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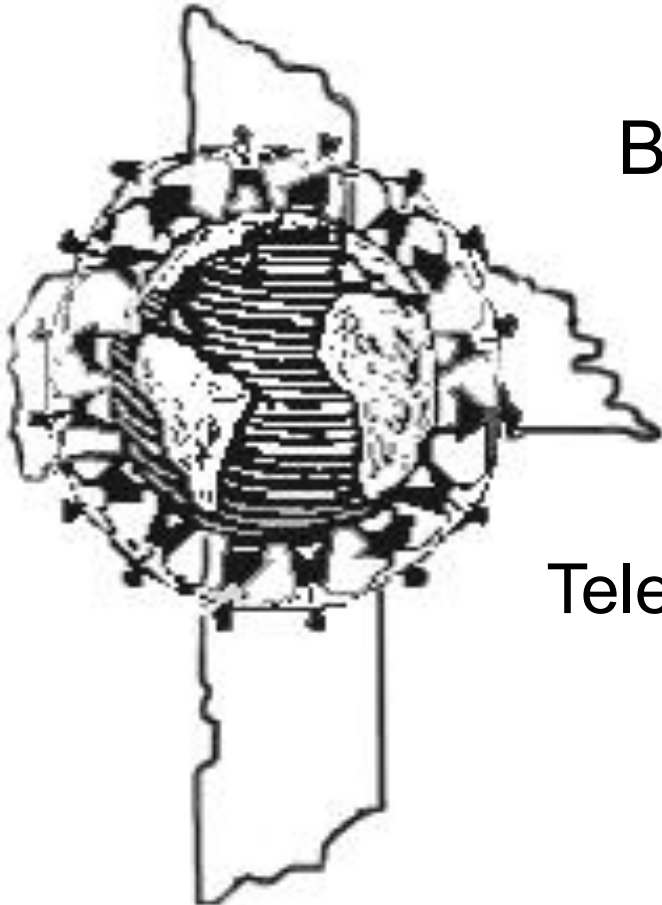
IDLE  
BAPTIST CHURCH



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# Idle Baptist Church



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## **SMALL BUT MIGHTY**

We are only a small Church with a small congregation, but I know how God has been working in the lives of those for whom we have been praying. So even though we are small, through Our Lord Jesus Christ, our prayers are answered in a Mighty Way.

It reminds me of a cartoon I used to watch called "Mighty Mouse." He wore a Super Hero suit and had super powers.

We have Super Powers through Jesus and we don't even have to wear a Super Hero suit. We just need to communicate with God through prayer.

In Thessalonians 5:16 it says - "Rejoice always, pray continually, give thanks in all circumstances; for this is God's will for you in Christ Jesus."

And in Psalm 145:18 it says - "The Lord is near to all who call on Him, to all who call on Him in truth."

God is near and in us through the Holy Spirit, we only need to focus on Him at any time of day and through our prayers,

***He will hear us - so keep on praying!***

**Denise**

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## **Pastoral**

Since our last edition of the Messenger Barbara's mother has passed away. We continue to pray for the family.

It's good to see that Muriel has at last felt able to attend Church again as she recovers from her fall.

Denise has been feeling much better recently, due to the pause in her treatment. We hope that the next phase, which she begins soon, will eventually help her along the road to a complete recovery.

Philip and Yvonne are both struggling with ongoing health problems.

Shirley has been able to worship with us more often recently. Unfortunately she has had to give up her car.

Audrey is also unable to drive, due to a cataract problem.

So both Shirley and Audrey may need help with getting to and from Church. Hopefully this won't be a problem, as there are several of us who will be willing to help when necessary.

We continue to pray for those mentioned, along with others who need our prayers at this time. Our prayers for healing have already been answered in many ways, for which we give thanks. We pray for God's continuing Blessings on us as a Church family.

### **Christine**

#### **JANE TEALE**

Sadly Jane passed away peacefully in February. She had been in care for a few years following her traumatic fall in Marks & Spencer's. In a split second her life changed completely.

Jane & Bert were regular attenders at Church and enjoyed joining in the Sequence Dancing that used to be on our premises.

We send our Condolences to her relatives.

Rest in peace Jane.

### **Shirley**

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# BMS Birthday Scheme

*We wish the following friends a Happy Birthday*

Happy  
Birthday

**May**

19th Eileen

29th Dorothy



**Christine**

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## ***Rainy Day***

A rainy day can be a disappointment if plans have to be set aside or an outing cancelled. But there is beauty in rain as it softly falls and the scent of a summer garden after a shower and the sparkle of wet blades of grass can make any inconvenience worthwhile.

