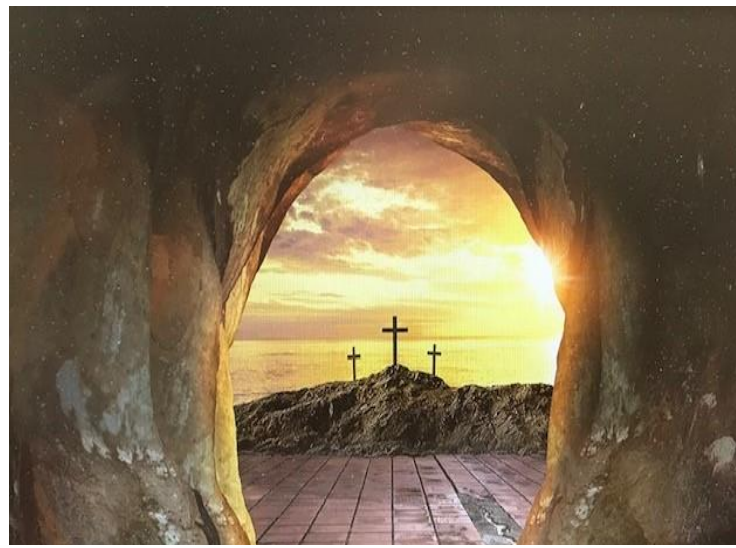


This Week's "WORD" to Our MBC Family"
For *April 4 through 10 *, 2021



Happy Easter, One and All!

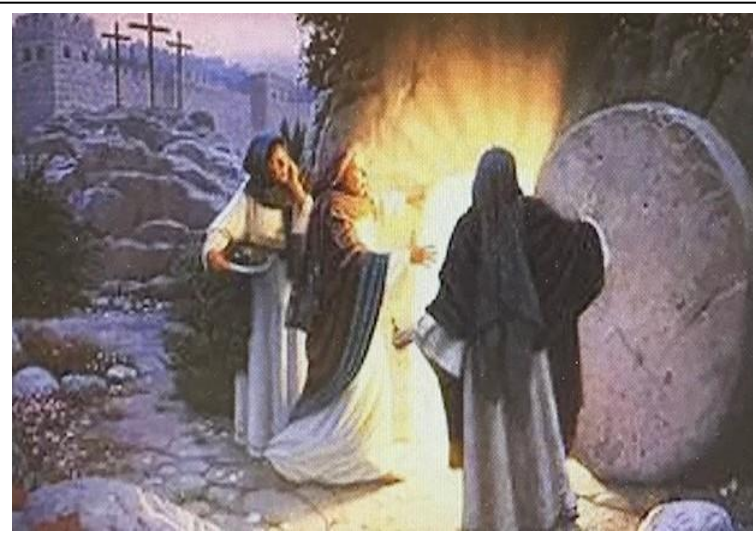
Yes, it's true. For us – here in North America – the arrival of Spring brings the arrival of our holiest of Christian Festivals – the **Sunday of the Resurrection**. Today is, for most Christian believers, as I noted last week, the celebration of the day that Mary Magdalene, Salome, Joanna and Mary, the mother of James and perhaps other women with them discovered that the tomb which had held the body of their Lord was empty. Their every emotion must have pushed their way to the surface of their very souls...

Today, we have the benefit of this knowledge being a "review", but for those women, and later for the other disciples, even though Jesus Himself (at what we call the Last Supper, and at other times) had forewarned them that tragedy was coming... it was beyond their capacity to believe and accept.

Jesus had been both their friend and their Rabbi, their teacher. They had walked the hi-ways and bi-ways of Galilee, and the northern hill country, traversed parts of the Decapolis and journeyed to Jerusalem over a period of three years. They were close – in fact they loved Jesus like none other. Then they watched Him die. That was a loss. But this, this disappearance was a tragedy, or so they thought – at first. But, as they met later that day, they began to remember His words and His promises... and suddenly He was in their midst, giving proof that He was not dead any longer, but more alive than they had ever known Him to be. Jesus was Risen from the grave, Risen from death, and now He offered freedom and Grace for all who similarly believed.

