PERRY BAPTIST CHURCH

Newsletter April 2025

Dear All

It was April 1912 when the ship set sail. It was a ship of luxury. She was the largest and most luxurious ship built at the time. She measured 269 metres by 28 metres and it even had a post office and squash court on board! Even more amazing it was meant to be unsinkable. The ship was known as the Titanic and, yes, it was found to be sinkable. Having been struck by an iceberg it sank within three hours!

As the Titanic was touted as the safest ship ever built, it only carried 20 lifeboats - enough to provide accommodation for only half her passengers and crew. Many people refused to get onto the lifeboats because they believed it was unsinkable. Many people at the last minute had dived off the boat but died of hyperthermia.

They believed they had the best thing to trust. The unsinkable Titanic but their hopes were dashed. Rev John Harper was on that ship and knew there was something better to put his trust in. He gave his own life belt away and began touring the ship witnessing to all he met. In the short three hours, he led men to faith as they came to trust that Jesus could give them eternal life, whatever may happen to the Titanic.

Salvation by grace through faith in Jesus Christ is the main topic in the New Testament of the Bible. The gospel is the good news of our reconciliation from the death of sin to eternal life in Christ. Isaiah wrote "Surely God is my salvation; I will trust and not be afraid. The LORD, the LORD Himself, is my strength and my defence; He has become my salvation" (Isaiah 12 verse 2) May you know God's hope in your life irrespective of our circumstances.

Peace to you all

From your Pastor and friend, Jon Magee.

Services and Meetings in April

Sundays: Service at 10.30am each week and also at

6pm on 6th April & 4th May

Easter:

Sunday 13th April Palm SundayService at 10.30 am

Thursday 17th April Maundy Thursday Communion Service 7pm

Friday 18th April Good Friday Service at 7.00 pm, Sunday 20th April Easter Sunday Service at 10.30 am;

Monday 21st April 'Easter Drop-in' 10.00 - 12.00

Tuesday mornings: Prayer Meeting at 10.00 am -

venues as announced

Wednesday evenings: Home group (Bible study) at 7.30pm -

venues as announced

Friday morning: Men's monthly prayer meeting at 8.00 am

at Tony's home - first Friday of each

month 4th April: and 2nd May.

If you were not in Church on Sunday and want to know the venues, you need more information or transport please contact the Deacons

'Drop-in' for tea/coffee and chat 10.00 am to 12 noon: Monday's 7th and 21st April.

Line Dancing: Mondays 14th & 28th at 10.00 am in Church

Dave Scott-Morgan (ELO): and his wife and team: Saturday 10th May at 7.00 pm. Free entry but by ticket only

Little Staughton Baptist Church: Prayer for revival at 9.30am on the first Saturday of each month.

Coffee morning from 10.00 am – 12 noon on the first Wednesday of each month, to which we are all invited

Please pray for the meetings as well as people on prayer diary.

My heart has heard you say. "Come and talk with me" And my heart responds. "Lord I am coming" *Psalm 27:8*

Prayer Diary for April 2025

April Roads for prayer; Bakers Way, Duberly Close, East Perry.

1 st	Ann Burditt	2 nd	Lara & John Campbell
3 rd	Audrey Clarke	4 th	Teresa Cooper
5 th	Maureen & Derek Greenwood	6 th	Janet Gould
7 th	Sue Harper	8 th	David Hawthorne
	Mary Hazell		Joyce Jones
11 th	Tony & Chris Kybett	12 th	Pearl & Brian Lanham
	Magee family	14 ^h	Pauline Moody
15 th	Friends at Little Staughton Baptist Church		
	Neil & Nicky Pateman		Vicky Sandiford
18 th	Marjorie & Doug Smith	19 th	Bob & Joyce Stammers
	Hallelujah! Praise God Christ is Risen from the Dead.		
21 st	David & Isabel Storie	22 nd	Terry & Pauline
23 rd	Amanda & Paul	24 th	Jan & David Usher
25 th	Jocelyn Walden	26 th	Roger Watkins
27 th	Tony Whitlock		

Please also pray for others in the Church and Community that are not listed in the diary above. If you would like to be added to the prayer diary or have a particular need, please see Tony. *Next newsletter out on 27th April 2025*

Ministry prayer requests

Sunday 6th April at 6am Black Cat Radio

Tuesday 8th April Great Staughton Coffee Morning. (Please note that there is an open invitation for us all to attend)

Sunday 13th April at 6am and 6.30am Black Cat Radio

Sunday 20th April at 6am Black Cat Radio

Tuesday 22nd April Men's Breakfast at Great Staughton (Please note that there is an open invitation for all men to attend)

Sunday 27th April at 6am Black Cat Radio

Thank you for your prayer partnership in my Ministerial work *Jon*

Secretary's Ponderings

I hope you all made it to Church on time this morning! Now the clocks have changed we will have the lighter nights. Hopefully the Summer weather will follow on.

April is this year the time of Easter when we welcome our Lord Jesus and celebrate His Resurrection. I hope you will be able to join us at the various services we have in Church. However, before then there are cards to be delivered round the village. Please see if you can help with this delivery.

Then we will soon be planning for the visit of Dave Scott-Morgan in May. We expect publicity posters and tickets to be available soon. So, start to plan who you can invite on 10th May. The team will also be with us on the Sunday morning 11th May.

The Minister and Deacons are always ready to hear any suggestions you have for the Church. We do like to have time together away from Sunday Services. So are always pleased to hear from you. I expect there will be a BBQ in the Summer. There have been some ideas for meals and outings, please let us know what you would like.

May God Bless you all **Tony**

"You are a shelter for the oppressed, a refuge in time of trouble. Those who know your name trust in you, for you, O Lord, do not abandon those who search for you!" Psalm 9:9-10.

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