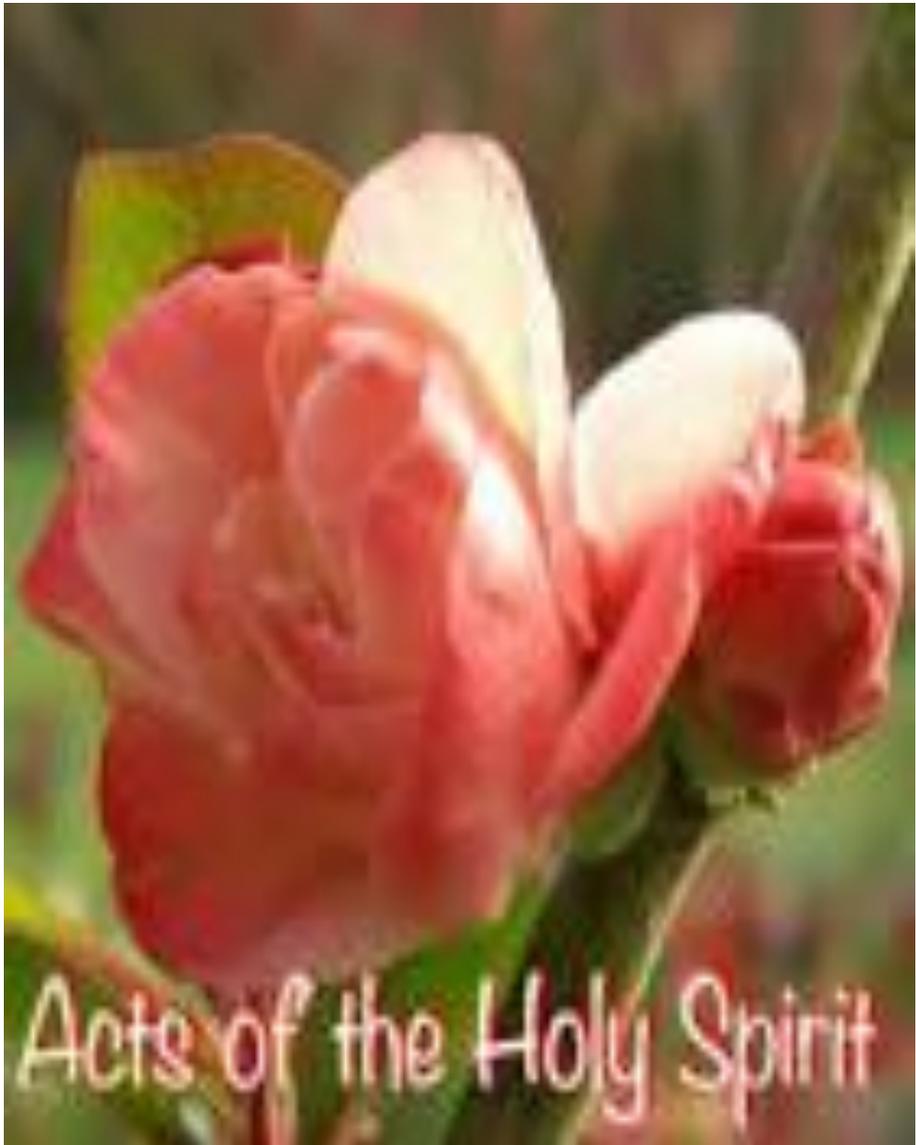


June 2022



Dear Friends

It is a great honour to write this as the new Pastor of Hope Baptist.

My apologies that I have not written as often as I would have wished in the intervening months but sorting, packing and moving house was far more time and energy consuming than I had imagined – even if my darling wife did most of the work. In the end we made 11 trips to the local tip (three of which were using a friend's car and trailer) and a total of 92 bags and boxes were donated to the local charity shop. Despite all of this, Tracey still feels we have too much stuff and plans to have another cull now that we have moved. As is often said, we think we own so much stuff not realising that in many ways our stuff can end-up owning us!

