

Sun 25th July 2010

10am service

**Week 4 Team Serving
Lord's Prayer concluding
thoughts...
Kenya Team sending**

PRAYER - Pray about who you can connect with over the summer using your paper 'people chain'?! Pray for & be a part of the four 'Well' prayer evenings over the summer. Pray for the Kenya team while they're away (look out for prayer updates). Pray for family left at home [Tania & children] plus pray for Jane, whose Mother has recently been admitted to hospital with a broken arm. Pray for Brian & Pauline, friends of Ann Naraine – Brian is seriously ill at the moment. **Pls send through any prayer requests / updates!** ☺

Kenya news...Kenya news...

School needs: Green school uniform, dresses, jumpers + especially some grey school shorts / skirts + children's socks & pants + toothbrushes + first aid kits (plasters) + £ money for additional resources to purchase & leave in Kenya.

Items to be delivered to Val & Dave Floy's by Friday evening ready for loading up on Saturday!

Summer Sundays!

Pick up a Postcard this Sunday or check our next Tuesday's ebulletin...all events start at 11am so you'll get a bit of a lie in!

1/8 – Kingsbury picnic

Hosts: Paul & Shaon Eeles

8/8 – Dovedale walk

Hosts: David & Tania McNeil

15/8 – Dordon bbq

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22/8 – Edgbaston mac

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Over the summer we're encouraging folks to connect with at least 2 other people / families you don't know so well to build connections & create new friendships in the church!



'And do not let us yield to temptation, but rescue us from the evil one'

Many would be happy if the Lord's Prayer finished at verse 12 in Matthew 6 but the inclusion of the prayer for deliverance from temptation & evil creates a sobering reminder that we do life in a hostile environment. Three forces are at work opposing our progress as followers of Jesus – the world, the flesh & the devil. Verse 13 could be simplified to one word; **HELP!**

Take time this week to reflect on Ephesians 6:10-18. Get tooled up!

There are times in life when we are called to just tough it out, but there are also times when we need to *create* [in regard to temptation] as well as ask God for an exit strategy!

1) Temptation: -

- a) Is NOT sin [You are not alone in the struggles you face...]
- b) God will not tempt us beyond what we can bare [1 Cor 10:13]
- c) Jesus *really* does understand the temptations and tests we face [Hebrews 4:15] – he was tempted in every way but without sin.

2) Rescue from evil: -

- a) We confront the enemy in our own lives *best* by putting forward our champion to fight on our behalf [Jude 9, Zech 3:2 'The Lord rebuke you']
- b) Jesus defeated the enemy at the beginning of his ministry by successfully navigating the temptations [Matt 4:1-11] and from then on the devil is very much on the margins as Jesus begins his work of liberation & rescue of the oppressed, bruised and marginalized.
- c) Jesus' focus was on bringing a *Good News* message, he set the agenda, he dictated the pace – demonic interruptions were dealt with in the light of the greater mission to seek & save the lost!
- d) Exhortation is a crucial gift in the church to call us to open our eyes to the enemies strategy & generate a corporate response. Stand side by side, cover & protect each other – the enemy is our only adversary...

COMING SOON...COMING SOON...COMING SOON

- July 23rd – Prayer evening @ 8pm at Eeles
- July 25th – Sending service for Kenya Team
- August 1st – Kingsbury Water Park event!
- August 6th – Prayer evening @ 8pm
- August 8th – Dovedale Walk & picnic!
- August 15th – Big BBQ in Dordon!

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