SUNDAY SERVICES

11.00 am - Morning Service and Junior Church
- Holy Communion 1st Sunday of each month.

4.00 pm - Afternoon Service on Special Occasions.

4 - 6.00 pm - Higher Kingdom Church International in the Hall—(Pastor Sam)

ACTIVITIES DURING THE WEEK

SUNDAY - MWA - Meeting 3rd Sunday after service.

WEDNESDAY - 7.30 pm - Bible Studies, on Zoom.

THURSDAY - Men's Fellowship Meeting at 1pm - (Normally on 3rd Thursday of the month on Zoom / Hall)

FRIDAY - Intercessory Prayers - 7:00 –8:00 p.m. on Zoom

SATURDAY- 7.30—8:30 p.m. Monthly Prayer Meeting – (Before Communion Sunday—Meeting on Zoom)

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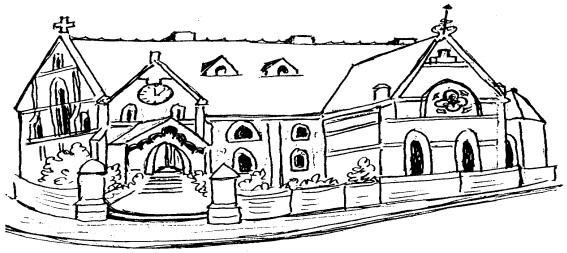

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"So if you have been raised with Christ, seek the things that are above, where Christ is, seated at the right hand of God. 2. Set your minds on things that are above, not on things that are on earth, 3. for you have died, and your life is hidden with Christ in God. 4. When Christ who is your life is revealed, then you also will be revealed with Him in glory. [Colossians 3:1-4. NRSV, 1989]

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MINISTER'S LETTER

Sisters and Brothers,

Belated Easter greetings to those we have not seen. We wish each of you Happy Pentecost greetings, to you and your families.

There is a time for every activity under the sun.

Time continues to move. Seconds are constantly turning to minutes. Minutes are moving onto hours. Hours to days and days to weeks. Time continues to roll. Your birth date and your children's birth dates, are very good markers of time.

The months of May and June, form the key part of the season of spring. Spring is a wonderful season that leads us to the longest day of the year in June. By the time we get to the end of June we are half way through the year. The flowers are moving from buds to fully bloomed, as we look forward towards summer months. Time continues to roll.

Children and Young people
What further can we do to increase the number of children attending Sunday school. Each of us can encourage someone we know to attend Church with us. Parents and grand-parents are brilliant encouragers, for their family members to attend Church with them. Together as the Church of Jesus Christ, we are responsible for the growth of the Church.
How can we grow the Church in Christ, at Harlesden?

A big, thank you to the Sunday school teachers.

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Meetings of Synod Dates/Venues -

17 October 2026 Venue: TBA

Please note: Synod meetings are usually on the 3rd Saturday of March and October.

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EVENTS DIARY

Playful "Liturgy": A Theology of Worship for a Post-modern World on Date: Tuesday 5th May 2026. Time: 7:30 – 9:30 p.m. via Zoom. Contact Richard Goldring for further information**:** rgoldring23@gmail.com

Thames North Preachers' Circle Presents: Pastoral Care in Practice at Lumen, 88 Tavistock Place London WC1H 9RS
Date: 09.05.2026
Time: 10:30 – 4:30pm lpa@urcthamesnorth.org.uk

Godly Play UK Conference 2026 5-6 June 2026 at St Andrews Church, Rugby. Information and booking here.

Synod Eco Day 2026 on Saturday 13 June 2026 10:30am - 4pm at Amersham Free Church Woodside Road HP6 6AJ. Book with Colleen at modpa@urcthamesnorth.org.uk

Free to Believe Conference 2026 at Highgate House Wednesday 17 - Friday 19 June 2026

Limitless Festival 2026 on 5-9 August 2026 at Stafford Show-
ground. mdoandrew@urcwestmidlands.org.uk or mdosally @urcwestmidlands.org.uk

Join JPIT on Iona from 17-23 October 2026. Bookings are now open. Find out more here.

Church Action on Poverty Sunday on Sunday 18th October 2026, church-poverty.org.uk/sunday

Natural Church Development (NCD) Survey
One of our lowest factors from the recent NCD survey, was loving relationships. How can we be more loving to each other? We can be very loving and caring, but the survey is telling us that we need to do more.

During the month of May, let us intentionally seek to be more loving towards each other. If someone steps on your bunion, seek to breathe in, bear the pain and ask God to give you the grace to smile. Remember we are children of God.

Property Steward
Do you have a talent for property maintenance, and property renewals. We are looking for a Property Steward to look after the Church property? If you would like to know more or wish to be considered, speak to Br Edwin..

Pray for each other
I encourage each of you to take the order of service home with you. Then use it throughout the week to pray for each other. As the family of God we need to lift each other up in prayer. If you prefer, join the weekly prayer group, that meets on Friday at 7pm.