Of particular interest to me was that a good 3/4's of everything that got thrown away came from the same place...the loft! When I have spoken to other people about this who have also moved home, they nearly all nod their heads in agreement. The loft, it seems, is that place where all the stuff that we don't know what to do with ends-up being stored. As my wife worked her way through the loft time and again she found things that were broken, or had pieces missing, or were just things that she had no idea why she had kept.

As I reflect on this I realise that we all have a similar to place somewhere inside us, a mental and emotional loft where parts of us that are broken or that have bits missing, that are hurt or are wounded, are kept hidden away. Just as moving home forces us to clear out the loft upstairs, so beginning a new phase of church life is perhaps a chance to open-up the inner loft of our hearts and have something of a clear-out. Such things are difficult and painful, we'd rather put it off and allow more stuff to gather instead. However, it is part of the Saviour's transforming work within our souls to help us bring out the broken, missing and damaged parts of our lives and to begin His process of healing and of restoration.

So as we begin a new phase together in Hope's history, now is the time to ask, 'is there anyone I need to forgive?' 'Is there anything I need to let go of?' 'Is there something from the past that it is now time to leave in the past?' Perhaps above all it is a time to seek God and ask for His healing on any wounds or scars we still bear. Often it is only as we let go of what was that our hearts become empty enough for God to start filling them with what is to come.

I read a book recently where the author asked what was a true, positive, spiritual attitude to life? Her answer, forgiveness for the past, thankfulness for the present and hope for the future. All of these are truly ours in Christ

I have to go now. We've still got a load of boxes to unpack and Tracey says some of them are for the loft! Fortunately, this time, it's just the Christmas decorations!

Blessings to you all

Darren

Why Go to Church?

Rhonwen asked me if I would pen a few words as to why people should come back to church, as opposed to simply watching on you-tube. Now of course if you are sick or housebound then being able to watch the service on you-tube is a much needed blessing. However, it isn't the same as being 'in' church and meeting 'with' God's people.

The American evangelical Quaker Elton Trueblood tells a story of when he was a young man and was going through a period of disillusionment with the church. One cold winter's day he went to see an old and trusted friend to tell him about his frustrations. He sat by the open, roaring fire and poured out all his woes, angst and disappointments. Why, after all, did he even need to bother with church? His friend listened silently and when Elton had finished there was a moment's silence. Without saying a word, the older man picked up a pair of tongs from the fireplace, stirred the fire briefly, and then picked-up a burning hot coal from the heart of the fire. It burned with white hot heat. The old man placed it on the hearth and watched it. Slowly the coal started to dim, white hot, to red hot, to a duller red, until the familiar dark colour of the coal itself became visible. After a few more minutes, with the coal now hardly burning at all, he picked it up again and placed it back in the heart of the fire. Within moments it was glowing bright red again, and then it was back to white hot intensity.

The old man never answered Elton's question. He didn't need to. Elton knew the message.

We need each other to keep spiritually aflame. Without the encouragement, prayers and fellowship of our brothers and sisters we soon start to cool down. All too easily we become like the coal outside of the fire.

There is also, of course, another side to this. When we do meet with our brothers and sisters in church our little burning coal helps produce the heat and light that warms others and helps them to stay alight.

We struggle on our own, but together we can ignite the flame of each other's faith and help one another to burn brightly in a world that so badly needs to see the light of the gospel.

Pastor Darren

Our cover image demands a second glance.

Why are the words 'Acts of the Holy Spirit' written below the beautiful rose?

It must have inspired a poet to write - out of faith and understanding, looking at the rose.

Such is the case within the experience of Susan Roher. She finds all the attributes of the Holy Spirit within its beauty.



The Holy Spirit is :

powerfully *LOVING*:

actively *PEACEFUL* :

emphatically *kind*:

infallibly *faithful*:

commandingly *JOYFUL*,

compellingly *PATIENT*,

intensely *good*,

potently *gentle*,

vigorously self controlled.

Who wouldn't want to know a Person like this?

Actions speak louder than words - God did when He created the rose.

She is all of the above – look closely at her.

God can meet us at any place, at any time, through anybody of His choosing.

If that doesn't equate with an exciting life – I don't know what does.

Perhaps we could drop a few hints... God approves.

Write down (pen and paper), the times and places where you felt great.

