

Due to the COVID-19 pandemic, Sunday service continues to take place at 10:30am, online via the [PCF website](http://www.pcf.org.uk) and via RightNow Media

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**Prayer meetings** are taking place online via Zoom on Wednesdays at 7.00pm. If you need information on how to join the meeting please email [connect@tpcf.org.uk](mailto:connect@tpcf.org.uk)

Let us pray for the many who have lost loved ones; those who are experiencing suffering as a result of the COVID-19, those caring for individuals, keyworkers, and those working on the front line.

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Please pray for the grace, mercy, and favour of God in this season.

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If you have a prayer request, please e-mail [connect@tpcf.org.uk](mailto:connect@tpcf.org.uk)

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# SPRING INTO ACTION

## September 2020

(This edition will cover the month of September)



### Reason for Hope

**"I will make the Valley of Anchor a door of hope." Hosea 2:15 NIV**

Biblical references to valleys generally symbolise a state of hopelessness.

The Valley of Achor [judgment] got its name when Achan's family was stoned to death and Israel's armies were defeated (see Joshua 7:25-26). Feeling hopeless is part of the human condition, and many of history's most notable heroes experienced it. William Penn said, 'There is scarcely anything around us but ruin and despair.' Lord Shaftesbury announced, 'Nothing can save the British Empire from shipwreck.' Benjamin Disraeli declared, 'In industry, commerce, and

agriculture there is no hope.' And Lord Grey lamented, 'The lamps are going out all over Europe; we shall not see the light again in our lifetime.' There are naysayers and prophets of doom everywhere, and if you buy what they're selling, you will convince yourself that there is no hope for your situation.

Nothing could be further from the truth! Paul said, 'Let us hold fast the confession of our hope... He who promised is faithful' (Hebrews 10:23). God can transform your 'Valley of Achor into a door of hope'. It's the same promise He

made to His people even after they had turned their backs on Him. He said in Isaiah 65:10, 'The Achor Valley will be a resting place for my people who search for me.'

As Henry Blackaby observes: 'Optimists don't ignore the difficulties, but the knowledge of God's presence prevents them from becoming discouraged. It is impossible to stand in His presence and be a pessimist. If we focus on our problems they will seem gigantic. But as we focus on God we see our situation in perspective and are assured that all things are possible.'

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# FEARLESS FAITH

## Daniel 3: 22–25 (ESV)

<sup>22</sup> Because the king's order was urgent and the furnace overheated, the flame of the fire killed those men who took up Shadrach, Meshach, and Abednego. <sup>23</sup> And these three men, Shadrach, Meshach, and Abednego, fell bound into the burning fiery furnace. <sup>24</sup> Then King Nebuchadnezzar was astonished and rose up in haste. He declared to his counselors, "Did we not cast three men bound into the fire?" They answered and said to the king, "True, O king." <sup>25</sup> He answered and said, "But I see four men unbound, walking in the midst of the fire, and they are not hurt; and the appearance of the fourth is like a son of the gods."

**Dates:** Friday 30th October until Sunday 1st November

**Times:** 7-9pm Friday to Saturday; 10:30am-12:30pm on Sunday

**Speakers:** Minister Andrew Brandon & Pastor David Daniel

**Activities:** Inspirational Worship, Bible Study, Testimonies, PCF Choir & more



## Serving Others

“Always try to serve others with good will, doing service, as to the Lord and not to men.

Ephesians 6:7

A reporter once asked the famous American singer, Marian Anderson, to name the greatest moment in her life. She could have talked about the private concerts she gave at the White House for the Roosevelts, or her command performance for the king and queen of the United Kingdom. Instead, she shocked the reporter by saying, ‘The greatest moment in my life was the day when I was able to go home and tell my mother that she wouldn’t have to take in washing anymore.’

We are all innately self-centred,

thinking first about our personal interests. That’s why we must be ‘transformed by the renewing of our minds’ (Romans 12:2).

Psychologists talk about natural behaviour and learned behaviour. When you’re naturally negative, you must learn to be positive. When you’re naturally fearful, you must learn to be courageous. When you’re naturally selfish, you must learn to be generous. God wants you to go through life looking for opportunities to bless others: ‘Therefore, as we have opportunity, let us do good to

all, especially to those who are of the household of faith’ (Galatians 6:10). And you’re not just to do it to people, you’re supposed to do it through people and unto the Lord. ‘Not with eyeservice, as men-pleasers, but as bondservants of Christ, doing the will of God from the heart, with goodwill doing service, as to the Lord, and not to men, knowing that whatever good anyone does, he will receive the same from the Lord’ (Ephesians 6:6-8).

That means what you make happen for others, the Lord will make happen for you!