Amen.

Rev Edwin.

DEVOTIONAL CORNER

Colossians 1:5– 11 -The New Life in Christ.

"Put to death, therefore, whatever in you is earthly: sexual immorality, impurity, passion, evil desire, and greed (which is idolatry).

6. On account of these the wrath of God is coming on those who are disobedient.

7. These are the ways you also once followed, when you were living that life.

8. But now you must get rid of all such things: anger, wrath, malice, slander, and abusive language from your mouth.

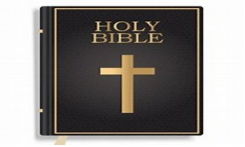
9. Do not lie to one another, seeing that you have stripped off the old self with its practices

10. and have clothed yourselves with the new self, which is being renewed in knowledge according to the image of its creator.

11. In that renewal there is no longer Greek and Jew, circumcised and uncircumcised, barbarian, Scythian, enslaved and free, but Christ is all and in all!

16. Let the word of Christ dwell in you richly; teach and admonish one another in all wisdom; and with gratitude in your hearts sing psalms, hymns, and spiritual songs to God.

17. **And whatever you do, in word or deed, do everything in the name of the Lord Jesus, giving thanks to God the Father through him." Colossians 3:5-11, 16-17 [NRSVUE, 1989]**



Cont.. CHAPTER 10

Read 1 Samuel ch 10 verses 1 - 8

14. When was Saul going to receive information about the lost donkeys – from who and where?

15. How many men was Saul going to meet and where?

16. What were these men going to give to Saul and what was he to do?

17. What did Samuel tell Saul was to follow after reaching Gibeah of God and what was Saul to expect?

18. What instruction was given to Saul by Samuel and how long was Saul to wait and why? (10:8)

Read 1 Samuel ch 10 verses 9-26 - SAUL MADE KING

19. What happened to Saul after leaving Samuel?

20. What enquiries did Saul's uncle make from the servant and why?

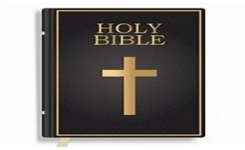
21. Did Saul confirm the kingship to his uncle?

22. What did Samuel do in vs 17-19

23. What followed afterwards?

24. What explanation did Samuel give to the people?

25. How does this impact on our relationship with God?



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4. What was the servants reply?

5. What was Saul's concern regarding the suggestion of the servant and what generosity did the servant demonstrate?

6. Who did they meet up the hill?

7. What information was given to them by the person they met?

8. What was about to happen?

Read 1 Samuel 9 vs 15 -27

9a When did Samuel catch sight of Saul and what transpired between them?

9b. What reassurance did Samuel give to Saul and what message was
given?

10. How did Saul reply to the message given to him by Samuel?

11. Discuss: What transpired after that?

12. What happened after daybreak?

13. What did Samuel ask Saul to do and why?

Hymn CMP 416 Lift Jesus Higher

Lift Jesus higher, lift Jesus higher, Lift Him up for the world to see. He said, 'If I be lifted up from the earth I will draw all men unto Me'. ***Anon, copyright control***

Hymn 33 v3 And can it be that I should gain

He left His Father's throne above—so free, so infinite His grace—emptied Himself of all but love, and bled for Adam's helpless race. Tis mercy all, immense and free; for, O my God, it found out me! ***Charles Wesley (1707-88)***

A JOYFUL NOISE

O come, let us sing unto the LORD: let us make a joyful noise to the rock of our salvation, let us come before His presence with thanksgiving, and make a joyful noise unto Him with Psalms, for the LORD is a GREAT GOD and a great King above all gods. In His hands are the deep places of the Earth, O come, let us worship and bow down: let us kneel before the LORD our Maker.

Honour and majesty are before Him, strength and beauty are in His sanctuary, for He cometh to judge the earth, and He shall judge the world with righteousness, and the people with His truth.

Scriptures to read Psalms C. 95 Blessings,
Sr. Precious

News of the Fellowship

We continue to remember with love and prayers our members and friends who have been absent from worship due to illness or are housebound; as we lift them to the LORD in prayers.

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Anyone who is aware of members or friends, who might be away due to illness, or for any other reason, please advise the Minister. We will continue to pray for Revd. Donald & Sr. Odette. If anyone requires a pastoral visit, kindly advise the Minister or the church secretary.

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It is our custom to welcome all visitors to our services.
We trust that they enjoyed fellowship with us. Refreshments are usually served after the service in the hall. Please join us, if possible.

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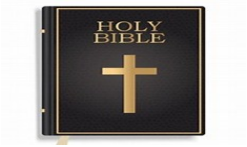
Congratulations, prayers and blessings to all those who have celebrated a birthday or an anniversary since our last Focus. We continue to ask for prayers for members and friends.

