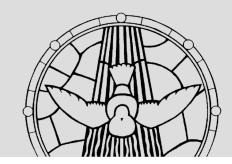
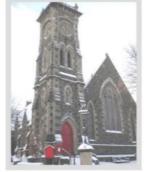
# **Newport-on-Tay**



# Church of Scotland Journal

February 2022





The year 2021 like any other year came with its joys and sorrows, highs and lows, triumphs, and tragedies, both by individuals' estimation and by the world's standards. For example, predictions that the covid-19 pandemic was plummeting and could even disappear due to imposed barrier measures and the introduction of vaccines, proved futile or was only a half-truth. The bad situation was made worse when two other variants of the virus emerged, dubbed delta and omicron. The unrelenting call from governments and other world organisations including quarantine measures, and the demand for constant testing for the virus seems to

make life predicated on a boring routine. Individuals have been beset by mounting problems of ill health, the loss of family members, close friends, or acquaintances, some at young and tender ages and others at a ripe old age. Some have lost their jobs and valued friendships, and found other relationships strained. For many, life has been a cycle of travails and not worth living.

My personal circumstances in the past year might serve as a linchpin for the point I am trying to make. Last June I lost my father and had to endure that loss including the risk and expenses of travelling to Cameroon and my hometown for the funeral. The insecurity that looms large following the protracted war in the Anglophone regions of Cameroon was also threatening. A few months after I returned to Scotland, my uncle whom I last saw at my father's funeral was shot in the head by unknown gun men and killed. At the beginning of 2022, Florence and I tested positive for covid-19 for the first time, and we felt this was really a bad way to begin the new year. In the Newport-On-Tay church community, we lost some of our Christians to death and some have been unwell from covid-19 and other illnesses. An ageing congregation means that many can often be poorly in health and lacking in vitality or vigour. Every one of us can tell their own stories of times when things have gone wrong, and when the sense of inadequacy has overcome us. But we hardly express in the same manner and more positively those wonderful blessings we have received from God despite our problems. No wonder, Catherine Pulsifer suggested that 'rather than crying for what we do not have, let us give thanks for all things that we have and enjoy. Count your blessings and then share them with others again and again'. So, what can we celebrate despite lingering problems?

We can celebrate the fact that in the last year we received new members and families into our church. They have improved the quality of our fellowship and worship with their constant presence and gifts towards the work and mission of the church. We thank God for our Christian witness in the community. We are proud of our manna Café with its distinguished services in the village and how it has continued to provide outreach by serving people day by day. And even though we are an ageing congregation, we rejoice because of the continuity that young people and children in our congregation guarantee and the introduction of new life through birth - a huge blessing from the Lord.

Personally, and from the Manse, we have recently heard the cry of a new-born baby, over 30 years after the last Newport Manse Baby, when Rev Graham Black and his family were there. On Wednesday the 26th of January 2022 at 1:40am, Florence gave birth to a baby girl in Ninewells hospital. We have named her Anna-Danielle Fenghefeze. Anna is from the Hebrew word nanch (Hannāh or Chanah), which means 'grace' or 'favour'. Danielle is the female form of Daniel which means 'God is my judge'. My late father was called Daniel and we have given our daughter the female version of his name to immortalise him. Fenghefeze is a name from our mother tongue meaning 'the heart of God'. Our understanding in giving those names to our daughter is that God's heart has judged us graciously in giving such a beautiful gift to us despite our troubles and our own inadequacies. We reckon there are so many problems and shortcomings around us and in our lives, but we can find something to be thankful for and to celebrate as long as life endues.

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Minister's Letter continued ...

The song 'Count your blessings' was written by Johnson Oatman Jr. His father, Johnson Oatman Sr., was a prominent businessman in the small town of Lumberton, New Jersey, and the best singer in church and community. Johnson Oatman Jr. worked in his father's business all his life. He also became ordained as a Methodist preacher...but he could never sing like his father. However, when he was thirty-six years old, Oatman counted his blessings and discovered another talent. He could write songs. And for the next three decades he wrote four or five new gospel songs each week. Some of the words of that famous hymn are penetrating and significant for our purposes:

When upon life's billows you are tempest-tossed, When you are discouraged, thinking all is lost, Count your many blessings, name them one by one, And it will surprise you what the Lord hath done...

