



Christ
Church
Orpington

Family News, 30th July 2022

Remember me...

In this age of 'digital everything' for many of us, not a day goes by without us logging onto a website or app where we need to enter our unique username and password. As most of you would have experienced, it can become quite a task to remember our different login details for all these sites. So, as I was going through the motions of entering my details yet again, I was prompted with a question below the signing in box asking "Remember me". There I have the option of ticking the box, and when I do the site will give me easy access the next time, I want in...

What if we treated prayer in the same way? I know that God sent us the Holy Spirit to live inside of us and walk the walk with us. This is the ultimate "Remember me" option that God has given to each and every person who believes! By accepting that Jesus died for me on the cross I have ticked the box to get easy access to the Father

Now guess who was the first one to ask for this easy access... it was the criminal next to Jesus on the cross:

"Then he said, "Jesus, remember me when you come into your Kingdom."" Luke 23:42 NLT

So, as we come before God in prayer, pleading for ourselves and our loved ones, interceding for a broken world, and thanking God for the gift of salvation, let us ask Jesus to "remember me"; because when we do, we know what the answer will be:

"And Jesus replied, "I assure you, today you will be with me in paradise."" Luke 23:43 NLT

Pieter

Family News is taking a break for the summer!

Next issue of Family News will be on **Saturday 3rd September**

Email Vernon on vandjmapp@gmail.com by **12noon please**

Helen's ordination as Priest

On **Saturday 3rd September**, Helen is being ordained as a Priest at **Rochester Cathedral** at **11am**. She would be delighted to have you there to support her, and has some tickets for the event. If you would like to go, please contact her on Helen@ccorpington.org so she can allocate you a ticket.

Martin's ordination as Deacon

On **Saturday 3rd September**, Martin Hayward is being ordained as a Deacon at **Rochester Cathedral** at **3pm**. He would be delighted to have you there to support him, and hopefully has some tickets for the event. If you would like to go, please contact him on martinhayward2@hotmail.com so he can allocate you a ticket. Even if you don't have tickets, I understand you can still come, but it means you may not get a seat, or may get one at the very back.

Picnic

If you would like to go to both (or even just one) we are thinking of having a picnic in the castle grounds opposite the cathedral between the two events - weather permitting. Hopefully it will be a wonderful, joy-filled day!



Northumbria Daily Prayer

We are taking a break during August but will be back in September.

Christ Church is now on **Instagram!**

If people would like to follow us, they just need to search for 'christchurchorpington' (all one word)

FREEDOM IN CHRIST COURSE

Christ Church Orpington
Charterhouse Road, BR6 9EP



For more details and to book, please contact the office by emailing cco@talktalk.net or leave a message on 01689 871601

This is a 10-week life changing course which is designed to help every Christian become a fruitful disciple of our Lord.

It is an enjoyable course which will deepen your faith and is a natural follow on from the Alpha Course.

It comprises eleven sessions (including one Saturday) and is perfect for EVERYONE regardless of how long you have been a Christian or your background. It is particularly beneficial to leaders who wish to encourage all those for whom they care to enter into the fullness which God has for all of us.

If you have done this course before, please come along. The presentation has changed recently and includes many helpful testimonies of blessed lives. It's a good refresher.

Our heavenly Father wants all His children (especially you) to enjoy their lives to the full, experiencing the intimacy of His unconditional love, joy, peace, acceptance and knowing His will and purpose for your life.

The course offers a wonderful opportunity for us to explore together, in a very gentle way, exactly what freedom Jesus' death on the cross has achieved for us and what impact it can have on our day to day lives.

The course is completely confidential and is rooted only in Scripture.

It will take you through foundational Biblical truths which will bring you into the freedom that God desires. Each session you will be able to learn and apply these truths which will encourage you to embrace what God has for you.

Below is the schedule - Meet for refreshments at 7.30pm for an 8pm start until 9.30pm (NB amended date corrections)

Session 1	Introduction of the team and Who Am I?	Tuesday 13th September
Session 2	Father God and Choosing to believe the truth.	Tuesday 20th September
Session 3	The worlds view of truth.	Tuesday 27th September
Session 4	Our Daily choice.	Tuesday 4th October
Session 5	The battle for our minds.	Tuesday 11th October

Half Term – no session Tuesday 18th October

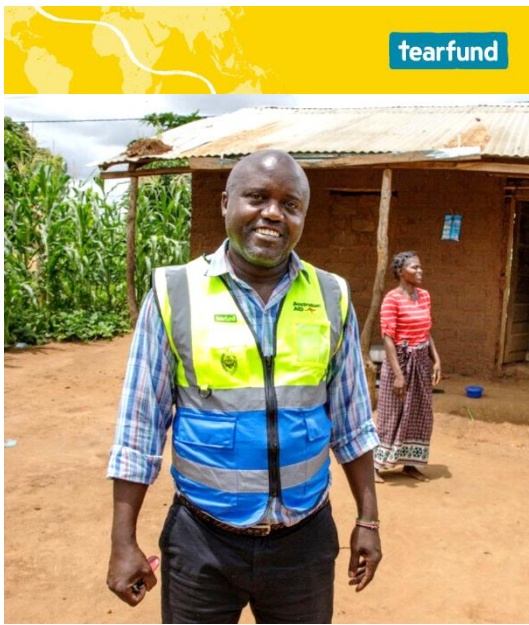
Session 6	Handling emotions well.	Tuesday 25th October
Session 7	Forgiving from the heart.	Tuesday 1st November