Condolences are extended to Sr. Jean Morrison's and Sr. Donna Morris' respective families. We remember before God all those who mourn the loss of loved family members, friends and colleagues.

Kindly keep them in your prayers, as well as those who have been absent from church services for a very long period.



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We are introduced to the figure of Saul. This is a tragic figure because he began full of promise.
He is tall, good looking, a perfect candidate for a King, but he had deep character flaws.

He was dishonest and lacked integrity. He seemed incapable of acknowledging his own mistakes. These flaws became his downfall. He won some battles at the beginning but his flaws were so deep that he eventually disqualified himself by blatantly disobeying God's command.

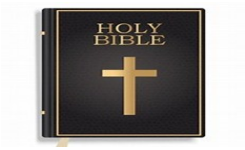
The aging Samuel went to Saul and informed him that he had warned the people that they would only benefit from a king who is humble and faithful to God, otherwise the kings of Israel will bring ruins.

So Samuel told Saul that God is going to raise up a new King to replace him and Saul's downfall began.
(Samuel anoints Saul)

Read 1 Samuel 9 vs 1-14

1a. Who was Saul's father what had Saul's lost?
b What instructions did Saul's father give to him?

2. How far did Saul travel?
3. What did Saul tell his servant they must do when they couldn't find the donkeys and at which district?



BIBLE STUDY FOR WEDNESDAY 22nd APRIL 2026
1 Samuel chapter 9 and 10 . Sr. V.D.

INTRODUCTION - Recap
In chapter 7 and 8 we learnt how the Israelites went to Samuel and asked him to intercede for them in order to conquer the Philistines. Also, we learnt how Samuel interceded and they won the battle.

In chapter 8, they then went to Samuel and asked him for a King, because his children had behaved in a similar way to Eli‘s children. It would seem the people were a bit fed up. Samuel got upset and prayed to the Lord. The Lord then said to Samuel to give them what they wanted but, also to let them know the consequences of having a King.

The lessons we learnt from this was to serve God and God alone; that we should not wish to be in somebody else’s shoes; that we must appreciate what we have.

This now brings us to chapter 9 and 10 .
The Lord reveals to Samuel who was to be anointed as King to deliver the Israelites
from the hands of the Philistines and govern his people. Samuel anoints Saul, kissed him goodbye and sent him on his way.

The wishes of the Israelites, wanting a King like all the other nations was granted.

Church Services in May 2026

3rd - 11 a.m. - Morning Worship — Revd. E. Quildan
10th - 11::00 a.m.- Morning Worship —Sr. G. Adjei
17th— 11:00 a.m.– Morning Worship— Sr. A. Kendall
24th - 11 a. m.— Morning Worship—Revd. E. Quildan
31st — 11 a.m.—Morning Worship — Bible Study Group.

Church Services in June 2026

7th - 11 a.m.— Morning Worship —Revd. E. Quildan
14th - 11 a.m.—Morning Worship - Sr. V. Williams
21st - 11 a.m.— Father’s Day — Revd. E. Quildan
28th —11 a.m.— Morning Worship— M. W. A.

Stewards’ Rota – May 2026

3rd	Sr. Evelyn	Sr. Maya.
10th	Sr. Margaret	Sr. Heather B .
17th	Sr. Pauline	Br. Denise
24th	Sr. Ethney	Br. Paul.
31st	Sr. Beverley	Sr. Shauna.

Stewards’ Rota – June 2026

7th	Sr. Akua.	Br. Cecil
14th	Sr. Avis.	Sr. Betty.
21st	Sr. Pat F.	Sr. Vivienne N.
28th	Sr. Heather A.	Sr. Geneva.

IN APPRECIATION

Flower Donations - March 2026

1st — The flower fund.

8th— Br. Joe and Sr. Pam Bogle for their respective birthdays, and also for their granddaughter Iziyah's birthday and from Sr. Aivis and family for her granddaughter Ava's 12th.

15th — Sr. Flora Khan for her grandson Kale'l Khan's 4th birthday; Sr. Denise for her grandson Joshua's 5th birthday.

22nd— Sr. Joan Turner for her Mum Sr. Clarice Prosser's birthday respective birthdays and from the flower fund.

29th—Sr. Emma and Br. Kingsley Daniels for their Mum Sr. Bernadette's birthday and from the flower fund.

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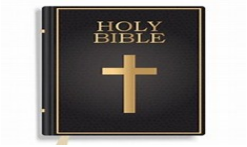

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Read 1 Samuel ch 8 vv 6–9?

Question 16 What is being requested and explained in vv 6 –8?

Question 17 What is being explained in vv 9?

Read 1 Samuel ch 8 vv 10–18

Question 18 What are vv 11 – 12 saying?

Question 19 What are vv 12 – 14 saying and is it true?

Question 20 What are vv 15v – 17 saying and is it true??

Read 1 Samuel ch 8 vv 19–22

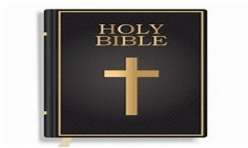
Question 21 What is happening in vv 19 - 22?