Today, and through-out this week, we can not meet in groups because of CoVid – but maybe that reality will help us identify with the men & women who learned at the Master's feet. Maybe we can identify with their loss. And perhaps, just perhaps, we can get a sense of the great joy they found when they realized that Jesus *was* still with them, and we can be a little more compliant and patient and obedient and hopeful, and when the "lockdowns" are finally lifted, we will celebrate with 'newly-risen and unbounded Joy.

Let's Celebrate God's Undying Love!



General Announcements: (From the Min-Man Team, and other sources)

Good morning everyone,
Happy Easter.
He is risen!

At our last Min/Man Team meeting, there was the looming possibility of another shut-down, (I don't like "lock down"), and as we all know, here we are again.
So needless to say, MBC will not be re-opening for a while yet.

Please do remember, we are not all in the same boat as some say, but we are all in the same storm. Some have a yacht, some power boats, others canoes, and some a rubber dinghy. This applies across a multitude of scenarios, such as health, wealth, or where you happen to be in your life, so let's all be there for each other, through this.

Dan
Chair of the Min-man Team

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Let's Worship The Father Together..."Virtually"

Prepared and submitted by Chris J.

"It was impossible for death to keep his hold on Him." Acts 2:24b

Have you ever been walking on a sidewalk or standing in a parking lot and noticed a plant pushing up through a crack in the pavement? Perhaps it has created its own crack? It seems impossible and yet the plant that should have suffocated has survived. Even thrived.

Jesus was dead and buried. That was the end of Him. That was the end of hope for a new kingdom. He was stuck in a tomb with an impossibly big rock in front to seal it off. Suffocating. No air in there.

BUT ... He made a crack. AND it was a huge one. The stone was rolled away. The impossible happened. Death could not hold Him.

He is Risen! HE IS RISEN INDEED!
Hallelujah! What a Saviour!

When in doubt, remember that "impossible" is Jesus's middle name.

Because He Lives – Matt Maher
<https://youtu.be/PBvU7arNhQs>

What a Beautiful Name it Is – Hillsong Worship
<https://youtu.be/r5L6QIAH3L4>

Chris

And for those who like to sing along, or who may not have the Internet...

"Because He Lives" with Matt Maher	"Because He Live" Continued
<p>I believe in the Son I believe in the risen One I believe I overcome By the power of His blood</p> <p>Amen, Amen I'm alive, I'm alive Because He lives Amen, Amen Let my song join the one that never ends Because He lives</p> <p>I was dead in the grave I was covered in sin and shame I heard mercy call my name He rolled the stone away</p> <p>Amen, Amen I'm alive, I'm alive Because He lives Amen, Amen Let my song join the one that never ends</p>	<p>Because He lives I can face tomorrow Because He lives Every fear is gone I know He holds my life my future in His hands</p> <p>Amen, Amen I'm alive, I'm alive Because He lives Amen, Amen Let my song join the one that never ends</p> <p>Amen, Amen I'm alive, I'm alive Because He lives Amen, Amen Let my song join the one that never ends</p> <p>Because He lives Because He lives</p>

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Verse 1

You were the Word at the beginning
One with God the Lord Most High
Your hidden glory in creation
Now revealed in You our Christ

Chorus 1

What a beautiful Name it is
What a beautiful Name it is
The Name of Jesus Christ my King
What a beautiful Name it is
Nothing compares to this
What a beautiful Name it is
The Name of Jesus

Verse 2

You didn't want heaven without us
So Jesus You brought heaven down
My sin was great Your love was greater
What could separate us now

Chorus 2

What a wonderful Name it is
What a wonderful Name it is
The Name of Jesus Christ my King
What a wonderful Name it is
Nothing compares to this
What a wonderful Name it is
The Name of Jesus
What a wonderful Name it is
The Name of Jesus

Bridge

Death could not hold You
The veil tore before You
You silence the boast of sin and grave
The heavens are roaring
The praise of Your glory
For You are raised to life again
You have no rival
You have no equal
Now and forever God You reign
Yours is the kingdom
Yours is the glory
Yours is the Name above all names

Chorus 3

What a powerful Name it is
What a powerful Name it is
The Name of Jesus Christ my King
What a powerful Name it is
Nothing can stand against
What a powerful Name it is
The Name of Jesus

You have no rival
You have no equal
Now and forever God You reign
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Words To Live By: From Pastor Bill

A Link to the Audio Version

For those who prefer to listen to Pastor Bill's message

https://drive.google.com/file/d/12OjBz4nOVP_TaQYt0leD3zQ4M8jFKTIP/view?usp=drivesdk

And for those who prefer to read Pastor Bill's Message or may be like to read the notes as they listen to the link above.

