

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)

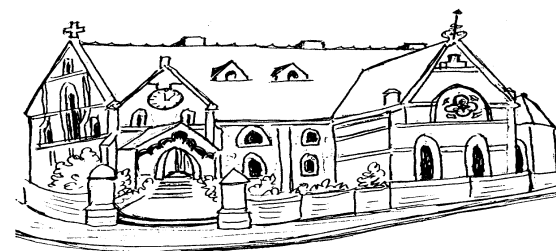
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“Those who trust in the LORD are like Mount Zion, which cannot be moved, but abides forever. 2. As the mountains surround Jerusalem, so the LORD surrounds His people, from this time on and for ever more. 3. For the sceptre of wickedness shall not rest on the land allotted to the righteous, so that the righteous may not stretch out their hands to do wrong. 4. Do good, O LORD, to those who are good, and to those who are upright in their hearts.” [Psalm 125:1-4 NRSV, 1989]

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MINISTER'S LETTER

Sisters and Brothers,

Greetings in the Name of Jesus.

We give God thanks and praise for His goodness and mercy.

Psalms 95 verse 1 and 2 remind each of us:

***Come, let us sing for joy to the Lord;
let us shout aloud to the Rock of our salvation.
Let us come before Him with thanksgiving
and extol Him with music and song.***

As I write on the 4th August, we hear of 'wild fires' over the past few weeks across Europe and the United Kingdom.

The high temperatures have made the land and open space very dry. The trees and vegetation are now very dry and have raised the risk of fire from a small spark.

Each of us needs to take extra care. Additionally, we need to keep hydrated, by drinking water and other refreshing drinks.

How have you coped during the extreme weather?

The scientists around the world have started their reviews. It is expected that the reviews will show the recent extreme weather is the highest on record.

Harvest Hymn CMP 786 vs 1-6 - John Hampton Gurney (1802-62)

1. Yes, God is good—in earth and sky from ocean depths and spreading wood, then thousand voices seem to cry: "God made us all, and God is Good!"
2. The sun that keeps His trackless way, and downward pours his golden flood, night's sparkling hosts, all seem to say in accents clear that God is Good.
3. The joyful birds prolong the strain, their song with every spring renewed, the air we breathe, the falling rain, each softly whispers: "God is Good!"
4. I hear it in the rushing breeze, the hills that have for ages stood, the echoing sky and roaring seas, all swell the chorus: "God is Good!"
5. Yes, God is good, all nature says, by God's own hand with speech endued; and man, in louder notes of praise, should sing for joy that God is Good.
6. For all Your gifts we bless You, LORD, but chiefly for our heavenly food, Your pardoning grace, Your quickening word, these prompt our song, that God is Good.



Harvest Service

By Revd. Edward Sanniez

on

Sunday 27th September

2026 at 11a.m.

Bring and Share Lunch

*Come and enjoy the
different dishes on offer.*

Thanks be to God.

Amen.

We give God thanks for the time shared by Revd Roslin Hamblin with our congregation and around the Eastern District. We also thank Revd John Danso for leading our Communion service in August.

We encourage each member to invite at least one person, to join **you** in worship. We also encourage parents and grandparents to invite the children to come to Church.

As a Church we are preparing the second National Church Development (NCD) survey. Sr Heather A will inform us of the timing.

Are you interested in being trained in First Aid? If the answer is “yes”, please speak to Br Edwin.

Rev Edwin.

BRENT SHALL BE A PRAISE

Something big is on the horizon for Brent.

Prayer Gathering Venues—cont. on page 13.

Thursday 24th Sept 2026 at St. Margaret's and St. George's United Reformed and Moravian Church, Nicoll road at 7:30 p.m.

Front of Church—Craven Park Road. NW10 8SH

Side of Church—Nicoll Road NW10 9AX

ALL ARE WELCOME.

DEVOTIONAL CORNER

Song of Praise and Prayer for Jerusalem.

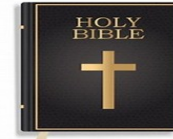
A Song of Ascents, of David. Psalm 122. [NRSVUE, 1989]

1. I was glad when they said to me, “Let us go the House of the LORD!”
- 2.. Our feet are standing within your gates, O Jerusalem.
3. Jerusalem— built as a city that is bound firmly together.
- 4..To it the tribes of the LORD, as was decreed for Israel, to give thanks to the Name of the LORD.
5. For there the thrones of judgement were set up, the thrones of the house of David.
- 6..Pray for the peace of Jerusalem: “May they prosper who love you.
- 7.. Peace be within your walls, and security within your towers.
- 8.For the sake of my relatives and friends I will say,
“Peace be within you”.
9. For the sake of the house of the LORD our God, I will seek your good.

