



Newsletter July 2020







## **Be Anxious for Nothing**

# "Cast all your anxiety on him [God] because he cares for you."

1 Peter 5:7

#### **Thought**

Isn't it absolutely incredible that the God who made the universe cares about us and our needs, hurts, and fears! So let's trust that he will do what is best for us and show it by living for him!

#### Prayer

Loving Father and Almighty God, I consciously place all of my anxieties, worries, cares, and frustrations in your hands. I will do my best to not dwell on them and trust that you will do what is best for me and those I love. In Jesus' name. Amen.

By Phil Ware

### Keeping in touch

We don't have a current e-mail address for everyone in these social distancing times! If you think your details may need updating, please let one of the deacons know your new details or email **mail@bethelbaptisthawthorn.org** 

# Quotes

And your life will be brighter than the noonday; its darkness will be like the morning. And you will feel secure, because there is hope; you will look around and take your rest in security.

Job 11:17-19



Yesterday is history, tomorrow is a mystery, today is a gift of God, which is why we call it the present.

Bill Keane



For the needy shall not always be forgotten, and the hoe of the poor shall not perish forever.

Psalm 9:18



Only in the darkness can you see the stars.

Martin Luther King Jr.



Nature is God's first missionary. Where there is no Bible there are sparkling stars. Where there are not preachers there are spring times...

If a person has nothing but nature, then nature is enough to reveal something about God."

Max Lucado

### A Prayer for this time

Lord Jesus,
when you walked with us on earth
you spread your healing power.
We place in your loving care
all who are affected by Coronavirus.
Keep us strong in faith, hope and love.
Bring relief to our sick,
console our bereaved,
protect those who care for us.
We lift our prayer to you Lord,
and trust in your infinite mercy,
as we wait for the daybreak.

Amen.

### **Thought**

Religion is not a department of life; it is something that enters into the whole of it.

Alan Watts

# Please remember in your prayers

Those mourning the loss of Dorothy. Pray that they may be comforted and be touched with God's unfailing love and kindness. Pray also for Christine and Colin and all those who mourn the loss of a loved one.

Barbara has been in hospital and quite ill. Please continue to bring her before the Lord in prayer. Also Phyllis who has been in hospital but is home now. Keri remains at home recovering slowly.

Please remember in prayer all those of our fellowship who are unwell, especially those feeling the effects of being so isolated at this time and missing Christian fellowship. Pray that they may have the hope and courage they need today and every day.

Remember Andrew our Pastor as he continues to minister to us from a distance and as he continues to minister to the bereaved and to conduct funerals. Pray for his protection from the coronavirus.

Remember those of our fellowship in care homes that the Lord will protect them also.

Pray for those who are caring for others within our church fellowship and are so in need of supportive prayer. We would especially pray for all those working within our community and those front-line workers, whether it be in hospitals, care homes, shops or wherever the need is. Pray that they may know God's strength and courage, safety, and blessing in their work.

Pray too for those for whom they are caring. There are so many ill with coronavirus and many who have died throughout the country and the world. Keep all those in your prayers who need God's comforting and healing arms around them.

Pray for our Government and those in authority who make decisions, that they will seek wisdom and guidance from God in these difficult times.

Thank you so much for all those who faithfully pray when requests are circulated in times of need. Thank you too for all the phone calls of support and encouragement between church members that keep us in touch with each other during this lock down.

"Do not fear, for I am with you; do not be dismayed, for I am your God. I will strengthen you and help you; I will uphold you with my righteous right hand." Isaiah 41:10

#### **Puzzles**

There are nine numbers spelled out as words in the paragraph. Can you find them? Hint - one number appears twice!

Where has the fat worm gone? He was wriggling away from my reel even before I had the hook on it! If I've lost him, I'll be sorry. This evening I came prepared with reel, line and bait hoping to catch plenty of fish. It's not often that a worm of ours gets away! With reel bait in hand, I know I can catch.

And back by popular demand, try your hand at this 'It happened on July themed quiz.

- 1. Founded by General William Booth in July 1865 in London, what is the organisation called?
- 2. She was the first female aviator to fly solo across the Atlantic and disappeared in July 1937 whilst flying over the Pacific. What was her name?
- 3. Which American novelist and journalist, whose debut novel was 'The Sun Also Rises' died in 1961?
- 4. In July 1996, the Summer Olympic Games were held in this city?

- 5. Which famous couple got married in July 1981?
- 6. What form of transportation made its first appearance in 1804?
- 7. In 1951 Walt Disney releases this film adaptation of a book by Lewis Carroll?
- 8. In 1956 this iconic singer records 'Hound Dog'.
- 9. In 1970, the British Navy discontinues daily rations of this substance?
- 10. In 1789, citizens of Paris stormed which prison?

10. La Bastille

9. Rum

8. Elvis Presley

7. Alice in Wonderland

6. Railway Steam Locomotive.

5. Charles and Diana

4. Atlanta

3. Ernest Hemingway

2. Amelia Earhart

1. The Salvation Army

#### Answers