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THE DAY OF PENTECOST



Estella Lousia M Canziani's Pentecost

EMPOWERMENT - GOD'S STYLE

Vicar's ten - minute reflection EMPOWERMENT - GOD'S STYLE



The most exciting changes ever witnessed in a group of human beings happened two thousand years ago on a day called Pentecost. Pentecost means literally "50." It was an annual Jewish festival that took place fifty days after another Jewish festival called Passover. At the Passover festival Jesus had been arrested and executed. Three days later He arose. During the following weeks he appeared to some 500 believers within what is now Israel.

On the day of Pentecost about 120 followers of Jesus gathered in an upper room as was their custom. They were excited and expectant because they had seen the risen Christ. But they were also confused, troubled, and timid. They were meeting behind closed doors for fear of the Jews. Then came Pentecost! It was an electrifying, life transforming experience for them. They would talk about it for the rest of their lives. At Pentecost a ragged aggregation of misfits was transformed into a disciplined cadre of spiritual storm troopers. The wimps became warriors!

The disciples saw what appeared like divided tongues of fire flickering above each of them. Three years earlier, John the Baptist had predicted, "One mightier than I is coming. He will baptize you with the Holy Spirit and with fire." Fire has a way of burning away the chaff, anything that is useless or cumbersome. Fire also refines and galvanizes. The hearts of the disciples were set on fire with love for Christ, and with a burning desire to tell the story.

It is embarrassing sometimes how little the modern day church resembles the church that first Pentecost. The sound of a windstorm, tongues of fire, disciples speaking in different languages, thousands being added to the church and lots of excitement. Excitement everywhere. We're more like a small town I heard about. A traveller stopped at a gas station in the town to buy gasoline. He asked if there was a place close by to get something to eat. The attendant answered, "No, there's just the cafe down the road and it closes at 6 o'clock." "What do you folks do around here for excitement?" the motorist asked. "Well," the attendant said, "round here, folks don't get excited." Such could be said of many churches. They are an indication that we have forgotten what the church is really about.



If we go back to the Day of Pentecost, the day the church was born, we will see that God gave us the Church to satisfy one of the great hungers of our time " EMPOWERMENT.

Have you heard that word before? It is a current buzz word in our society. Everyone nowadays wants to be empowered. We want to feel that we have control over our lives. We want to feel we can take charge of our destinies. We want to know we can follow the dreams of our hearts. But many of us feel powerless. Some of us are held back by our lack of initiative. Others of us are held back by a deprived environment. Others by barriers in our society. Still, we hunger to believe we can pull ourselves out of the muck and the mire of a disappointing and dismal situation. And the church is the place where true empowerment takes place.

Can we not see that Pentecost is about empowerment? A handful of farmers, fishermen, tax-collectors and housewives became so empowered that they turned the Roman empire upside down. That's quite an accomplishment. It may very well be the greatest single act of empowerment in recorded history. How did they do it?

In the first place, they opened themselves to the Spirit of the living God. That is always the first step in any momentous victory. It is to place ourselves in God's hands.

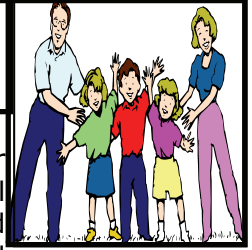
Secondly, they were also empowered by their association with one another. They ate together, they prayed together, they sang together, they had all things in common. They built each other up in the faith. That's the way the Christian community was designed to regenerate itself. We are to build one another up, encourage one another. There is power in such encouragement.

Chuck Swindoll says that in the Marines he was taught you should dig a hole big enough for two when preparing for combat. There's nothing quite like fighting a battle all alone. There's something strengthening about having a buddy with you that keeps you from panic. We all need someone to lean on. We all need another's show of support.

Finally, the Church on the day of Pentecost was empowered by their willingness to serve others. If they had kept the Good News to themselves, their excitement would have withered quickly. May I say to you that the church of Jesus Christ will never be what God intends it to be until we have that kind of passion for reaching out to the world outside our walls.