In any case, we need the rain for growth and it would be foolish to resent it. Better by far to appreciate sunshine and showers as part of the natural cycle of things, and try to say thank you.

*Sing to the Lord with thanksgiving'*

*He covers the earth with clouds,*

*He prepares rain for the earth,*

*He makes grass grow upon the hills.*

Psalm 147: 7,8.

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# NOTICE BOARD

DATE		PREACHERS	STEWARDS	TEA & COFFEE
April	5	Easter Sunday Paul Allen <i>Communion</i>	Helen	Lesley
	12	John Wilson	Lisa	Eileen
	19	Gaynor	Audrey	Elizabeth
	26	Geoff Forder	Stephen	Denise
May	3	Gaynor <i>Communion</i>	Rosemary	Doug
	10	<i>To follow</i>	Christine	Helen
	17	Trevor Kershaw	Elizabeth	Christine
	24	Brian Gamble	Eileen	Rosemary
	31	Paul Allen	Helen	Lesley
June	7	<i>To follow</i>	Doug	Eileen

DATE		COMMUNION	FLOWERS
April	5	Audrey	Patricia and Stephen
May	3	Denise	<i>Volunteer</i>
June	7	Rosemary	Dorothy and Roy

**IF YOU WILL NOT BE AVAILABLE PLEASE TRY TO ARRANGE COVER**

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# QUIET ROOM

In this busy life it is often helpful to

## “Take Time Out”

be quiet for a few minutes and have time to think.

Please feel free to use our Quiet Room.

It is open whenever the building is in use.

**Use this quiet space**

**and seek God’s presence.**

**ALL ARE WELCOME**

The next edition of the Messenger will be available on

**Sunday 7th June, 2026**

Please email me

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with anything you would like

in that edition

**Sunday 31st March, 2025**

**Milton**



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A Concert by the Thornton Singers  
will be held here, at Idle Baptist Church  
on Friday, 19th June at 7.30pm.  
Tickets cost £10  
Can be ordered from Lesley or Rosemary.

### **Church Notices . . . . .Oooops!!**

Ladies. Don't forget next Saturday's Jumble Sale. It's a chance to get rid of those things not worth keeping around the house. Bring your husband.

For those who have children and don't know it, we now have a nursery.

Eight new choir robes are needed, due to the addition of several new members and to the deterioration of some older ones.

The ladies of the Church have cast off clothing of every kind. They may be seen in the basement on Friday afternoon.

The Pastor would appreciate it if the ladies of the congregation would lend him their electric girdles for the pancake breakfast next Saturday.

Last Sunday, Miss Mason sang "I Will Not Pass This Way Again", giving obvious pleasure to the congregation.

Jack Benson and Jessie Carter were married on October 24th.. So ends a friendship that began in their school days.

**Rosemary**

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## Jesus lives! thy terrors now

At Easter we celebrate the resurrection of Jesus. We believe that because Jesus rose from the dead we also will rise to be with Him.

“Jesus lives! thy terrors now” is based on this belief.

By way of introduction consider the words of Psalm 23. In the Living Bible this is rendered thus:

*Because the Lord is my Shepherd, I have everything I need!*

*He lets me rest in the meadow grass and leads me beside the quiet streams. He gives me new strength. He helps me do what honours him the most.*

*Even when walking through the dark valley of death I will not be afraid, for you are close beside me, guarding, guiding all the way.*

*You provide delicious food for me in the presence of my enemies. You have welcomed me as your guest; blessings overflow!*

*Your goodness and unfailing kindness shall be with me all of my life, and afterwards I will live with you forever in your home.*

1 Jesus lives! thy terrors now  
can, O death, no more appal us;  
Jesus lives! by this we know  
thou, O grave, canst not enthrall us.  
Alleluia.

In 1 Corinthians 15 v 54-58 Paul writes about the effect of the resurrection.

*When the perishable has been clothed with the imperishable, and the mortal with immortality, then the saying that is written will come true: “Death has been swallowed up in victory.”*

*“Where, O death, is your victory?*

*Where, O death, is your sting?”*

*The sting of death is sin, and the power of sin is the law. But thanks be to God! He gives us the victory through our Lord Jesus Christ.*

Jesus is victorious over death, and we have the same victory through Jesus Christ.

2 Jesus lives! henceforth is death  
but the gate of life immortal:

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this shall calm our trembling breath,  
when we pass its gloomy portal.

