

## Sermon Notes

### Summer Prayer Diary

#### 1<sup>st</sup> August

Pray for New Hope Church in Sierra Leone as they would love to open a secondary school, most schools are Muslim and meet on a Sunday. Pray they are able to go ahead with their plans so children can still attend church on Sundays.

#### 8<sup>th</sup> August

Pray for Matty Norcross and Will Raby who are leading on the Sparkford 3 summer venture (10<sup>th</sup>-19<sup>th</sup>). Pray for all the teenagers attending to trust Christ and grow in love for him. Pray especially against Covid infections and that the venture will go ahead.

#### 15<sup>th</sup> August

Pray for Mark at Wellfield church. Pray for wisdom as he ministers to people from the community who face many challenges. Pray for the mum whose daughter is self-harming, pray for those on drugs and for children who haven't been to school since March 2019. Pray that they will turn to Christ and in him find their security, their identity and their joy.

#### 22<sup>nd</sup> August

Pray for those in our church family who are suffering, pray for their healing and comfort. Pray they 'Look to the Lord and his strength; seek his face always.' 1 Chronicles 16:11

#### 29<sup>th</sup> August

Pray for the church weekend away. Pray for Mark Pickles as he teaches God's word, pray he is faithful in his teaching. Pray that as God speaks through his word people will be challenged and changed by what they hear.

#### 5<sup>th</sup> September

Pray for the students at the Bible College in Malawi. Pray for Andrew, Bright, Joseph, McDonald and Elephant. Give thanks for their enthusiasm to study and for the faith they have. Pray they will learn skills to preach and communicate the Gospel clearly. Pray the college will be financially sound.

### Useful Contacts

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## Summer Services

at 10.30am

**The Lord's Prayer - learning to pray  
with Jesus**

## COVID-19 & Services

Thank you for coming - we're delighted to have you with us!

We've done everything we can to make our services as safe and welcoming as possible. The wearing of mask is optional but there are disposable ones by the door if you have forgotten yours.

We ask that windows remain open and if you require more space, please put this notice sheet on the seat next to you. Please follow the one-way system and leave by the Fire Exit at the front of the building. Please stay around for a chat afterwards in the car park.

Our 11am service will be livestreamed and available every Sunday via our website and YouTube Channel. Why not share the link with a friend or family member?

*Our Vision Statement*

**"To call people into a loving  
community that follows Jesus Christ"**

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## SUMMER READING

If you have some spare time over the summer and are looking for something good to read, we recommend any of these books. They are all great books that will encourage us in our faith and challenge our thinking.

### ***A Better Story* by Glynn Harrison £6.49**

A critique of the sexual revolution and a presentation of the far superior Biblical vision of sex and relationships. This book looks at what it means to be made sexual in the image of God and shows how we flourish when we live in harmony with God's design.

### ***Confronting Christianity* by Rebecca McLaughlin £11.99**

Using personal stories, and biblical study, this book explores 12 questions that keep many of us from considering faith in Christ. It shows us Jesus is not a relic from the ancient world, but our modern world's best hope.

### ***The Heart of Anger* by Steve Midgely & Christopher Ash £9.99**

Everyone experiences anger. In this practical book, the authors explore the Bible's teaching about anger through present-day accounts and biblical examples such as Moses, Saul, David, and the Ephesian church.

### ***A Good Old Age* by Derek Prime £4.79**

Old age often gets a bad press. The author, himself in his 80s, shows us that there is another way to view old age. He guides us through 26 Christian priorities that we should hold to in later life. Helping us to navigate the unique challenges and joys that old age can bring.

### ***Our Father* by Richard Coekin £6.89**

Jesus knew that, when we struggle to prayer, we need a fresh appreciation of God. We need to glimpse his magnificent character and plans. As we see the Father described in Jesus' prayer, we find ourselves lifted in wonder to delight in him.

### ***Knowing God* by Jim Packer £8.24**

This book will help us to get to know God better and deepen our faith in him. It looks at different aspects of God's character and helps us understand different doctrines and themes, such as sovereignty, judgement.

### ***10 Questions Every Teen Should Ask (and Answer) about Christianity* by Rebecca McLaughlin £8.24**

Teenagers are sure to face real challenges to faith in Jesus Christ. This book doesn't dodge tough questions. Instead, it invites teenagers to ask their hardest questions about Christianity and to find surprising, life-giving answers

### ***The Friend who Forgives* by Dan DeWitt & Catalina Echeverri (children) £7.64**

Do you ever talk before you think? Mess up? Let others down? Children know all about failing, but they don't always experience true forgiveness. This book points them to Jesus, the friend who will forgive them again and again and again.

All these books are available online from [thegoodbook.co.uk](http://thegoodbook.co.uk). If you would rather not buy online but would like a copy, then please email [admin@stsimonsouthport.org](mailto:admin@stsimonsouthport.org) and we will order it for you.

## CONNECT GROUPS

### **New Connect groups**

From September two new evening Connect groups will begin meeting. These will be mixed-sex groups, happening on a Tuesday and yet-to-be-confirmed evening. A women's morning group, with childcare provision, will also take place on a Tuesday morning. If you would like to join a group, please let Andy Liggins know.

## BASSENFELL WEEKEND AWAY

For those going to our church weekend away please contact Alex Swarbrick to arrange payment for the remaining balance ([alex\\_swarbrick@hotmail.com](mailto:alex_swarbrick@hotmail.com)). A couple of rooms are still available.



## Is this your first time?

Hello & welcome!  
Please make yourself at home.

### **Need anything?**

Ask one of our welcome team who will be pleased to help you.

### **Young Children**

Children will remain with us for the start of the service. Summer activities will be running in the hall during the Bible reading and sermon.

### **Hearing difficulties?**

A hearing loop is installed.

### **Mobile Phones**

Please turn them off or to silent.