We are in the second month of the New Year - 2022. I pray that as we face the challenges that will come with the year, whether imposed on us by bad politics and policies, or created by the wrong choices we make, we would find opportunities to celebrate the good things of life and thank God for his measureless and gracious love.

Count your blessings instead of your crosses
Count your gains instead of your losses
Count your joys instead of your woes
Count your friends instead of your foes
Count your smiles instead of your tears
Count your courage instead of your fears
Count your full years instead of your lean
Count your kind deeds instead of your mean
Count your health instead of your wealth
Count on God instead of yourself.

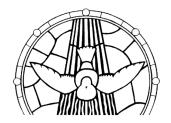
Every Blessing,

# Rev Dr Amos Chewachong



Welcome to

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Congratulations to Amos and Florence on the birth of their beautiful baby girl. We are all looking forward to watching her grow up in our church family. Every Blessing to you all.

#### **NEWPORT CHURCH VISION STATEMENT**

Our vision is to be a church which inspires people with the Good News of Jesus Christ through our enthusiasm, worship, witness, nurture and service.

# **Worship / Covid Update**

'The people living in darkness have seen a great light; on those living in the land of the shadow of death a light has dawned.' (Matthew 4:16)

One of the many advantages of having a father who was an Engine Driver was that you could as a child sneak into the cab of the railcar as it made its way between stations. The increased sensation of speed and the uninterrupted panoramic view this position afforded was without doubt the envy of all my school chums. I remember the long straight perspective of the Tay Bridge as we approached the High Girders, the cathedral-like steelwork of the Forth Rail Bridge towering high above us, but best of all the darkness of the tunnels and the first vestiges of light which then exploded into bright blinding sunshine as we left the underworld behind.

To many of us the past two years can be likened to travelling through a tunnel. The darkness of the pandemic enfolding us and at times almost suffocating us from established family life and its many personally rewarding interactions. Curtailing our movements, social contacts and even our ability to worship. But the great thing about a tunnel is that it does end, slowly the light begins to pierce the darkness, fears are dispelled and with new hope the end is reached - we are once again bathed in #glorious sunlight!

When you are encapsulated in the darkness however with no frame of reference it can be frightening. Which way or whom should we follow? Do we have the courage to take the next step and in which direction should we go? Thankfully, as Christians we have our faith and the assurance of our Heavenly Father to keep us safe in times of trouble or grave concern. The gift of his Son, our Saviour Jesus Christ and the presence of the Holy Spirit remain ever-present. Help in times of need, comfort in times of sorrow, a light in the darkest times of our lives.

'I have come into the world as a light, so that no one who believes in me should stay in darkness.' (John 12:46).

As the impact of the Coronavirus pandemic and its many variant guises recedes and infection rates show signs of a sustained drop in numbers, we can begin to think that we are nearing the end of this dark and dreadful tunnel. With each course of vaccination, the resultant rays of light have shone ever brighter through the darkness. Now, we can begin to see a new normal life beyond the tunnel exit. The approaching light however must remind us that many people within our communities will have suffered directly or indirectly from the ravages of this pandemic. Many will remain in the shadows of this darkness for many years to come. It is now we must walk as the children of the light and share the illuminating Good News of Jesus Christ with them.

When Jesus spoke again to the people, he said, "I am the light of the world. Whoever follows me will never walk in darkness but will have the light of life." (John 8:12)

Please note any change to our current practices and mitigation measures proposed by the Covid Group of the Church of Scotland will be considered at our February Kirk Session meeting. Any changes will then be posted on our website and included in our weekly email. If you are not on our mailing list and would like to be, please email newportcos@btinternet.com and we will get you added.

Francis B. Robertson
Session Clerk & Covid Co-ordinator

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On New Year's Day Howard Davis braved the Silvery Tay at Broughty Ferry to raise funds for our Church and in doing so he raised £190!!

Thanks to everyone who sponsored him.

Well done Howard!



# **Church of Scotland Guild**



Coming soon...

Newport-on-Tay Local **Branch** 



The Church of Scotland Guild is a movement within the Church of Scotland which invites and encourages both women and men to commit their lives to Jesus Christ and enables them to express their faith in worship, prayer and action.

