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NEWSLETTER SUNDAY 20th March 2011



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Sunday 20th March – Day 201

Hosea 1:1 – 2:23 Romans 6:1 – 14 Psalm 87: 1 – 7

Monday 21st March – Day 202

Hosea 3:1 – 5:15 Romans 6:15 – 7:6 Psalm 88: 1 – 9a

Tuesday 22nd March – Day 203

Hosea 6:1 – 7:16 Romans 7:7 – 25 Psalm 88: 9b - 18

Wednesday 23rd March – Day 204

Hosea 8:1 – 9:17 Romans 8:1 – 17 Proverbs 17:25 – 18:6

Thursday 24th March – Day 205

Hosea 10:1 – 11:11 Romans 8:18 – 39 Psalm 89: 1 - 8

Friday 25th March – Day 206

Hosea 11:12 – 14:9 Romans 9:1 – 21 Psalm 89: 9 - 13

Saturday 26th March – Day 207

1 Chronicles 1:1 – 2:17 Romans 9:22 – 10:4 Psalm 89: 14 - 18

STREET PASTORS. *There will be a special service at Newbury Baptist Church on Sunday 3rd April, at 6pm, which will be dedicated to Street Pastors. They will be showing a DVD and Street Pastors from Wantage will be attending, together with the Area Co-Ordinator and a newly appointed person to help Towns who are thinking about Street Pastors. Also attending will be an 83-year old Street Pastor! The minimum age is 18 but no-one is too old, in fact it has been found that the young people relate to older Street Pastors very well! Members of the Police Community Support Officers will also speak of their commitment to Street Pastors.*

If you are interested in becoming a Street Pastor, or would like to know more, please do not miss this opportunity!

Bus of Hope for Newbury! (Under CTNA) Inaugural Meeting on 28th March, at 7.30pm in St. Nicolas Church Hall. So far 36 people from 10 churches have shown interest. All welcome. Please contact Peter and Enid Boyce for more information, peter.boyce@talktalk.net or telephone 01635-41637.



SECURITY IN ETERNITY

The LORD is my rock and my fortress and my deliverer, my God, my rock, in whom I take refuge; my shield and the horn of my salvation, my stronghold (Psalm 18:2)



The key to experiencing security in your life is to depend on things that are eternal, not temporal. Christians often feel insecure because they are depending on temporal things they have no right or ability to control. For example, some people rely on their money for material security instead of relying on God's promise to supply all our needs. The safest place to keep money a few years ago was a savings and loan institution. But many have failed and the security people had placed in them was shattered. Only eternal investments are secure.

I believe God is shaking the foundations of the world. Natural disasters are on the increase, kingdoms are being toppled, political boundaries are being redrawn, and anarchy reigns in many poor countries. Scripture warns us that such conditions would precede the second coming of Christ (Matthew 24). This shouldn't alarm us, we should be excited. Christ's return will be the day of the church for those who have stored up treasures in heaven (Matthew 6:19-21).

Security only comes from relating to that which is anchored in eternity. Jesus said that we have eternal life and that no one can snatch us out of His hand (John 10:27-29). Paul declared that nothing can separate us from the love of God in Christ (Romans 8:35-39) and that we are sealed in Him by the Holy Spirit (Ephesians 1:13,14). How much more secure can you get than that? When your ultimate trust is in temporal values and relationships, you are always subject to insecurity because these things are subject to failure and can be lost. The greatest sense of security you can experience is the by-product of taking a firm grip on values and relationships that will endure as long as God Himself.

Lord, my Rock, thank You for the peace and security that comes from trusting in You instead of temporal values.

OFFERINGS FOR SUNDAY 13th March 2011

10.30am £206.48

6.30pm £1117,45

TOTAL banked on 1st March 2011 - £1323.95

We also received £50.00 towards new chairs

HOMEGROUPS

This week is week 4 in our series of studies so there will no study this week. Please plan your own programme. To join a homegroup please speak to Pastor Ian or Rose



MENS BREAKFAST – AT KCC!

Saturday 2nd April – 8.00am – a great time of fellowship for the men in our church – why not bring a friend?

LADIES COFFEE MORNING

The first ladies coffee morning was a great success and we are planning for this to be a regular event. The meetings will be from 10.30am to 12 midday. The dates of the next coffee morning is April 9th. LADIES – put this date in your diary and invite your friends along. It will be a great time of fellowship and there will be a regular speaker.



Base – cakes – Please support Base who have made cakes which will be available after the service today. They want to raise £600 to sponsor 5 young ladies to go to “Cherish” a Freedom in Christ conference for ladies. The cost will be £120 per person.



CHURCH CLEANING - We are looking for someone to come in and clean the church once a week as Fiona Russell is stepping down after several years of faithful service. This is a paid position. Please see Rose if you are interested.

Prayer requests



Please pray for the people in Japan that they will receive all the help they need in light of the recent earthquake and tsunami. Pray for those who have lost loved ones and homes, that God will give them peace and strength to deal with this.

Please also continue to pray for Maureen Wragg that God will heal her of cancer.



Summer Holiday youth activities

At a meeting on Monday it was decided to go ahead with a Summer Holiday club at KCC for the 7-11 age group and a camp at Hope Farm for the 11-16 age group.

The holiday club will run on 28th, 29th and 30th July with a Fun day at Arthur’s farm on the 30th, and a sleepover at KCC on 29th.

The camp for the older ones will be at Hope Valley Farm from Friday 22nd July to Sunday 24th July. This will be a discipleship camp with seminars and teaching on various aspects of young peoples lives. The young people will be responsible for putting up tents and for some of the meals too.

HOWEVER - We cannot run either of these events without volunteers!

If you would like to help with the Holiday club – please see Rose.

If you would like to help with the Camp – please see Liz.

We need to put a team together in the next two weeks in order for these activities to go ahead.

Japan earthquake appeal – we will be taking up a special collection today for the survivors of the Japan earthquake and tsunami. This collection will be forwarded to Elim Headquarters as part of their ERA Japan appeal. If you wish to pay by cheque please make your cheques payable to: “Elim International Missions” and write on the reverse side “ERA Japan”. If you donate cash this will be paid into KCC and t a cheque for the total sent to Elim.



Elaine Broadhurst is running the Reading half-marathon THIS MORNING! She is raising money for CAP Newbury. If you have not already sponsored her it’s not too late. Please see Chris (our very own KCCN presenter!) who has the sponsor forms.