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Newsletter
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**Your eyes will see the king in
his beauty and view a land
that stretches afar.**

Isaiah 33 v 17

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Natural Beauty

There is a saying that ‘Beauty is in the eye of the beholder’. I believe it generally means that something, or someone who to most people is plain, unattractive or even ugly, is beautiful to another person. Is it not that the individual, for various reasons, sees in a different way?

When we look around at nature – and it surrounds us all, what do we see? Is it beautiful? Yes, most people would acknowledge that the flowers, trees & shrubs as they come into leaf and bud are attractive: the view across to the hills is satisfying, impressive. Yet an old hymn makes this comment:

**Heaven above is softer blue,
Earth around is sweeter green;
Something lives in every hue
Christless eyes have never seen;
Birds with gladder songs o’erflow,
Flowers with deeper beauties shine,
Since I know as now I know,
I am His and He is mine.**

To the one who has come to know the Creator, through repentance and trust in the Lord Jesus Christ, there’s something more beautiful and lovely about creation than ‘Christless eyes’ see.

Speaking prophetically of the Lord Jesus, Isaiah said; ‘He had no beauty or majesty to attract us to him, nothing in his appearance that we should desire him’ (ch 53:2) and certainly to those who arrested, tortured and hung Him on the cross, he held no beauty or attraction – just hatred and murder. For so many, until their spiritual eyes are opened, Jesus holds no attraction – in-

deed the use of His lovely name as an expletive, so often heard today, indicates a callous and thoughtless heart towards the One who would be their Saviour.

I don’t know about you, but He is my Saviour, and, yes, I find Him beautiful, the more as I go on through life; He is my King, and I see Him as majestic. I don’t want to grieve Him (though I often have) in my way of speaking about Him, don’t want to disparage His name in my attitude towards Him.

The late Dr Lockeridge, an American preacher, once preached a powerful sermon on the subject ‘That’s my King’ He describes at length the attributes of the Lord Jesus in a stirring and uplifting way. Every little while he interjects ‘That’s my King’ and then adds ‘Do you know Him?’ Oh my friend, do **you** know Him? Is He wonderful to your mind, precious to your heart, beautiful in your appreciation, majestic in your adoration?

Isaiah also expresses a lovely thought in ch 33: 17, ‘Your eyes will see the King in his beauty’. Again, he was speaking prophetically of the King of kings. What a wonderful thought, the One who fills the believer’s heart with a sense of His beauty now, will one day see Him face to face and, oh, what beauty and majesty will fill their vision – like nothing ever before. Do you know Him?

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Weather permitting...

Bouncy Castle

Childrens Crafts & Games

You are invited to a

Summer Picnic

at New Street Gardens between 4pm and 6pm

On Sunday June 29th 2008



See Tim Hill the Amazing Escapologist! Free Refreshments

If wet will be held indoors

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Summer Witness in Ghana: A request from Kinza Mason

On the 1st July I will be going to Ghana for just under a month to volunteer at an orphanage in the Volta region. I will be living at the orphanage and generally helping out as well as doing some teaching. The children there have either been orphaned or abandoned, and are in great need. I would like to be able to take out items that the orphanage has highlighted as being of need:



- Clothing - for all ages, newborns through to teenagers.
- Shoes
- Books - educational/dictionaries/story/colouring (these can be Christian books)
- Coloured pencils/ sharpeners/ paints/ rulers
- Calculators
- Watches
- Baby bottles/ powdered milk/ baby formula/ nappies/ thermometers.
- Toys (although nothing too large)

If anyone has any of the above that they would like to donate I would be extremely grateful, and would be pleased to present them to the children on behalf of the church. Things can be given to my parents or myself if I am around, anytime before the 1st July.

Five Finger Prayer

1. Your thumb is nearest to you. So begin your prayers by praying for those closest to you. They are the easiest to remember. To pray for our loved ones is, as C S Lewis once said, 'a sweet duty'.

2. The next finger is the pointing finger. Pray for those who teach, instruct and heal. This includes teachers, doctors and ministers. They need support and wisdom in pointing others in the right direction. Keep them in your prayers.

3. The next finger is the tallest finger. It reminds us of our leaders. Pray for the President, leaders in business and industry and administrators. These people shape our nation and guide public opinion. They need God's guidance.

4. The fourth finger is our ring finger. Surprising to many is the fact that this is our weakest finger, as any piano teacher will testify. It should remind us to pray for those who are weak, in trouble or in pain. They need your prayers day and night. You cannot pray too much for them.