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DON'T BECOME KNOWN AS "THE ARGUING COUPLE"



The arguing couple that no one wants to invite over because before the evening ends, the two of them will end up in a heated exchange of words. Michael and Wanda hated arguing because of the emotional and physical distance it placed between them. But even still, it seemed as if arguing was becoming their regular routine. Fortunately, as time went on, and they matured in Christ, their arguments became less frequent, and resolution came quickly. Have you ever asked yourself "why do we argue so much?" Here are six possible causes of marriage arguments. These were the reasons Michael and Wanda were arguing so much:

Why Do We Argue So Much? Christian Couples Arguing Out of Pain

Unresolved Past Hurts - You have unresolved issues with your spouse. One of you was hurt by the actions of the other. In a quick attempt to make things right, the concern was discussed superficially and apologies are given. But the deeper issue that caused the problem was never revealed, and so the root of the problem was never dealt with. Over time, that unresolved hurt which was swept under the rug eventually turns into bitterness. Unfortunately, when you become bitter the other person can do nothing right in your eyes. The solution is to uncover it. Put it all on the table; the good, the bad and the ugly. Discuss it honestly and openly without judging or blaming and make a decision to forgive.



The Newlywed Blues - Couples arguing shortly after marrying is common. Misunderstandings and quarrelling are sometimes frequent with newly married couples because you are each on unfamiliar territory. The solution is to get a better understanding. Purchase books about Christian marriage and read them together. Also, develop relationships with other Christian couples who have been married longer and can share their experience with you.

Untamed Tongues - You talk more than you listen. You speak in anger. And you think every opinion you have needs to be voiced. Well, what does the Bible say? The Bible provides the following solutions: Proverbs 15:1 says, "A soft answer turns away wrath: but grievous words stir up anger." James 1:19 says, "be quick to listen, slow to speak, and slow to get angry."

DON'T BECOME KNOWN AS "THE ARGUING COUPLE"

Follow God's instructions by taming your tongue and improvement is guaranteed to follow.

Christian Couples Arguing for Control I'm Right! You're Wrong!



Not Understanding Your Differences - You think you're always right. This was one of our big problems. After marriage we discovered how different we were and refused to accept those differences. We each thought there was something wrong with the other person. When different opinions were expressed, we each were determined to prove our point was correct. It never dawned on us that God created us each different for a purpose. Different did not equal wrong, it was just different.

Self Righteous- You are extremely critical of your mate. You have a blind eye when it comes to seeing your own faults, but you have x-ray vision when it comes to pointing out the flaws of your mate. You think your spouse is the problem, but the truth is you both have issues. The Bible says you should not think of yourself more highly than you ought to. There is only one who is perfect and that is God.

Not Walking in the Spirit - In Galatians 5:16 it tells us to walk in the Spirit so that we do not fulfill the desires of the flesh. Well, many of us are saved but we do not practise walking in the Spirit. Instead we are controlled by our flesh. We are full of pride instead of being humble; we are short tempered instead of patient and kind. Whatever our flesh feels, we go with it. We should be speaking to our flesh and telling it how things are going to be but instead we allow our flesh to dictate our every move.

But it is only by walking in the Spirit of God that you can walk away from an argument; it is only by walking in the Spirit that you can apologise even if you are not in the wrong; it is only by walking in the Spirit that you can hold your tongue and refuse to spit out harmful words. If both partners in a Christian marriage are being controlled by their flesh, arguments will always be frequent. Our advice is this, even if only one person is willing to walk in the Spirit, one of you needs to set the example for the other.