Question 22 Why are the people pushing for change??

Question 23 What was God's response in vv in vv 22?

Question 24 What learning points do you take from todays study?

Question 25 What are the modern day idols that people stick to?



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Question 6 Why is water poured on the ground in vv 6?

Question 7 What is happening in vv6?

Question 8 Why are the Israelites afraid and what do they ask Samuel to do?

Question 9 What is occurring in vv 10 - 11?

Read 1 Samuel ch 7 vv12 –17

Question 10 What is Ebenezar, and why was it positioned?

Question11 What is happening in vv 16?

Question 12 What is happening in vv 17?

Read 1 Samuel ch 8 vv 1 – 5

Question 13 In Samuels old age who are appointed as Judges vv 1?

Question 14 What is are verses 2 and 3 telling us?

Question 15 What is happening in verses 4 and 5?

Read 1 Samuel ch 8 vv 6–9?

Question 16 What is being requested and explained in vv 6 –8?

Flower Donations— April 2026

5th — Sr. Denise Allison for the granddaughter Talia's 8th birthday. From Sr. Pauline and family in memory of her late niece Michelle's birthday.

12th — The Flower Fund.

19th — Sr. Denise Allison for her grandchildren's respective birthdays, Caleb's 9th and Melchizedek 4th, and from the flower fund.

26th — Sr. Odette for her husband Revd. Donald's birthday

In Appreciation: We give our God thanks for His numerous blessings which encourages anonymous donations for the flower fund.

May our God continue to refill your storehouses, as you remain faithful towards His ministry.

Thank you, all of you.

CHILDREN' S CORNER

A. Looking at Pentecost

1. What happened to Jesus on Easter Day?

2. What is another word for Pentecost (begins with W)?

3. What happened on Accession Day?

4. Who the wrote the book of Acts (pick one name John, Mary or Luke?

5 What happened on the day of Pentecost?

6. What does the Greek word pentekoste mean (pick one 50, 30, 10) ?

7. What Disciple spoke out on the first Pentecost?

8. What is special about Pentecost today?

B. How many words can you make from the word **'Pentecost'?**

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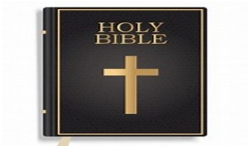

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The people gather at Mizpah, they fast, confess their sin, and ask Samuel to intercede for them.

As the Philistines attack, Samuel offers a sacrifice and cries out to the Lord, who answers with thunder that throws the enemy into confusion, giving Israel victory.

Samuel sets up a stone named Ebenezer ("stone of help") to remember God's help and continues to judge Israel faithfully for many years.

In 1 Samuel 8, Samuel grows old, and his sons, whom he appoints as judges, prove corrupt, taking bribes and twisting justice. In response, Israel's elders demand a king "like all the nations" to lead them and fight their battles.

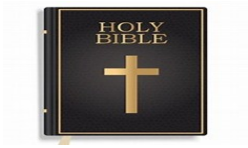
Read 1 Samuel ch 7 vv 1 – 11
Queston 1 Who was consecrated to guard the Ark of the Lord and why?

Question 2 How many years was the Ark in Kiriath Jearim? year?

Question 3 What does Samuel say to Isreal in vv 3?

Question 4 What was the response of the Israelites in vv 4?

Question 5. Why did Samuel assemble the Israelites at Mizpah vv 5



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13) What did the priests and the diviners advised the Philistines to do ?v2-3
14) What was the guilt offering ?v4-5
15) Were the Philistines accused of hardening their hearts like Pharoh and the Egyptians did?v6
16) What was placed in the new cart and what was hitched to it?v7-8
17) The Philistines test to determine if the plagues they suffered were caused by the God of Israel or by chance. How? v9-12
18) What direction should the cows pull if it is divine judgement?v9
19) What was the name of the field that the cart stopped in ? v13-14
20) Where did the Levites place the items/objects when removing from the cart ?v15-18
What did the five rulers of Philistines witness and where did they return to the same day ?
21) What happened in Beth Shemesh ? Discuss,.v19-20
22) What message was sent to the people Kinath Jearim? v21

BIBLE STUDY FOR WEDNESDAY 25th MARCH 2026
1 Samuel chapter 7 and 8

INTRODUCTION—In 1 Samuel chapter 7, Samuel calls Israel to abandon idols and return to wholehearted loyalty to the Lord, promising deliverance if they repent.

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C. Word Search

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After, Disciples, __Fire,_ Gather, Jesus, Meet __Mountain,_

Pentecost, Peter, Pray, Room, Saves, Speaking_ _Tongues_

D. Complete the hymn verses

Holy Spirit we _____ you. (241 MP)
Breathe on me _____ of God (67 MP)
Spirit of _____ (611 MP)
All over the world the Spirit is _____(18 MP)

Noticeboard

Gift Aid: Are you a taxpayer? The one way that taxpayers can give more to the Church, without it costing them anything, is to Gift Aid their contributions, this is money that can be claimed back from the Inland Revenue and can make a difference to a congregations' income.