Written Format

Affection in Discipleship

“For this commandment that I command you today is not too hard for you, neither is it far off. It is not in heaven, that you should say, ‘Who will ascend to heaven for us and bring it to us, that we may hear it and do it?’ Neither is it beyond the sea, that you should say, ‘Who will go over the sea for us and bring it to us, that we may hear it and do it?’ 14 But the word is very near you. It is in your mouth and in your heart, so that you can do it. Deuteronomy 30:11-14

At the core of vital Biblical spirituality are the very hearts of redeemed humans being responsive to God. As the Old Testament book of Deuteronomy is coming to a close Moses is about to transfer his leadership responsibilities to Joshua who was to be his successor in leading Israel into the Promised Land. Moses, in chapter 29 of Deuteronomy, reviews with the second-generation children of Israel the covenant which God had originally been to their ancestors who had been redeemed out of Egypt. First generation Israel was afforded by grace every opportunity to know God intimately and thus enjoy a blessed and flourishing relationship with Him. However, the people, for the vast majority, had no heart for God despite His faithful care and leadership.

In renewing God's covenant with Israel, Moses gives a telling warning to the people who are about to enter Canaan.

Beware lest there be among you a man or woman or clan or tribe whose heart is turning away today from the Lord our God to go and serve the gods of those nations. Beware lest there be among you a root bearing poisonous and bitter fruit, one who, when he hears the words of this sworn covenant, blesses himself in his heart, saying, ‘I shall be safe, though I walk in the stubbornness of my heart.’ This will lead to the sweeping away of moist and dry alike. (Deuteronomy 29:18-19)

It is clear that the heart of the matter is the matter of the heart. The commands of the covenant were meant to direct peoples' hearts and action responses to God and to one another. The requirements were far from mere modification or reformation of external behaviour and conduct. Such would be more than hypocritical—rather there would be inner bankruptcy rendering people ineffective and fruitless in their spiritual lives. In their Survey of The Old Testament, Andrew Hill and John H. Walton state:

The importance of Deuteronomy is that it makes clear that the law was never intended to be a mechanical list of inflexible rules. Rather, it provides entry into the whole matter of true piety and true morality. It promulgates a worldview encompassing what is entailed in an appropriate approach to God...an appropriate treatment...relationship to one's neighbour...it is easy to see why Jesus endorsed the summary of the law... “Love the Lord your God with all your heart...soul...strength...mind,” and ‘Love your neighbour as yourself’ (Luke 10:27)

New Testament spirituality is clearly, according to Jesus Christ, one that flows out from the Old Testament. Of course! Since throughout the New Testament Jesus is revealed to be God. Jesus self identifies with God succinctly in the gospel of John when He states to the Jewish religious elite, who vehemently opposed Him. In John 8:58-59 we read ““Truly, truly, I say to you, before Abraham was, I am.” So they picked up stones to throw at him, but Jesus hid himself and went out of the temple.

In another instance Jesus, being in the synagogue, was asked to read a passage from the Old Testament. Recall, too, that this took place in Jesus’ home town of Nazareth. Dr. Luke, in chapter four, verses 16 to 22 relates in great detail that which transpired.

And he came to Nazareth, where he had been brought up. And as was his custom, he went to the synagogue on the Sabbath day, and he stood up to read. ¹⁷ And the scroll of the prophet Isaiah was given to him. He unrolled the scroll and found the place where it was written, ¹⁸ “The Spirit of the Lord is upon me, because he has anointed me to proclaim good news to the poor. He has sent me to proclaim liberty to the captives and recovering of sight to the blind, to set at liberty those who are oppressed,¹⁹ to proclaim the year of the Lord's favour.” ²⁰ And he rolled up the scroll and gave it back to the attendant and sat down. And the eyes of all in the synagogue were fixed on him. ²¹ And he began to say to them, “Today this Scripture has been fulfilled in your hearing.” ²² And all spoke well of him and marvelled at the gracious words that were coming from his mouth.

