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**Sunday 22<sup>nd</sup> August 2021**

**WE ARE AT AWEL Y MOR FOR BOTH SERVICES TODAY!**

**10.30am Morning Worship: Our speaker this morning – Rev John James  
Theme 'Be Strong in the Lord', Reading - Ephesians 6:10 -20**

**5pm Disciples Service: Our speaker this evening –John Stewart  
Theme - 'Taking your burden to God', Reading - Psalm 55**

**Online service: 'Trust in God' – Genesis 22:1-14 Gary Smith (UK Hubs Director,  
The Message Trust)**

**Prayer Needs & Praise Reports**

**In Hospital:** Hilary Oatridge

**At Home:** Dilwyn and Ann Jones; Phyllis Phillips; Martyn Llewellyn-Smith;  
Nia Knowles; Gerry Thurston.

**In Residential Care:** Ann Thomas (Picton Court); Doug Davies, Pat Eales (Monkstone House); Beryl Surringer (Newton Care Home); Carole Vanden Branden (Breaksea); 'Lyn' Davies (Penylan House, Cardiff); Margaret Carey-Jones (Glanffrwyd, Pencoed).

**Praise Reports: The Big Sing – Thank you** to all those who took part and supported the big sing last Sunday afternoon. It was rather windy but that didn't put us off, perhaps we will do it again in the autumn!

**Diamond Wedding:** Our sincere appreciation to our many friends who sent cards and messages of congratulations on our Diamond Anniversary. Your kindness and friendship is so much appreciated. Sincerely. Graham and Avis.

**Congratulations to Pam and Derek Murden** on becoming great grandparents to baby Freddie, born last Sunday, weighing in at a healthy 8 lb. Much love to all the family.

**Children's Worker:** There has been no response to our efforts to fill the role of children's/family worker, so we are re-advertising the position. This is an important step in fulfilling our plans for the future of Gilgal. Please pray that our search will be successful and that we will be able to give God our grateful thanks. If you know of anyone who would be interested, please point them to our website for full details.

**World Mission Ministry Team - News updates on our Missionaries: -**

**Laura Lee Lovering:** Laura had a safe return journey to Peru after Home Assignment. She is now living in Piura and starting her new role of BMS Creation Stewardship Coordinator. She requests prayer for her previous team in Nauta and also for her settling in and adjustment to her new work.

**Robert and Rose** (pseudonyms because of the sensitive nature of the country in which they work): They thank God for the arrival of their second child, another boy. At the moment they are on Home Assignment, so please pray for safe travel, wisdom and spiritual refreshing for Robert as he visits church partners. They also request prayer for wisdom on the timing of their return and that the seeds planted by previous colleagues will be watered in the future, also that those colleagues will find fulfilling work in Estonia.

**Prayer Chain Requests:** To help ensure your prayer requests get circulated promptly, please send them to any two of the following people: Rachel Phillips at [crossmonster7@gmail.com](mailto:crossmonster7@gmail.com), Alan Harris at [a.harris476@btinternet.com](mailto:a.harris476@btinternet.com) or Caryl Gill at [carylgill1@gmail.com](mailto:carylgill1@gmail.com). Alternatively, you can ring Alan on 01656 784118.

### **Other Announcements**

**Tuesdays 11 to 1 on John Street:** We'll be a bit under-staffed this week, so apart from your prayers, extra helpers would be appreciated. Thanks, Gordon Lovering.

**The next Bible Club** will be in the Hall at 7 pm on Wednesday the 25<sup>th</sup> of August.

**150<sup>th</sup> Church Anniversary:** If you have any memories of Gilgal from 1970 onwards, please can you write a short account and give it to Linda Harber. This could be if you were involved in any children's work, any groups that now no longer exist, or any anecdotes that you think will be suitable for our 150th Anniversary celebration.

**Saturday 4<sup>th</sup> September at 3pm:** The Ordination to Baptist Ministry of Steve Lock at All Saints Church, Porthcawl, followed by light refreshments. Numbers at All Saints are limited, so please let Liz Rees know if you would like to attend.

**Sunday 5<sup>th</sup> September at 3pm: Service of Believers Baptism.** This will be held on Sandy Bay (also known as Coney Beach), below the Hi-Tide, where several folk plan to be baptised in the sea. (N.B. Final baptism class on Friday September 3<sup>rd</sup>.)

**Church Directory:** Thank you to all who have completed the Church Directory data protection form. Please return outstanding forms to Linda Harber as soon as possible.

**While our pastor is on the first part of his Sabbatical,** please contact Liz Rees, John Hornsby or Daphne Harris for pastoral support.

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