Therefore, if you are not already doing so, I would urge you to contact the treasurer and **complete a Gift Aid Form.** ————————-

Our Natural Church Development (NCD) champion is Sr Heather A. If you have any ideas to strengthen our fellowship or to spread the gospel, please use the suggestion box in the Church or speak directly to Sr Heather A.

The coronavirus Protocols

The coronavirus is still around. As a church we believe in looking after each other. The wearing of mask is optional. However, hand sanitizers are to be used frequently.

Thank you for maintaining the coronavirus protocols.

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Children's Activity: We are thinking about running some children's activity during the year. If you have any ideas of the things we can do (either on-line or physical) please let the elders know or the minister.

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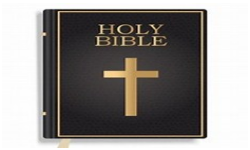
On behalf of other charities that members and friends support in any way, Thank you.



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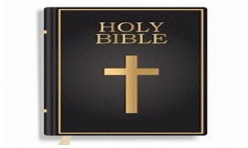
1 Samuel 5-6 describes God's judgement on the Philistines after they captured the Ark of Covenant. The hand of the Lord brought severe plagues, specifically tumours, (or haemorrhoids) and devastation upon the city of Ashdod and it's surrounding territory, demonstrating His superiority over their god Dagon.

1 Samuel Ch 5 Questions.
1) Who captured the Ark of God ?v1
2) Which city did they take it to?
3) Which building did they take it to and why ? V2
4) When the people entered this building the next morning what event had taken place ?v3
5) What happened the following morning ?v4-5
6) The hand of the Lord was heavy on which people discuss.v6
7) What was the afflictions on these people?v7
8) What was their Temple called ?
9) What decision did The rulers of Philistine come to with regard to the Ark of God ?v8
10) Did their decided course of action make any difference. Discuss?v9
11) Which city did the Ark of the Lord go to with the people disapproving of this action ? Discuss v10-12.

1 Samuel ch 6 Questions.

12) How long had the ark of the Lord been in Philistine territory?v1



Bible Studies - 18th March 2026—Br. L.B.

Summary of 1 Samuel Ch 3-4 and Introduction of 1 Samuel Ch 5-6.

Last week we learn how the Lord was calling the young Samuel by name as he sleeps in the temple near the Ark of God while Eli rests nearby, setting the stage for Samuel's calling as a prophet during a time when God's voice was rare.

This pivotal moment signifies a transition from Eli's failed leadership to Samuel's authority. We note a divine initiative when God converses with him, which shows God's sovereignty in choosing to speak, even when leadership is corrupt as Eli's sons were.

Samuel was ministering to the Lord long before he recognized God's voice suggesting he was ready and available. We also see that he did not immediately know God's voice which caused confusion as he thought it was Eli's, as he had authority and he was familiar with it but not with the direct voice of God.

This takes place at night time, a period signifying spiritual darkness in Israel. Yet God's light – the lamp had not gone out symbolising that God had not abandoned his people. This event prepares Samuel directly for the deep and heavy prophecy of judgement he is about to receive regarding Eli's house.

Noticeboard

Friday Intercessory Prayers from 7—8 p.m.

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Calendar May 2026.

Sat. 2nd—Church Prayer Meeting at 7.30 p.m. on zoom.

Sun 3rd—Quarterly Church Meeting after service.

Sat. 4th-7th— Moravian Ministers' Retreat.

Sun 10th-16th –Christian Aid Collection Week.

Sun 24th —Whitsunday or Pentecost.

Calendar June 2026

Sat 6th —Church Prayer Meeting at 7:30 p.m. on Zoom**.**

Tues 17th —Moravian Church Day of Prayer

Sun 21st— Father's Day. Service.

Sat 27th—Men's Fellowship Rally at Ockbrook, Derbyshire.

Sun 28th— MWA Anniversary Service

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Greetings from Revd. Edward and Sr. Ernestina to the congregation.

Noticeboard

Watch this space! By Sr. O. Elliott

We always ask for Anniversaries in our church service. This year is the 4th Anniversary of the publication of Abigay's Farm, my 'middle grade' children's novel (for ages c. 8 - 12+).

My latest story Josette's Secret is set in post World War 2 France. It should be launched in October or November this year. The heroine, Josette, is excited about going to France with her grandparents. She is determined to search for an antique doll, a family treasure that her French great-aunt had promised to send her after the war. She had buried it to hide it from the Nazis. The great-aunt died before the war ended. Where can she have buried it?

