

YOU ARE THE LIGHT OF THE WORLD LIKE A CITY ON A HILLTOP THAT CANNOT BE HIDDEN

With eager hope, all creation looks forward to the day when it will join God's children in glorious freedom from death and decay. For we know that all creation has been groaning as in the pains of childbirth right up to the present time. And we believers also groan, even though we have the Holy Spirit within us as a foretaste of future glory, for we long for our bodies to be released from sin and suffering. (Romans 8:20-23)

### Dear friends,

Last Sunday during our zoom gathering I briefly mentioned a white paper from Tearfund titled "The World Rebooted." The paper begins:

In the midst of the current coronavirus crisis, many are beginning to wonder what life might look like afterwards. Might this be a chance to create a new normal? For many years, Tearfund has walked alongside communities around the world as they respond to disasters, helping them to recover and create a more resilient 'new normal'. Now, we each face a similar opportunity: how can we 'build back better', and what is the church's role?

Despite the worlds uncertainty and chaos, we know that God's plan for his creation is shalom (peace). The Church, who exists through Christ in the Spirit, has a mission to witness the good news of the future glory that all creation longs for. Please do have a read of this paper at: https://dunfermlinewest.org/assets/files/2020-Tearfund-Rebooted.pdf

### What's on

At the start of the **weekly prayer session** (Wednesdays 11:00) I will be reflecting from the Psalms and how they might be speaking into our lives today. Tomorrow I will be considering Psalms 13 to 15 and seeking God. You may wish to read the Psalms in advance.

The Lord looks down from heaven on the entire human race; he looks to see if anyone is truly wise, if anyone seeks God.
(Psalm 14:2)

**On Sunday** we will be gathering again online at 11:00am for our live service. Anthony will be continuing our Choose Your King series looking at 1 Samuel 17-19, you may find it helpful to read the chapters in advance of the service.



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The **weekly evening prayer and bible study** will on Wednesday at 7.30pm over zoom via the standard meeting details. It will be continuing to look at the study questions from our services,

## **Sharing In and Out Together**

Please do **share any pictures with us** (if you are able) of what you are getting up to. You could share them to our Facebook Page, over What's App, or email them to me.

## **World Mission: Missionary Aviation Fellowship**

This year MAF celebrates 75 years of its ministry, which in 2019 included delivering 2,000 tons of freight, carrying more than 80,000 passengers to more than 650 destinations on more than 28,000 flights, flying more than 19,000 hours. They played a crucial part in the work of 2,000 humanitarian, faith and aid organizations.

Their work has expanded through work on a purpose-built hangar in Liberia that will enable them to increase operations, and on an airstrip in Myanmar. Their planes carried out medevacs in Papua New Guinea and Timor-Leste, brought disaster relief to the Bahamas, the Philippines and Mozambique, provided safe travel in war-torn South Sudan, supported education in Australian Arnhem Land and flew Bible translators and missionaries in Kenya. Although the people and planes have changed over the decades, the vision remains as great and relevant as it was 75 years ago.

Please pray, as it can be dangerous work, and has now the added challenges of the coronavirus, flying restrictions and some closed borders.

# Study Questions on Time and Tearfund's "The world rebooted"

If you haven't had a chance to watch the message from Sunday or would like to watch it again you can watch it at: https://youtu.be/qytjcbV-0uY

Note: please do feedback your reflections on the following questions to Anthony as we discern what God is speaking to us today.



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- 1. Read Haggai 1:5-9; Discuss Fiona's question 'Will things be the same when we return to our new normal?' What can we learn about how we spend our time?
- 2. Read Romans 8:18-28; What does it mean that all creation is groaning for the future glory? In particular, what is the significance that the Spirit puts within us (the church) a foretaste of this future glory? What does this mean to us, for us, today?
- 3. Read The World Rebooted. What part might we play in this great reshaping of society?
- 4. How we can ensure that the church, and society as a whole, enables everybody to flourish? In particular, what can be done to help those in greatest need?

## **Buddy groups and prayer items**

Keep up to date with prayers for our community at <a href="https://dunfermlinewest.org/prayers">https://dunfermlinewest.org/prayers</a>.

## Connecting with us

You can connect into each of these services via <a href="https://dunfermlinewest.org/online">https://dunfermlinewest.org/online</a> and also via telephone using our latest stay connected details at:

https://dunfermlinewest.org/assets/files/dwbc-stay-connected.v5.pdf

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- YouTube: <a href="https://www.youtube.com/channel/UC7BuBS">https://www.youtube.com/channel/UC7BuBS</a> TUKDMvu5Wcpg9PAg/
- Facebook: https://www.facebook.com/dunfermlinewest

# Worship music

As we are creating new songs we are adding them to a YouTube playlist which you can listen to whenever you like at: <a href="https://dunfermlinewest.org/worship/playlist">https://dunfermlinewest.org/worship/playlist</a>

Let us continue to stay in touch, to pray for one another and do not lose hope.

Your brother in Christ, Anthony