(Taken from www.churchofscotland.org.uk/serve/the-quild)

For more information contact: Catherine Merrylees on 07484 726754 or your District Elder.

## **Parish Register**

#### **Deaths**

2nd Jan Mr Walter Hart

Formerly Wormit Dist 98

Mr Alexander (Ally) Dempster 11th Jan

Newport-on-Tay Dist 15

#### **New Members by Certificate**

Mr Chris Cameron

Newport-on-Tay Dist 6

From :- Kirkliston Parish Church

Mr Ross Husband

Newport-on-Tay Dist 22

From :- St David's High Kirk, Dundee

## **Editorial**

Happy New Year! Yes it seems like that was a long time ago but this is the first Journal of the New Year. When thinking about what I could write the obvious 'New Year' thoughts go to resolutions. Don't worry, I won't ask about whether you are still sticking with yours! This seemed a good opportunity to speak about changes.

Over the past 2 years of Covid we have seen many changes and are still experiencing change. A lot of this has been outwith our control. Whatever change we choose for ourselves however is a different story. Whether that change is cutting down on plastic, having some meat free days, getting fresh air every day, these choices are all good. But they won't always present an instant change. A lot of things take time—but it is important to remember that lots of little changes, or the same change repeated over time,

will build up and show a greater yield. In January 2021, as we were back in lockdown, I decided to go outside for a walk every day. It was only meant to be for the 31 days in January. I enjoyed it so much I kept going and before I knew it I had walked for 100 days.

Then I wanted to do something more with my walking so I did my fundraising challenge. Then I didn't want to stop. When this Journal is being printed I will have just clocked up 400 days. 400 days! If you had said to me I would walk for 400 days I would have laughed! Now I look back and think how glad I was that I took that decision to walk and stuck with it. And I can see the progress I have made. Some days it was hard but by keeping going the rewards are greater.

Where am I going with this I hear you ask? Think about something you can change—whether that be for you, someone else, the church, the world, it doesn't matter—and stick with it. You may not see the benefits right away but deep down know that in time it will make a

difference. It's all part of a bigger plan. God Bless



Claire



## **Pop-Up Post Office**



The Pop-Up Post Office continues to run on Wednesdays and Fridays from 9:30 - 11:30am. Access for this service is through the front door of Kirk House to the Agnes Duncan Room.

Lynn Watson (who has a post office counter in Dairsie) is running this and is able to do everything except DVLA & Passport matters.

Please continue to support this outreach facility until a permanent venue is sourced.



# **Afghanistan Crisis Appeal**

Christian Aid is imploring churches to hold a collection for Afghanistan which is heading for catastrophe, with the threat of famine very real for millions of its people. Severe droughts, internal conflict, Covid and now freezing winter weather mean many are struggling to survive and urgently need help.

Humanitarian access has been very difficult but Christian Aid's local partners are now responding and Christian Aid is providing food for the most vulnerable internally displaced people, special nutrition packs for children and pregnant mothers, hygiene kits, and shelter kits against the bitter cold for displaced families.

Recently a Christian Aid worker reported, "We are witnessing suffering like never before".

For more information and how to donate look online at Christian Aid's website <a href="www.christianaid.org.uk">www.christianaid.org.uk</a> or alternatively please see or phone me (543446) and I will forward all donations.

However you do it, please contribute to this appeal.

#### **Margaret Imlay**

## **Thank You**

To the Rev Dr Chewachong and all who attend Newport Church, Thank you so much for the very beautiful flowers. My best wishes and prayers for 2022.



Pam Fuller

# **Life Update**



Hi everyone,

We wanted to give everyone in our church a wee life update. We have been searching for a place to buy in Newport-on-Tay for almost 2 years. We really felt that we needed to be in Newport-on-Tay to become part of the community even more. After a long time waiting and a lot of people praying, in November 2021, God provided us with a home better than we could ever imagine! We are just about settled into our property now, and we are absolutely in love and feel right at home!

We had a list of specific things that we felt we needed and he went above and beyond! We have lovely neighbours and a spectacular view. We asked for 2 Bedrooms minimum, God gave us 3! We have a great size kitchen and living room, which will be great for entertaining friends and family members alike. And best part of all, we can walk to church and no longer having to wait on buses or relying on others to help Chris get to the office anymore! Our new home is also the flat above where a previous youth worker for our Church stayed. God is truly incredible!