1. Where and when did you feel most comfortable?
2. Where did you last have a really good laugh?
3. Where was that view that took your breath away?
4. What hurdle did you overcome – and surprised yourself in the process?



Has the word 'calling' fallen out of fashion these days?

The word has a charm of its own. Darren and Tracey use it a lot having realised that they had received a calling from God to come to Hope. I ask, is this present generation prone to be so self enabling that there is little room for outside 'forces' who will guide their steps and develop their personalities? God has been replaced by the words 'by myself'. Is there really any true value in trying to be so independent of God?

June hits us with an intrinsic sense of her 'calling' to us.

She doesn't want us to merely look at her - she wants us to embrace her for who 'she' is and what she has to say.

June brings to each of us a sense of a creator God working for our good and bringing an inner anticipation of summer, a new season of growth and vitality.

She assures us of summer days when we should sit back and cast off a few of life's responsibilities and complications. She prepares us confidently - with buds that blossom quietly, and beautifully. There is beauty, design and stability in our world - none of which is of our own making.

June stands for development and confidence that a new season is here to give us a new perspective.

June offers us the tools with which we can appreciate the best, simplest and most gratifying things of life. Here is life itself opening up, calling us into herself. It will do us good to thank her in return.

Thank the Giver of " All things bright and beautiful / all creatures great and small / All things wise and wonderful / the Lord God made them all".

June is a month of Jubilee in her own right. We would do well to sustain our celebrations.

Am I condoning yet another period of rest?

Well there's a world of difference between Covid-induced lockdown 'relaxation' and the balmy, summer-long days and evenings, with windows and doors wide open. Whilst Covid succeeded in lowering our expectations, summertime promises to equip us with every opportunity to lift our spirits so that we can re-charge our batteries.

Look around and listen to the Voice of the Lord of Creation you will hear Him calling... and when we hear Him we will begin to feel alive again.

God has formed every bud to blossom into a thing of beauty and He intends us to do the same.

The lyrics of 'Summertime' haunt us. It is a lullaby but it speaks to every heart, of every generation, simply because we all need the reassurance that speaks so hauntingly from every line.

"Summertime, and the living is easy One of these mornin's/You're going to rise up singin'/Then you'll spread your wings and take to the sky/

But till that morning There's nothing can harm you/With mummy and daddy standing by.

We have a Father who stands by us. He gives our lives a new rhythm that steadies us in the midst of every challenge and fear.

OUR YEAR OF JUBILEE

Who doesn't take delight in celebrating? Celebrations punctuate our lives with moments of nostalgic delight awaking in us the desire to emulate the achievements of past heroes - men of honour who gave us their faith, integrity, their courage and foresight so that our lives would be enriched. As Darren, Tracey and Jack come to us they bring with them their wealth of experience. We all share our yesterdays but we celebrate the future too - for the best is yet to be. We, at Hope, have cause to celebrate!

There is another celebration which makes 2022 a very special year. It is significant because our Queen celebrates her Platinum Year of Jubilee - 70 years of service. On the eve of her coronation the Queen made a radio broadcast in which she stated, "Throughout all my life, and with all my heart I shall strive to be worthy of your trust".

She pledged to serve her country - and has kept the vow through good times and difficult times in equal measure, simply because she has put her trust in her Lord, Jesus Christ. Each day with discipline, diligence and dedication she has opened the 'red boxes' exercising her duty as sovereign to sign and oversee the laws and traditions of our land. Her Majesty has given Royal Assent to approximately 4,000 Acts of Parliament.

However, it is her Bible that has been her true Statute of Law because it is her Saviour who has been her guide and comforter. For 96 years she has known and demonstrated this truth - a truth that has brought with it a dignity and respect for all mankind. Such qualities shine like beacons - they should be emulated!

This is surely cause for Celebration - May Her Majesty be comforted in the knowledge that she has been a Servant Queen for 70 years.



The Bible places a special emphasis on the number 7.
There are 7 days in the week. $7 \times 7 = 49$ years = 7 Sabbath years.
The year following was the 50th year, The Year of Jubilee.
It was a year of re-set! - an economic, cultural, environmental and communal re-reset when the land and the people were to rest. All those in slavery were to be set free, free to return to their families and communities. Everyone would be released from their debts. Rest, reconciliation, will and family were the by-words and many complicated Jewish laws established the importance of this year - The Year of Jubilee.