## Celebrating Birthdays and Anniversaries - the month of September

Marcia Latty ..... Tue 1st  
Natalie Clarke ..... Sat 5th

Dexter Morgan ..... Sun 6th  
James Hylton ..... Mon 7th  
Tyreigh ..... Mon 7th  
Tehillah Daniel ..... Wed 9th  
Jacqueline How ..... Wed 9th

**☞ Ela and Mandyata ☞**

celebrate their  
Wedding Anniversary ..... Wed 9th  
John Mugridge ..... Thu 10th  
Connell Walden ..... Fri 11th

Ruth Waldron ..... Sun 13<sup>th</sup>

**☞ Daniel and Marsha Shodiya ☞**

celebrate their  
Wedding Anniversary ..... Sun 13<sup>th</sup>  
Isaac Waldron ..... Tue 15<sup>th</sup>

**☞ Samuel and Vernetta Lynch ☞**

celebrate their  
Wedding Anniversary ..... Wed 16th  
Nyella Bennett ..... Thu 17<sup>th</sup>  
Talia Harris ..... Thu 17<sup>th</sup>

**☞ Geoff and Joyce Allen ☞**

celebrate their  
Wedding Anniversary ..... Thu 17th  
Charlene Williams ..... Fri 18<sup>th</sup>

McKenzie Peters ..... Wed 23<sup>rd</sup>  
Donna Daniel ..... Thu 24<sup>th</sup>,

**☞ Manis and Belinda Uduoborie ☞**

celebrate their  
Wedding Anniversary ..... Thu 24th

**☞ Dexter and Debi Morgan ☞**

celebrate their  
Wedding Anniversary ..... Sun 27th  
Vincent Williams (Junior) ..... Sun 27<sup>th</sup>

**☞ Courtney and Erica Daniel ☞**

celebrate their  
Wedding Anniversary ..... Wed 30th

**☞ Lincoln and Mary Thomas ☞**

celebrate their  
Wedding Anniversary ..... Wed 30th  
Anayah Arbuah ..... Wed 30<sup>th</sup>  
Jasmine Stevenson ..... Thu 1<sup>st</sup> Oct

### ENCOURAGEMENT AS YOU CELEBRATE

"Whoever dwells in the shelter  
of the Most High will rest in  
the shadow of the Almighty. I  
will say of the Lord, "He is my  
refuge and my fortress, my  
God, in whom I trust."

Psalm 91: 1-2

"The Lord will guide you  
always; he will satisfy your  
needs in a sun-scorched land  
and will strengthen your frame.  
You will be like a well-  
watered garden, like a spring  
whose waters never fail."

Isiah 58:11

"But now, Lord, what do I  
look for? My hope is in you."

Psalm 39:7

"Truly my soul finds rest in  
God; my salvation comes from  
him. Truly he is my rock and  
my salvation; he is my fortress,  
I will never be shaken."

Psalm 62: 1-2

*We want to celebrate  
with you and your family.*

*Whether you are a  
member or regularly  
attend PCF, let's  
celebrate together. E-*

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will get them printed in  
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encouragement you  
would like to share with  
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*Be still  
and know  
that I am  
God*  
-PSALM 46:10

# QUIZ!

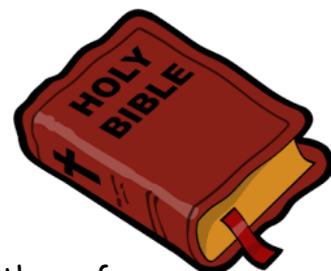
## Knowledge Pursuit of the Bible

Come on, readers... see how much Biblical detail you can remember

1. What is the last word in the New Testament?
2. By which previous name was Paul of Tarsus known as?
3. Whose wife was turned into a pillar of salt when she looked back?
4. In the bible, who is said to have lived on a diet of locusts and wild honey?
5. How many years did Noah live for after the flood?
6. There are only three angels named in the bible, Michael and Lucifer are two, name the other?
7. The book of Esther is unique because it does not mention which word? 8. The Bible was written in three languages -

Hebrew, Koine Greek and which other language?

9. Who made the first translation of the Bible into English in 1382?
10. Name the longest book of the Bible with 150 chapters?
11. In what city was Jesus born?
12. Who took the place of Judas in the twelve disciples?
13. Who was the older brother of Moses?
14. What kind of wood was Noah's ark built from?
15. Who, following Moses' death, became the leader of the children of Israel?



### Answers to Knowledge Pursuit of the Bible

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|---------------------|-------------------|-----------------|
| 1. Amen             | 6. Gabriel        | 11. Bethlehem   |
| 2. Saul             | 7. The word 'God' | 12. Matthias    |
| 3. Lot's            | 8. Aramaic        | 13. Aaron       |
| 4. John the Baptist | 9. John Wycliffe  | 14. Gopher wood |
| 5. 350 years        | 10. Psalms        | 15. Joshua      |

### Answers to Quiz for younger readers

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|------------------------------|-------------------------|
| 1. True                      | 6. 3 John               |
| 2. Genesis                   | 7. Matthew              |
| 3. Revelation                | 8. Hebrew               |
| 4. Matthew, Mark, Luke, John | 9. Greek                |
| 5. Psalms                    | 10. Paul wrote 13 books |

## Biblical Quiz for the younger reader

1. True or False: The Bible is the most popular book ever written. (by copies sold)

**TRUE**

**FALSE**

2. What is the first book in the Bible?

3. What is the last book in the Bible?

4. What four books tell about Jesus life on Earth?

5. Which is the longest book in the Bible? 6. What is the shortest book in the Bible?

7. Which New Testament book has Jesus' Sermon on the Mount?

8. In what language was most of the Old Testament given?

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10. Which human author wrote the most books?