We are now staying at 13 Queen Street East in Newport-on-Tay and we hope in the coming months, once things ease more, we can invite more people round!

Thank you to everyone who has been praying for the last couple of years. We hope this little update is an encouragement to anyone who has been

praying for us, or for those wondering if God really does answer our prayers. He really does and he meets your needs even when you are unsure what they are!

Many thanks,

Chris and Katie Cameron

## **Christmas Gifts**

A huge thank you to everyone who donated to our appeal for Christmas gifts.

I took the gifts to Tay FM's Mission Christmas who were very appreciative of the presents. This year they had record levels of requests for help as a result of the economic climate which has this year

pushed more and more families into poverty, likely accelerated by the end of the Universal Credit top up and furlough. Our support helped to ensure that some disadvantaged children woke up on Christmas morning with something under their tree.

I was also able to make a monetary donation on behalf of the Church to the Toy Drive. They received referrals for 194 families across NE Fife, which equated to 465 individual children and were able to ensure each child received a £15 Amazon gift voucher. This allowed parents to purchase specific items and ensured delivery right up to the week of Christmas.

Many thanks again to everyone for their support of these two causes.



#### **Claire Owen**

## Can You Help?

Hi Everyone,

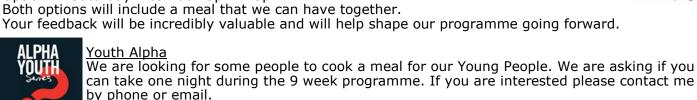
Hope you are doing well. We have some exciting ministries that we are working on which are planned to launch soon. We are looking for people to help in some ways. Below are some more information on these exciting opportunities

Messy Church

We are looking for families to answer the following question.

Our plan is to run Messy Church one Saturday a Month. What timings would suit your family better and why?

Option 1: Saturday Mornings 10:30am - 12:30pm Option 2: Saturday Afternoon 3pm - 5pm



Thank you so much to everyone who has donated props! We are almost complete with our props! We are now looking for people who can make jackets and headdress from material. If you can sew, we would love to hear from you! The jackets and headdresses we are looking for are of simple design.

**Bible Alive** 

If you are interested or can help in this way, please contact Jane Campbell or me by email or by phone.

We are launching Youth Alpha in March and do have some weeks booked up already!

Many Thanks **Chris Cameron** 

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## **Christmas 2021**



Christmas had, once again, a different feel to it this year. However we still managed to celebrate Jesus's birth in our own way.

As the Omicron variant spread, the decision was made to hold the Nativity

service on Zoom. This was projected onto the wall in the church for anyone wanting to attend there. The children did a marvellous job and coped admirably with last minute changes. I would like to take this opportunity to say well done to them all and many thanks to Neil and Catherine Merrylees along with the Nativity and Tech teams who helped pull it all together.

Unfortunately our Watchnight Service was cancelled but our Christmas morning service in the hall was well attended by church members and local families

It was lovely to share the festive season with everyone and here's hoping that Christmas 2022 will be more 'normal' (whatever that is!).

#### Claire Owen



# **Sunday Club Update**

#### Teaching so far

We started back in the New Year with the first session online, but then from the 16th January we have been meeting face to face in the hall.

We have started a series in the Energize materials looking at 'I am' statements of Jesus. We began with 'I am He' followed by 'I am the Bread of Life' and 'I am the Light'. This will continue for a total of seven

At the end of February, we will spend one session looking forward to Lent and the meaning of that as well as the foodbank collection that we usually do at that time.

#### **Funday Sundays - Request for Volunteers**

The first Funday Sunday of this year is the 20th February. 'Funday Sundays' have proved very successful. They provide fun activities for children during the service throughout holiday periods. They often mean parents feel able to come to church even when there is no formal Sunday Club teaching. As a church, they allow us to have children's activities on almost every Sunday throughout the year.

I am now looking for volunteers who will help run these in the future!

Jane Johnston did a fantastic job for many years coordinating them. However, she has now had to step back due to other commitments and therefore if anyone feels called to be a coordinator I would also be grateful if you would let me know.

