

GRAPEVINE

SUNDAY MARCH 07 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.

YOUR CHURCH OFFICERS:- Rev. Jacqueline Hartsmith-Foy, Minister (Tel 00 34 952532825, email: jaqfoy@gmail.com) Sid Silber, Church Secretary, Malcolm Straw, Treasurer, Mair Martinez, Presbytery Representative.

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 2010
and for our church
witness.. Ask that God
would open a door for
our love and our
message.

LUKE 13:1-9

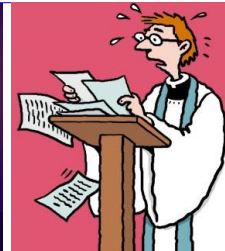
This morning we hear Jesus' parable of the fig tree, telling us to repent and bear good fruit. We know what the Christian life requires of us and yet, if we are honest with ourselves, we also know how far short we fall. So the question that confronts us this morning is: "Yes, but how?"

"Repent," Jesus says. "Acknowledge your sinfulness." That's the first step in beginning to live the Christian life. None of us is without fault. And yet how difficult it is for us to admit that. We know better than to openly admit our wrongs. If we want to get ahead in this world and be accepted by others, it's generally better to conceal our shortcomings and put on a good front for others. How ironic it is then, that Jesus would tell us to repent. Instead of offering a word of support and understanding for our all-too-human tendency to cover up our wrongdoings, Jesus tells us to disclose the evil within us, to admit that we have failed. The apostle John tells us: "If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves and the truth is not in us."

Confession is good for the soul, and it is the first step to recognition that without God we are incomplete. Sin is not a matter of taste. It is sampling the forbidden fruit. It is taking poison into our lives, and the only antidote for sin is repentance. We need to repent of our sinfulness, receive God's forgiveness, and produce the fruit that God desires.



Lent
Let light shine out of darkness ...
2 Corinthians 4:6



VERSE OF THE WEEK: Exodus 3:4 When the LORD saw that he had gone over to look, God called to him from within the bush, "Moses! Moses!" And Moses said, "Here I am." **Preaching today: Rev. J. Hartsmith Foy "Fig Trees and Thorns"**
COMMUNION SERVICES ARE HELD ON THE FIRST SUNDAY OF EACH MONTH. WE SHARE COMMUNION WITH ALL WHO LOVE JESUS CHRIST AND THE TABLE IS OPEN TO ALL WHO CONFESS HIM LORD.



The next Communion Service will be **ON SUNDAY APRIL 4th 2010 WHICH IS ALSO EASTER SUNDAY!!**

TORROX PARK COMMUNITY CHURCH Every Thursday at 11.00 at El Tapricho.



We will be soon be running a **Liturgy Workshop at El Tapricho to familiarise everyone who wishes to take part in our services on a Sunday with the guidelines for prayer, praise, Scripture readings, and public speaking. Right now: Lent series each Thursday up to Easter.**

DIGGING DEEPER—WEEKLY BIBLE STUDY MEETING EACH TUESDAY AT 11.00 IN THE CHURCH FLAT. WE ARE STUDYING LUKE and the third section of CHAPTER 12. Leading this week, Elaine

THE WOMENS' WORLD DAY OF PRAYER ON FRIDAY WAS VERY WELL ATTENDED AND WE COLLECTED 245 EUROS FOR THEIR FUNDS. THIS WAS ONE OF THE BEST ATTENDED WWDP



WE HAVE HAD IN A NUMBER OF YEARS, AND WE WERE DELIGHTED TO SEE OUR CHRISTIAN SISTERS FROM LOS RUBIOS THIS YEAR. THANKS TO ALL OUR LADIES FOR THEIR SUPPORT.

IT'S OUR AGM THIS FRIDAY AT 11.00 IN THE CHURCH FLAT. PLEASE DO COME AND

SUPPORT YOUR CHURCH.

NEXT SUNDAY MARCH 14 OUR SERVICE WILL BE FOCUSED ON HEALING, WITH VISITING MINISTER REV. SUE WATTERSON. OUR RON TEMPEST PREACHING. THIS THERE WILL BE TIME AFTER THE SERVICE FOR PRIVATE PRAYER WITH ANYONE IN OUR TEAM. PLEASE MAKE A NOTE IN YOUR DIARY AND INVITE THOSE YOU KNOW WHO WOULD BE BLESSED BY SUCH A SERVICE.



We are delighted to welcome to membership of our church Ingrid Funk-Garcia de la Fuente. Ingrid was part of our church at its foundation and we are delighted to have her back with us again. She is a great blessing to us, and we will officially welcome her to membership at the next available slot in our Sunday Sharig Service on March 21st—see programme back page

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



**TORRE DEL MAR CHURCH
SPRING AND SUMMER PROGRAMME**

Event	Time	Date	Place
AGM TdM Church	11.00	March 12	Church Flat
Healing Service Rev. Sue Watterson Pastor Ron Tempest	11.30 am	March 14	Picasso Room Hotel Torreomar
Sharing Service	11.30 am	March 21	Picasso Room
Passover Supper	6pm	April 1	El Cruce tba
Good Friday Service of Nails	11.30 am	April 2	Picasso Room Hotel Torreomar
Easter Sunday Celebration	11.30 am	April 4	Picasso Room Hotel Torreomar
2-Day Seminar Listening in Stereo Rev. Desi Maxwell	10.30 am to 4pm	May 4 & 5	Hotel Perla Marina Nerja* See flyer
Dyffrin Peris Welsh Male Voice Choir A Sunday Celebration in Song	11.30 am	May 9	Picasso Room Hotel Torreomar
Church Trip to	tba	June	tba

Christian Mission to Jewish people... Fiona Straw writes: *I've got an outlet for making used stamps pay for Bibles to be sent to Jewish people.. As both reaching Jews and distributing the Word are close to my heart I'd like to support it - of course we get less & less stamps as everything is either franked or emailed nowadays. However, I'm collecting used stamps for this purpose if folk could please let me have theirs? I'd be grateful. So please give all your used stamps to Fiona for this excellent purpose!*

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GRAPEVINE
COMMUNION SUNDAY MARCH 07 2010**



Hymns for Today's Lent 3 Communion Service

- 27 AS THE DEER PANTS FOR THE WATER
- 390 MEEKNESS AND MAJESTY
- 165 HE IS LORD X 2
- 554 THOU ART WORTHY
- 549 THE STEADFAST LOVE OF THE LORD X2
- 120 FROM HEAVEN YOU CAME
- 357 LORD JESUS CHRIST
- 531 THE HEAD THAT ONCE WAS CROWNED WITH THORNS



**Scriptures: Psalm 63:1-8
Exodus 3:1-10; Luke 13:1-9
Preaching: Rev. J. Hartsmith Foy
"Fig Trees and Thorns"**

**Music: Mair Martínez
AV Ingrid Funk/ Malcolm Straw**

