

Sunday, 12th January, 2014

10.00 am

Worship Leader
Communion Leader
Children's Church

Ruth Jackson
D. Ferrett
W. Whitehead

M. Cox, D. Clark, J. Trewin
M. Burrow, B. Kiley, C. Beasy, B. Moritz
J. Cole / J. Armstrong
K. Underwood
D. Homfray / M. Butler
G. Beruldsen, M. Cameron, D. Shields, N. Underwood,
P. Duscher, J. Wiffen, C. Staley (reader), L. Biggs
R. O'Connor
J. Bradford, R. Whitcombe, R. Whitcombe
R. Hawtin
A. Munro / P. Leng & R. Hawtin
C. Beasy & N. Underwood



Crèche
Cuppa
Communion Prep.
Flowers / Cleaning
Grounds

The Annual Church Picnic and New Year's Eve Fireworks was one of the highlights of the year. Last year's pyrotechnic show will not be forgotten by all those standing around Donnie Walker on his father's shoulders. When the last ball of fire streaked across the sky and the audience was cheering, little Donnie kept looking up into the sky and saying, "Thank you, God."



He was born in an obscure village, the child of a peasant woman. He grew up in yet another village, where he worked in a carpenter's shop until he was thirty. Then for three years he was an itinerant preacher. He never wrote a book. He never held an office. He never had a family or owned a house. He didn't go to college. He never travelled more than 200 miles from the place where he was born. He did none of the things one usually associates with greatness. He had no credentials but himself. He was only thirty-three when the tide of public opinion turned against him. His friends ran away. He was nailed to a cross between two thieves. While he was dying, his executioners gambled for his clothing, the only property he had on earth. Twenty centuries have come and gone and today he is the central figure of the human race. All the armies that have ever marched, all the navies that ever sailed, all the parliaments that have ever sat, all the kings that have ever reigned, put together, have not affected the life of man on this earth as much as that one solitary life.

22nd & 29th December, 2013



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5th January, 2014

As I think of the New Year that is ahead of us my mind is drawn to **HEBREWS 12: 1-3**, *"Therefore, since we are surrounded by such a great cloud of witnesses, let us throw off everything that hinders and the sin that so easily entangles, and let us run with perseverance the race marked out for us. Let us fix our eyes on Jesus, the author and perfecter of our faith, who for the joy set before him endured the cross, scorning its shame, and sat down at the right hand of the throne of God. Consider him who endured such opposition from sinful men, so that you will not grow weary and lose heart."*

There is so much in those three verses that you could preach on them for a month. But let me draw out just a few brief thoughts.

1. We are surrounded by a great cloud of witnesses.

This tells us that we are not alone. There are fellow believers lifting you up with their prayers, cheering you on with their encouragement and setting the standard through their example.

2. Throw off everything that hinders.

This is the choice we all must make as we enter a new year. You have the choice to run free of the baggage that weighed you down. You have the choice to run a different path, free of the sin that entangled you.

3. Run with perseverance.

Don't give up, no matter what obstacles you hit on the way. Never give up!

4. Run the race marked out for us.

Will you run God's race – the one he has ordained? Or will you stubbornly run your own race?

5. Jesus has done it all.

Through the cross and the victory of the resurrection Jesus has secured for us everything we will need to approach the new year with hope and purpose. Whatever unfolds in this coming year, if you are on Team Jesus then you are on the winning team.

6. Keep your eyes on Jesus.

My prayer for 2014 is for God's very best and his richest blessing. But this will only become a reality for me and for you if we keep our eyes on Jesus. Where will your focus be in 2014?

ANDREW

HAPPY NEW YEAR!

Welcome to church today. If you are a visitor we offer you a special welcome. We hope you enjoy worshipping with us. Please stay for a cup of tea or coffee following the morning service.

Today, Sunday 5th January, 2014

10.00am

Andrew Tonkin
Life's Potholes

Worship Leader
Communion Leader
Reading

Matthew Cameron
Michael Waters
2 Corinthians 4: 7-11



6.00 pm

No Service

Next Week, Sunday, 12th January

10.00 am
only

Ruth Jackson

No Evening Service

2 Corinthians 4: 7-11

But we have this treasure in jars of clay to show that this all-surpassing power is from God and not from us. We are hard pressed on every side, but not crushed; perplexed, but not in despair; persecuted, but not abandoned; struck down, but not destroyed. We always carry around in our body the death of Jesus, so that the life of Jesus may also be revealed in our body. For we who are alive are always being given over to death for Jesus' sake, so that his life may be revealed in our mortal body.

Loving God - Loving People

GODLY GENEROUS GENERATIONS GRACE GOSPEL

This Week

Sunday	5th	9.30 am	Prayer
		7.30 pm	Ray on Radio 106.7FM
Tuesday	6th	7.30 pm	Elders?



JANUARY

THANK YOU

A BIG Thank you to all who have supported the Christmas Day Lunch with prayers, finances, food and helping.

It was a huge hit and enjoyed by all.

A special thanks to my team of workers who volunteered their time to help in the kitchen and make it all run so smoothly.

In God's Service
Natalie Moritz

Do you have Mail to collect? Please check the pigeon holes today.

THEY MISSED HIM!

They were looking for a lion, He came as a Lamb. And they missed Him.

They were looking for a warrior, He came as a Peacemaker, and they missed Him.

They were looking for a king, He came as a Servant, and they missed Him.

They were looking for liberation from Rome, He submitted to the Roman stake, and they missed Him.

They were looking for a fit to their mould, He was the mould breaker, and they missed Him.

Will you?



Family News & Prayer



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