… and finally

ADVANCE NOTICE - Our annual general meeting will take place on Thursday, July 25th at 7pm. As you know our diaconate has shrunk to 5 over the past year - and that means we are all getting very tired! Can you help? Is God calling you to join the team? Do you recognise gifts in other people that indicate that they might be suitable to share in the responsibility of guiding this church? If this rings a bell, then please talk to one of the deacons and we will tell you more!

FIRST RESPONDER – Simon will be acting as first responder for all urgent matters, so do contact him in the case of emergencies. For less urgent problems, please use our pastoral care system by contacting your pastoral group coordinator.

DAVID AND THE DENTIST – Please continue to pray for David as he first dental treatment didn't go too well. The dentist decided to begin David's treatment with an extraction but this proved difficult as the tooth shattered meaning part of it couldn't be removed. The dentist will now have another go on Wednesday 26th June. Please continue to prayer for peace of mind, pain relief and a more successful outcome next time.

WE NEED YOUR PRAYERS – Vivienne had a nasty fall this week and scraped the skin off parts of her arm and leg. She also hit her face on the door as she feel. The paramedics treated at home and encouraged her to rest.

Brian Goldsmith 's hospital appointment went well but he will need an operation on his affected ear as soon as it can be arranged

Mavis is now going into hospital. She is very poorly but quite content. Wendy is exhausted but coping very well. Please pray for wisdom from the doctors and a bed for Mavis. It seems a lot of people are on trolleys in corridors!

Margaret Beckett needs your prayers as she awaits an appointment for a hip replacement. As she has already been waiting quite a long time, please do pray for an appointment to be made soon. Pray too for peace of mind and pain relief.

Malcom and Barbara still urgently need our prayers as Malcolm continues to struggle and Barbara is mentally and physically drained. Please pray for God's guidance as to the next steps they should take.

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ABC NEWS



Sunday 16th June 2024

Series: Living Securely in an insecure world

Elijah IV: Prevailing Prayer

I Kings 18:41-46

Simon Downing

THIS WEEKEND'S WORSHIP SERVICE – Simon's band will be leading worship before Simon returns to our series entitled "Living Securely in an insecure world." Today we reach part four of the series as we embark on a journey through one of the most powerful and instructive passages in the Old Testament: 1 Kings 18:41-46. This narrative is a vivid reminder of the power of prevailing prayer. It is a story that takes us to the top of Mount Carmel, where the prophet Elijah teaches us about the perseverance, faith, and trust required in our prayer lives. In this passage, we witness a dramatic showdown between the forces of drought and the promise of rain, between human desperation and divine provision. Elijah's unwavering faith and relentless prayer are a testament to the incredible power of prayer that refuses to give up, even when the situation seems impossible which is why Simon's talk is entitled "Prevailing Prayer".

Of course, we do hope you can join us for the service in the church but if you can't actually join us, you will be able to access the service at any time by going to: https://www.aldwickbaptist.co.uk/category/current-sermons

TODAY'S FLOWERS – Today's flowers have been donated by Ernie Payne in memory of his dear wife Sheila, who died 5 years ago. They will be arranged by his daughter Helen..

Well Of Hope 2023/24 - Since I last informed you of our achievements, I have had to "take a back seat" due to ill health, but Brenda has kindly agreed to take over the running/ banking side of things.

Due to your generosity, the following is a list of how your donations were used. Last Christmas, four local families known to us were given financial help to pay for food/children's presents/ paying fuel bills.

Two donations to CAP to provide initial food supplies to new clients.

Financial help to buy a lightweight wheelchair to enable a disabled person to get out.

Financial help to enable a young teenager to buy equipment and entry fees for the Duke of Edinburgh award scheme.

To the charity that supports ex-servicemen who have lost limbs (through a local contact)

All amounting to around £700.

So please keep your small change rolling in as every penny is spent on local folk known to us , whatever their colour or creed - we are all created by our Lord .

A huge thank you to all who have donated.

Please continue to help us in this valuable ministry in showing our love and compassion for those less fortunate than ourselves. God bless you all.

From Ian Surrell. (Founder of the Well of Hope)

This week, Arthur sets out his own Christian manifesto on how we should live our lives. It is certainly seems to be a better option than those offered by the varies political parties this week as we are encouraged to "Live for Jesus".

"Live for Jesus"

Live to live,
And not to die.
Learn to laugh,
And not to cry.
Live to love,
And not to hate.
Live to count your blessings
And appreciate,.
Live for the future,
And not the past.
Live for the things
That will last.
Live for each other
And be kind.
In all these things
You will find peace of mind.
But most of all,
Live for Jesus every day.
For only He is
The life, the truth and the way.

Arthur Magee

SEBA HOME MISSION FOCUS FOR JUNE 2024 - Every month we receive a Home Mission Focus from Paul Kerley which is usually in the form of a short video from one of our Home Mission supported churches. This month the SEBA Focus is on Good News where their Minister is Revd. Neil Hilton To view the video click on one of the following links.

https://www.seba-baptist.org.uk/?show_media=324719&show_file=360940

or https://youtu.be/bvT-09EOnZs