

MOUNT HERMON

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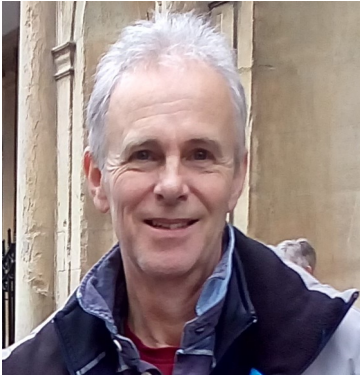
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Monthly Church Magazine

All are welcome at Mount Hermon



A MESSAGE FROM OUR MINISTER

On Sunday 9th June... the church celebrates Pentecost. This has its origins in a Jewish festival called 'the Feast of Weeks'. It is... associated with two main events – the wheat harvest and the giving of the law to Moses on Mount Sinai. These 2 events link together in the Bible in the book of Exodus (chapter 34 if you want to find out more). In England the late May bank holiday used to be the day after Pentecost Sunday and

was a moveable date as it is fixed by being six weeks after Easter. Today in the (secular?) UK we have fixed the late May bank holiday to be the last Monday in May and introduced the (socialist) May day bank holiday at the start of May. In most of Europe... a bank holiday is still taken on the Monday which follows Pentecost Sunday.

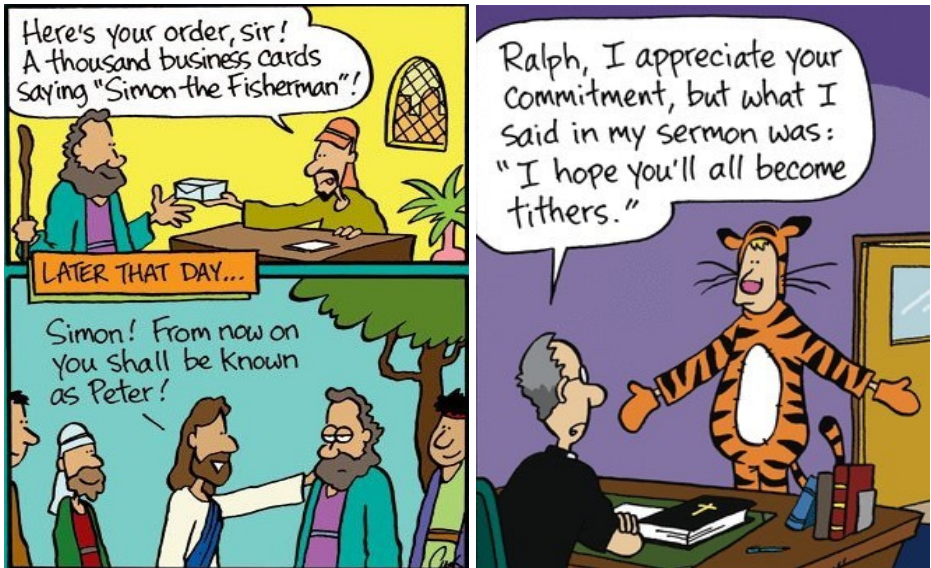
The Feast of Weeks is one of the 3 main Jewish holidays, on each of which the Jews were supposed to make pilgrimage to the temple in the city of Jerusalem, the other two being Passover (Easter) and New Year (end of September). Pentecost is most notable in the Christian tradition as marking the founding of the early church. It was on this day that the promise of the Holy Spirit was poured out on the early disciples, an event that was to change their lives and most of the Western world for ever.

This pouring out of the Spirit was followed by signs and wonders; people were healed, evil spirits were cast out, people spoke in languages they had not learned and prophesied. It is significant that this occurred at the Feast of Weeks festival, as Jews from all over the empire would have gathered in Jerusalem for the feast. The good news of the resurrection of Jesus and the powerful outpouring of the Holy Spirit would then have been relayed back to all corners of the Roman Empire.

This filling of the Holy Spirit is a core belief of the Christian church today. I became a Christian in 1973 and this empowering by the Holy Spirit changed my life forever. Pentecost would be a good time to turn to God and see your life transformed for ever (though in reality any time is a good time).

Article Submitted by David Sharples (Minister)

NOTICE - Joan Williams and Family would like to thank the members and friends at Mount Hermon for the many prayers... and kind expressions of sympathy, cards, letters and flowers received during the illness and death of Derek. They really were a great comfort to us. Thank You.



JOKE CORNER - A MIASMA OF MIRTH FOR ALL OUR READERS.