Adapted from the testimony of Michael and Wanda

NOTICE BOARD

Date **10:30AM**

6th MAY (CONFIRMATION SERVICE)
13th MAY (**MP**) Faith in the Son of God
1 John 5:1-12
20th MAY (**FS**) The Saints—Who are they?
1 Cor. 1: 1 – 3
27th MAY (**HC**) Power to be
Acts 2: 1 - 21,
John 15: 26 - 27, 16: 4 – 15
3rd JUNE (**MP**) Walking in the Spirit
Rom. 8: 12 – 17
10th JUNE (**HC**) Nothing New
Eccl. 1: 1 – 1
17th JUNE Father's Day
24th JUNE (**HC**) A time for everything
26th JUNE 150 YEARS ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION

6:00PM

No evening service
With God in the depths
(Gen. 40:1-23)
Straight to the Top
(Gen. 41: 1-16)
Not a Coincidence
(Gen. 42: 1-23)
NO SERVICE
Real Transformation
(Gen. 44)
NO SERVICE
God Meant it for Good
Gen. 45: 1-14

SPECIAL SERVICE AT 7.15PM

**Note: (HC) - indicates Holy Communion (Common Worship);
(MP) - Morning Prayer; (FS) - Family Service;
There is Holy Communion Service every Sunday at 8am
using the Book of Common Prayer.**

CHRIST CHURCH IS 150 IN 2012

Highlights

- **Celebration with Bishop of Edmonton and unveiling of commemorative tile to mark 150 years of church's consecration (June 26, 7:15pm)**
- **Thanksgiving Service with Bishop of London and launching of 150 years history of Christ Church (September 16, 10.30am)**

CHRISTIAN NEWS AROUND THE WORLD

GAGGING ORDER?

Lancashire Police have told the owner of a Christian café in Blackpool, England, that he is not allowed to display Bible verses because they breach public order laws. The owner, Jamie Murray, is being defended by The Christian Institute. Read and listen to the full story on the link below:

<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=X5196cyemEM>

21 KILLED IN NORTHERN NIGERIA CHURCH SERVICE ATTACKS.

KANO, Nigeria — Gunmen attacked worship services at a university campus and a church in northern Nigeria, killing at least 21 people in coordinated assaults that saw panicked Christians gunned down as they tried to flee, witnesses and officials said.

The deadliest attack targeted an old section of Bayero University's campus in the city of Kano where churches hold Sunday services, with gunmen killing at least 16 people and wounding at least 22 others, according to the Nigerian Red Cross. A later attack in the northeast city of Maiduguri saw gunmen open fire at a Church of Christ in Nigeria chapel, killing five people, including a pastor preparing for Communion, witnesses said. No group immediately claimed responsibility, but the attacks bore similarities to others carried by a radical Islamist sect known as Boko Haram.

THE FUTURE OF THE CHURCH IN THE ARAB WORLD IS IN THE BALANCE

On 10 May, parliamentary elections will take place in Algeria. It's an historic moment for this country which, like many other parts of the Arab World, has seen increasing violence and political unrest as people cry out for freedom.

But for the Christian minority in Algeria, it's a time of growing concern. "Since the start of the electoral campaign, bombings from Islamist groups are continuously going on, killing people and destroying official buildings," says an Open Doors contact on the ground. "Christians are not allowed to enter a village to visit their church. Islamists go from village to village and fill the mosques to show their presence to the locals and influence them."

For Christians across the Arab World, the Arab Spring is in danger of becoming a winter of persecution. In Egypt, Christians have suffered violent attacks by Islamic extremist groups. In Syria, thousands of Christians have been subjected to violence and intimidation and forced to leave their homes. The future of the church in the Arab World is in the balance. We must pray for our brothers and sisters under siege that they will remain faithful to their calling. We are gradually understanding what Jesus means when he says "Take up your cross and follow me."

HOW DO YOU INTERPRET SCRIPTURES?

