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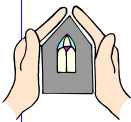
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Our destiny is in God, our hope is in Christ Jesus, our inspiration is through the Holy Spirit and our guidebook is the Bible.

YOUR CHURCH OFFICERS:- Rev. Jacqueline Hartsmith-Foy, Minister (Tel 00 34 952532825, email:

pastor@torredelmarchurch.org), Sid Silber, Church Secretary, Malcolm Straw, Treasurer, Mair Martinez, Presbytery Representative, Isabel Brown, ex officio.

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 2009 and for our church witness.. Ask that God would open a door for our love and our message. For private prayer or a home visit, please contact : Rev. J. Hartsmith Foy, Minister Tel. 95 2532825

MONEY AND STUFF

In today's gospel reading, Mark 8:36 Jesus is saying that when we pursue selfish ambitions we may get what we want—at least temporarily—but lose everything important in the process.



Many of our selfish ambitions are related to the pursuit of money and possessions.

How ironic that we use money—a gift from God—to buy things that separate us from Him.

People who pursue money's empty promises one day may discover that in so doing they have become spiritually bankrupt.

Don't worry about *things* says Jesus in Matthew chapter 6 verse 25 ff. "Don't store up treasures here on earth where they can be eaten by moths and get rusty, where thieves break in and steal. Store up your treasures in heaven where they will never become moth-eaten or rusty, and where they will be safe from thieves." Matthew 6:19.

All around us financial institutions are being shaken. It helps us to remember that wherever our treasure is, there our heart will be. (Matthew 6:21) Where is your treasure?



Minister's day off: MONDAY. Emergency calls only please.

Bible Study on Thursday will be replaced by the SONGS OF PRAISE Evening. Everyone welcome see below—>



VERSE OF THE WEEK: ...*"If anyone would come after me, he must deny himself and take up his cross and follow me."* Mark 8:34
Preaching today: Rev. J. Hartsmith Foy *"Why Carry The Cross?"*

COMMUNION: 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. Next Communion Service will be on Sunday APRIL 05 2009 at 11.30.

DIARY DATES FOR MARCH:

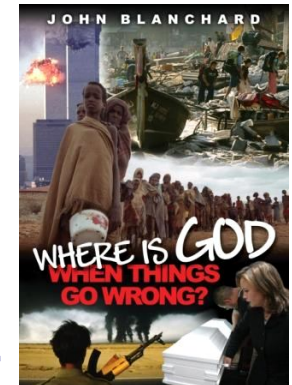
MARCH 12 AT 7PM AT THE RESTAURANT EL PINO SONGS OF PRAISE EVENING



MARCH 13 CHURCH ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING 11AM IN THE CHURCH FLAT.

SUNDAY MARCH 15 11.30 HERE IN THE PICASSO ROOM. A VISIT FROM THE WELL-KNOWN

EVANGELIST, AUTHOR AND PREACHER DR. JOHN BLANCHARD WHO WILL BE TAKING PART IN OUR SERVICE. SEE BACK PAGE PLEASE NOTE YOUR DIARY. .



THIS THURSDAY MARCH 12TH THERE WILL BE NO BIBLE STUDY INSTEAD WE WILL MEET AT 7PM AT THE RESTAURANT EL PINO IN



TORROX PARK FOR OUR SONGS OF PRAISE EVENING. We ask God to bless the evening and bless us as we seek to serve him in this new outreach. Like all Christian work it cannot be done alone. So please do support us and bring your friends.

DON'T FORGET WE MEET AT THE CHURCH FLAT FOR THE AGM ON

FRIDAY 13 AT 11.00 EVERYONE WELCOME, IT'S YOUR CHURCH!



JOHN BLANCHARD

We are excited to announce that on Sunday next, March 15, God willing, we will have the pleasure and privilege of a visit from Dr. John Blanchard who will be speaking to us. This is an wonderful opportunity for us here in Spain to hear from a well-known evangelist and writer. please do come along and bring your friends.

Dr. John Blanchard is an internationally known Christian preacher, teacher, apologist and author. He has written 25 books, including two of Britain's most widely used evangelistic presentations, *Right With God* and the booklet *Ultimate Questions*. The latter has over fourteen million copies in print in over 40 languages. His major book *Does God believe in Atheists?*, published in 2000, was voted 'Best Christian Book' in the 2001 UK Christian Book Awards, and immediately became a best-seller, described as 'a brilliant defense of belief in God'. Other books he has written include: *Truth for Life*, *Whatever Happened to Hell*, *Meet the Real Jesus*, and *The Beatitudes for Today*. You will have an opportunity to purchase John's books if desired.



Dr. Blanchard is now heavily committed to Popular Christian Apologetics, a project involving writing, speaking, teaching and broadcasting in defense of the Christian faith. Following on from *Does God Believe in Atheists?* the next books in the series are *Is God past His sell-by Date?*, *Why Believe the Bible?* and *Evolution: Fact or Fiction*.



Note for prayer: Please pray for John and his work and pray for travelling mercies as he comes to be with us. A special point for prayer is that in May John Blanchard's wife Joyce was found to have

a malignant colorectal tumour. This was successfully removed on 16 June, but she is now in an ongoing chemotherapy programme as the disease had spread to both her liver and lungs. Please remember the Blanchard family in your prayers.

Torre del Mar Church is part of the Spanish Evangelical Church and is in partnership with Presbyterian Church Ireland. Contact us on 952532825 email pastor@torredelmarchurch.org Website www.torredelmarchurch.org



**TORRE DEL MAR CHURCH
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SUNDAY MARCH 08 2009**



Hymns for Today's Service

- 1035 There Is None Like You
- 290 Jesus Is Lord
- 410 O Let The Son of God Enfold You
- 554 Thou Art Worthy
- 549 The Steadfast Love Of The Lord
- 278 I Will Sing The Wondrous Story
- 425 O Lord My God (How Great Thou Art)



**Scriptures: Mark 8:31-38 ; Romans 4:13-25
Psalm 22:23-31**

**SPEAKER: Rev. J. Hartsmith Foy
TITLE: "Why Carry The Cross"**

Music Jane Silber