A couple were celebrating their Diamond Wedding Anniversary. The wife was asked if, throughout their married life together she had ever thought of getting a divorce. "Divorce" said the wife, with a smile directed at her husband, "Definitely not, divorce - neve, but murder that's another story."

"After a church service a really embarrassed woman who was making her way out said: "I really hope you didn't take it personally pastor when my husband walked out right in the middle of your sermon." "Actually I did find it rather disconcerting," the pastor replied. "Well it certainly wasn't out of any dis-respect to you pastor, " insisted the woman. "The fact is My Fred's been walking in his sleep ever since he was a small child."

Abraham bought himself a fancy new computer. He showed it to Isaac one day, "Look at all the wonderful programs it has on it. And look at all the neat things it can do... Isaac was impressed, but also a bit concerned "But Dad, I don't think your computer has enough memory." Abraham replied.... "Don't worry son; the Lord will provide Himself with the RAM."

After hearing his dad preach on justification, sanctification and all the... other-ations, a minister's son was ready when his Sunday school teacher asked if anyone knew what 'procrastination meant. "I'm not sure what it means" he admitted, "but one thing I do know... our church believes in it."

'Can you help me? My dog is like a grandfather clock,' said the man to the vet. "Why is that?" "He's got a round face and 'ticks', said the man.

Don't Worry
God is never blind to your
 tears, never deaf to your prayers,
 and never silent to your pain.
He sees, He hears
 and **HE** will **deliver.**

GOD ANSWERS IN 3 WAYS:

He says yes and gives
 you what you want.

He says no and gives
 you something better.

He says wait and gives
 you the best.



GOD IS THE ULTIMATE ARTIST

One of the greatest pleasures that most artists experience, is to see the expressions of delight and enjoyment when people appreciate their artwork. But... is not God the ultimate Artist, who all other artists try to imitate? God has created a huge living... interactive exhibition, in this world we inhabit (Psalm 86:8). His awe inspiring landscapes... can actually be seen by us and entered. His ever-changing seascapes are there for our recreational pleasure. Each

day, He paints a new sunrise and sunset for us to enjoy. His great exhibition includes living portraits of people and animals for companionship. His fruit bowls burst with flavour and His flowers literally smell of perfume. God is... one who receives great pleasure from watching His sons and daughters take delight in His many artworks. When time is taken to enjoy and savour a work of art, it always pleases the Artist. **"You are worthy, O Lord, to receive glory and honour and power; for You created all things, and by Your will they exist and were created"** (Revelation 4:11) (Submitted by Neil Bedford)

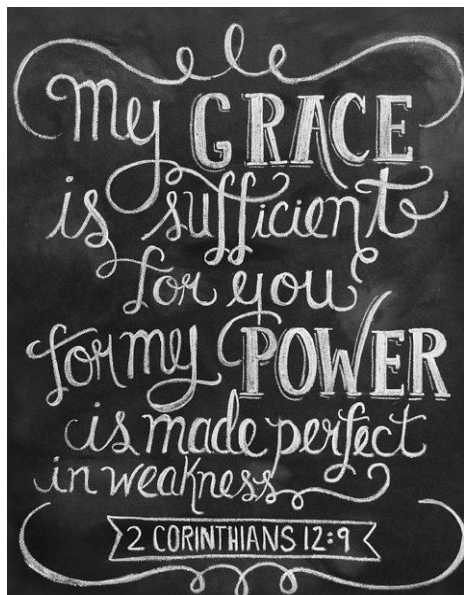
GOD has a special timing;
 Never **EARLY**. Never **LATE**.
 It takes a little
PATIENCE and FAITH
 But it's **WORTH THE WAIT**

**DEAR LORD, I AM SO GRATEFUL
 FOR YOUR EVERLASTING LOVE
 AND VISION FOR MY LIFE. HELP
 ME TO EMBRACE THE FACT THAT
 YOUR PLANS ARE GREATER THAN
 MINE. HUMBLE MY HEART... IN
 THE MOMENTS WHEN I TRY TO
 MAINTAIN CONTROL... SO THAT I
 MIGHT FULLY SERVE YOU. AMEN.**



In years past, NASA would use monkeys... to help in advancing space travel. Whilst these monkeys were chosen for their special abilities and trained to carry out certain functions, NASA provided the rockets and supplied all the resources and employed a large team of experts to administer its space program. We who are Christians have a fantastic opportunity to play a part in God's plan and bring glory to Him. But God is an infinite all powerful being who created the universe so how can a dependent creature like man help God?