Josette makes two new friends. Together they unearth something even more exciting. By using their combined de-coding skills, malicious wartime rumours are proved to be false and wonderful truths are revealed. **Watch this space!**

THE MORAVIAN CHURCH
IN GREAT BRITAIN & IRELAND

Dear Brothers and Sisters,
We wish to inform you of an important decision regarding the future of Church House. After careful consideration of the long-term needs, resources, and mission of the British Province, the Provincial Board is preparing to relocate Church House from Muswell Hill, London, to the

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Prayer
Creator God, remind us that in Christ, we are your children. Amen.

Rev Mikie A Roberts PhD
Programme Executive for Spiritual Life
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Persons can lose the prowess that comes with their academic titles if they do not keep up with the latest research in their field. There is another truth that we must not overlook or ignore: when titles have been taken away, don't try to still live as if all that came with the title is still operational. Though Andrew was born into what has been titled as the 'Royal Family', he is no longer 'royal' and based on the words of the King, one can surmise that he is no longer 'family' either.

In the Caribbean, we have a popular saying, 'blood thicker than water.' That says to me that whatever titles that may have been conferred because of professional, academic, religious, or whatever reason, some titles are not to be seen as dispensable. In life, circumstances are constantly shifting and with that so too our place, position, and authority. When that happens, expect titles to be added or dropped.

When titles are added, carry out all that comes with it and enjoy all the benefits and privileges. But at the same time, when they have been removed, expect life to change and be open to embracing all that comes with the changes.

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Fulneck Moravian Settlement in Pudsey, West Yorkshire.

This process will begin in the summer and further details will be shared at Synod. This is part of our wider efforts to ensure that the Provincial administrative structures remain sustainable, effective, and aligned with our shared priorities for the future.

We have identified one of the former school buildings, the Robinson Building, as the most suitable permanent location for Church House. In addition, two residential properties within the settlement have been identified as potential accommodation for the two full-time Provincial Board members.

While this decision brings benefits for the Province as a whole, it causes uncertainty for Church House staff, and a consultation process will take place with them. The decision to move is not a reflection of staff performance or commitment. Their dedication remains deeply valued, and the consultation will be conducted with transparency, compassion, and care. The Provincial Board believes that relocating Church House to Fulneck represents a forward-looking and responsible step for the future of the British Province.

It reflects our desire to use our resources wisely, to honour our Moravian heritage, and to sustain our life and witness for generations to come.

Yours sincerely,

Sr. Roberta Hoey, On behalf of the Provincial Board The British Province of the Unitas Fratrum (Moravian Church):

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What drew my attention was not so much the ongoing investigations for which he was arrested and questioned. I would rather not speculate since I really don't know all that has transpired, especially as it concerns the many high profiled, powerful men whose names have been mentioned in the 'Epstein Files.' Instead, I have been reflecting on how it is so easy in life for us to view our sense of identity and worth through the lens of titles. Really and truly, everybody has a title.

For some, titles come with academic achievements. Others carry titles because of their profession. There are those for whom titles are used because of religious affiliation. But we can also think of some titles which reflect family relationships and connections. We have gotten accustomed to titles such as 'Mr', 'Mrs' or 'Auntie' and 'Uncle'.

What is unmistakable is that Charles, because of the authority that comes with his title of 'King' is that he was able to strip his own brother of all his royal titles. In his decree, not only did he remove Andrew's titles but also removed all authority and privileges that came with the title. I was struck by the fact that King Charles, in no statement from Buckingham Palace, has used the family title of 'brother' in any way.

Here's the truth – some titles come and go. They can easily and quickly change like the tides of the sea. Some titles may disappear, like the morning dew. Professional titles are dropped once we no longer have the same position and the accompanying authority.

Sent: Friday, 20 February 2026 at 19:59:00 GMT
Subject: Friday Focus - February 20, 2026 (3)

It appears the one news item which the whole world was talking about 24 hours ago was the arrest of Andrew Mountbatten-Windsor. Though the reporting of this story was accompanied by a most striking photo, what I found most interesting is that all the stations immediately referred to him by another name.

It is the name that the world was more familiar with and could recognize – Prince Andrew. This time though the official report was not to highlight that Prince Andrew was arrested but Andrew Mountbatten-Windsor. Same person but by the time of his arrest on his 66th birthday, there was a major difference.

What is now known is that in October 2025, King Charles III, took the decision to remove all the royal titles that his brother had. I found this quote on the BBC website which references the Grazette, the UK's official public record. It says, "The King has been pleased by Letters Patent under the Great Seal of the Realm dated 3 November 2025 to declare that Andrew Mountbatten Windsor shall no longer be entitled to hold and enjoy the style, title, or attribute of 'Royal Highness' and the titular dignity of 'Prince'." Clearly, once this was done, it meant that Andrew was no longer holding a royal title and immediately became a regular citizen who now was subjected to the law of the land

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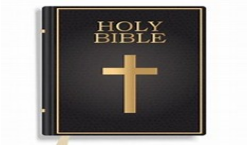


INTRODUCTION
By Sr. V. F. K.