We are going to use the text of the Transfiguration of Christ as our reference. (Luke 9: 28-36) What does it all mean, this scene on the Mount of **transfiguration**? Let me make some suggestions. **First of all, we have affirmed here the importance of the Old Testament witness.** This is important. Many mainline believers are not quite certain what to do with the Old Testament. Christians who are literal in their interpretation of the scriptures have no problem, of course, with the Old Testament. God said it, I believe it! However, if we take every verse in the Bible literally, then logically it follows that every portion of the scripture has equal value. That verse in Isaiah 16 that speaks of God's judgment and says, "infants will be dashed to pieces before their eyes; their houses will be looted and their wives ravished (16:16)" has to carry as much weight as the verse in Matthew 19 that says, "Let the little children come to me, and do not hinder them, for the kingdom of heaven belongs to such as these (14)."

For some people, this is no problem, but it's not quite so simple for mainline Christians who believe that Jesus revealed to us definitively the nature of God. We believe that all Scripture is to be interpreted in light of who Jesus was and is. So there are many parts of the Old Testament that give us problems. We try to skip over them and pretend they do not exist. However, this scene on the Mount of **transfiguration** is a reminder to us not to throw the baby out with the bath water. Our faith is built on the entire biblical narrative, Old Testament and New. The God of Abraham, Isaac and Jacob is the same God whose nature Christ revealed.

Christ did not come to destroy the faith of his fathers, but to "fill it full." (Matthew 5:17) Christ came to affirm the Hebrew Bible, but also to throw new light on its meaning. That is why he was often heard to say, "You have heard it said . . ., but I say to you . . ."

Two principles of biblical interpretation need to be borne in mind. The first is that when reading Old Testament stories, the biblical text must guide us in our interpretation. The bible is its own best interpreter. The second principle is that we must not read the Old Testament as if the New Testament had not been written. We read it today as Christians, that is, as those who have the final revelation from God written in our New Testament.

How do you interpret Scriptures?

The Old Testament is still a Christian book, however; it is simply full of Christ. As someone has said, 'every story whispers his name'- and I would want to add that some Old Testament stories shout it out loud!

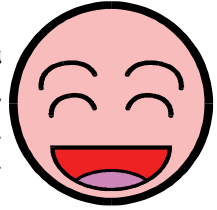
Does it matter how you interpret Scripture? Indeed it does. J. Stephen Lang tells a powerful story of a man who misinterpreted a portion of the Bible, with tragic results. In the tense years before the American Civil War, says Lang, many American slave owners feared a bloody uprising of the slaves. Perhaps this was out of extreme guilt. However the fears seemed to come to life in the person of Nat Turner, a preacher and ex-slave who led a slave revolt in Virginia in 1831. He and his followers murdered more than 50 whites, and Turner was caught and hanged. Turner knew the Bible well, says Lang, but like many revolutionary leaders, he chose to ignore the Bible's teachings on forgiveness and compassion. Instead he focused his attention on verses such as Exodus 21:16 which reads like this: "Anyone who kidnaps another and either sells him or still has him when he is caught must be put to death." In Turner's opinion, the passage justified the murder of slaveholders. History is replete with examples of people who have abused scripture, who have interpreted it to satisfy their own selfish aims. But knowledge of the scriptures, both Old Testament and New, gives us a strong foundation for building a healthy and informed faith.

Jesus quoted time after time from the Old Testament. For example, one of his favourite books seems to have been the book of Deuteronomy. When the devil came to tempt him in the wilderness, each time Satan advanced a temptation, the Master answered with a verse from Deuteronomy (Matthew 4: 4-10). When he was asked about the great commandment, Christ's answer also came straight from Deuteronomy: "You shall love the LORD your God with all your heart, with all your soul, and with all your mind" (6:5). Three of his most famous, "You have heard it said . . ., but I say to you . . ." statements are from Deuteronomy: "You have heard that it was said to those of old, 'You shall not murder, and whoever murders will be in danger of the judgment.' But I say to you that whoever is angry with his brother without a cause shall be in danger of the judgment" (Deut. 5:17, Mt. 5:21-22). (concluded on page 13)

LAUGHTER LINES

MISTAKEN IDENTITY

A man was being tailgated by a stressed out woman on a busy boulevard, when suddenly, the light turned yellow, just in front of him. He did the right thing and stopped, even though he could have beaten the red light by accelerating through the intersection.