In Hebrew the word "Jubilee" means 'ram's horn'. (Shofar)
It was blown on the 10th day of the 7th month of the 50th year announcing the Year of Jubilee.

It was a year of Divine Favour – a Gift from God.

What wouldn't we give for a year of such liberation and forgiveness today.

Jesus came to set us free from all that shackles us. He said in Luke 4 v 18 -19.

"The Spirit of the Lord is upon Me,
Because He anointed Me to preach the gospel to the poor.
He has sent Me to proclaim release to the captives,
And recovery of sight to the blind,
To set free those who are oppressed,
To proclaim the favourable year of the Lord." And we say 'Amen - so be it'

Family News.

Happy Birthday to **BMS Birthday Scheme Members - June**

2 nd	Pam Weldon	16 th	Jonathan Ware
8 th	Wendy Carver	17 th	Eva Evans
9 th	Anita Jones	24 th	Rhyl Coleman
14 th	Barbara Harris		

Duty Deacons Mary Johnson and Phil Hogg.

Deacons Meeting 8th June 2022 7pm.

Church Meeting 16th June 2022 7pm.

Pulpit ministry

It is with great joy (and big relief!) that I can say that Rev. Darren Blaney, our new pastor will be preaching every Sunday throughout the month of June. What a blessing this is going to be for each one of us.

Tea Rota

June 5 th	Joan and Manny De Vera
12 th	Neil and Val Jenkins
19 th	Diane and Ray Jose
26 th	Anne and Dai Davies

Flower Rota

June 5 th	Mary Johnson
12 th	Angela and Alistair Duthie
19 th	Marilyn Lomas
26 th	Chris Burn

On Sunday, June 5th we will also have Jane Edwards with us. Jane is making huge strides in her work in Mozambique enforcing justice using the newly acquired technology which is now available. It will be good to see you, Jane.

I want to say how sad we are to have attended the funeral of Mrs Margaret Morton. For all who knew her for many years, you will be feeling so much gratitude for all the fun, the music, the choir, the friendship that exuded from Margaret (and her twin sister Mary). Margaret had many stories to tell of happy days as a teacher in Melton Mowbray and Pontycymmer. One day we will have time to recollect the impact so many have made on our lives here at Hope. Margaret and Mary will be in the top ten!

We are also sad to hear of the passing of Chris' mum. (Christine Davies) Chris has been a rock to her boys who have come to Hope since they were born. This loyalty is a testament to her faith from childhood. Through it all her mum has supported her every step of the way. Such has been the bond between mother and daughter. We love you Chris and assure you of our heartfelt prayers.

Edith is getting stronger – presently at Bryn-y-Cae. Keep that wonderful positivity that is so evident and contagious! Clarice continues to find new strength after having undergone such a big operation. I am trusting that Gloria, Vaughan's wife, has had successful treatment at the hospital and is home again. We are grateful that Brinley George has recovered from Covid. We pray for you and Pat too.



We had an inspiring Dedication Service on May 8th when Richard Roberts officiated at the Dedication Service of Becky and Jordan Brown, who promised to bring their daughter Thea up in the ways of her Lord. The family, Noreen, Julie and Nigel are supported by us at Hope. Jordan attended Hope before leaving to live in Exeter.

We are saddened to hear that Rev. Mike Weldon has been in hospital with a chest infection. It might be truer to say that half of his time was spent in an ambulance outside the hospital, such is the concerning state of hospitalisation these days. We trust that all medication is working together for healing.

Mrs Hilary Thomas has been admitted to our hospital where she is undergoing tests. We pray for respite and healing for both Hilary and Don.

This is a big month for Mrs Eva Evans. The secret is finally out and we are relieved as we want to be able to celebrate openly her 100th Birthday. We want her to know that we thank our Lord for the day she walked through the doors of Hope. We have benefited from her wise words of counsel, her encouragement, her humour, her example. A born teacher and loved by pupils and parents she graced the Rhondda with her skills in drama and public speaking. Many congratulations, Eva, for living life to the full. God has been everything to you as you have trusted Him in every part of your life's experiences. Hope continues to love you and prays for you as we join in your birthday celebrations. Pob bendith a cariad mawr, Eva.