Ruth Chapter 2 is a continuation from Ruth Chapter 1. The journey of Naomi and her two daughters-in-law Opah and Ruth. Opah went back to her home town ,while Ruth went with Naomi to her home town . The reason why Naomi returns her husband and two sons died and things got very difficult for her.

The time of Naomi's return to her home town was harvesting time.

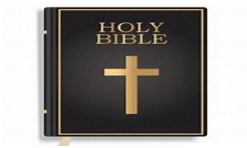
Ruth Chapter 2 acts as a turning point from bitterness and emptiness of Chapter 1 to a future filled with protection, provision and eventually redemption. This Chapter also tells us the truth of God's amazing Grace towards Naomi, Ruth and us too. God directed Ruth to Boaz field a wealthy family member of Naomi's husband Elimelech, turning a desperate situation into hope.

Questions
Read Ruth 2: 1-8

1. How was Naomi related to Boaz? and what character was used to describe him?

2. How confident was Ruth when she went into the field to look for corn?

3. What method did Ruth use for picking up the corn?



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Q4) Compare Joshua 6:1-14. the Ark was used in battle against Jericho.

Q5) Who accompanied the Ark of the covenant of God from Shiloh? Why was there a loud shout as the Ark arrived at Israel's camp? v4-5.

Q6) Why were the Philistines afraid of the loud noise? v7-8

Q7) How did the Philistines hear of the deeds of God in Egypt? v8

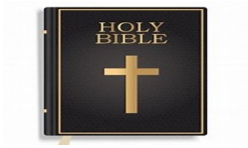
Q8) How did the Philistines win the battle over Israel? vs 9-11

Let's read 1 Samuel :12-22
Q9) How was the messenger from the battle dressed? v12-13

Q10) What was the result of the news that Eli heard from the messenger?
b) How long had he judged Israel? vs 15-

Q11) As a result of the Ark of God being captured, what happened to Phinehas' wife?

Prayer: Our Father God, even when we dim Your light within us, revive us in a fresh way, through Jesus Christ our Redeemer. Amen.



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Q7) What were the actions that God chose against Eli and his descendants after him? v13

Q8) Why wont the iniquity of Eli's house be expiated by sacrifice or offering forever? V14

Q9) Why was Samuel afraid to tell Eli what the LORD had said about his house? V15

Q10) Did Eli accept the judgement of God easily? V18.

As Samuel grew up, the LORD was with him and let none of his words fall to the ground. What does the above sentence mean?

Moravian Hymnbook 215 - Hushed was the evening hymn. On the sheet.

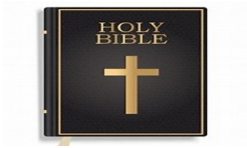
Let's read 1 Samuel 4:1-11

V1. And the word of Samuel came to all Israel.

Q1) Why did the elders complain about Israel's total defeat against the Philistines? v2.

Q2) Did the elders blame the LORD for the defeat, and what was their demand? v3.

Q3) Why did Israel try to use the Ark of the covenant to try and force God to help them win the war against the Philistines?



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4. Whose field was she picking the corn from?

5.How did Boaz greet his workers? And how did they reply?

6. What question was asked by Boaz to the man in charge? And what his reply? Verses 6-7

7. What advice did Boaz give to Ruth? Verse 8

Read verses 9-12

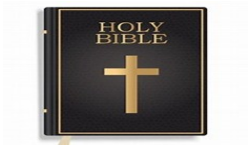
8. What instruction did Boaz give to Ruth? And what should she do?

9. What was the order given to the men by Boaz?

10. Was Ruth surprised that Boaz showed her kindness to her a foreigner?

11. Why did Boaz show concern and kindness to Ruth? Verse 12

12. What words did Boaz utter to Ruth? Verse 12



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Read 13-16
13. Why did Ruth feel that she is not equal to one of Boaz servants?

14. Do you think that God's favour was with Ruth why she Was given special treatment from Boaz?

15. What was the special treatment that Ruth received? V15-16

Read verses 17-20
16. What time did Ruth leave the field? and the amount in weight of corn she collected?

17. What did Ruth do with the corn she collected? And her left over meal?

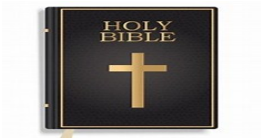
18. What question did Naomi ask Ruth ? And what was her reply?

19. What remark did Naomi say should happen to Boaz?

20. In verse 20 what did Naomi said about the Lord?

21. What did Naomi tell Ruth about Boaz?

Read 21-23
22. What was Naomi's final advice to Ruth?



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He shall set up the lamps on the lampstand of pure gold before the LORD regularly."

Why was Aaron tasked to be responsible for the Lamp?

Let's read 1 Samuel 3:1-9

Q1) Why was the word of God rare in those days and visions were not widespread? V1

Q2) verse 2 said, "Eli's eyesight was growing dim". Who do we remember in the Bible whose eyesight and hearing were not dimmed at the grand old age of 120 years old?

