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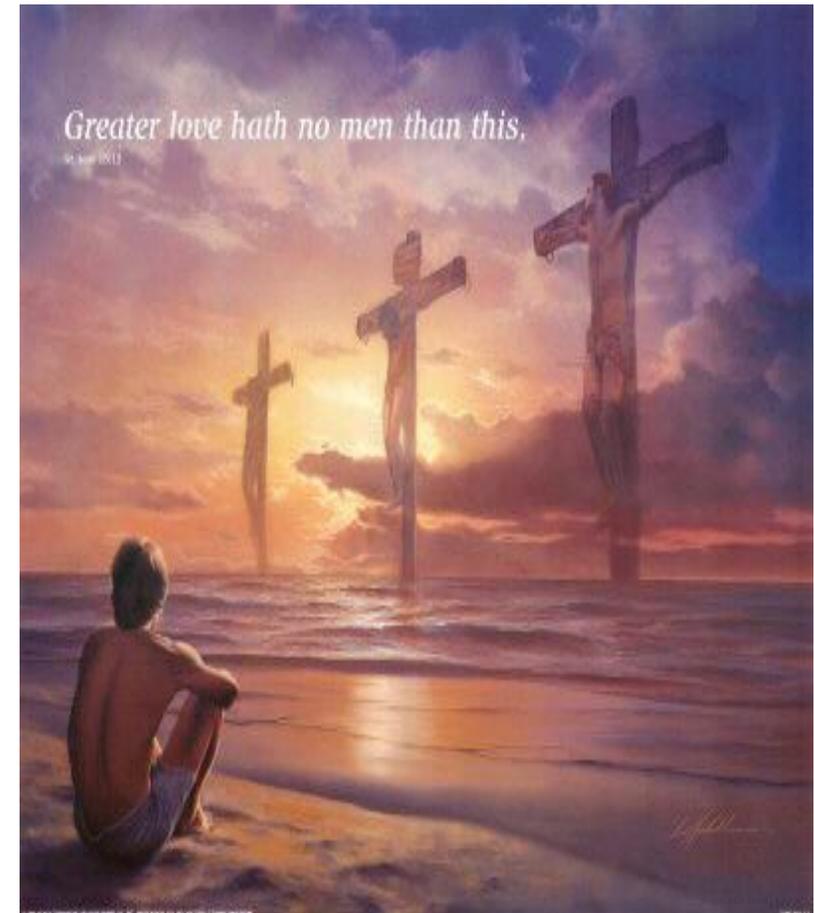
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MEGA-BYTE



Pastor's Desk

As a leadership we are really thrilled about the things that are happening in the church. The School's work has made a promising start with Penygraig infants and Juniors on board. The launch of the new 'kids church' on a Sunday afternoon is also a real boost for moral and with God's help it will also boost church growth. We also hope to have a family service once a month which will encourage unsaved parents to come. Please pray for all this pioneering outreach that God will bless it and we will see many people saved.

The Mega Byte needs you!

This months mega byte is a bumper edition! Lets make every month a bumper edition too! If you have any articles, or testimonies or have some free time to put something together, then the mega byte needs you! Please send any article to Joe or Chris by the third Sunday of the month.

Kids Page

MAKE A JOYFUL NOISE



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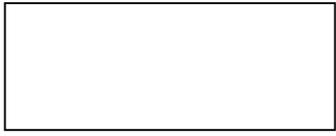
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Breath test



At the top of the page of a church magazine, there was a small blank square, outlined in black, followed by the following instructions;

Breathe on this square then

- If it turns red, then see your bank manager
- If it turns blue, see your solicitor
- If it turns green, see your doctor
- If it turns yellow, see your optician
- If it does not change then your perfectly healthy and there is no reason for you not to be in Church next Saturday.

Submitted by Ifanwy



Submitted by J Fletcher

Make sure its fresh



We are all in the season of strawberries and cream, but there's nothing worse than strawberries that have sat in a packet in the sun all day.

They don't taste the same or even look the same. Even if you smother them in cream the still don't have the fresh fruity taste.

What is true of fruit is also true of our Christian lives. You can't let a relationship get stale and expect to feel the same way about the other person. Our relationship with God can easily degenerate into going through the motions and when it does we start to wonder why church isn't so exciting, or reading God's word doesn't "WOW" us like is used to. Is it any wonder?