HYMN CMP 494 v1,6 —William Cowper (1731-1800)

O for a closer walk with God, a calm and heavenly frame, a light to shine upon the road that leads me to the Lamb.

6. So shall my walk be close with God, calm and serene my frame; so purer light shall mark the road that leads me to the Lamb.



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Personal Reflection

What change (s) must you make if you are to be a Faithful Steward?

Rev. Roslyn Hamblin.

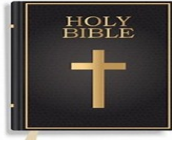
In Appreciation

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.

Thanks once again for all your support.





Stewardship of Treasure

Mark 12:41-44} - The Widow's Offering
Luke 21:1-4 } -- The Widow's Mite

Resources are from God, held in trust by us

cf. Haggai 2:8 (Though talking about the temple, can be applied generally)

“The silver is mine, and the gold is mine, says the lord of hosts.”

We give thee but thine own,
Whate'er the gift may be,
All that we have is thine alone,
A trust, O Lord, from thee.

May we thy bounties thus
As stewards true receive,
And gladly, as thou blessest us,
To thee our first-fruits give.

Special regulation regarding Stewardship of Treasure

Tithe – 10 % or 1/10 (one-tenth)

Caution re robbing God – Malachi 3:8-10

In what ways do you see the Stewardship of Treasure as a challenge to trust God?

Hymn CMP 88—Come Bless The Lord -

Come, bless the Lord, all ye servants of the Lord, who stand by night in the house of the Lord; lift up your hands in the holy place, come, bless the Lord,
Come, bless the Lord. *Anon, copyright control*

Sing His Praises.

LORD, I lift Your Name on high, and I love to sing Your praises, I will love Thee.

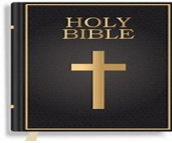
O Lord, my strength. The Lord is my Rock, and my Fortress, and my Deliverer in whom I will always trust.

I will call upon the Lord, who is worthy to be praised at all times.

Lord, for the years, You have kept me. Your mercies has guided me. Lord, for Your Words, receive our praises with grateful Thanks.

Scriptures to read Psalm 18.

Blessings, *Sr. Precious.*



Stewardship of Time

Matthew 20:1-16 (Workers in the Vineyard)

Another parable of the Kingdom (showing acceptance of what time is offered)

Cf Matthew 21:31

(“Which of the two did the will of his father?” They said, “The first.” Jesus said to them, “Truly I tell you, the tax collectors and the prostitutes are going into the kingdom of God ahead of you.)

What are some areas in which we can be good Stewards of Time?

Stewardship of Talent

Matthew 25:14-30 (Focuses on the responsibility of those who have been granted special gifts – differing gifts according to ability) Interested only in self-preservation rather than service

Christians often excuse themselves by protesting that their gifts are too modest to be significant

BUT gifts are precious and to be exploited to the full

Cf. 1 Pet.4:10 “as every man hath received the gift, even so minister the same one to another, as good stewards of the manifold grace of God.”

Church Services in September 2026

6th - 11 a.m. - Morning Worship — Revd. E. Quildan
13th - 11 a.m.- Morning Worship — Sr. V. Williams
20th - 11 a.m.– Morning Worship — Sr. O. Lawal
27th - 11 a. m.- Harvest Service — Revd. E. Sanniez

Church Services in October 2026

4th - 11 a.m.— Morning Worship — Revd. E. Quildan
11th - 11 a.m.— Morning Worship - Sr. V. Williams
18th - 11 a.m.— Men’s Fellowship Service. Br. Williams
25th - 11 a.m.— Morning Worship - Sr. H. Anderson

Stewards’ Rota – September 2026

6th	Sr. Bernadette	Sr. Grace.
13th	Sr. Evelyn	Sr. Maya
20th	Sr. Margaret	Br. Heather B.
27th	Sr. Pauline	Sr. Denise

Stewards’ Rota – October 2026

4th	Sr. Ethney	Br. Paul
11th	Sr. Beverley	Sr. Shauna
18th	Sr. Akua	Br. Cecil
25th	Sr. Betty .	Sr. Avis



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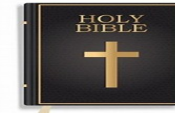
Flower Donations - July 2026

5th — Flower Fund

12th — Revd. Donald and Sr. Odette Elliott for their Wedding Anniversary.