We wish Margaret and Dinlle Francis every blessing in their new home. They are both delighted – ignoring the physical pain and decision making. Margaret (of Hut 18 fame) has suffered much during and after the house move and hopes to have a hip operation before our next issue. Margaret is open to all medication – Maltesers and Manchester Tart are top of the list. The same good news is coming Chris Burns' way. We are praying for you both. You will soon be free of the pain that has been horrific for so long.

As we stand on the very threshold of Darren's ministry it is only natural for me as secretary to look back. I see how we have all stayed together on an unprecedented long Covid journey. Now is the time to emerge and to find anew our **enthusiasm for life**. Yes, even amidst the debris of this war-torn 21st century. We have the glorious month of June ahead of us - a new Pastor is taking us into the future – a new beginning.

June will bring us colour and beauty but it must also give us purpose and joy. Too many people say that this is too big an ask right now.

"It's still early days. It's hard to find any enthusiasm when pain is a barrier and the hospital waiting lists are long" yet right in front of our eyes - via the media or just personally, we see the courage of other people who have the will to fight on.

Understandably you may think that Hope has changed. I can understand that; but let me assure you the very *essence* of Hope has not changed. Hope has prayed for everyone of you, prayers have remained constant. As we address the envelopes for the magazines, as we meet on Tuesdays and Thursdays and, most especially Sundays we recall good times past and pray for a future of faith, loyalty and commitment. Memories of all three come easily to mind, as do your names and all that you have meant to each one of us. You are all members of our family. I thank you for your prayers for Hope, they have given us heart.

You might still say that Hope has changed. I agree – ***it has changed because it had to***. We had to keep moving forward. (See page 18 May Mag) The very best thing is that the change brought new people into our midst. It is an absolute joy to welcome you and share faith with you. Be assured that we thank God for every single one of you.

It is our prayer that we are all one family again worshipping in the sanctuary, supporting Darren (and Tracey); that more people come to worship God, to find friendship and ***find enthusiasm for their lives*** here in Hope. The Pentecost feeling is one like a surge of power, a self belief that we can do all things through Christ who strengthens us in every sphere of our lives.

PENTECOST

I am sure that the first two lines of this poem below will surprise you – knowing that we read in Acts 2 v 3

“Suddenly a sound like the blowing of a violent wind came from heaven and filled the whole house where they were sitting. 3.They saw what seemed to be tongues of fire that separated and came to rest on each of them”.

Our poem reads (the war in Ukraine jumps to mind)

I don't want you to send the fire
We are burned out
The people can't be gathered and they
shouldn't be sent
we're staying home.
And yet
In every single country around the world,
comes the same message in its own tongue,
and we all understand.
We all share the same spirit
Love one another and stay home

But God's Pentecostal fire was not destructive. We note the angel of the Lord appearing to Moses in flames of fire from within the bush. Moses saw that though the bush was on fire it did not burn up. Here was a sign that God was speaking. It is His power that paves the way.

That same power seared itself into the very hearts of the disciples and empowered them to 'Go into all the world and preach the gospel'. The Holy Spirit still comes today – quietly – powerfully, at turning points in history.

May it fall on Ukraine, on our world – on us all.

Unless the eye catch fire,
God will not be seen.
Unless the ear catch fire
God will not be heard.
Unless the tongue catch fire
God will not be named.
Unless the heart catch fire,
God will not be loved.
Unless the mind catch fire,
God will not be known.
William Blake (1757-1827)
from *Pentecost*



WHAT HAS BEEN OCCURRING?

Preparation for the ministry of Darren. This has come to pass. Darren has been working this past week. However, it will take the Induction Services this coming Saturday to be the greatest bench mark.

You are all invited. Please make every effort to attend and support both Darren, Tracey and Jack too as they settle into Hope and the wider community.

I have been away celebrating my birthday with my family. I had so many beautiful cards. I thank each one of you for your kind and encouraging words. They have certainly meant a lot.

May I ask for your understanding if I have made omissions - especially in Family News. It has been hard to keep in touch from such a distance.