So how do you keep something fresh? The first thing is not to do to try and freeze it. Have you ever tried freeze strawberries? When they thaw all you have is a mushy mess. We should never try to stay in one place introspective of how wonderful it is in our walk with God. We can't live on the past blessings – rehashing yesterday's truth or passion.

The best way to keep fruit fresh is to keep it attached to the plant. As long as the life of the plant is flowing into the fruit it will get sweeter.

So it is with us, as long as our lives are connected to the true vine, the fruit we produce is fresh and matures with time. Unlike real plants whose fruit eventually decamp and dies this does not happen with us.

In the song of Solomon, the bridegroom talks of coming into the garden of the believers heart and eating if pleasant fruits. This is what Jesus delights in – feasting on the fruit of the Holy Spirits work in our lives.

Submitted By E Cooke

Lord, Encourage Me
by Deborah Ann Belka

Lord, encourage me today,
lead me with Your hand
hold me up, and lift me
for I'm too weak to stand.

Be my quiet confidence,
the whisper in my soul
let Your Spirit sustain me
and defend my new role.

Be the voice in my head
the calm within my heart
give me words of comfort
as I make a fresh clean start.

Be my soul's inspiration,
move and arouse my trust
Motivate and inspire me
as I learn to adjust.

Lord, encourage me today,
as I seek to do Your will
teach me to be strong
for I'm too weak to be still.

Submitted by Jo Durbin



**Got some spare
time?**

We are looking for people
to send articles, bible
passages,
testimony's or just thought for the day so we
can share with others
on facebook, twitter and website please see
Stephen Durbin for more information.



This month...

Cleaning rota—July

- 2nd Stephen
- 9th Fletcher
- 16th Jo
- 23rd Sharon
- 30th No one



Birthdays

- Reuben 4th
 - Mr Matthews 6th
- Happy Birthday from Living Way!

- We have been invited to Penygraig Junior School next month for the first time – I pray God will bless our work there too. As this school year closes, I want to thank everyone who has so enthusiastically contributed to this work. I feel that the assembly team has made a good solid start which we can build on in September and as we gain more confidence and experience we can add more schools and reach more families. I began this wanting to bring God’s blessing to children but they have blessed me. As daunting as it was to do something new I stood in the hall on the morning of the first assembly, trying to appear composed and in control, praying that my heart couldn’t be heard pounding over the guitar. My mouth was dry, my palms sweaty but it was still the most amazing thing to be able to share the gospel with these little people – and also with the staff. I looked up and saw a hall full of children singing as loud as they possibly could ‘our God is a great big God’, if it blessed me how much more did it bless God? Doing something new is always scary; it’s easier to stay where it’s safe but to do so would mean missing out on the blessing God wanted to give you. Undoubtedly the area in which we live has changed somewhat over the years, so has people’s attitudes to God and to each other. But God has not changed – he has still the same plan as he always has Jeremiah 29:11 states “For I know the plans I have for you,” declares the LORD, “plans to prosper you and not to harm you, plans to give you hope and a future.” Without God these children and their families have no hope and no future. The success of this ministry depends very much on continued work, many visits made often to the same schools, in order to build relationships of trust with staff, children and their families. This will not happen overnight but it will happen. Please keep the work of the schools and the team involved

Submitted by A Fulford

Out of the mouths of babes

A small boy out shopping with his mother, was at the stage in his reading when he enjoyed reciting aloud the signs and posters which he saw in the shop windows. They stopped in front of a travel agency and a poster filled him with amazement.

“Mummy, look” he said, “Canaries - £3561!
How much did our budgie cost?”

Submitted by Ifanwy

Picture From J Fletcher



Noah's Answering Machine

Teen Challenge



Over the summer The Teen Challenge Bus schedule will differ to that of normal weeks. The New dates are as follows

July

8th and 15th

August

12th and 19th

September

9th and 23rd

Please continue to pray for the volunteers and more importantly the lives Teen Challenge changes

Teen Challenge Helping Hurting People

40% of adults in RCT drink more than the recommended level of alcohol exceeding the national average of 35%.

26% of RCT adults are regular smokers.

62% of the adults in RCT are classified as overweight or obese, increasing their chances of heart disease, diabetes and other serious illness, this figure is 6% more than the national average.

