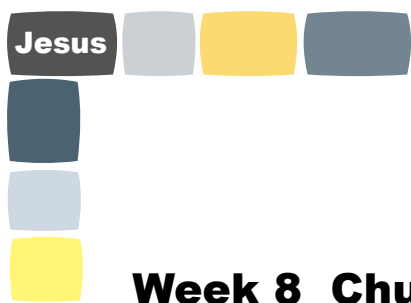


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Week 8 Church Shutdown 9th May

“The Church has left the building”

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8 May 1945 – VE (Victory in Europe) Day – was one that remained in the memory of all those who witnessed it. It meant an end to nearly six years of a war that had cost the lives of millions; had destroyed homes, families, and cities; and had brought huge suffering and privations to the populations of entire countries.



There were seven national calls to prayer in World War two the first was called by King George VI and parliament on march 27th 1940. The miracle took place during the week following. Most people have heard how the English Channel was absolutely calm all the day during which thousands of private boats and yachts, went to and fro rescuing from the sands of Dunkirk 338,000 men of the British Army, leaving only 12,000 sadly to become prisoners or killed.

In the Spring of 1944 the seventh and last day of prayer was called by the King. In a service held on the eve of D-day the deputy chaplain-general said:-

It is not enough for an army or a nation to have a vague faith in God. It is not enough for us to rest content that our commanders are godly, and that God's flag is publicly flown. Faith in God is useless until it governs action. What does God want done? We believe in God - as what? As a nonentity, content to be recognised, and then ignored? As a vague power, meaningless, purposeless, inarticulate, and therefore unfit to command a platoon, let alone a world? No. We believe in God who wants, and means to have done, all that Christ embodied, taught, lived out. Let an army and a people learn what God stands for, and then they will know when they are for or against His purpose, and support or oppose with confidence as His commissioned servants. That is where the solid toil of consecration comes in. The character of Christ must be known; His goodness perceived and loved; Himself accepted as Master No special effort thrown off in an emergency will accomplish that; and there is no short cut

It has been said that we are at war with the Coronavirus pandemic and it's world wide, these are desperate days we long them to be over.

How we as a country have changed, there is no call to prayer either from the government or the state Church, God is indeed a nonentity content to be recognised and then ignored. May he have mercy on us in these last days.

As we commemorate VE Day, let us also thank God for coming into our world to pay the price of our warring against Him, and trust Him, surrendering to Him as Lord and Saviour.



Thank you for the kind gift of £808.32 from Cornerstone Church. We really appreciate your help as we reach out to isolated individuals and organisations throughout the developing world, so please thank the church on our behalf

Many of the flights we continue to operate involve carrying vital supplies, coronavirus-related test kits and Personal Protective Equipment.

On a recent journey conducted by MAF pilots Ryan Unger and Ian Purdey, some test kits were dropped off at a hospital in Madagascar. Our pilots flew to Tulear, distributed the kits, collected some samples, then flew back to the capital Antananarivo, where the only test centre is located.

Your kindness allows us to provide help like this in isolated areas, saving critical time. We are so grateful to you, and pray that you are all keeping safe and well.

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You know you're
Getting Old
 When . . .

You sit in a rocking chair
 and can't get it going !!



Or you climb up a
 ladder and forget why
 you are up there !



A Prayer to receive God's Grace

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Lord, I praise You that You have given me open access to Your throne of grace. And You have instructed me to boldly and confidently draw near to You, that I may find mercy and grace to help me in my time of need.
 (Hebrews 4:16)

Lord, Your power is great and Your grace sufficient for every situation I may encounter. So, each time I feel weak. Each time I make a mistake. Each time I fall short of all I desire to be. Lord, the perfection of Your power shines through.

May I rest in that knowledge. May I embrace that truth and know that only You are perfect and when I reach out to You, You will step into my mess, fill my gaps, and redeem my lost moments. For Your power is made perfect in my weakness.(2 Corinthians 12:8-9)

May I always look at my messes as moments from which to learn and grow. May I not hold onto them in condemnation nor shame. But, may I humbly point my life toward You as I embrace Your power resting upon me.
 In Your precious and holy name I pray.
 Amen.

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Today, I just want to
Thank God
 for the gift of life.
 No requests,
 no complaints,
just thankful
 to be alive.
 Amen.

Our weekly newsletter travels round the world, Vin and Eunice liked our "getting old" thoughts from last week and sent the ones above, thanks Vin and Eunice. Serving the Lord in Perth, Western Australia.

If you need any help during the social isolation then please contact either Sara on 07736 972683 or Stuart on 07467 024552

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