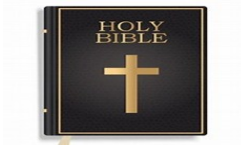
Q3) How did God call Samuel? b) Are we in tune with God's voice? Can we recognise when God is calling us? c) Are we obedient to His calling and direction?

Q4) Was the priest Eli envious or jealous of God's favour upon Samuel? V4

Q5) Which king do we recall, who was so jealous, mean and evil that, he had all the boys of 2 years old and under killed, to keep his throne?

Let's read 1 Samuel 3:10-21

Q6) What was Samuel's reply when God called him? v10



Bible Studies Notes for Wed 11th March 2026. - G.A.

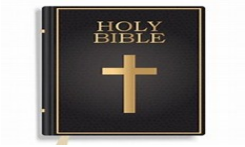
1 Samuel chapters 3 and 4.
Mission Praise Hymn 444. Lord, speak to me, that I may speak.

Introduction: Due to the severity of Israel's apostasy, the word of God's was limited, as the people had turned away from God and His commands. (Judges 21:25, doing what they liked. The turning away from God's commands was so severe that, although it hindered God's work, the lamp of God had not yet gone out".

Although His people had left Him, turned away and were blind to what God was doing and saying . . . He still had not left them; the light had not gone out!

The lamp referred to here is the sacred lamp that was set up in the tabernacle outside the curtain in front of the Covenant Box. It was to be lit each evening and allowed to burn until morning (according to Exodus 27.20; Lev 24.1-4). "The LORD spoke to Moses, saying, "Command the Israelites to bring you pure oil of beaten olives for the lamp, that a light may be kept burning regularly.

Aaron shall set it up in the tent of meeting, outside the curtain of the covenant, to burn from evening to morning before the LORD regularly; it shall be a statute forever throughout your generations.

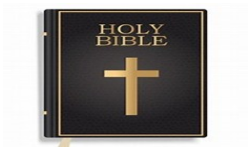


1 Samuel 1 and 2. 4th Mar 2026 —Revd. E. Q.

INTRODUCTION
The Book of 1 Samuel is a crucial part of the Old Testament, focusing on the transition of Israel from judges to kings. It is apparent that Elkanah's choice to have two wives rather than one, that created strife in his household. Even though Hannah was tormented by Peninnah, she didn't respond with hatefulness. She turned to God and poured her heart out to Him.

Hannah, a woman who prays fervently for a child and is answered by God, leading to the birth of Samuel in Ramah. Samuel is dedicated to God's service and becomes a prophet. The second chapter details the capture of the Ark of the Covenant by the Philistines, which leads to a series of events that highlight the importance of trusting God over human power and the consequences of disobedience.

(d) "See Leviticus. 7:31-35. Verses 11-36 give the law governing a peace offering sacrifice. Verse 31 says "Then the priest must offer up the fat in smoke on the alter…." Specific portions were to be given as a gift to the priest who offered the blood and the fat of the peace offering.



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(e) “These evil priests wanted to cook the meat their own way, not God’s way.”
These were the sons of Eli! They should have been totally dedicated to God, but they put their own will above the will of God. The people brought their sacrifices to God, and these men stole it right out of their hands! Right in the place of worship, literally thumbing their noses at the Always-Present One – Yahweh!

Read 1 Samuel ch 1 vv 1 – 20

Queston 1 How many wives did Elkanah have?

Question 2 Why does Elkanah go to Shiloh each year?

Question 3 Who are Hophni and Phinehas?

Question 4 What is being recorded in vv 5 and 6?

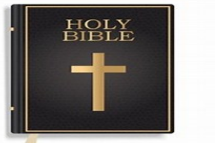
Question 5. What I happening in vv 7

Question 6 What do you think of Elkanah’s response in vv 8?

Question 7 What is happening in vv 10 and 11?

Question 8 How do you understand Hannah’s prayer and Eli’s response?

Question 9 What is occurring in vv 15 - 16?



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Question 10 What does Eli say in vv 17?

Question11<u>What is happening in vv 20?</u>

<u>Read 1 Samuel ch 1 vv 21 – 27</u>

Question 12 <u>What is happening in vv 21 - 22?</u>

Question 13 How easy was it for Hannah to give over her son?

Question 14 What is vv 28 telling us?

Read 1 Samuel ch 2 vv 1 – 10

Question 15 What comments do you have on the prayer?

Read 1 Samuel ch 2 vv 11 – 26

Question 16 What is happening in vv 11 – 16?

Question 17 What is happening in vv 17?

Question 18 What des vv 18 – 22 tell us?

Question 19 How would you describe Eli?

Question 21 What is happening in this section?

Question 22 How would you describe Hophni and Phinehas?

Question 23 What will God raise up?
Question 24 What learning points do you take from today’s study?