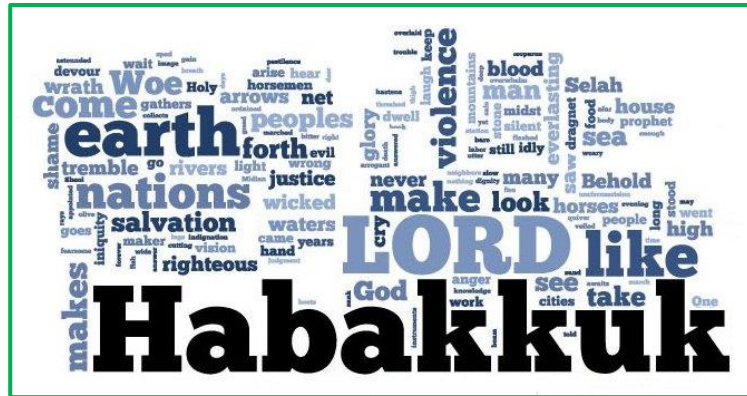


WORD Cloud of the week

In the diagram, the larger the words the more often they appear. Look out for them when you read this Old Testament book.

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LYRICS FOR LYFE A - Z

May I run the race before me,
Strong and brave to face the foe,
Looking only unto Jesus
As I onward go.

May the love of Jesus fill me
As the waters fill the sea;
Him exalting, self abasing,
This is victory.



M: from 'May the mind of Christ my Saviour' (v.5,4)

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From the Editor's Den

No Dampened Spirits

Despite last Sunday's continuous light rain, the Carnival remained well supported throughout. Sincere thanks to those who put in so much work planning, organising and running of the stalls and activities, especially the many church members helping in church. The Stourbridge News website gives a very encouraging report.

Whenever discouraging conditions or experiences come our way, we are tempted to become downhearted. But the Bible reminds us that, in the long run, *"in all things God works for the good of those who love him, who have been called according to his purpose"* (Romans 8:28). And Paul and the apostles really knew what they were talking about – They returned to Lystra, Iconium and Antioch, strengthening the disciples and encouraging them to remain true to the faith. *"We must go through many hardships to enter the kingdom of God,"* they said." (Acts 14:22)

Keeping up our spirits

From the early days of the Old Testament to the epistles of the New, Godly leaders and prophets gave the same reassurance:

The Lord himself goes before you and will be with you; he will never leave you nor forsake you. Do not be afraid; do not be discouraged. (Deuteronomy 31:8) and:

Those who hope in the LORD will renew their strength. They will . . . run and not grow weary, walk and not be faint. (Isaiah 40:31)

For practical examples of 'positives' coming out of 'negatives' see 1Thessalonians 2 & 3.



PREVIEWS, POINTERS & PRAYER

Items for this page to the Administrator by Wednesday morning please

Previews

Welcome to Reverend Deacon Aaron Eime of the Church's Ministry Among Jewish People, former Deacon of Christ Church Jerusalem and now newly-appointed General Director of CMJ.

Harvest Thanksgiving will be celebrated next Sunday morning. Gifts of non-perishable (i.e. packaged or tinned) food will be welcome for display before forwarding to the local Food Bank.



Pointers



Live Police Community Updates

This free local email messaging service from WM Police gives live updates of what's going on where you live and work. **Sign up** via WMnow.co.uk to receive updates to your inbox about crimes, police activity and other local news.

When you sign up you can let them know what topics you'd like to hear about – whether anti-social behaviour, burglaries or vehicle crime in your neighbourhood. You can also choose to receive updates from some of their partners including the Fire Service, Action Fraud and your local Council.

Prayer

Kitchen Manager: Please pray for **Katie Cooper** who has been appointed to this new voluntary role by PCC. She will be meeting with regular helpers and users of the church kitchen in due course.

Fazakerley News: Our mission partners' latest update "*FazBuzz*" is now available in the Foyer and includes illustrations of their ministry in Malawi, house move and state of their financial support.

For daily prayer suggestions see this week's diary here...

Today <i>22nd September</i>	10.30am Holy Communion 12.45pm Community Clean-up 6.30pm Evening Fellowship 6.30pm Youth Group Pray for newcomers and visitors to church
Monday	7.00pm Online Prayer Group Pray for members of the PCC
Tuesday	Pray for our Administrator and volunteers
Wednesday	10.00am Lion Club Pray for leaders and our church groups
Thursday	Pray for external Groups using the Church
Friday	11.00am Open Door 12.00pm Midday Worship Pray for staff of CPAS and Diocese
Saturday	Pray for prospective vicar applicants
Next Sunday	10.30am HARVEST THANKSGIVING 6.30pm Evening Fellowship 6.30pm Youth Group Bible Reading: Psalm 104

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