It is obvious that in the above scene Jesus makes a direct connection to Himself and the prophecy in Isaiah sixty-one, verses 1 and 2. We also can see that the affections of the people were very much in favour of Jesus. All is well. But, was it really? As the scene unfolds, Jesus makes clear references to two well known prophets of God – Elijah and Elisha. So far so good, you might be thinking. However, Jesus refers to these two God – chosen men in connection to their ministry to – are you ready for this – to people who were not Israelites. These were the widow of Zarephath and Naaman the Syrian. You can read about these incidents in 1 Kings 17 and 2 Kings 5, respectively. How did the people react to these words of Jesus?

When they heard these things, all in the synagogue were filled with wrath. ²⁹ And they rose up and drove him out of the town and brought him to the brow of the hill on which their town was built, so that they could throw him down the cliff. ³⁰ But passing through their midst, he went away. (Luke 4:28-30)

The people intended to kill Jesus then, throwing Him over the cliff, but His time had not yet come. Two times in John’s gospel we read the phrase “his hour had not yet come.” In each instance the context was the rejection of Jesus by the religious authorities who wanted/sought to arrest Him. (John 7:30; 8:20)

At first, we can see that the peoples’ affection was good toward Jesus. Yet, as soon as He brought conviction to them of their sin – in the case of the Jews it included their spiritual elitism and hatred toward the Gentiles – the peoples’ wrath toward Jesus betrayed their hearts. The truth of who they were inside was outwardly revealed. They did not genuinely have hearts for God, though they thought that they did.

The writer of Hebrews expressed Christ’s identification as God in the following expansive fashion:

Long ago, at many times and in many ways, God spoke to our fathers by the prophets, but in these last days he has spoken to us by his Son, whom he appointed the heir of all things, through whom also he created the world. He is the radiance of the glory of God and the exact imprint of his nature, and he upholds the universe by the word of his power. (Hebrews 1:1-3)

To be in tune with the heart of God we must be intimate with Jesus Christ, not as a link to God, but as God Himself. To be intimate with Jesus Christ we must thirst for Him. Jesus referred to this in John chapter seven in response to the Jewish crowd who were asking many questions of Him and discussing Jesus, the religious elite being aware—the Pharisees who desired to have Jesus arrested. These religious leaders were threatened by the One who self identified as “I am the way, the truth and the life; no one comes to the Father but through me.” (John 14:6) The Pharisees could only offer dry and stifling legalism which kept people ensnared and spiritually stunted.

In John chapter seven, we read that Jesus was urged by His brothers to go to Jerusalem to attend the Feast of Booths. Jesus would not go “because the Jews were seeking to kill him.” (John 7:1) His brothers persisted so Jesus responded by telling them:

My time has not yet come, but your time is always here. ⁷ The world cannot hate you, but it hates me because I testify about it that its works are evil. ⁸ You go up to the feast. I am not going up to this feast, for my time has not yet fully come. (John 7:6-8)

Jesus did eventually go to the Feasts of Booths in Jerusalem. He taught in the Temple, marvelling the Jews with His wisdom, yet He pointed out that He was sent and was speaking out of authority from God. Jesus, in His teaching, challenged – actually called out – the hearts of His listeners. Even pointing out to them their desire to kill Him. You can sense the rising tension as Jesus engages the Jews as to their faulty application of the law of Moses. Jesus became very pointed in His accusations in verses 28 to 29. Thereafter we see again the statement “So they were seeking to arrest him, but no one laid a hand on him, because his hour had not yet come.” (John 7:30)

Finally, as the Feast of Booths was coming to an end we read:

However, On the last day of the feast, the great day, Jesus stood up and cried out, “If anyone thirsts, let him come to me and drink. Whoever believes in me, as the Scripture has said, ‘Out of his heart will flow rivers of living water.’” Now this he said about the Spirit, whom those who believed in him were to receive, for as yet the Spirit had not been given, because Jesus was not yet glorified. (Jo. 7:37-39)

Bradley Holt states

One of the basic premises of any spirituality is that our nonphysical selves also thirst...Christian spirituality identifies what we really long for as the living water of God, fresh and sparkling and pure...Paul writes of the love of God as if it were a liquid: “God’s love has been poured into our hearts through the Holy Spirit that has been given to us (Romans. 5:5).

