action Group 8pm in the Side Hall. Speak- ers: Audrey Bobb-Sayers and Wendy Brown
Tue 20th	Circuit Meeting 7.30pm at Hither Green Methodist Church
Wed 21st	Wednesday Club 8pm
Thur 22nd	Zoom Circuit Bible Study 10am
Sun 25th	All Age Worship 9.30am Preacher: Rev. William Davis. <u>Note time of service</u>
Wed 28th	Wednesday Club 8pm.
Thur 29th	Zoom Circuit Bible Study 10am
JULY	
Wed 5th	Wednesday Club 8pm
Thur 6th	Zoom Circuit Bible Study 10am
Sun 9th	MAGAZINE ITEMS TO BE GIVEN TO MARIAN!

Wed 12 th	Wednesday Club 8pm	
Thur 13th	Zoom Circuit Bible Study 10am	
Wed 19th	Wednesday Club 8pm	
Wed 20th	Zoom Circuit Bible Study 10am	
Sun 23rd	All Age Worship 11am. Preacher: Mary Sparkes	
Mon 24th	Christian Action Group. 8pm in the Side Hall. Speaker: Rev. Pam Clews	
Wed 26 th	Wednesday Club 8pm:	
Thur 27th	Zoom Circuit Bible Study 10am	
AUGUST Wed 2nd	Wednesday Club 8pm.	
Thur 3rd	Zoom Circuit Bible Study 10am	
Mon 21st	Christian Action Group 8pm in the Side Hall. Speaker: Andrew Tredinnick	

Morning Servic	es are held every Sunday at 11am. Holy Communion will be celebrated on 4th June at 9.30am and 16th July (11am)	
There are no evening services at present.		
The Prayer Mee	eting is not meeting in person at the moment, but is meet- ing via email. For more details, or to request prayer, please contact Margaret Boreham. mbore- ham5@gmail.com	