

## For prayer

- We give thanks to the Lord for the safe arrival of Reuben Alec Morris and we pray for Sam, Eluned and Reuben at this time.
- Pray for the Open Air.
- Pray for the regular market stall.
- Pray for the Sunday school.
- Pray for ongoing opportunities in the schools.
- Pastor is preaching at Upavon, 11th August.
- Pastor is preaching at Strangers Rest, London, Wednesday 21 August.
- Pastor is preaching at Emmanuel Church, Salisbury, 11 September.
- Pastor is preaching at Grittleton Chapel, 15 September.

### Missionary Spotlight

- The Work of TBS.

### Other Churches

- Crosslanes Chapel, New Forest.
- Grace Reformed Baptist Church, Hilperton.
- Exeter Independent Evangelical Church.



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*So then faith cometh by hearing, and hearing by the word of God.*  
— Romans 10:17

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# Maryport Street Baptist Chapel

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MSBC Newsletter

August/September 2019



**Lord's Day services 11a.m. and 6:30p.m.**

**Midweek meeting: Tuesday 7:30 p.m.**

*Refreshments follow the Lord's Day evening service*

We celebrate the Lord's Supper after the EVENING service on the 1st Lord's Day and after the MORNING service on the third Lord's Day of the month.

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## Devotional from the Pastor

*Dear Congregation,*

**M**any of our number have experienced the sorrows of life. The Lord's people are not immune from sufferings. The Christian Life is one often watered with the tears of the godly. Mr Spurgeon, commenting on Exodus 3:7, brings these helpful and timely reminders to us — that our Saviour knows our sorrows:

*I know their sorrows*  
— Exodus 3:7

“The child is cheered as he sings, ‘This my father knows’; and shall not we be comforted as we discern that our dear Friend and tender soul-husband knows all about us?”

1. He is the Physician, and if He knows all, there is no need that the patient should know. Hush, thou silly, fluttering heart, prying, peeping, and suspecting! What thou knowest not now, thou shalt know hereafter, and meanwhile Jesus, the beloved Physician, knows thy soul in adversities. Why need the patient analyse all the medicine, or estimate all the symptoms? This is the Physician's work, not mine; it is my business to trust, and His to prescribe. If He shall write His prescription in uncouth characters which I cannot read, I will not be uneasy on that account, but rely upon His unfailing skill to make all plain in the result, however mysterious in the working.

2. He is the Master, and His knowledge is to serve us instead of our own; we are to obey, not to judge: "The servant knoweth not what his lord doeth." Shall the architect explain his plans to every hodman on the works? If he knows his own intent, is it not enough? The vessel on the wheel cannot guess to what pattern it shall be conformed, but if the potter understands his art, what matters the ignorance of the clay? My Lord must not be cross-questioned any more by one so ignorant as I am.

3. He is the Head. All understanding centres there. What judgment has the arm? What comprehension has the foot? All the power to know lies in the head. Why should the member have a brain of its own when the head fulfils for it every intellectual office? Here, then, must the believer rest his comfort in sickness, not that he himself can see the end, but that Jesus knows all. Sweet Lord, be thou for ever eye, and soul, and head for us, and let us be content to know only what Thou chooseth to reveal.”

*With love in the Lord Jesus Christ,*

*Tom*

## August and September meetings (DV)

Lord's Day 11a.m. and 6:30p.m. (Pastor)

Midweek meetings: Tuesday 7:30p.m. (Pastor)

Sunday school (First Lord's of each month) 2:30-3:30p.m.

### Market stall

Friday 6 September, 9:00a.m. - 2:00p.m.

### Christian Worship Camps Rally

Saturday 21 September, 11a.m.

Preacher: Pastor Stephen Ford

### TBS Wessex Auxiliary Prayer Meeting

Monday 30 September, 7:15p.m.

Preacher: Dr Gerald Bilkes

### Other dates for your diary

Fellowship Lunch

Lord's Day 29 September.

Salisbury Conference

Friday 27 and Saturday 28  
September, noon and 1p.m.

Preacher: Dr Gerald Bilkes

### Open Air

During the Summer the Open Air mission will be coming to Devizes for outreach in the town. They are coming to assist the church to recommence our Open Air ministry.

- Thursday 15 August
- Wednesday 21 August
- Wednesday 11 September
- Wednesday 25 September

For all able to come, please meet at the chapel for prayer at 11:30a.m. before going into town, The Open Air ministry will take place outside the bookmakers in the Brittox between 12:00 noon and 1:00p.m.

### CW Camps

Cardiff (18+) and Chepstow\* (10-17)  
Monday 26 - Saturday 31 August.

\*Tom Yates is chaplain for Chepstow Camp.