I believe it is correct to conclude that, for the most, the Jews whom Jesus challenged, had a corrupted sense of thirst.

In my personal thirsting affection for Christ understandably the most important spiritual practice of my discipleship is prayer and Bible Study. Included in my spiritual disciplines which influence my affections toward God is a form of journaling – photo-journaling. My pictures so often are a photo-journal of God's greatness and beauty, along with lessons He inspires after I have more time to study the scene. It is wonderful to have the Holy Spirit bring a Bible passage to mind that befits the photograph so that the Word of God captures my attention and is further embedded in my heart. The photos accent the Word of God and are secondary in importance, though not without value.

Bradley Holt refers to the journaling practice of Christians in the seventeenth and eighteenth centuries. “They recorded not only the outer events of their lives but also their inner thoughts and feelings.” This is what my photography does for me; my relationship with God has been deepened tremendously. As an added blessing I can easily share the pictures with other Christians for their enrichment. This serves to build the corporate body of Christ, even across international boundaries.

One particular Spring I noticed the vibrant, flourishing **Bleeding Hearts** in Rose’s perennial gardens out in front the house. They were starting to glow softly in the morning sunrise — stems, leaves and blooms alike. They had been soaking up the regularly available Spring rains which enabled them to resist environmental stresses whilst displaying their genetically inherited design for life. Being perennials, they emerge every year from the dark, long and cold season of Winter. Sufficient moisture and sunshine quickens them for the duration of their time frame for vibrant display. Beautifully purposed by their Creator for being a blessing to everyone who sees and experiences them.



Disciples in Christ, in contrast to self-destiny and self-redemption, are finding, as Holt expresses as true self as a result of the grace of God, discovering a path through the universe by living in relationship with a revealing God who surprises the traveller with loving gifts...Christianity offers the possibility of a vibrant, personal and communal spirituality.

In Acts, chapter two, the Apostle Peter preached to the Jews in Jerusalem. He boldly spoke:

“Men of Israel, hear these words: Jesus of Nazareth, a man attested to you by God with mighty works and wonders and signs that God did through him in your midst, as you yourselves know — **23** this Jesus, delivered up according to the definite plan and foreknowledge of God, you crucified and killed by the hands of lawless men. **24** God raised him up, loosing the pangs of death, because it was not possible for him to be held by it. (Acts 2:22-24)

Further, in Acts 2:36, Peter proclaimed “Let all the house of Israel therefore know for certain that God has made him both Lord and Christ, this Jesus whom you crucified.” What was the response?

“Now when they heard this they were cut to the heart, and said to Peter and the rest of the apostles, “Brothers, what shall we do?” **38** And Peter said to them, “Repent and be baptized every one of you in the name of Jesus Christ for the forgiveness of your sins and you will receive the gift of the Holy Spirit...41So those who received his word were baptized, and there were added that day about three thousand souls.”

Similarly, in Acts chapter ten, when Peter preached to Cornelius and other Gentiles we read “So Peter opened his mouth and said: “Truly I understand that God shows no partiality, **35** but in every nation anyone who fears him and does what is right is acceptable to him. **36** As for the word that he sent to Israel, preaching good news of peace through Jesus Christ (he is Lord of all)... They put him to death by hanging him on a tree, **40** but God raised him on the third day...the Holy Spirit fell on all who heard the word.” (Acts 10:34-36,39,40,44)

Thousands of Jews came to begin a flourishing relationship with Jesus Christ – God’s anointed One! Peter’s life was transformed into a flourishing, affectionate discipleship with the One whom he had previously denied three times. Many Gentiles came to flourish in the Holy Spirit of God as a result of this changed man – Peter – who received the instruction of God to go and reach out to the non-Jews with the death and resurrection message of Jesus Christ. The Good news of peace through Jesus Christ – Lord of all! This same Easter Message is for today, too! Are we vibrantly flourishing with deep affection within our hearts for the Lord Jesus Christ? Are we sharing Him out of our own discipleship?

