

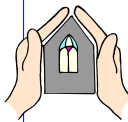
GRAPEVINE

SUNDAY AUGUST 1 2010

Our destiny is in God, our hope is in Christ Jesus, our inspiration is through the Holy Spirit and our guidebook is the Bible.

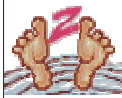
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A very warm welcome to you all. If you are visiting Torre del Mar Church for the first time, please make yourself known to Jacki, our minister, or a member of the congregation. You are very welcome to stay for coffee and a chat after the service. Each week please pray for our Church Officers. Pray for our sponsored children Angel Adrian, Bernadette, Alemneshe, Keru, Ian, Aveli and Subash. Pray for our outreach and mission in Torrox Park and for our church witness.. Ask that God would open many doors for our message of His love. And pray for each other!



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Ministers Day Off MONDAY Urgent calls only please



FOR A HOME VISIT PLEASE CONTACT: Rev. J. Hartsmith Foy, Minister Tel. 952532825 or email jaqfoy@gmail.com

BROKEN AND SHED FOR YOU

We normally take very seriously the last words that our loved ones have uttered to us; we turn those words over in our minds, we consider them carefully, last words are important words. If the last words of a loved one are uttered with any seriousness - in the knowledge that soon time and space will separate us, if they ask of us anything, we will try to do everything in our power to both remember those words and to do that which was asked of us.

Knowing that - today I want us to consider the last words of Jesus. If you ask most people what the last words of Jesus were, chances are they might tell you that his last words were: "Father, forgive them, they know not what they do" -- or perhaps - "Father, into thy hands I commend my Spirit". We tend to think of those words that he spoke upon the cross - those just before his death - and not of the words that he spoke to his disciples, and to all of the church, *after his resurrection, on the day that he ascended into heaven.* The last words that Jesus uttered while still on earth in physical form while still walking about in his resurrection body were these:

"It is not for you to know the times or dates the Father has set by his own authority. But you shall receive power when the Holy Spirit comes on you; and you will be my witnesses in Jerusalem, and in all Judea and Samaria, and to the ends of the earth."

You **shall** receive power, you **shall** be my witnesses... When Lord? we ask. *When you have received the power of the Holy Spirit was his reply.* Something for us to think about today.



VERSE OF THE WEEK: " ACTS 1:7-8

...".⁷He said to them: "It is not for you to know the times or dates the Father has set by his own authority. ⁸But you will receive power *when the Holy Spirit comes on you;*

and you will be my witnesses in Jerusalem, and in all Judea and Samaria, and to the ends of the earth." Italics mine.

TODAY'S SERMON: "A Profound Misunderstanding"

Rev. J. Hartsmith Foy

COMMUNION SUNDAYS

COMMUNION SERVICES ARE HELD ON THE FIRST SUNDAY OF EACH MONTH. WE SHARE COMMUNION WITH ALL WHO LOVE JESUS CHRIST AND CONFESS HIM AS LORD. IT IS THE TABLE NOT OF THE CHURCH, BUT OF THE LORD, OPEN TO ALL WHO LOVE HIM. IF YOU ARE NOT SURE WHETHER YOU CAN JOIN US IN COMMUNION,

PLEASE HAVE A CHAT WITH OUR MINISTER, Rev. JACKI HARTSMITH FOY. Our Next Communion Service will be on SUNDAY SEPTEMBER 5TH



LAST THURSDAY AT TORROX PARK CHURCH you might have been surprised to see Janice looking like this! She gave us a talk on her first hand experience of the confining dress and culture for women in Saudi Arabia. It gave us a whole new perspective on Islam and also why many women are joining it. It certainly should give us all pause for thought before we even attempt to rush out and start evangelising anyone. The key is that Janice really knew the people she was talking about. We have FIRST to make friends and ask God to help us to build bridges to evangelism.



If you want more information about customs in Saudi or the programme for the women's group, call Janice on 610379883

DIGGING DEEPER BIBLE STUDY GROUP WILL MEET AGAIN IN SEPTEMBER. WE ARE HAVING A SUMMER BREAK.



TORROX PARK MIDWEEK CHURCH MEETS EVERY

THURSDAY AT 11.15 AT TAPRICO RESTAURANT IN TORROX PARK. WE WOULD BE DELIGHTED TO SEE YOU AT THIS MIDWEEK SATELLITE CHURCH - OPPOSITE EL PINO CAMPING. BETWEEN THE ESTATE AGENTS AND THE LAWYERS! THIS WEEK FRANCO WILL BE LEADING US IN DISCUSSING LUKE CHAPTER 23



When God says 'No'

For reading & meditation – [Matthew 26:36–46](#)
'... not as I will, but as you will.' (v.39)

Does it strike you as strange that a man like Paul, a 'man in Christ' was beset by a continuing problem? Isn't there some contradiction here?

Some Christian counsellors I know, had they been alive in Paul's day, would have immediately set about the task of trying to eradicate the problem had he asked for their advice. However, we have to take a discerning approach. Perhaps we will have to endure our problem for a little while longer as we discern God is using it to renew our character and transform us into the image of His Son.'

Think about this: *Anyone who had tried to free Paul of his problem would have been working against the purposes of God.* That's something to think about in today's culture of perfection.

The Lord gave Paul, or allowed him, to be afflicted by the problem (whatever it was) in order to counterbalance the ecstasy he experienced when he was caught up into the third heaven, and thus keep him humble.

Three times Paul asked God to deliver him, but each time the answer was 'No' ([2 Cor. 12:8–9](#)). It's not easy when God says 'No' to a persistent prayer for deliverance, but His 'Nos' always follow a wise and benevolent purpose. Personally, I thank God frequently for the times He has said 'No' to certain of my prayers, for had He answered them with a 'Yes', I would not have experienced His best in my life.



The revelation Paul received left him with a problem which God used to make him a more dependent disciple, and God used him greatly. Paul's thorn in the flesh may have been unknown, but it was not unused.



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Hymns for Today' Communion Service



- 7 ALL HAIL KING JESUS
- 16 ALMIGHTY GOD
- 470 PRAISE TO THE LORD, THE ALMIGHTY
- 897 LORD, I LIFT YOUR NAME ON HIGH
- 549 THE STEADFAST NAME OF THE LORD
- 599 WHEN WE WALK WITH THE LORD
- AV ABOVE ALL POWERS ABOVE ALL KINGS
- 42 BE THOU MY VISION



**Scriptures: Psalm 119:1-8 JOSHUA 3:1-7
ACTS 1:1-14**

PREACHING: Rev. J. Hartsmith Foy
"A Profound Misunderstanding"

Music RUTH/JANE
AV INGRID/DOUG/DAVID

*May the Lord bless us as we gather in
His name*