Freedom Day – Saturday 5th November

Session 8	Renewing the mind.	Tuesday 8th November
Session 9	Relating to others.	Tuesday 15th November
Session 10	What next?	Tuesday 22nd November

✝ Word Down

- Elegant and creative (Exodus 31:4) (8)
- 'Listen, I tell you a mystery: We will not all — , but we will all be changed' (1 Corinthians 15:51) (5)
- 'I... delight to see how orderly you are and how firm your — — is' (Colossians 2:5) (5,2,6)
- Enlist (2 Samuel 24:2) (5)
- Of the Muslim faith (7)
- Sharp intake of breath (Job 11:20) (4)
- Woven cloth (Ezekiel 16:13) (6)
- Plentiful (Romans 5:17) (8)
- CIA char (anag.) (7)
- Paul and Silas stopped him committing suicide after an earthquake in Philippi (Acts 16:27–28) (6)
- One of the ingredients in the making of incense for the Lord (Exodus 30:34) (5)
- Episcopal headwear (5)
- Inhabitant of, say, Ukraine, Poland, Slovakia or Bulgaria (4)



Dear Christ Church,

The summer holidays are (somehow!) upon us. The year so far seems to have flown by, and with so much going on in the world it can feel hard to keep track of it all.

But the support of your church is ensuring that crises like the one in Mozambique aren't being forgotten.

Across the north of Mozambique, armed militia groups are forcing people to flee their homes. More than 820,000 people have found themselves seeking safety in camps or host communities where there is little in the way of food and where clean water is difficult to access.

Our local partners have been working around the clock to help people in need, and the faithful support of churches like yours is making a huge difference. Without you, we simply wouldn't be able to respond to crises like this.

To keep you up to date on the situation, [we've put together a video](#) (tap or Ctrl+Click to follow link), featuring interviews with our staff and partners on the ground. Your prayers would be greatly appreciated – we know that they are powerful (James 5:16).

Thank you as always for partnering with us. I hope you have a brilliant summer.

With every blessing, **Rachael King**
Tearfund

A prayer for Mozambique:

Loving God,

Please protect Mozambique's people from violence, disease and climate extremes. Help organisations that are responding – like Tearfund and their local church partners – to meet the needs of this growing crisis and reach more people with your love. We pray for an end to the violence and for lasting peace. In your great mercy bring healing to all who are suffering, and draw close to them. Thank you for the ways in which you are already moving in Mozambique.

In Jesus' name, amen.

Bromley Borough foodbank **WANTED** OUR MOST NEEDED ITEMS ARE:

Tinned Cold meat/Corned Beef
Ladies Deodorant
Men's Deodorant
Sponge Pudding
Custard
Jelly
Angel Delight dessert
Fruit Juice (long-life)
Men's shampoo
Unisex Razors

PLEASE **DON'T** GIVE US **FROZEN** OR **CHILLED** ITEMS AS WE DON'T HAVE THE CORRECT STORAGE FOR IT AND IT SPOILS BEFORE WE CAN DISTRIBUTE IT

WE'VE GOT PLENTY OF: PASTA, CEREAL, TEA & BISCUITS

**TAKE A PHOTO OF THIS LIST
WITH YOUR PHONE TO
REFER TO WHILE YOU SHOP!**

**IF YOU ARE IN NEED OF FOOD SUPPORT
PLEASE CONTACT US ON 0800 9 20 23 24**

✚ Word Across

- 1 'A little later someone else saw Peter and said, "You — are one of them"' (Luke 22:58) (4)
- 3 Giving (1 Peter 2:5) (8)
- 9 They came to Jerusalem seeking an infant king (Matthew 2:7) (3,4)
- 10 'An athlete... does not receive the victor's crown unless he competes according to the — ' (2 Timothy 2:5) (5)
- 11 Pacifist, temperance advocate, open-air preacher, leading 20th- century Methodist, Donald — (5)
- 12 'Come quickly to — — , O Lord my Saviour' (Psalm 38:22) (4,2)
- 14 'The God of Abraham, — — — , the God of our fathers, has glorified his servant Jesus' (Acts 3:13) (5,3,5)
- 17 Sear by intense heat (Revelation 16:8) (6)
- 19 'It is better to take refuge in the Lord than to trust — — ' (Psalm 118:8) (2,3)
- 22 Goods (Nehemiah 13:15) (5)
- 23 i.e. train (anag.) (7)
- 24 Surrounding area (Luke 24:50) (8)
- 25 'Righteousness will be his — and faithfulness the sash round his waist' (Isaiah 11:5) (4)