Alleluia.

The second verse continues with the same theme. We have no reason to fear death because it is the start of immortal or eternal life with Jesus.

John wrote down these famous words of Jesus:

John 14 v 1-3

*“Do not let your hearts be troubled. You believe in God; believe also in me. My Father’s house has many rooms; if that were not so, would I have told you that I am going there to prepare a place for you? And if I go and prepare a place for you, I will come back and take you to be with me that you also may be where I am.*

3 Jesus lives! for us he died;  
then, alone to Jesus living,  
pure in heart may we abide,  
glory to our Saviour giving.  
Alleluia.

The first line of verse 3 recalls Romans 5 v 6 - 8

*You see, at just the right time, when we were still powerless, Christ died for the ungodly. Very rarely will anyone die for a righteous person, though for a good person someone might possibly dare to die. But God demonstrates his own love for us in this: while we were still sinners, Christ died for us.*

The rest of the verse concentrates on our response.

Jesus said,

*Blessed are the pure in heart,  
for they will see God.*

Matt 5 v 8

When we trust in Jesus for our salvation we are given a pure heart so we can live to His glory, live how He wants us to live through the power of the Holy Spirit.

4 Jesus lives! our hearts know well  
naught from us his love shall sever;  
life nor death nor powers of hell  
tear us from his keeping ever.

Alleluia.

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This verse is based on some verses from Romans 8.

<sup>34</sup> *Who then is the one who condemns? No one. Christ Jesus who died—more than that, who was raised to life—is at the right hand of God and is also interceding for us.* <sup>35</sup> *Who shall separate us from the love of Christ? Shall trouble or hardship or persecution or famine or nakedness or danger or sword?*

<sup>37</sup> *No, in all these things we are more than conquerors through him who loved us.* <sup>38</sup> *For I am convinced that neither death nor life, neither angels nor demons, neither the present nor the future, nor any powers,* <sup>39</sup> *neither height nor depth, nor anything else in all creation, will be able to separate us from the love of God that is in Christ Jesus our Lord.*

5 Jesus lives! to him the throne  
over all the world is given:  
may we go where he is gone,  
rest and reign with him in heaven.  
Alleluia.

Through His resurrection Jesus is all powerful, as He tells the disciples.

*“All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me.”*

Matthew 28 v 18

Paul emphasises this in Ephesians 1 v 20 and Philippians 2 v 9

<sup>20</sup> *he exerted when he raised Christ from the dead and seated him at his right hand in the heavenly realms,*

<sup>9</sup> *Therefore God exalted him to the highest place  
and gave him the name that is above every name,*

Therefore, we have no reason to fear the *dark valley of death*.

This is the start of a new life with Christ.

Christian Fürchtegott Gellert, who wrote the hymn, lived in and around Leipzig from 1715 to 1769. Gellert trained in theology and eventually became an academic at Leipzig university lecturing in poetry and philosophy.

**Peter**

# WEEKLY DIARY

<b>Sunday</b>	<b>10.30am</b>	<b>Service of Christian worship</b> <i>Includes Communion on the First Sunday in the month</i>
<b>Monday</b>	<b>2.00pm - 4.00pm</b>	<b>Well Connected Café</b> <i>Second Monday of the month</i>
	<b>7.30pm - 9.30pm</b>	<b>W.I.</b> <i>Third Monday of the month</i>
<b>Tuesday</b>	<b>10.30am to 12 noon</b>	<b>Firm Roots Cancer Support Group</b> <i>First Tuesday in the month</i>
	<b>10.00am to 12.00 noon</b>	<b>Coffee drop in</b> <i>First &amp; third (&amp; fifth) Tuesdays</i>
	<b>11.00am to 12.45pm</b>	<b>“Memory Tree”</b> <i>Second and fourth Tuesdays</i>
	<b>5.30pm &amp; 8.00pm</b>	<b>Slimming World</b>
<b>Wednesday</b>	<b>9.30am - 12 noon</b>	<b>Table Tennis</b>
	<b>6.30pm &amp; 8.00pm</b>	<b>Brownies and Rainbows</b> <i>School Term Times only</i>
<b>Thursday</b>	<b>3.00pm &amp; 8.00pm</b>	<b>Slimming World</b>
<b>Friday</b>	<b>9.00am &amp; 11.00am</b>	<b>Slimming World</b>
	<b>1.00pm - 4.00pm</b>	<b>Guitar Class</b>
<b>Saturday</b>	<b>10.00am - 2.00pm</b>	<b>Art Club</b>

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