Therefore, in summary I am looking for :-

- people to run individual sessions the commitment is roughly once / twice a year
- someone to help coordinate the programme.

Please do get in touch with me if you feel led to contribute in this way or even would just like to find out more. Thank you!

### Update on Sunday Club Sponsorship of Rimberto from Bolivia

As you will know, we have committed to sponsoring through World Vision, Rimberto, a young boy from Bolivia. The children keep up-to-date with Rimberto's progress through frequent reports received from World Vision. This allows them to better understand the lives of children growing up in very different circumstances and to pray for Rimberto and his family and community in a relevant and intercessional way.

#### **Fundraising**

We continue to fundraise through the regular weekly offerings of the children and other donations from members of the congregation and other friends.

Please do feel free to have a look at the information board in the Sunday Club room with some background about Rimberto and copies of letters sent and received.

#### **General Information**

For further information about World Vision and its work, do have a look at their website: www.worldvision.org.uk





## **Youth Update**

Hi everyone,

I can't believe it's already 2022! This is just a quick update since our last one in December. Our Youth Groups just started back only a few weeks ago. In the mornings we have been looking at Exodus, where we are trying to understand if these amazing things were possible like parting the sea and building and dismantling the Tabernacle and Courtyard. In the upcoming weeks we will be begin looking at Joshua and his heroic victories to find Israel a home as well as the Judges of Israel.

In the evenings we have looked at how to build up your faith daily and gave our young people tools to do this. We looked at different apps, teaching materials, devotionals and different Christian Radio stations to worship too. We have also looked at different and creative ways to pray, which includes writing in sand, painting, lighting candles and smashing tiles! Some photos of these activities are below. To see more pictures, and to view these ones in colour, please visit our website <a href="www.notchurch.co.uk">www.notchurch.co.uk</a> As you are reading this, we have just returned from our first weekend away in almost two years. We have been to Lendrick Muir with 16 young people! We will have had lots of fun doing various activities and learning about the transformational power that Jesus has when we follow him!

On the 13th February we are running an interactive workshop about Science and Faith. We have a

On the 13th February we are running an interactive workshop about Science and Faith. We have a some special guests who are coming to talk about their work, their faith and how it interacts with one another. We will be giving our young people opportunities to ask questions and find out more. Here is some information about our guest speakers.



Hi I'm Rosie! I work for an wildlife conservation charity and worked outside for the last 7 years! I am super passionate about conservation and how we can help individually and as a community. I am originally from Glasgow but have worked and lived in Stirling for around 5 years. I grew up in the church and have always believed in God but it wasn't till I was at uni that I found my own faith and relationship with God!

Hello, my name is Douglas McClintick, I'm 28, originally from Dunbar but now living in Kelso (Scottish Borders) with my wife Hannah and dog Arrow and I'm someone who every day is learning more and growing through the joys and challenges of following Jesus. This has taken me as far away as Moldova and Brazil, but currently involves me working as an electrical system engineer at

Torness Nuclear Power Station and serving in Hawick Baptist Church as a Sunday School leader, Sound

Desk Operator and Bible Study Group Leader. When I can get some free time I enjoy being active playing tennis, hillwalking, cani-crossing and cycling followed by chilling with a good book (fantasy is my genre) or film (anything but horror..). I committed myself to following Jesus when I was 10, having grown up in church and come to a conscious decision that I believed what I was hearing. I have had questions and experiences since which have shaken my faith but Christ is a firm foundation who I remain secure in today.

Hi, I am Hannah McClintick, I'm 27 and I grew up in Newport Church! I became a Christian as a young teenager and enjoyed good foundational teaching in my faith at Youth Seekers. I went to university in Edinburgh to study Veterinary Medicine where my faith really grew and deepened. I became heavily involved with

to university in Edinburgh to study Veterinary Medicine where my faith really grew and deepened. I became heavily involved with the Veterinary Christian Fellowship (VCF) as a student and I am now the student and new graduate liaison for the UK. I really enjoy seeing God working through individuals and student groups. Douglas and I met in Edinburgh and we now live in Kelso in the borders where I work as a vet with small and farm animals. The countryside gives me opportunities to enjoy cani-cross (running with your dog), hillwalking, tennis, cycling and cooking. We have been blessed by fellowship and biblical teaching at Hawick Baptist church as we see how God is working in this difficult land.