19th — Sr. Geneva for all family members and friends celebrating their respective birthdays this month. For her son Caesar's, church family, Srs. Vinnette, Ethney, Shauna and finally herself.

26th — Sr. Margaret for hers and her son Noble's respective birthdays Sr. Precious Mullins for her birthday, and from the flower fund.



Preparation for attaining KOG (Kingdom of God) = Stewardship

Our different responses

Different gifts, talents, resources – according to one's ability
Cf. Matthew 25:14-30 (one of 3 talents re faithful waiting)

You fail in Stewardship if your results do not match up to your ability

Aspects of Stewardship

Time;

Talent;

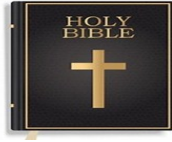
Temple;

Testimony;

Treasure

1 Cor.4:1-2

I Pet.4:10



Discussion points

13. The Philistines' treatment of Saul's body highlights the shame of defeat and the symbolic power of victory in war; do you agree?

14 Do you think the actions of the men of Jabesh-Gilead were courageous or foolish and what were the risks?

15. What do you think, did Saul's death occur as God had described? (See 1 Samuel ch 28 vv16 – 20)

Summary

The Philistines defeated Israel on Mount Gilboa, and Saul's sons, including Jonathan, are killed in the battle. Saul is critically wounded by the Philistine archers and fearing capture and abuse. The next day, the Philistines discover Saul's body, they cut off his head, and strip him of his armour.

STEWARDSHIP – Wednesday 15th July 2026

What is a steward? (Definition)

Luke 19:11-27



Flower Donations—August 2026

2nd — Sr. Victoria for her granddaughter Chenell's birthday and from the flower fund.

9th — Sr. Pauline Laud for her granddaughter Rubi's birthday

16th — Br. Joe and Sr. Pam Bogle for their Wedding Anniversary

23rd — Revd. Edwin for his wife Sr. Wendy's and son Benjamin's respective birthdays, and by the Adjei family for Sr. Gladys' birthday, and Sr. Pauline and family remembering late brother Norman's birthday.

30th - Sr. Norma Dixon for her birthday;

Sr. Flora for her son Mahmood Khan's, daughter Alishbha and son-in law Kyle Fretwell's respective birthdays.

Sr. Vinnette D'Oyley in memory of hr late husband Cedric D'Oyley.

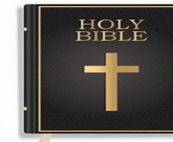
CHILDREN'S CORNER

How many words can you make from the words
Summer Holiday

Word search focused on Autumn

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A	X	A	C	C	O	Q	M	R	G
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V	A	N	C	E	K	U	L	N	N
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Y	A	A	U	T	U	M	N	O	G
D	L	I	Y	L	O	O	H	C	S

Autumn, Beginning, Darkness, Jesus, Love, Leaves,
Harvest, Hymns, Musical, Push, School, Study, Vance,
Work



Read 1 Samuel 31 vs 1- 3

1 . Who were the Israelites at war with and how were they getting on?

2. What happens in vv 2?

3. Who wounded Saul in v3?

Read 1 Samuel 31 vs 4 - 7

4. What is Saul's request to his armour bearer in vv 4?

5. What was Saul afraid of?

6. What do you think about the armour bearer's actions?

7. What happens in verse 7?

Read 1 Samuel 31 vs 8 -13

8. What actions were planned in vv 8?

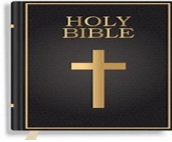
9. In vv 8 what was discovered the next day?

10. What happens in vv 9?

11. What happens in vv 11 and 12?

12. What do you think, it was best to burn the bodies?





Read verses 11-20

18. Who was found and brought to David by his men? v11
19. What question did David asked the Egyptian slave? V15-16
20. What were the raiders doing?
21. How long did David and his men fought against the raiders?
22. How many men escaped?
23. Did David recover all that was taken from him and his men?

BIBLE STUDY FOR WEDNESDAY 8th July 2026 – Revd. Edwin.

INTRODUCTION: 1 Samuel chapter 31 is the tragic closing chapter of Saul's reign as king of Israel. It describes the final battle between Israel and the Philistines. This chapter marks the deaths of Saul, his sons, and his armour-bearer. The scene will be set for the transition to David's kingship. The chapter shows both the seriousness of Saul's downfall and the loyalty of the people of Jabesh-Gilead.

Cont..

Find the missing words for this hymn

1 We plough the fields and _____
the good _____ on the land,
but it is fed and watered
by _____ Almighty hand;
He sends the snow in winter,
the warmth to swell the grain,
the _____ and the sunshine
and soft refreshing rain.
All good _____ around us
are sent from _____ above,
then thank the Lord, O thank the Lord
for all his love.