5. And lastly comes our little finger. The smallest finger of all which is where we place ourselves in relation to God and others. As the Bible says, 'The least shall be the greatest among you'. Your pinkie should remind you to pray for yourself. By the time you have prayed for the other four groups, your own needs will be put into proper perspective and you will be able to pray for yourself more effectively.

This is beautiful and is surely worth making the five finger prayer a part of our lives.



Christ Church Brittany
Magazine...

Do not conform to the pattern of this world, but be transformed by the renewing of your mind.

Romans 12: 2

JUNE CALENDAR

SUNDAY	1st	10.30am 6.30pm	WORSHIP SERVICES Steve Piggott + Communion Nigel Steere
Monday	2nd	10.30am	Little Verse - Rehoboth
Tuesday	3rd	2.30pm	Afternoon Fellowship—Rehoboth
Wednesday	4th	11.00am 8.00pm	Service at Mill River Lodge, Denne Rd. Prayer & Bible Study : 16 Little Bridges Close, Southwater
Thursday	5th	8.00pm	Banner Group— Rehoboth
Friday	6th	10.00am 8.00pm	WAM : 9 MacLeod Road Pathfinders—Rehoboth
Saturday	7th	9.30am	Mums' Breakfast —Rehoboth Speaker: Ann Benton
SUNDAY	8th	10.30am & 6.30pm 8.00pm	174th CHURCH ANNIVERSARY WORSHIP SERVICES Paul Reed Horsham's Future—a challenge for the churches—Presentation by Richard Webb
Monday	9th	10.30am	Little Verse - Rehoboth
Wednesday	11th	10.30am 8.00pm	Gillett House Service Prayer & Bible Study - The Bungalow, Tilgate Forest Lodge, Pease Pottage
Friday	13th	10.00am 8.00pm	WAM : 40 Heron Way Pathfinders—Rehoboth
Saturday	14th	8.30am	Early Prayer
SUNDAY	15th	10.30am 6.30pm	WORSHIP SERVICES Stuart Beadle Steve Piggott + Communion
Monday	16th	10.30am	Little Verse - Rehoboth

Tuesday	17th	2.30pm	Afternoon Fellowship - Kevin Rand
Wednesday	18th	8.00pm 8.00pm	Prayer & Bible Study - 165 Tanbridge Park Church Action Group - Rehoboth
Friday	20th	10.00am 8.00pm	WAM : Barrington House, Barrington Rd Pathfinders - Rehoboth
Saturday	21st	8.30am	Early Prayer GBM Open Day—Abingdon
SUNDAY	22nd	10.30am 4.15pm 6.30pm	WORSHIP SERVICES Steve Piggott Hospital Service Peter Leyshon-Jones
Wednesday	25th	8.00pm 7.45pm	Prayer & Bible Study - 18 Swan Close, Southwater District Prayer Mtg. Wandsworth
Friday	27th	10.00am 11.00am 8.00pm	WAM : 18 Swan Close, Southwater Page Court Service Pathfinders - Rehoboth
Saturday	28th	8.30am	Early Prayer
SUNDAY	29th	10.30am 4– 6.00pm	WORSHIP SERVICE Steve Piggott Summer Picnic—New Street Garden

Preaching out this month

1st **D Ansell - Charlwood**

8th am **D Ansell - Rudgwick**

15th am **S Piggott - Alfold**



Praying and caring for the Community

Roads for prayer this month:

Arthur Road, Bedford Road & Victoria Street

Please advise Steve or Elspeth of any future preaching out dates by the 25th of each month for the month ahead.



GENERAL INFORMATION

Sunday Morning Worship

Our young people join us for the first part of our Sunday morning services and then have their own groups:-

Crèche: Babies and Toddlers
Primary: Pre-school, Reception & Years 1 & 2
Junior: Years 3, 4 & 5
Intermediate: Years 6, 7 & 8
Senior: Years 9, 10 & 11

For further information phone 01403 250021

Prayer & Bible Study meetings

These meetings are held on a Wednesday evening at 8pm, either at the church or in various members' homes.

For further information phone 01403 266193

WAM—Young Mum's Group

This group meets at 10am on Friday mornings in various homes and a crèche is provided for children.

For further information phone 01403 241067

Afternoon Fellowship

This group meets fortnightly on Tuesday afternoons at 2.30pm.

For further information phone 01403 263397

Little Verse

For parents with babies or toddlers. Meets Monday mornings at 10am. Singing & action songs followed by coffee or tea and chat

For further information phone 01403 255055

Pathfinders

This Group, for young people in school years 6, 7 & 8, meets at 8pm on Friday evenings.

For further information phone 01403 250021

HighWay

This Group, for young people in school year 9 upwards, meets at 8pm every first Friday of the month.

For further information phone 01403 256525

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