#### Blessings **Chris Cameron**









## **Presbytery Mission Plan**

Please see below a letter from Fife Presbytery which has been written with the intention of being shared widely with congregations and church members to raise awareness about the Presbytery Mission Plan.

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### **Presbytery of Fife**

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Presbytery Clerk: Rev Dr David Coulter
Mission Director: Mr Neil Campbell
Moderator: Rev Jane Barron

#### Letter to all Ministers and Congregations in Fife Presbytery Fife Presbytery Mission Plan Update – 31<sup>st</sup> January 2022

In the King James Version of the Bible, Proverbs 29:18 says: "Where there is no vision, the people perish...." In the RSV it is translated: "Where there is no prophecy..." while in the NIV it reads: "Where there is no revelation, the people cast off restraint." By the 31<sup>st</sup> December 2022 we as a Presbytery are mandated to deliver an approved Presbytery Mission Plan that will reduce our number of ministries by approx. 25% and determine the future of our buildings. To do so, we all need to seek God's guidance and to pray for revelation, prophecy and vision.

For several months we have been in consultation and now, given the time constraints, we need to begin to forge a vision for the future. There is an ancient proverb that says: "Blessed is he who plants trees under whose shade he will never sit." It is understandable that some ministers, ministry staff and congregations are apprehensive about the future and what will happen to their church and ministry. Many have continued to work hard to maintain the church for generations to come. Our people are devoted, committed, hardworking and faithful but now we are asking too much from too few. As a new Presbytery we have come together but we don't really know one another and what we can become. We have yet to discover that we can be greater than the sum of our parts. In some places congregations are dwindling; ageing and fearful about where the Kirk is going.

Elsewhere there are new shoots beginning to appear and new ways of being and doing church beginning to emerge and evolve. Many of our ministers are weary and Kirk Sessions are working hard to support them, sustain the faithful, our buildings and our Presbyterian heritage. We all want the Church of Scotland to be living and active in our community and to endure; despite the fact that our resources are being stretched and our infrastructure may no longer be as fit for purpose as it once was. Deep down we know we need to change, to make decisions and plan to future proof our church, so that future generations will sit in the shade of the tree that we have had the courage and the conviction to plant.

Our people are valued and we need to retain the faithful. We as a Presbytery have come together to support one another, to help one another as followers of Jesus and to be a force for good and a catalyst for change across our communities. We need to deliver on our promise to unburden ministers, elders and congregations and to free them up for mission, vitality and growth. We need to be prayerful and open to God speaking as we listen to him and seek his will as we continue to evolve, change and deliver the plan. Our aim is to enable ministers and congregations to fulfil their calling and to realise mission that is sustainable.

Lastly, in thanking you for all that you have done and continue to do for our church, we would ask you to pray for us, as together we seek to discern God's will for Fife Presbytery's Mission Plan.

With all good wishes and every blessing, Jane, Neil and David

Rev Jane Barron – Moderator Mr Neil Campbell – Mission Director Rev Dr David Coulter - Clerk



It almost feels like two steps forward and one step back at the moment!

After finally getting our face-to-face meetings up and running again during November, we spent December looking at Advent and Christmas in a variety of ways. Then we took a break over the holidays to allow us all to celebrate Christ's birth in our own way.

Our return in January was delayed by a week as the Covid infections became more prevalent locally. Unfortunately attendances over the next few weeks were a little disrupted as boys took turns in testing positive! Meanwhile we spent time concluding a look back at Christmas and the story of Simeon, before turning our attentions to the Chinese New Year.

With the restrictions still limiting our mixing freely, we have intentionally continued to keep our meetings low-key, despite our small numerical strength. Hopefully it will not be too long until we can undertake a recruitment campaign in the area to try and significantly increase our numbers so that we can enjoy a much wider range of activities with a larger number of boys taking part.

Philip Owen Company Captain

# manna matters

Happy New Year to you all. We do start the year in a much better place than last year when manna, like many other businesses, was closed due to the Covid-19 pandemic. It was cold and dark and I, like many others, felt I had no purpose. For a Christian that's not good. God always has a plan for each of us and I am so grateful for that. This year manna is open and we now see a return to no social distancing between households in the hospitality setting. This will allow our groups who gather after Yoga or Keep Fit to sit together again.