Breezes Gifts, God's, Heaven Scatter, Seed, Greetings.

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1. Take my life and let it be consecrated, Lord, to Thee; take my moments and my days, let them flow in ceaseless praise.
 2. Take my hands and let them move at the impulse of Thy love; take my feet, and let them be swift and beautiful for Thee.
 3. Take my voice, and let me sing always, only, for my King: take my lips and let them be filled with messages from Thee. CMP 624 [Frances Ridley Havergal 1836-79]

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.

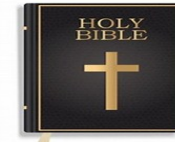
The coronavirus Protocols

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.

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.

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



9. Where did the Philistines go to?

Read 1st Samuel 30: 1-10

10. How long it took David and his men to arrive back at Ziklag?

11. What did David find when he returns to Ziklag? V2-3

12. How did David and his men felt when they found out what had happened?

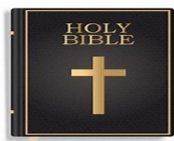
13. What problem did David face? And how did he deal with it? V6

14. What did David ask the Priest Abiathar son of Ahimelech to bring him?

15. What question did David ask the Lord? And what was the Lord's reply? V8

16. How many men did David took with him to the brook of Besar?

17. How many men travelled with David to fight the raiders? And why they were some left behind?



In 1st Samuel Chapter 30 David returns to Ziklag to find the city burned, his family and his men families captured by Amalekite raiders. His grieving men threaten to stone him. David strengthen himself in the Lord and seek guidance and pursues the Amaleki raiders with 400 men. He rescues all the captives and recover all their possessions. This Chapter highlights David's leadership, reliance on God and his sense of fairness.

Read 1st Samuel 29: 1-7

Questions

1. Where did the Philistines bring their troops to?
2. Where did the Israelis camp?
- 3.How did Achish answer the Commander when he asked what are these Hebrews doing here?
4. Why did the Phillistine Commander objected David and his men fighting with them? V4&5
- 5.What did Achish call David and say to him? V6&7

Read verses 8-11

- 6.what was David response? v8
- 7.What Achish reply to David? V9-10
- 8.what time did David leave to go back to Philistia?

Noticeboard

Friday Intercessory Prayers from 7—8 p.m. on Zoom.

Calendar September 2026.

Sat 5th —Church Prayer Meeting - 7:30 –8:30 p.m. on Zoom

Calendar October 2026

Sat 3rd —Church Prayer Meeting - 7:30 –8:30 p.m. on Zoom.

Sat 17th Moravian Church—EDC at Fetter Lane, 10 a.m.

Sat 17th—URC Thames North Synod—10 a.m.

Sun 25th—Church Quarterly Meeting after service.

Sat 31st—Church Prayer Meeting— 7:30-8.30 p.m.

BRENT SHALL BE A PRAISE

**Something big is on the horizon for Brent.
Prayer Gathering Venues.**

Thursday 22nd October at Outreach Int. Healing Ministries, OIHM Healing Centre at 7:30 p.m.

21 Hillside
Stonebridge
NW10 8LY

26th November at the above venue.

5th December at the above venue.

All Are Welcome.

Noticeboard

Updates

I was recently in touch with Sr. Linda, and asked for updates on the family - Tatyana, Breyana and young Eleyana. She agreed that I could write a note in the Focus.

Tatyana's first job was in Germany, as a singing and dancing role in "*Tina Turner The Musical*". (What a debut!). She then had a short break and performed in England in *Hercules*. She's currently performing in Germany again, in the musical directed by Ben Elton, "*We will rock you*", by pop group Queen. Fantastic!

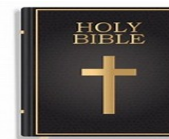
Clearly, Tatayana has made great strides since her appearance at a Talent Competition held at our church, when she tap danced on an upturned wooden Tressel table!

Breyana has just completed her final year at Brighton University, where she studied media and film-making, specialising in film production.

Eleyana is doing fine at school. Recently, she accompanied for mother to Germany to see her big sister perform. What a thrill!

Sr. Linda is still working in the sphere of mental health. (Personally, I think she deserves congratulations as well)!

Sr. Odette.



Read 1 Samuel 28 verses 10 - 19-

- 23 Who does Saul request to speak to?
- 24. What happens in vv 12 and 13?
- 25. What does Samuel say to Saul in vv 15 – 16?
- 26. What is the message that Saul is given in vv 17 - 19?

