

This Is the Day the Lord Has Made

On this day You were crucified,
On this day when You bled and died,
On this day of your riven side,
On this day which unleashed the tide
Of blood by which I'm justified
Because You pled my case and cried,
"Forgive them Father!"

On this grim day, so dark its hour,
On this "Good" day death smote with power
And took Your life amid the shower
Of spit and spite. You raised a tower—
Your Cross, Your life a seed to flower
All days since then—on this day.

So on this day I raise my voice
In praise with all who now rejoice
Because You made the Cross Your choice
And died to cancel the invoice
Of sin-debt—spent Your life for mine—
On this day.

— Jack W. Hayford

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Hollybush Newsletter *March—April 2020*



Jim's Jottings

Greetings everyone. Christmas gone. Easter coming soon. Born an infant, soon a death plus a resurrection!! And we live in all the Glory of His resurrection!! Yes! Yes! Because of the past, I am assured of a living present and wonderful future now and forever. Therefore, whatever our physical, mental or spiritual state, we do have an assurance given by no other person, church or life assurance company, president, queen or king, than the best one—Jesus—Hallelujah!

I therefore, beseech you, with St Paul, to keep on, the whole armour of God—and stand against—everything, the enemy, the flesh, newspapers and TV and stand. We are all facing a battle and we have enlisted for life and then life eternal. Be strong and of good courage. Have not I commanded you saith the Lord.

It is not always a straight path ahead that we tread, crossroads and T-junctions, some without signs, and like our friends Peter and June Gregory, when in China, sometimes no street lighting either, stand still and ask the Lord, and He gave them direction. Yes! So we step into tomorrow, with faith, hope, and God's love.—wonderful Easter. St John Ch 3 v 16.

Love Jim and Cynthia



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Friday Night Meetings & Easter events—March and April 2020

March

- 6th March 7.30pm Cliff Henderson (Teeside)
13 March 7.30pm Stephen Kerry (Lancashire)
20 March 7.30pm Jonathan Dunning (Sheffield)
27 March 7.30pm Cedric Barbour (Stoke on Trent)

April

- 3rd April 7.30pm Andrew Spence (Northallerton)
10 April 7.15pm Peter and Jane Cavanna (London)
11 April 2-4pm and 5-7pm Praise, Worship and Prayer with Joanna and Friends—with a break for tea
12 April 10.30am Easter Service
2.00—4.30pm Easter Family Fun Day
6.15pm Evening Service
17 April 7.30pm Barry Manson (Sheffield)



Sunday evenings—6.15pm
The small church will be open for prayer meetings only

From 8th March until after Easter, when there will be a new programme in the large Church
Exciting!

Save the Dates

Hollybush Youth Camp—Undaunted:
Friday 22nd—Monday 25th May 2020

Hollybush Family Camp—Vision without Compromise:
Friday 31st July—Friday 7th August 2020



Family Camp 2020 forms are now available from the office or online. If you would like one please pass on your details to Joanna or Rachel and we can send one out to you.



Bible studies every Sunday at 10.30am

Please come and expect blessing

1 Timothy 4 v 13

Joanna's Jottings



Spiritual Suicide

In general my hope is that some of my attributes are to encourage and exhort others. To pour in goodness and kindness to one another....

We are all faced with challenges at times, some are deeply personal, other challenges are spiritual. I find it truly remarkable that God is with us all the time, constantly turning our situations around to "His Glory".

One thing that impacted me over recent weeks, is that of the suicide of Caroline Flack, more recently known for hosting the programme "Love Island". Suicide is a tragedy—it affects family/friends and in Caroline's case, indeed, the country, the world, everyone is shocked and dismayed that she would take her own lifeWe are not the ones to judge or comment, however, it brings me to consider of how we are with people in the Church—do we fail people, misunderstand their circumstances or judge.....Can we cause people to commit spiritual suicide—"Spiritual death" is a tragedy too.

As we journey through these Lent days and as we approach Easter ... I have a feeling that all the rabbits and the Easter eggs that we will see on the shelves in the coming weeks, nothing, but nothing substitutes the cross and Jesus dying for each and everyone of us.

The best thing we can aim for as we approach this next spring season is to point people to Jesus and show them Jesus, through you.

**Keep on, pressing on,
Sincerely
Joanna**