Our gift shop still has a lovely selection of cards and gifts. In keeping with reducing the amount of plastic we all use, we have shampoo bars and conditioning bars for sale. I find the shampoo bars are great and a positive change for me. I'm still not sure about the conditioning bar - that's a work in progress for me.

We now have homemade soup most days with a new soup maker starting last month. That along with fresh scones being delivered most days is yet another blessing for us at manna. Our selection of cakes is wonderful with approximately 20 bakers keeping the supplies going.

Morag and I continue to work together to make manna work in the best possible way throughout this time of change. Doing this keeps everyone safe when they volunteer or call in as a customer.

#### During February we have a couple of Special Offers!

Tuesday - Thursday 2pm-3.30pm Any two hot drinks & any two sweet treats





Friday 2.00pm-3.30pm 1/2 price Hot Chocolates

God bless for all at manna.

Diane & the manna team

**Manna** is open Tuesday – Saturday 10am-4pm

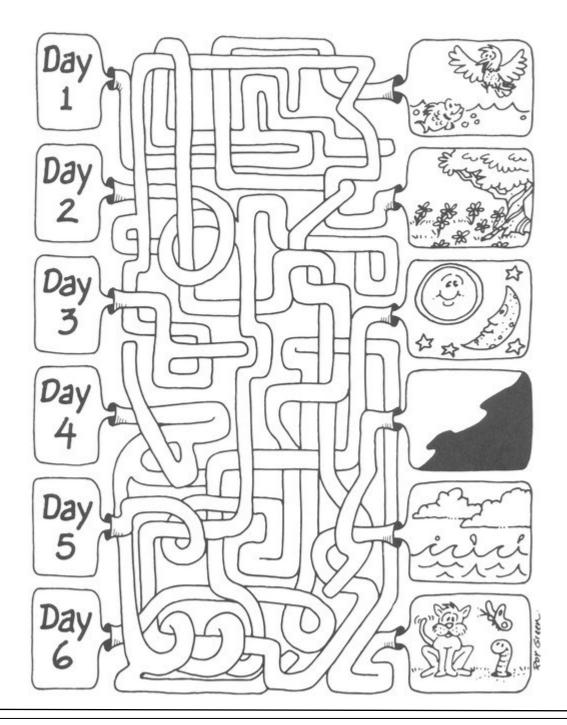
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# PUZZLE

## Let There Be ...

Read Genesis 1:1–25. Starting with Day 1, find the correct path through the maze to the things God created on that day. Do this until you have matched all the days with the correct pictures.





#### **HOW MANY???**

IN OUR WINTER EDITION OF THE JOURNAL THERE WERE 19 CHRISTMAS ITEMS HIDDEN. DID YOU FIND THEM ALL?

# **Calendar of Worship**

### Sunday 6th February 2022 at 11am

Service led by Rev Dr Amos Chewachong

Call To Worship/Intercessory Prayers: F Robertson

**Beadle:** I Armstrong Reader: J Campbell

Flowers: N Pong **Delivery**: A Barona

#### Sunday 13th February 2022 at 11am

Service led by Rev Dr Amos Chewachong

Call To Worship/Intercessory Prayers: P Owen

Beadle: A Barona Reader: N Pong

Flowers: J Mitchell **Delivery**: C Barr

### Sunday 20th February 2022 at 11am

Service led by Mr Francis Robertson

Beadle: G Campbell Reader: J Cuthbertson

Flowers: L Balfour **Delivery**:

#### Sunday 27th February 2022 at 11am

Service led by Mr Philip Owen

Beadle: K Campbell Reader: A Wilman

Flowers : A Waugh **Delivery**: F Durward

#### Sunday 6th March 2022 at 11am

Service led by Rev Dr Amos Chewachong

Call To Worship/Intercessory Prayers: C Owen

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Flowers: E Thomson **Delivery**: A Gray

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But they that wait upon the Lord shall renew their strength; they shall mount up with wings as eagles; they shall run, and not be weary; and they shall walk, and not faint. Isaiah 40 v 31



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