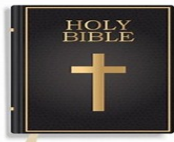
Read 1 Samuel 28 verses 20 – 25

- 27. What happens in verses 20?
- 25. What is David's response in vv 21
- 26 Why does Saul feel weak and refuse to eat v 23?
- 27 Who prepares the meal?
- 28 What do we learn from Chapter 28?

BIBLE STUDY FOR WEDNESDAY 1st July 2026 – Sr. Heather A.

INTRODUCTION of 1st Samuel Chapters 29 and Chapter 30.

1st Samuel Chapter 29. The Philistines Commanders rejected David from fighting alongside them in battle against Israel, fearing he would betray them to regain Saul's favour. The Commanders force Achish, King of Gath, to send David home. This divinely orchestrated rejection spare David from fighting his own People.



13. What do you think, was David right to lie in vv 10?
14. What does vv 11 say to us?
15. What do you think about Achish's thoughts in vv 12?

BIBLE STUDY FOR WEDNESDAY 24 June 2026

1 Samuel chapter 27 and 28

Introduction to Chapter 28

The Philistines gather for another war, and Saul becomes terrified because God no longer answers him. In desperation, Saul disguises himself and visits a medium at Endor, even though he had banned such practices.

The medium summons Samuel, and Samuel delivers a final message: the LORD has rejected Saul, the kingdom will be given to David, and Saul and his sons will die in battle.

Read 1 Samuel 28 verses 1 -9

16. What happens in vv 1?
17. What happens in vv 2?
18. Why does the Philistines and the Israelites set up camp (vv4)
19. Why is Saul afraid and who does he reach out to first of all?
20. What happens in vv 7 and 8?
21. What happens in vv 9?
22. Why are Christians forbidden from the occults and the spirit world/?

Two Recipes by Sr. Precious.

Madeira Cake—Sr. Precious' style

- 3 cups of shifted all purpose flour
- 2 cups of sugar
- 4 teaspoon of baking powder
- 1 1/2 cups of butter
- 2 eggs
- 4 teaspoon vanilla essence

Put all ingredients in a bowl and mix at medium speed for 3 minutes.

Baking.

Preheat oven at 350⁰ F, not sure what the oven temperature is?

Bake for 35 minutes.

Bake cake in two round cake tins.

Frosting

- 2 cups butter
- 3 cups icing sugar
- 8 tablespoons of cocoa powder.

Tuna and Mayonnaise Mix

Mix in a bowl tuna and mayonnaise.

Add spring onions and onions, chives and black pepper, a little of pepper sauce.

Serve with jacket potatoes and salad, leftover pieces of chicken with salad.

Enjoy the above recipes, if you happen to test it out.

**St Margaret's & St George's United Reformed & Moravian
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Working in the Community



ST KITTS AND NEVIS INDEPENDENCE

AFTERNOON TEA

£12

SATURDAY 19TH SEPT 2026

2.00-5.00PM



serving up a fun filled relaxing afternoon of companionship and laughter,
sandwiches, savouries and cakes all washed down with a cup of tea of choice

Join us at

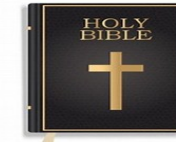
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BOOKINGS ONLY

PLEASE SPECIFY ANY ALLERGIES WHEN BOOKING

TO AVOID DISSAPOINTMENT PLEASE BOOK BY 12TH SEPT.



1 Samuel Chapter 27

David decides there is “nothing better” than fleeing to Philistine territory, so he and his men go to Achish king of Gath. Achish gives David the town of Ziklag, where David stays for about a year and four months. From there, David raids neighbouring peoples, but he tells Achish that he has been attacking Israelite territory, which makes Achish trust him more.

Read 1 Samuel 27 vs 1- 4

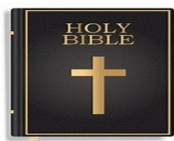
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- 1. What does David decide to do in vv 1?
- 2. How many men travel with David in vv 2?
- 3. What picture does v3 give us about David and his men?
- 4. Why does Saul stop looking for David in vv 4?

Read 1 Samuel 27 vs 5 - 7

- 5. Who is Achish??
- 6 What is David's request Achish?
- 7. What do we know about Ziklag?
- 8. How long did David live in Ziklag (vv 7)?

Read 1 Samuel 27 vs 8 -12

- 9 What happens in vv 8?
- 10 Why does David kill all the men and women in vv 9?
- 11 What does your commentary say about vv 9?
- 12. Why is David lying to Achish in vv 10?