In our own power, we can do little. But when we choose to serve God, all our needs will be provided. He supplies the gifts, the resources and the right environment and all that's necessary to accomplish our own personal ministries. He provides the 'filling of the Holy Spirit' for guidance, plus a large team of experts (elect angels), quietly working behind the scenes who will fulfil numerous unknown requirements for things to happen just how God wants. And unlike NASA... God never makes mistakes! Even before we were born, God had been working circumstances to aid us in our ministry. We can relax; being linked to grace means we trust God to supply our needs. We realise that we are not capable of achieving anything by ourselves, it's by God's grace His plan for us is accomplished. We are all totally dependent on Him in all we do - every breath we take. Even if we manage to achieve great things in God's name, the fact is - we are simply the monkeys that press the button on cue. So trust in the Lord... always, not in yourself... in all your ways acknowledge Him, and He shall direct your path (Proverbs 3 : 5 - 6). (Submitted by Neil Bedford)



LADIES KNITTING GROUP AT MOUNT HERMON



SUPPORTING ARMENIAN MINISTRIES.

Of late we have received greetings from all at Armenian Ministries. We are pleased to hear the cold winter weather is rapidly fading into warmer weather... so preparations are underway for the summer camps and clubs. We continue to support Armenian Ministries in many ways... especially with our crochet and knitted items which are much appreciated. Our ladies at home and at a distance have been very busy and productive over the last 3 months, and we have amassed 105 items. In addition we have bought 25 pairs of pumps. This footwear enables the children now to go to school and receive an education. Well done EVERYONE! Let's keep 'KNITTING TOGETHER'. Please pop in and see us. We meet on the last Tuesday of every month. Our work is, as ever supported by Prayer. **We serve A RISEN SAVIOUR.**

(Report submitted by Jill Jackson)

LOVE
in action

LOVING GOD
LOVING OTHERS

Dear children, let us not love with words or speech but with actions and in truth. 1 John 3:18

CHURCH ACTIVITIES IN JUNE

MON 24th at 7 pm - **Circuit Meeting** - Everyone welcome to come.
Join us and meet friends - from our other W.R.U churches.

TUE The 2pm courses will be preceded by Soup + a Roll at 1pm

4th **Discipleship Explored Course.... at 2pm**

11th **Discipleship Explored Course.... at 2pm**

18th **Fellowship Meeting..... at 2pm**

25th **Ladies Knitting Group 10am to 12 noon**

25th **Fellowship Meeting..... at 2 pm**



EXPLORE
GOD'S WORD
TOGETHER

THU 9.30. am - **Church Prayer Meeting** - every week - join us.

10 am to 11.30 am - **COFFEE POT** - held weekly.
 The chapel is open for private prayer & devotions.
 Everyone is made welcome. Why not join us and
Meet new friends in a warm friendly atmosphere.



SAT **Monthly Coffee Morning** - 10am - 11.30. am
 Cake Stall, Preserves, Books, Greetings Cards,
 Bric-a-brac, Raffle with good prizes. Entry £1. 50p
Come - enjoy meeting friend and having fellowship



SUN **Morning Worship** - every Sunday morning at 10.30. am

2nd **David Sharples (Minister)..... MH (Communion)**

9th **Roger Coley..... Armstrong Hall C. F. Throckton ND.**

16th **David Sharples (Minister)..... MH (Father's Day)**

23rd **Margaret Dennison..... Bethel Church, Bierley, BD**

30th **David Sharples (Minister)..... Mount Hermon**

We preach the Spirit led truths of God's Word - the Holy Bible.



CHURCH BIRTHDAYS IN JUNE

6th Maureen ★★★★★

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Have a great day you two



BEACON COMMUNITY CHURCH

91-93 BEACON ROAD, WIBSEY BD6 3ET

PRESENTS: 'A NIGHT OF HOPE' WITH:

PAUL JONES

Ex Lead singer with Manfred Mann, The Blues Band, Radio Presenter and

FIONA HENDLEY-JONES

Actress and Singer

SATURDAY 8TH JUNE AT 7PM

**TICKETS
£10. 00.**



**ONE NIGHT
ONLY**

Songs, Humour and insights into their lives and faith.

Ticket available from the church, or from Pastor Paul Brown
on 01274 670366 or 07548 667820, or you can email :
pastorpaulbrown@gmail.com

You're invited to a :

Beetle Drive

with

A Pie and Peas Supper!

Friday 14th June - 6 pm

At Mount Hermon Chapel

(All profits go to Charity)

Entry fee
is only
£5. 00.

A cartoon illustration of a green beetle character with large eyes, antennae, and a friendly expression. It is standing on its hind legs with its arms raised in a cheerful gesture.