11% of adults in RCT report being treated for mental illness compared to a national average of 9%. 1 in 4 will develop a mental health problem in their lives within RCT.

In 2008 RCT had the highest level of referral for drugs problems in Wales. The same period saw a 60% rise in alcohol related illnesses such as liver disease.

These are not the statistics of some remote village in Africa advertising a desperate need there (though indeed that need is just as heart wrenching) but these are the real needs and problems that affect the real children and their families in our community. This is on our doorstep in our own back yard – which makes it our responsibility. These children that are living in poverty, with addicts, with deteriorated health, concerned for the health of their parents, at risk of violence and abuse are the friends of our own children and grandchildren they are the children of our neighbours. We are called to love our neighbour as ourselves (Lev 19:18, Mt 5:34). These are the children who know nothing of the love of God and in many cases; they know nothing of love at all. We have a twenty minute opportunity to show them that they are loved by their creator; they have a purpose and destiny that's beyond their wildest dreams. Twenty minutes in light of the above problems seems insignificant and pointless, indeed in our own strength we would achieve very little. But God can do

so much with so little. What is impossible to us is possible for God.

I am pleased to play a small part in such a fantastic and exciting opportunity. Since Easter we have been blessed with regular visits to Penygraig Infants School which look set to continue into next year.



A few weeks ago I was sat on a bench in the playground, while the children were playing. A little girl approached me and announced "You came to my school you did". I replied that she was right and asked her if she remembered the assembly we did? She shrugged and went back to the swings. But I thought 'Thank You Lord that she remembered if only for a little bit'. When I first wanted to go into schools to do assemblies it was because God had impressed on me the need for people to take Him into areas that he has been excluded from. Of course schools are just one such area, but the children of this town are the reason that the assembly team do what we do. I have found some statistics which may or may not surprise you:

Save the Children report that in 2004/2005 13.4% of all children living in wales were living in serious poverty. This figure rose to 15% or 96,000 children in 2009.

Women's Aid a national charity against domestic violence claim research has consistently shown a link between children living with domestic violence and being abused themselves either physically or sexually by the same perpetrator. While the charity stress that this is not always the case they point out using department of health figures that nearly three quarters of children on the 'At risk register' live in homes where domestic violence is occurring.

Domestic abuse counts for 16% of recorded crime and 25% of violent crime in RCT. Domestic abuse will affect 1 in 4 women (and by extension their children) in RCT during their lifetime.

The average number of children within RCT between the ages 5-12 with missing, decayed or filled teeth is well above the national average and is rising.

Attendance in schools in RCT (Primary and secondary) is well below the national average.

In 2008/09 51.1% of children who were looked after away from home in RCT because of risk of serious harm were aged 0-8

L.W.A GRADUATION CEREMONY

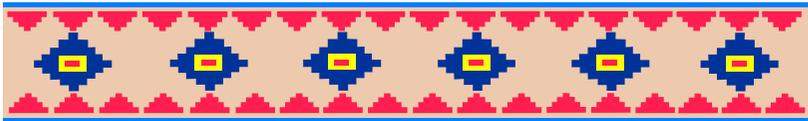
2011
Come & celebrate the
achievement
of this year's students

Living Way Church, Tonypandy

9th July 2011

At 6.30pm

Refreshments Provided



JULY 2011

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<u>SUNDAY</u>	<u>MONDAY</u>	<u>TUESDAY</u>	<u>WEDNESDAY</u>	<u>THURSDAY</u>	<u>FRIDAY</u>	<u>SATURDAY</u>
					1. Prayer	2.
3. C Tuck 10am Pastor 6pm	4.	5. Bible Study E Cooke 7pm	6. Youth	7.	8. Prayer TC Bus	9.
10. E Cooke 10am H Tuck 6pm	11.	12. Prayer Meeting 7pm Pastor	13. Youth	14.	15. Prayer TC Bus	16.
17. Alyson 10am Pastor 6pm	18.	19. Bible Study Anna 7pm	20.	21.	22. Prayer	23.
24. Julia 10am <u>Mr M 6pm</u> 31. C Tuck 10 am Sharon 6pm	25.	26. Prayer Meeting 7pm	27.	28.	29.	30.