Read 1 Samuel 26 verses 18 – 25

26. What seems to be happening in the verses 18 - 20?
27. What happens in verses 21 - ?
28. What is David's response in vv 22 - 24?
29. What happens in vv 25?
30. How does David's respect to Saul challenge our attitude to others?
31. What does the Chapter teach us about facing conflict?

Sr. Margaret.

BIBLE STUDY FOR WEDNESDAY 24th June 2026

1 Samuel chapter 27 and 28

INTRODUCTION

These chapters highlight the consequences of fear, disobedience, and spiritual compromise. David survives by deception and distance from Saul; while Saul collapses into despair because he has turned away from God.

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**ST. MARGARET'S & ST. GEORGE'S UNITED
REFORMED AND MORAVIAN CHURCH
QUARTERLY CHURCH MEETING –SUNDAY 19th
JUNE 2026**

Numbers Present: 34 adults and 6 children.

Opening Prayer: Br Edwin said the opening prayer and welcomed everyone.

1: Apologies for absence: Srs FK, VD, GA

2: Minutes of last meeting / Acceptance : It was noted that the minutes of the last meeting was published in the July/August Focus.

3: Matters Arising: It was agreed that the essential agenda items will be discussed today as a number of members will need to leave before the end.

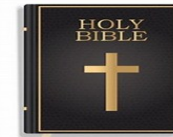
4: Finance Report Sr Denise presented the accounts to the meeting.

5. Provision of Ministry The letter from the Moderator dated 16 July, was read to the meeting by Sr Heather A.

It is proposed to link Harlesden with Askey Road and the remaining four congregation will be linked together. Discussions ensued. The congregation were happy with the link with Askey Road and were interested at the possible timings (this was not known). It was noted that a technical person will be needed if the four congregations were linked via a streaming system.

6: Property: Update

a) Church and Hall Exterior church repairs to commence this month.



Introduction

1 Samuel 26 The Ziphites again tell Saul where David is hiding. Saul pursues David with 3,000 chosen men. David secretly enters Saul's camp at night and finds Saul asleep. Abishai urges David to kill Saul, but David refuses, because Saul is the Lord's anointed. David demonstrated deep reverence for God by sparing Saul's life. Instead, David takes Saul's spear and water jug as proof that he was in Saul's camp.

Read 1 Samuel 26 verses 1 -8

19. Why does Saul go and camp in Hakilah?

20. What happens in vv 3 and 5?

21. What happens in vv 7 - 8?

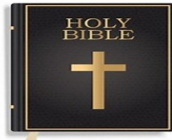
Read 1 Samuel 26 verses 9 - 17-

22. Why is Saul's life spared vs 9 –10?

23. Why does David take Saul's spear and water jug?

24. What happens in vv 13 – 14?

25. Why is David mocking Abner in 15 - 17?



Read 1 Samuel 25 vs 14 -22

What was the servant's message to Abigail (vv15 - 17)?

8. What was Abigail's response 18 - 19?

9 What happens in vv 20 - 22?

Read 1 Samuel 25 vs 23 - 35

10. How does Abigail show humility and peace in vv 23 – 25?

11 What is happening in vv 26 – 31?

12. What is the key messages in vv 32 -35?

Read 1 Samuel 25 vs 36 -44

13. What does Abigail do in vv 36 and why?

14. What happens in vv 37 – 38?

15. How did David respond to the news of Nabal's death vv 39?

16. What happens in vv 40?

17. What happens in vv 41- 42?

18. What happens in vv 43 – 44?

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The Church Gardening was looking good. We are investigating a barrier for the side of the Church and by boiler room entrance to deter loiterers.

It was noted that the Quinquennial inspection of the Church and Hall is now due. The Electrical inspection was completed.

b) Manse -Electrical inspection is now scheduled with Estate agent. c) Nursery Br Edwin has spoke to Debbie – The Electrical inspection was completed

d) Flat 65B, Craven Park Road - No issues.

7. Youth and Children: It was noted that the Children led the service today.

8. Evangelism – Nothing to add.

9. Elders Ordination/ Commissioning Sr Valerie W was ordained as an Elder and Sr Geneva A re-commissioned on Sunday 7 June 2026. Two confirmations noted.