Tea fit for a Queen – with apologies from Paddington Bear who had a very important tea to attend on the same day!

On Saturday, June 5th an afternoon tea was held at Hope to honour the Queen's Platinum Jubilee Year.

45 members of 'the landed gentry' of Hope attended – they looked resplendent.

£360 was raised for the Charity "Stand by me... "

Started by the plight of orphaned refugees David Spurdle it is operating in 11 countries whilst looking after 3,0000 children.

David Spurdle, a teacher from Hornchurch, visited Lebanon and saw some kids who needed help. He didn't know how he was going to do it, but he committed to caring for 60 orphaned boys, so he founded Kids Alive UK that later became Stand by Me. Since then, they've rescued over 10,000 kids across 11 countries.

We thank the team who were inspired to use a Jubilee Tea Party to raise money for such a worthy cause.

Such was the moment of decision made that day by one man who had no idea how God works in such a mysterious and wonderful way. We sing "it only takes a spark to set the fire glowing".

Rules! Rules! Rules!

Have you come across any recently? I'm sure you have. They have come to the fore of late for me as I am writing this article three days before leaving for the US. I am shrouded by Covid rules – won't go into that but it has made me think.

Despite the appearance of hassle, good rules work for our protection and guidance.

There are other rules, however, that stop us acting and looking downright stupid. More often than not they are easily obeyed. Few of us women would wear orange, lime green, and blue together.

You might argue, "What about floral dresses?" - but I am talking about block colour. Fewer still would flaunt the rule and wear a polka dot blouse with a tartan skirt.

What man sits on the beach these days with his shoes, socks and rolled up trousers with a large handkerchief, knotted at each corner adoring his brow?? I suppose fashion 'rules the roost'. Seemingly we flaunt its rules at our peril.

Then come the bad rules. Rules that impair on our lives. Town centres that have been pedestrianised to their peril - if not to their death.



Before our blood pressure soars to new heights we had better ask ourselves - what rule would we install for the good of mankind, of course - if rules allowed!

We would instantly look to whatever works for us, every time without fail. We would tap into our life experiences.

What rules actually work in our private world. When we have needed direction, when we have needed rock solid advice where, what or who have we turned to?

As this is a church magazine you will expect this to be a short-one word answer and my shortest article ever!! I will say 'God' but that answer definitely needs enlarging.

So, look at the question again.

Where would you go to? Please don't tell me to read the manual when I am at the kerbside with a flat tyre. Those who do that must surely be in the minority. I need a hands on person who will come and sort me out, preferably without muttering (loudly) "Women drivers".

Not all men can plaster walls nor can they 'sort out' the electricians or stop leaks on a flat roof. We need a 'man who can' - someone willing to come asap and do the job 'properly'.

What exactly do I need to do? I really want to do it myself but don't know where to start. There are simple rules that might well be within my capability but where do I find them? "Just show me how to do it; I will then do it myself; just point me in the right direction". I have been here many times. Confession! I am not a DIY perfectionist more of a Heath Robinson genius, consequently I have headed for many a disaster.

Which brings me to the workplace. One man certainly didn't follow the rules Things didn't turn out well!!

"I was on workers comp for 10 months to recover from a job. After that I had to go to re-hab.. to recover from day time T.V".

Oh! dear he broke many rules.



Who do we turn to? The one person who has credited expertise. The one who comes 'Highly recommended'. The man who can instil enough confidence in us that we follow his ruling, his well considered advice. The one who can show us letters of satisfied clients - his work speaks for itself because he has followed the right rules. May you be literally blessed when you find such a person - hang on to him!

So where is God in all this?

Has He become redundant?

Not at all, because the rule which fosters such abilities in men and women comes straight from Him.

There are only two rules. Two rules - is that all? Yes, for they are all embracing.

Love God and your neighbour as yourself.

WORDS MATTER!

Do you ever get yourself into a tizz? How do you even spell the word?

Here's another - flummoxed!

We have all been there. You are in a room full of people you don't know! - you are nervous - apprehensive - but you have to make 'small talk', it's horrible! This is the moment we start digging a hole, putting two feet right into it and then keep on digging! it can go like this.