The tailgating woman hit the roof, and the horn, screaming in frustration as she missed her chance to get through the intersection.

As she was still in mid-rant, she heard a tap on her window and looked up into the face of a very serious police officer. The officer ordered her to exit her car with her hands up. He took her to the police station where she was searched, finger printed, photographed, and placed in a holding cell.

After several hours, a policeman approached the cell and opened the door. She was escorted back to the booking desk where the arresting officer was waiting with her personal effects. He said, "I'm very sorry for this mistake. You see, I pulled up behind your car while you were blowing your horn, flipping off the guy in front of you, and swearing at him. I noticed the 'Choose Life' licence plate, the 'What Would Jesus Do?' bumper sticker, the 'Follow Me to Sunday-School' bumper sticker, and the chrome-plated Christian fish emblem on the trunk."

"Naturally, I assumed you had stolen the car."

ABRAHAM'S COMPUTER

Abraham bought himself a fancy new computer. He was showing it to Isaac one day. "Look at all the wonderful programs it has on it. And look at all the neat things it can do..." Isaac was impressed, but a little concerned..."But dad, I don't think your computer has enough memory." Abraham said "Don't worry son; the Lord will provide the RAM."

LAUGHTER LINES

A LONG LINE OF GRANDFATHERS

One day I sat down with my daughter and explained with great pride that her grandfather was a preacher, her great-great grandfather was a preacher, and her great-great-great grandfather was a preacher. To which she replied, "Wow! We sure come from a long line of grandfathers."

—Linda Click, Adrian, MI. *Christian Reader*, "Kids of the Kingdom."

PRAYING AT LENGTH

Three-year-old Donna, who loved to pray before meals, would sometimes get carried away. Occasionally her pastor father would have to say, "Amen. That's enough, Donna."

One Sunday in church, as a lengthy benediction was being pronounced, Donna stood up and declared, "Amen. That's enough, Daddy!"

—Kathleen Edwards, Griffin, Ga. *Christian Reader*, "Kids of the Kingdom."

NOTHING TO WINK AT

In Bible college, I began dating a fellow. During our first month of dating, we decided we should study the Bible together.

With my plot well set, one night I opened my Bible to Proverbs 18:22 and read, "He who finds a wife finds a good thing and obtains favour from the Lord." I looked up, winked, and said, "Couldn't you use a little favour from the Lord?"

My boyfriend, a Bible scholar, was quick with his reply from Proverbs 10:10—"He who winks the eye causes trouble."

—Carolyn Kempf, Jackson, Mo. *Christian Reader*, "Lite Fare."

THE BRICK

A young and successful executive was travelling down a neighbourhood street, going a bit too fast in his new Jaguar. He was watching for kids darting out from between parked cars and slowed down when he thought he saw something.

As his car passed, no children appeared. Instead, a brick smashed into the Jag's side door! He slammed on the brakes and backed the Jag back to the spot where the brick had been thrown. The angry driver then jumped out of the car, grabbed the nearest kid and pushed him up against a parked car shouting, 'What was that all about and who are you? Just what the heck are you doing? That's a new car and that brick you threw is going to cost a lot of money... Why did you do it?' The young boy was apologetic.

'Please sir...please, I'm sorry but I didn't know what else to do,' He pleaded. 'I threw the brick because no one else would stop...' With tears dripping down his face and off his chin, the youth pointed to a spot just around a parked car. 'It's my brother' he said, 'he rolled off the curb and fell out of his wheelchair and I can't lift him up.'