Be thirsty for Jesus,

Pastor Bill

Time for a Little More Praise and Thanksgiving

Yet Not I, But Through Christ in Me with “City Alight”
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=hwc2d1Xt8gM>

Turn Your Eyes with Sovereign Grace
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=F2tKVqZZi14>

<u>Yet Not I, But Through Christ in Me</u>	Continued
<p>[Verse 1] What gift of grace is Jesus, my redeemer There is no more for heaven now to give He is my joy, my righteousness, and freedom My steadfast love, my deep and boundless peace</p> <p>[Chorus 1] To this I hold, my hope is only Jesus For my life is wholly bound to His Oh, how strange and divine, I can sing: All is mine! Yet not I, but through Christ in me</p> <p>[Verse 2] The night is dark but I am not forsaken For by my side, the Saviour He will stay I labour on in weakness and rejoicing For in my need, His power is displayed</p> <p>[Chorus 2] To this I hold, my Shepherd will defend me Through the deepest valley, He will lead Oh, the night has been won, and I shall overcome Yet not I, but through Christ in me</p>	<p>[Verse 3] No fate I dread, I know I am forgiven The future sure, the price it has been paid For Jesus bled and suffered for my pardon And He was raised to overthrow the grave</p> <p>[Chorus 3] To this I hold, my sin has been defeated Jesus now and ever is my plea Oh, the chains are released, I can sing: I am free! Yet not I, but through Christ in me</p> <p>[Verse 4] With every breath, I long to follow Jesus For He has said that He will bring me home And day by day I know He will renew me Until I stand with joy before the throne</p> <p>[Chorus 4] To this I hold, my hope is only Jesus All the glory evermore to Him When the race is complete, still my lips shall repeat: Yet not I, but through Christ in me!</p>

<p>[Repeat chorus] To this I hold, my hope is only Jesus All the glory evermore to Him When the race is complete, still my lips shall repeat: Yet not I, but through Christ in me!</p>	<p>[Outro] When the race is complete, still my lips shall repeat: Yet not I, but through Christ in me! Yet not I, but through Christ in me! Yet not I, but through Christ in me!</p>
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Prayer Requests for our “Family” (As Forwarded from the Prayer Chain Coordinator)

Please continue in prayer that Pastor Bill will soon find suitable housing as he will soon need to vacate the ‘quarters’ where the family are now residing. Please also pray for relief from his back-pain.

Please continue to pray for healing and wholeness for Bob A. (Brother of Shirley W), Elizabeth C., Doris T., Bernice T., and Shirley W.

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Please be in prayer once more for our friend Marlene P. After her multi-week stay in hospital (from Sept to January) following a massive heart-attack and triple bypass and valve reconstruction she returned home. Because she was on blood-thinners after the heart related surgery, she recently suffered a ‘brain-bleed’ and a stroke causing her to be admitted to hospital once again. Now doctors are trying to find a safe balance of the blood-thinners to avoid her blood being too thin (leads to brain bleeds) and too thick which causes clotting on the new mechanical valve in her heart. She is hoping to go home this weekend if all goes well. Please pray for that elusive ‘balance’ to be found.

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I received this week, a letter from Len and Mary Reed. It is posted on the Bulletin Board at the church but, in the midst of a lockdown I know that doesn’t really help. Therefore, I am going to share the highlights and prayer requests with you here:

Our first prayer requests come for **Len and Mary Reed** from England where they are doing mission work with “Teach Beyond”. Mary writes with great joy about the arrival of Spring: “The bulbs we planted last autumn [are] coming up – the daffodils, the snowdrops, the Hydrangeas, the tulips... [and] the buds on the bushes are pink, yellow, purple – how wonderful to see God’s creation this Spring.”

Mary also shared a passage that she and Len have been reading during their devotion time. The passage is from **Psalm 78:1-4**. It includes these reminders: “Listen, dear friends, to God’s truth, bend your ears to what I tell you. I’m chewing on the morsel of a proverb; I’ll let you in on the sweet old truths, **stories we heard from our fathers, counsel we learned at our mother’s knee – We’re not keeping this to ourselves, We’re passing it along to the next generation...** God’s fame and fortune, the marvelous things He has done.” *(Highlighting is done by me.)*

[It struck me, (Brian) as I read Mary’s note how these words describe exactly what they are doing in mission – in fact, what all missionaries are doing. Then it also struck me that this is the primary task of every church and every individual who believes in Jesus Christ – from the disciples in the first century to

our own church community at MBC. This is the reason we exist!! Let us pray that we can soon gather together to be refueled, and renewed so as to take up our calling and spread the word.]