"Hello, what's your name?"

"Reggie"

"Oh! My friend's dog is called Reggie. You sort of look like him too - the dog, not my friend"

"Really, what kind of dog is Reggie?"

"A mix - just a mix really"

"You mean a mongrel". END of conversation - time to stop digging.

Yes words matter but there are, thankfully, many, many more times when they hit the mark. I am reminded of a sentence that Richard Roberts used in the Dedication service for little Thea.

"Today teachers are afraid of the headmaster: the headmaster is afraid of the parents: the parents are afraid of the children and the children are afraid of no one".

There's too much truth in those statements!!



Words are like keys! f you choose them right they can open any heart and close the door on many a bracing wind and chilling word.

Here are words of consolation spoken from personal experience of late -

My idea of housework is to sweep the room with a glance.

If you look like your passport photo you probably need the trip.

Junk is something you've kept for years and throw away three weeks before you need it.

The Holy Alphabet

Although things are not perfect.
Because of trial or pain
Continue in thanksgiving
Do not begin to blame
Even when the times are hard
Fierce winds are bound to blow
God is forever able
Hold on to what you know
Imagine life without His love
Joy would cease to be
Keep thanking Him for all the things
Love imparts to thee
Move out of "Camp Complaining"
No weapon that is known
On earth can yield the power
Praise can do alone
Quit looking at the future
Redeem the time at hand
Start every day with worship
To "thank" is a command
Until we see Him coming
Victorious in the sky
We'll run the race with gratitude
Xalting God most high

MALE v FEMALE AT THE ATM

MALE PROCEDURE:

1. Drive up to the ATM.
2. Lower your car window.
3. Insert card into machine and enter PIN.
4. Enter amount of cash required.
5. Retrieve card, cash and receipt.
6. Raise window.
7. Drive off

FEMALE PROCEDURE:

1. Drive up to ATM machine.
2. Reverse and back up the required amount to align car window with the machine.
3. Put hand brake on, put the window down.
4. Find handbag, remove all contents on to passenger seat to locate card.
5. Tell person on mobile phone you will call them back and hang up.
6. Attempt to insert card into machine
7. Open car door to allow easier access to machine due to its excessive distance from the car.
8. Insert card.
9. Re-insert card the right way.
10. Dig through handbag to find diary with your PIN written on the inside back page.
11. Enter PIN.
12. Press cancel and re-enter correct PIN.
13. Enter amount of cash required.
14. Check makeup in rear view mirror.
15. Retrieve cash and receipt.
16. Drive forward 2 feet.
17. Reverse back to ATM machine.
18. Retrieve card.

June

She needs no teaching – no defect is hers;
She stands in all her beauty ‘mid the trees’,
‘Neath the tall pines her golden sunshine stirs
And shifts and trembles with each passing breeze
All the long day upon the broad green boughs
Lieth the lustre of her lovely life,
While too much drugged with rapture to carousel
Broods her soft world of incense– being rife.

So without effort or perplexing thought
She comes to claim all homage as her own,
Clad in the richest garments nature wrought,
Melting the strongest with her magic zone.
O wondrous June! Our lives should be like thee,
With such calm grace fulfilling destiny.

*Welcome to Hope and to Bridgend, Darren, Tracey and Jack
The beauty of Wales awaits you.*



OUR WEEK AT A GLANCE

For more information on any of our activities, please get in touch with the contact shown.

TUESDAY:

Tuesday Prayer Group 9.30am Mrs R Rowe (01656) 654881

Tuesday@Hope 10.30am Mrs M Johnson (01656) 656346

THURSDAY:

Babies & Toddler Group 9.30am Dr D. Ware (01656) 662948

Prayer Meeting 7.00pm

SUNDAY:

Sunday'scool 10.30am

Morning Service 10.30am

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OUR STATEMENT OF PURPOSE

(Church Meeting 010503)

We will EVANGELISE our community & beyond.

We will encourage people to become more Christ-like through
DISCIPLESHIP.

We are committed to meeting the needs of those inside & outside
our walls through MINISTRY.

We will value FELLOWSHIP, recognising that it is a divine gift to the
church.

We will come before the Lord in obedience to WORSHIP Him.

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