Now sobbing, the boy asked the stunned executive, 'Would you please help me get him back into his wheelchair? He's hurt and he's too heavy for me.' Moved beyond words, the driver tried to swallow the rapidly swelling lump in his throat... He hurriedly lifted the handicapped boy back into the wheelchair, then took out a linen handkerchief and dabbed at the fresh scrapes and cuts. A quick look told him everything was going to be okay. 'Thank you and may God bless you,' the grateful child told the stranger. Too shaken up for words, the man simply watched the boy push his wheelchair-bound brother down the sidewalk toward their home!

It was a long, slow walk back to the Jaguar. The damage was very noticeable, but the driver never bothered to repair the dented side door.

He kept the dent there to remind him of this message: 'Don't go through life so fast that someone has to throw a brick at you to get your attention!' God whispers in our souls and speaks to our hearts. Sometimes when we don't have time to listen, He has to throw a brick at us. It's our choice to listen or not to listen.

Submitted by Gbemi Agbelusi

How do you interpret Scriptures? (from page 9)

"You have heard that it was said to those of old, 'You shall not commit adultery.' But I say to you that whoever looks at a woman to lust for her has already committed adultery with her in his heart" (Deut. 5:18; Mt. 5:27-28). Jesus knew the Old Testament and he wants us to know it too. So, we have here on the Mount of transfiguration, Jesus in the presence of two central figures in the Old Testament - Elijah, the prophet and Moses the law-giver. Our faith is built on the entire biblical narrative. However, the centre of our faith is Jesus.

Notice how this transfiguration story ends. After Elijah's and Moses' dramatic appearance, a cloud appeared and enveloped them, and a voice came from the cloud: 'This is my Son, whom I love. Listen to him!' Suddenly, when they looked around, they no longer saw anyone with them except Jesus." That's significant. Moses and Elijah had been with them, but now, "they no longer saw anyone with them except Jesus." We treasure the scriptures, both Old Testament and New. But the centre of our faith is Jesus.

If you come to a passage in scripture you do not understand, think about Jesus. Does the passage reflect the love and compassion of Christ? If not, then it is probably one that Jesus would say to us, "You have heard it said . . . , but I say to you . . ." Christ is the perfect revelation of the Creator. As the voice said to the three disciples on the Mount of transfiguration: "This is my Son, whom I love. Listen to him!" That is the good news for the day: Listen to Christ!

D.A.

The day of Pentecost (continued from page 3)

When we have the passion that the early church had for introducing boys and girls, men and women, to the Man of Galilee, we will discover a power we never dreamed possible. Pentecost is about empowerment when a small group of folks turned the world upside down. May we, like them, be empowered by God's Spirit, by our life as the community of faith, and by our love of a world for which Christ died.

Dele Agbelusi

FELLOWSHIP OF CONFESSING ANGLICANS EXCERPTS FROM LONDON MEETING

THE Fellowship of Confessing Anglicans (FCA) is not trying to establish a shadow Anglican Communion, the Archbishop of Kenya, Dr Eliud Wabukala, said at the end of a meeting in London on Friday . Speaking to the press after a conference at St Mark's, Battersea Rise, in London ([News, 27 April](#)), Dr Wabukala said: "We are a Com-munion: we are together. What we are doing is that we are in a Communion and spiritually recognising the need for us to be scriptural, to uphold the tenets the Bible has taught us, and wanting to make them louder,...and help others. We are helping ourselves within the Com-munion to hear more about what God is saying." Dr Wabukala said that there was a "misconception about what the entire Communion is". It was "made up of independent provinces across the world. There is no centre of power. . . All along there is always interaction between dioceses, between parishes." The Archbishop of Sydney, Dr Peter Jensen, said: "There is no need to think of the Communion, even as it exists now, as some sort of top-down movement. . . People who belong to FCA are Anglicans, of course: it's a movement within the Anglican Communion, of which there are others."

