jubilee**church**

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ello and welcome to Jubilee Church.

A few weeks ago we looked at the life of Corrie Ten Boom as well as quoting her on the key subjects of anxiety & forgiveness.

Another hero of the faith was the missionary **Jim Elliott** who was a missionary to the Auca tribe in Ecuador - South America. As Jim grew up he had all sorts of career options open up for him including becoming an architect, journalism and acting. Instead, convinced that the lost people groups of the world needed to be reached with the gospel, he chose to become a missionary. Extensive training in both theology and a variety of languages followed so that he could reach the isolated Auca tribe in Ecuador.

The next chapter of the story was a tragic one. Jim and His team after extensive efforts to set up a rapport with the tribe; landed by sea plane and established a camp near a local Auca village. Within a week the whole team were killed by Auca spearmen who misjudged their intentions. The story is especially moving as Jim's wife - **Elizabeth** and relatives of the other missionaries continued the work of reaching the Auca tribe leading to a spiritual revival amongst that people group that was truly remarkable. Indeed a number of members of the hunting party that killed the 5 original missionaries became Christians themselves.



(Picture: One of the 5, Missionary pilot Nate Saint and his wife Marjorie alongside a Missionary Aviation Fellowship plane used to reach the lost people groups of South America)

Jim Elliott's legacy includes a significant quote by him that gains extra poignancy given the circumstances of both his life and his death

He is no fool who gives what he cannot keep to gain that which he cannot lose.

This Sunday we continue our dangerous revolutionary series by looking at what Jesus has to say on the subject of true investment

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BAGS OF FOOD jubileechurchshepperton.org/bagsoffood



Thank you for all the donations of food and money to Bags of Food. We continue to be busy. Please continue to pray for Bags of Food and the families being supported.



We have plenty of baked beans, tinned tomatoes, soup and pasta at the moment. Thank you for your generosity.

Although the church office will not be staffed full time over the next 2 weeks messages will be checked regularly and the Jubilee Centre will be open daily for Bags of Food, however if the building is closed we have a box in the porch where donations can be placed.

STAFF HOLIDAYS

Jo is on holiday for the next 2 weeks, and Jenny is on holiday for 1 week. Let's pray they have the opportunity to rest and refresh while they're away.



CROWNING YEARS

Crowning Years is our seniors group. It's open to anyone over the age of about 55 (no hard and fast rules) and under normal circumstances meets once a month on a



Thursday. The usual format is that we meet at around 11.00am, have a chat and a cup of tea, then have a time of worship, prayer and Bible study, followed by a light lunch, more tea and industrial quantities of cake.

It's led by a team of Dave Webb-Peploe, Stephen & Heather Morris and Jayne Parkin, who leads worship from the piano (and makes a mean ginger cake, amongst other delicacies).

Sadly meetings have been disbanded for the foreseeable future. Most of our members are a wee bit over the 55 age threshold so we need to be very careful about exposing each other to the risks of the virus. However Crowning Years has a wonderful spirit of family and mutual care and commitment. Members have done a great job of keeping in touch and looking out for each other.

Not all members have internet access, which can be a real drawback at this time. At least two Crowning Years have however have become very adept at joining in Zoom prayer meetings by phone. We deliver a printed news sheet and a CD of the Sunday morning service each week to those who aren't internet connected (if anyone else needs this service please contact Stephen Morris), while Christian radio and TV has been invaluable.

It has been a difficult season. We have sadly lost three of our members, though none was due directly to Coronavirus. These were Edith, who was Diana's mum and had been in a nursing home in Chertsey for some time; Rose, Ray's mum, whose 100th birthday we enjoyed celebrating about three years ago, and Di, our youngest and most unexpected loss. Meanwhile Val now lives in a care home, which was very quick to lock itself down well before Government measures were implemented. This was sad in that we haven't been able to visit Val, but was remarkably effective in keeping residents healthy. And two more of our members, Joan and Joyce, are both now unable to leave their homes.

The rest of the group are doing well. It is nonetheless a challenge, not being able to meet up and enjoy fellowship (or cake) and we do look forward to the day when we can meet up safely again. If you'd like to find out more about joining Crowning Years do get in touch with any of the team.

We have some magnificent prayer warriors in our Crowning Years: most of you will have been prayed for at some stage by at least one of them, so do return the favour if you possibly can.

Prayer and Praise Points

- Thank God for all those who are part of Crowning Years
- Pray for the families of Edith, Rose and Di, that God would continue to comfort them
- Pray that God would continue to protect them from the virus
- Pray for those who are isolating, or shielding, that they will not feel lonely and for opportunities to connect with family and friends safely
- Pray they still feel connected to the church while not meeting in person

TEMPLE FOUNDATIONS UPDATE

Over the last couple of weeks Matt's been busy rebuilding the PA/AV area. It now has access at each end, and the whole area has also been extended and redesigned to better accommodate the equipment needed for live streaming.



PRODUCTION TEAM

Alongside the work we're doing on the desk and within the building, we're also looking to build a new team to serve in the area of production and help us move towards live-streaming our services. In the past we've had fantastic sound and AV teams helping serve us as we worshipped together. The move to prerecorded services and worship, and live-streaming, requires us to develop new skills and adapt to producing church in a new and different way.

The new production team will incorporate sound, AV and now broadcast, which includes filming, editing and live-streaming. The vision is for this team to support our church community, and beyond, through technology and production. Serving, and using our gifts, so people can meet with Jesus, grow and worship together, and be encouraged whether meeting physically or online.

If you'd like to know more or want to find out how you can get involved, please contact Elliot on pa@jubileechurchshepperton.org (he's on holiday next week but will be in touch when he returns).

Sunday 16th August 10.30am: Morning worship (on YouTube) Preacher: Dave Webb-Peploe Theme: Jesus on... Money, Possessions & True Investment

This Sunday's message and worship can be found on our <u>YouTube channel</u> the message will premiere at 10:30am. Previous weeks are also available for you to catch up or watch again.

This week's diary Some groups are taking a break over the summer, check with the group leader. Most groups are currently meeting online, although some are meeting in person in line with current guidance. Contact us if you'd like to join any of our groups.	
Monday 17 August	Thursday 20 August
8.00pm Prayer Meeting	NO FAITH - youth home group Home Groups
Tuesday 18 August 8.00pm Focus Bible Study Home Groups	Friday 21 August
Wednesday 19 August Oak Tree Café Home Groups	Saturday 22 August Addiction Recovery Group
Apologies if any groups have been missed off this week's diary, do get in touch if you'd	

like to be included in future.

Next week: Sunday 23rd August

10.30am: Morning worship (on YouTube) Preacher: Tim Cowles Theme: Jesus on... himself

JUBILEE CHURCH DIARY DATES 30 August 7-8pm Commission Together @ Home (online)

STAFF DAYS OFF: Dave Webb-Peploe: Wednesday STAFF HOLIDAY: Jo is on holiday from 15th August until 29th August, Jenny is on holiday 17th August until 21st August

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