Mary also had these other requests: “Jeanie is doing much better with her pregnancy – **pray for safety** as they travel to Vancouver (a 4 hour trip over the mountains) for a special ultrasound for the baby on April 9th.

Please pray for the church we attend [which] will be opening this Sunday in Horsham, the first time in literally over a year. [*She reports that masks will be worn and only a limited number can attend in the same manner as we at MBC gathered last fall.*] (Mary also included that She and Len “will be providing home baked treats for each to take home to enjoy.”)

Mary also asked “**prayer for She and Len to be able to fly to Canada** in July without restrictions, for the birth of Jeanie and Will’s first baby and to visit ageing parents.

Pray for us and our Global Member Care Team... [to know] how to reach members who need prayer, mentoring and care during these difficult times.

Continue to **pray for a clear direction** for the future as our visa will expire next February.

Pray for “Teach Beyond”, as colleagues need to travel without restrictions – and pray for open borders... [our people] have to travel to help move projects and needed areas along in ministry.”

Mary and Len Reed can be reached at “108 Trafalgar Road, Horsham, West Sussex; RH12 2QL United Kingdom” or at mreed@teachbeyond.org It might be nice to send off some individual greetings to lift them up a bit.

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A Blessing Upon You

[And] now, may the Lord of Peace Himself
give you peace always in all ways.
The Lord be with you all. [Amen.]
2 Thessalonians 3:16

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Closing Praise

Hallelujah (with new lyrics for Leonard Cohen’s famous tune)

For this one, you will need to hold down control and click left mouse button, then click on the icon in the lower right corner of your screen and then video should start.

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Sing Along with the Lyrics – Next Page

<u>Hallelujah – (New Lyrics)</u>	<u>Continued</u>
<p>A Crown of Thorns placed on His head He knew that He would soon be dead He said “Did You forget Me, Father, did You?”</p> <p>They nailed Him to a wooden cross And all the world would feel the loss Of Christ the King before His Hallelujah Hallelujah, Hallelujah, Hallelujah, Hallelujah,</p> <p>He Hung His head and prepared to die Then lifted His face up to the sky Said “I am coming home now Father, to you.”</p> <p>A reed which held His final sip Was gently lifted to His lips He drank His last and gave His soul to glory. Hallelujah, Hallelujah, Hallelujah, Hallelujah,</p> <p>The soldier who had used his sword To pierce the body of our Lord Said “truly this was Jesus Christ, our Saviour.”</p>	<p>He looked with fear upon his sword Then turned to face his Christ and Lord Fell to his knees crying “Hallelujah!” Hallelujah, Hallelujah, Hallelujah, Hallelujah,</p> <p>Took from His head the thorny crown And wrapped Him in a linen gown Then laid Him down to rest inside the tomb.</p> <p>The holes in His hands, His feet, and side Now in our hearts we know He died To save us from ourselves, oh Hallelujah! Hallelujah, Hallelujah, Hallelujah, Hallelujah,</p> <p>Three days went by, again they came To move the stone, to bless the slain With oil and spice anointing Hallelujah.</p> <p>But as they went to move the stone They saw that they were not alone, For Jesus Christ has risen, Hallelujah! Hallelujah, Hallelujah, Hallelujah, Hallelujah,</p>

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Let’s Celebrate Each Other:

I think I mentioned last week that our daughter Amy had a birthday coming. I apparently got excited a bit early.

- Amy Parker – (Actually) April 6
- Rose Standish – April 7

Happy Birthday to You both.

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Photo Gallery



This photo reminds born again ones of the genuine confidence we have because we are in Christ and He is in us. Blessed opportunity because of His Resurrection.



Crocuses in Spring remind us that what once appeared as death gives rise to new and hopeful life.

That's "The WORD" for this week.

With thanks to all our contributor's

Brian P

On behalf of the Min-Man Team.