A "Statement and Commitment" document was published at the close of the conference. Dr Jensen said that it was "not a communiqué; it's not been prepared for the world. It's a commitment for the people at the conference, and those they represent." The document said that the conference had heard from "Anglican leaders around the world who have been harassed by their own bishops and fellow clergy for their gospel witness, yet have been grateful for the stance of the FCA".

It said that the Episcopal Church in the United States, and the Anglican Church of Canada "are proceeding post-haste to approve same-sex blessing rites with total disregard for the conscience of their own members, for the moratoria mandated by the official Instruments of the Anglican Communion, and for the broken state of communion where more than half the world's Anglicans are represented by the FCA".

The former Bishop of Rochester, Dr Michael Nazir-Ali, in an address to the conference, "concluded that the Anglican 'Instruments of Unity' have failed dramatically, and that the FCA is called to model a biblical way for the Churches of the Anglican Communion to gather and relate to one another so as to carry out the Great Commission in the coming decades".

A "Celebration of the Anglican Communion" service was held at the Emmanuel Centre, in Westminster, on Thursday evening of last week. The Bishop of London, the Rt Revd Richard Chartres, gave "greetings and welcome to London", the order of service said. It is understood that Bishop Chartres stayed for longer than the organisers had expected. He left after an address given by Dr Wabukala.

HEAVENLY CORRESPONDENCE

E-MAIL FROM GOD (32)

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From: **GOD, YOUR HEAVENLY FATHER**

To: **You, My beloved child**

In my bed I remember you; I think of you
Through the watches of the night.

Subject: **DON'T COUNT SHEEP, PRAY!**

My Dear Child,

If you can't sleep at night, pray. If the devil is keeping you awake, just pray. He'll get off your case; I guarantee it.

Sometimes I'll wake you up at night. Don't wonder about it - just pray your way back to sleep. Sometimes someone on the other side of the world needs prayer, and I will wake you up to pray for them. If you wake up late at night, ask Me, "Lord, what is it?" I will tell you how to pray, and then you pray that way. It doesn't have to make sense why or who.

Remember, I never sleep. So don't be surprised if you wake up in the night and find Me there. Make Me part of your night time, too.

Your Lord,

God

Adapted from 'e-mail from God for Teens'-Clonigers

MOTTO/TEXT FOR THE YEAR

“...I can do all things through Him who gives me strength.”

FINDING OUT ABOUT ...CHRIST CHURCH?

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We are a family of men and women, boys and girls who are resolved to live for God in a world that has largely chosen to ignore Him.

We believe that it is God's world and that He has given the answer to all human problems in Jesus Christ. As a body of believers, we offer to all who come, regular opportunities for worship and service that point the way to God as our strongest resource in all aspects of life.

We will be pleased to welcome you to any of our activities. You will find a warm welcome at Christ Church.

Times of worship and fellowship are shown below:

- Sunday**
- **8.00 am.** Holy Communion (Book of Common Prayer)
 - **10.30 am.** Main service with Crèche facilities
- There is family/parade service once every month - usually the third Sunday of the month unless otherwise indicated.
- **6.00 pm.** Evening worship

WEEKLY ACTIVITIES AT A GLANCE

- Sunday** - Choir practice in church (9.30 am)
- Monday** - Baby n' Toddler Group (9.30 am to 11.30 am) - On recess
- Brownies meeting in church (5.30 pm)
- Prayer meetings in church - , 4th, 18th June. (8 pm)
- Wednesday** - Fellowship Meal in church (6:30 pm) followed by,
Bible fellowship (7.30 pm)- resumes on 18th April.
- Thursday** - Homework Club (5 pm-7 pm)
- Friday** - Bible Fellowship in church - West Chapel (2.00 pm) - On recess
- Scouts meeting in church and hall (6.30 pm)
- Music Team practice in choir vestry (6.00 pm)
- Saturday** - Cell group prayer meeting in church (7-8 pm)

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