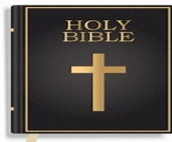
10. Special services: Deferred

11 Date of next meeting: was noted as Sunday 25 October 2026 after the service.

12 Correspondence – Nothing new to add.

13. AOB: It was noted that we are still looking for a Property Steward. Training will be given.

14. Closing Prayer: The meeting closed with the Grace.



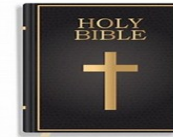
BIBLE STUDY FOR WEDNESDAY 3rd June 2026

chapters 21 and 22

Read verses 1 - 6

Questions

- 1 Why did David journeyed to Nod and who did he meet with?
- 2 How was David received by the priest Ahimelech?
- 3 What was David's reason for being there and why was he alone?
- 4 What did David request from the priest? (Verse 3)
- 5 What did the priest Ahimelech say to David in regard to David's request and what did Ahimelech needed to know before he give David what he asked for? (Verse 4)
- 6 What accounts did David give in answer to Ahimelech concerns to offering the consecrated bread? (Verse 5)
- 7 How was this explained by Ahimelech and the importance to David before he gave him the bread?



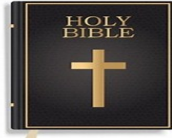
1 Samuel 25: Samuel dies, and all Israel mourns for him. David would have also felt vulnerable, without his Spiritual advisor. David and his men have protected the flocks and shepherds of a wealthy man named Nabal. David asks Nabal for food and support, but Nabal insults him and refuses. David prepares to attack Nabal's household. Nabal's wise wife, Abigail, quickly brings provisions to David and pleads with him not to shed blood. David accepts her appeal and is restrained from revenge. This chapter contrast human anger and foolishness with Godly wisdom, patience and God's justice

Read 1 Samuel 25 vs 1- 9

- 1 . Why does Israel mourn in vv 1?
2. What does the passage say about Nabel and Abigail vv 3?
3. How many men were sent to Nabel in v5?
4. What is David requesting of Nabal?

Read 1 Samuel 25 vs 10 - 13

5. What happened in vv 10 – 11?
6. What is David's reaction to the answer from Nabel and what and what was David's state of mind?



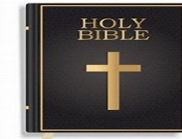
- 9) What did David decide to do? v8
- 10) When Saul saw him in the cave what action did David take and why?
- 11) Discuss the pleading and beseeching sermon by David towards Saul. v9-1
- 12) When David wept and Saul realised this moving moment, what did he say?
- 13) Was his response also sermon-like?
- 14) What is it that Saul claims he knows now?
- 15) Saul makes a last request of David, what is it?
- 16) Psalms 26, 54 and 57. Discuss.

BIBLE STUDY FOR WEDNESDAY 17th June 2026 – Sr. Margaret

1 Samuel Chapters 25 and 26

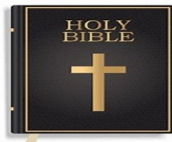
INTRODUCTION

Have you ever been deeply offended and felt your temper flare. Have you wanted to take matters into your own hands? We see some of this.



Read verses 7 - 14

- 8 Who was also present that day, detained before the Lord?
- 9 David again asked of Ahimelech another request and his reason for asking?
B) What did he ask for and why?
- 10 What was Ahimelech answer and what was he offering to David? (If he wanted it, he could take it) (verses 8 -9)
- 11 What was David's reaction to Ahimelech offer?
- 12 Where did David flee to after leaving Nod and why do you think he did not go back to Saul? Verse 10
- 13 How did the servants of Achish King of Gath go onto described David's feats in comparison to King Saul's?
- 14 What was David's reaction to their words and how did he dealt with the situation unfolding before him? (Verse 12 - 13)



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15 Why did David fear Achish King of Gath and what was Achish thoughts about David's behaviour in his presence? (Verse 14)

Read 1 Samuel Chapter 22. Verses 1 - 10

16 What action was taken by David following Achish outrage?

17 Who heard about this and what did they do? (Verse 1)

18 Who else heard about David's escape from Gath and gathered around him? (Verse 2)

19 What did David became to them and how many were they numbered? (Verse 3)

20 On leaving the cave David went onto Moab and made a request to the king of Moab?

21 Which prophet instruct David to move on again and to where?

King Saul is finally catching up with what been taking place with David and he is getting more and more paranoid and revengeful.

Let's go through Saul reactions to what have taken place so far with David and his interaction with all those he has encountered so far (verses 6 - 10)



15) Where was David when he learned that Saul wanted to kill him?

16) Who went to Horesh to help and strengthen David in God's name?

17) How did Jonathon try to reassure David?

18) What did Jonathon and David agree to do? v18

19) Did Jonathon remain at Horesh? v18

20) What did the Ziphites offer Saul? v19-20

21) How did Saul respond to this offer? v21-23

22) What took place in the Desert of Moab? v24-25

23) As Saul was closing in on David and his men on the opposing side of the mountain what message did Saul receive from his messenger to halt his pursuit of David?

