

Update

Sunday 1st – 8th March 2015

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- ▶ **Well**, spring is almost here and as the book of Ecclesiastes says, it's '*a time to plant and a time to uproot*'. May the Lord give us spiritual wisdom in what we allow to grow and flourish in our lives!
- ▶ A **special Happy Birthday** to Leila who celebrates her 30th this week. Esme's first birthday is not far away either.
- ▶ Tonight we have our monthly **evening communion service** and Rev John Packard is bringing the devotional. Everyone welcome!
- ▶ We have new **Penny Harvest Boxes** (for your loose change) available. Well done Melissa in raising over £160 for her work's Children's Charity!
- ▶ We start our Lent Series of messages today, *Aspects of the Cross: See it Afresh, Serve Him Anew*.

This Week:

Today	9.30 am 10.30 am 6.30 pm	Men's Prayer Group Morning Service: <i>'The Long History'</i> Evening Communion: John Packard
Monday Tuesday Wednesday	7.15pm 12.00 pm 10.00 am 7.30 pm 7.30 pm 7.45 pm	Home Group at Isobel's Diner Toddle-in Group Discipleship Explored Group Home Group at Viv's Home Group at Mike & Marion's
Sunday 8th March	10.30 pm	Morning Service: <i>'The Question of the Ages'</i>

- ▶ **Mother's Day** coming up on Sunday 15th March, with Mrs V Packard
- ▶ Young Peoples' **NYUK House Party** at NTC (ages 11-18), 27th – 29th March.
- ▶ **Pleased note the various holidays** that are advertised on the church notice boards, namely: **Kids Summer Camp** at the end of July, and **Breakthru** in August

Readings and Prayers this week:

- ▶ We continue in our prayers for those who are ill in our church circles and beyond
- ▶ We pray for those struggling with disability, especially children
- ▶ We pray for God to speak directly to people during the period of Lent

Monday	Reading Mark 6:1–29 Pray for Jon, Bren, (Drew & Stephanie, Alex & Mark) Fisher
Tuesday	Reading Mark 6:30–7:13 Pray for Jamie, Maida, Jimson & Jewell Filoteo
Wednesday	Reading Mark 7:14–37 Pray for Jean and Lucy Frost
Thursday	Reading Mark 8:1–9:1 Pray for Ghirmay, Meaza, Ybarek, Nahom & Grandma
Friday	Reading Mark 9:2–29 Pray for Woodrow Gould & family
Saturday	Reading: Psalm 118 Pray for Bill, Lorraine Graham
Sunday	Reading Psalm 119 Pray for Will Graham

Important: With *International Women's Day* falling this week, we remember the many women and children who are abused and mistreated in our world. We are grateful for those organisations that stand up for the human rights of those who have no voice in some parts of the world. Lord, hear our prayer for such vulnerable people.