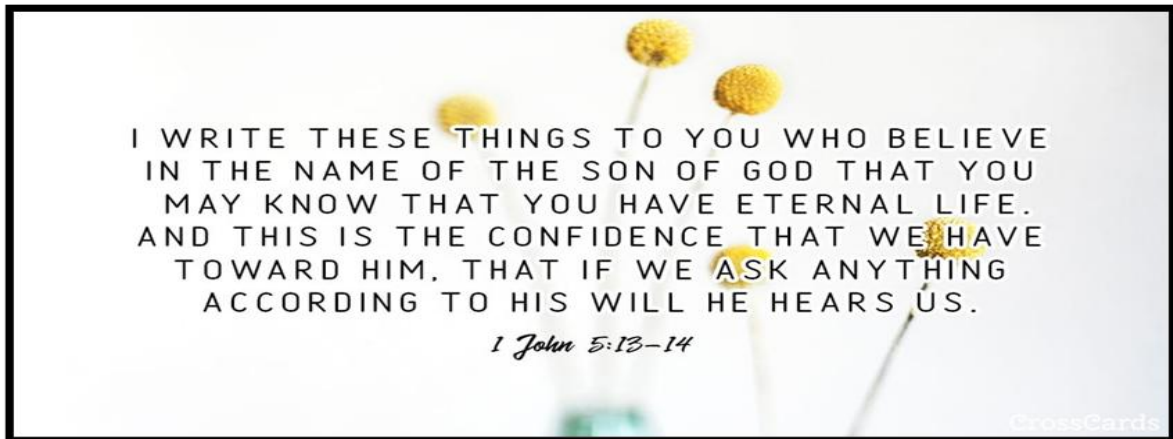




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Sunday 17th May 2020

Please join us for our **Online Social Media Worship Service**
(Facebook, YouTube and <http://gilgal.co.uk/news/pastors-blog>)

Theme: Noah (2) - "A Safe Place in the Storm"

Genesis 6:11-7:5 and 1 Corinthians 11:23-26

Holy Communion

Holy Communion will be included in this Sunday's service, so please prepare some bread and wine or whatever your preference is, ready to take part at that stage of the service.

Your News: If you have any news to share with the fellowship, or a praise report or prayer request please let us know. We rejoice that over 90 people now receive this weekly update. There are also short mid-week updates from our Pastor on our Social Media sites, containing a biblical reflection, the latest church news and some pointers for prayer.

Prayer Needs

Those Bereaved: The family of Alan Malcolm Davies; Charlotte Lewis and family on the death of her Grandmother; the family and friends of Gerald Bond; friends of Mick Canham (known to many as Bill).

Those in Hospital: Margaret Carey-Jones.

Those in Residential Care: Ann Thomas (Picton Court); Doug Davies, Pat Eales (Monkstone House); Beryl Surringer (Newton Care Home); Carole Vanden Branden (Breaksea); Charlotte 'Lyn' Davies (Penylan House, Cardiff). Pray for the health and safety of both residents and staff during this difficult lockdown period.

We have had much positive feedback on our social media broadcasts. Please pray that God will use these to encourage faith in the Lord Jesus Christ among those who believe and among the not yet believers.

Laura Lee Lovering has sent a video from Peru which is available for us to watch on the Baptist Missionary Society website: www.bmsworldmission.org/video/update-laura-lee-lovering. Please watch the video and remember Laura and our mission workers in your prayers.

Prayer Chain Requests: Please send any emailed prayer requests to Alan Harris at a.harris476@btinternet.com or alternatively you can call Alan on 784118.

Telephone Prayer: If anyone wants to be prayed for over the telephone, please contact Karen Challenger as Prayer Ministry Team Leader. This could be thought of as an alternative to visiting the Prayer Corner for prayer ministry. Karen can be contacted on her mobile 07795 516369. If she is not available, please leave a message and she will get back to you.

Prayer Ministry / Prayer 2020: Please pray the following prayer on Wednesday 20th May at 20:20 pm for 20 minutes: "Heavenly Father, thank you for the gift of your Holy Spirit. Help me to pray for 5 people who don't yet know you. Please work in their lives to open their hearts and minds to your love and truth shown to us in Jesus. Help me speak to them about you. May they be led by the Holy Spirit to repent and follow you (John 15 v 1)." Further suggestions about structuring the 20 minutes are included in the accompanying prayer planner.

Church Announcements

Children, Youth and Families Videos: Our associate pastor Steve Lock and team have been updating our website and social media pages this week. Check out the new Jellybeans (Toddlers) video, and look out for a Messy Church video both on Facebook and our website.

Church Magazine: The latest Gilgal Magazine is now available on our Facebook page and website <http://gilgal.co.uk/news/gilgal-magazine>. Thanks to Ed Lewis and all the contributors for another great magazine. Unfortunately, paper copies are not available at this time.

Seeds in Pots: Thank you to Alison and Phil Armstrong for the sunflower seeds in pots and/or welsh cakes that have been distributed around the fellowship in the last few days. Many people have been in contact to thank Gilgal for this simple spiritual gift.

Do You Need Help? If you need someone to collect essential food or medicine please contact Pastor Martin (771168) or Daphne Harris (786249) and we will do all within our power to help.

Foodbank continues to operate at the Y Centre on Tuesdays and Thursdays from 10am until 12 noon. If you know of anybody who is struggling financially, please encourage them to come to the Y Centre when the Foodbank is open, or to ring Margaret and John on 772115. Deliveries can be arranged to people's homes if they cannot collect the food themselves.

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