24) As a result, what is this place called? v26-29

Read 1 Samuel Chapter 24 Questions as follows:

1) After Saul returned from pursuing the Philistines, David is in the Desert of Engedi, so how many men did Saul take to pursue David and his men?

2) Where did Saul go to relieve himself? v3

3) Where was David at that moment? v3

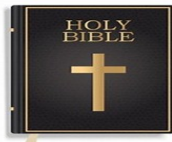
4) What did his men say? v4

5) How did David respond after hearing what the men's point of view? v5

6) How did David feel after carrying out his actions? v5

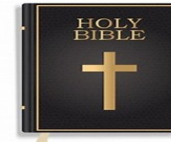
7) What did David declare to his men? And what did he decide to do? v6-7

8) What do you think happened to his position at this time? v8



Read 1 Samuel Chapter 23. Questions as follows:

- 1) When David was informed about what the Philistines were doing in Keilah, what question did he ask the Lord? v1
- 2) How did the Lord answer David? V2
- 3) How did David's men react to the Lord's instructions?
- 4) Once again David inquired of the Lord and the Lord answered him. Did David and his men follow the Lord's instructions?
- 5) What did the Son of Ahimelech do?
- 6) What is his name?
- 7) Saul receives the news that David had gone to Keilah, how did he react to this news? v7
- 8) David learned that Saul was plotting against him. What is the request he made to Abiathar the priest? V9
- 9) David became concerned and asked the Lord several questions after he informed that Saul plans to come to Keilah and destroy the town on account of him. Discuss these questions.
- 10) How did the Lord respond to his enquiries on Saul's intentions?
- 11) How loyal will the citizens of Keilah be?
- 12) What did the citizens of Keilah ultimately do under duress?
- 13) **Read 1 Samuel chapter 23 v 14 - 26. Questions as follows:**
- 14) 13) What evasive action did David and his men take? v13-14
- 15) 14) Day after day Saul searched for him and his men, did he find them?



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22 Who does Saul praise for speaking true to him? (From Verse 7 in ch 21) and now in (Verse 9 - 10 in ch. 22)

Read verses 11 - 23

23 What did Saul do with that information and to whom did he carry out his punishment too? (Verses 11 - 16)

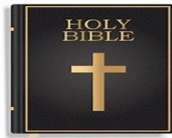
24 Who did Saul order to carry out his Punishment and when they refused who did he turn to carry it out and how many who wore the linen ephod were put to death that day? (verses 18 - 19)

22 Saul also ordered others to be put to the sword, who were they?

23 There were one escapee, who was he and where did he go to? Verse 20 - 23

24 What did David reflect on and why did he feel responsible for the deaths of Abiathar's whole family.

Sr. Ethney



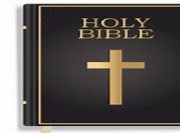
BIBLE STUDIES 10 June 2026 - Questions set by Br Les Bailey 8/6/26.

Reading today from 1 Samuel Chapter 23/ 24.
These chapters reveal David's desperation and deception.
Summary of 1 Samuel Chapter 21 and 22.

David flees for his life and goes to the priestly city of Nob. He lies to High Priest Ahimelech, claiming to be on a secret mission for King Saul. Believing him, Ahimelech gives David and his men consecrated bread to eat and arms him with the sword of Goliath.

Doeg the Edomite, one of Saul's Chief herdsmen is present at Nob and witnesses the exchange. David ends up in Gath seeking refuge in philistine territory. David then realises the people of Gath recognise him as Israel's champion, terrified he feigns insanity-scratching on doors and drooling on his beard-to convince the philistine king to let him go unharmed.

He escapes Gath and hides in a cave of Adullam. About 400 marginalised and distressed men gather round him, and he becomes the leader, seeking safety, David relocates his parents to Moab. Saul then learns that his men are loyal to David and accuses them of treason.



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Doeg the Edomite reports what he saw in Nob, revealing the priests' assistance to David. King Saul summons Ahimelech and other priests of Nob, charging them with conspiracy. When Saul's guards refuse to strike the Lord's priests Doeg steps in and kills 85 priests.

Doeg then destroys Nob, slaughtering the men, women, and animals. However, Ahimelech's son, Abiathar escapes the slaughter and flees to David. David takes him in, acknowledging his own partial blame for the tragedy and promising to protect him.

1 Samuel chapter 23

David begins his campaigns against the Philistines and continues to evade Saul. We then dive deeper into the theological themes or historical context of these chapters.

We then explore the meaning specific Psalms he wrote during this period.