### Who's who at Langford Chapel

An occasional look at the people we see here

**Sam Gordon** travelled a long way from "Up North" to lead our Sunday services on the 11th August. Our records show that it is several years since he visited us, that time on a Tuesday evening. Sam has served the Lord in many countries, including Israel and Africa. He now has a Bible teaching ministry and you can find out more at www.truthfortoday.co.uk We have added his messages at the Chapel to our own website.



### **Children in the Bible quiz**

 Who was the boy whose mother was called Hannah who went to help a priest serve God and heard the Lord calling him at night?
Which young boy became lame when his nurse dropped him?
What did Jesus say when the disciples tried to turn the little children away?

4. Who was taught the Scriptures from a child by his mother and grandmother and became a helper of the Apostle Paul?

5. Who told Pharaoh that the young must be allowed to leave Egypt as well as the rest of the people?

6. What was the name of the baby boy miraculously born to Abraham and Sarah when they were old?

7. How old was Jesus when He stayed behind in the temple after the family had left?

8. What did the children call out about Jesus in the temple when He came to Jerusalem on what we call Palm Sunday?

9. Jesus raised a 12-years-old girl from the dead. What was her father's name?

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## Accessible church

We now have a portable ramp which is deployed for our Sunday services, overcoming the obstacle of the step by the main door. There has always been level access at the back for the *Aroma* coffee mornings. We have a loop system and large print hymn books and are currently seeking estimates to improve the inner doors. Ask for any other assistance you might need for yourself or friends.

### Reminder: Books and CDs

Don't forget that we have a small library just inside the Chapel on the left. There are books and CDs there to borrow. No cards needed and no overdue fines; we trust you to bring them back when you have finished with them. If you have internet access we have more recordings on our website and links to other interesting resources.

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# My favourite hymn

### by Enid Medlock

#### My God, how wonderful Thou art,

Thy majesty how bright! How beautiful Thy mercy seat, in depths of burning light!

How dread are Thine eternal years, O everlasting Lord, by prostrate spirits day and night incessantly adored!

O how I fear Thee, living God, with deepest, tenderest fears, and worship Thee with trembling hope and penitential tears!

Yet I may love Thee, too, O Lord, Almighty as Thou art, for Thou hast stooped to ask of me the love of my poor heart.

#### Father of Jesus, love's reward, what rapture it will be, prostrate before Thy throne to lie, and gaze and gaze on Thee!



The hymn has seven verses, two are omitted for space reasons.

#### F. W. Faber, 1814-63

Enid says, "I particularly love the last verse. The Lord is so wonderful that the thought of being able to see Him at last has really thrilled me for years. It reminds me of Psalm 17:15: 'I shall be satisfied, when I awake, with Thy likeness'."

### Prayer requests

Pray for those in **authority** in these difficult days, that they will do that which is right.

Give thanks for those who **protect us** and pray for the family of **PC Andrew Harper**, who was murdered while on duty.

Pray for those who are not well, including **A.F**., the wife of one of our visiting preachers.

Remember those who are still **feeling the loss** of loved ones. Thank the Lord for those who **help us** in many ways at the Chapel. Pray for **youngsters** who heard the good news at camps and missions.

## Tweet of the month

#### Langford Evangelical Church @Langford\_Chapel

"Without a pure heart and a surrendered mind no man can preach worthily about God and no man can hear worthily"

A W Tozer, The Attributes of God Vol. II

## From the Pastor's study

Thanks to a reasonable internet connection I've been able to enjoy a live stream from Nashville of the Sing! 19 music conference arranged by Keith and Kristyn Getty. They have revived some older hymns as well as writing new ones which are suitable for congregational singing—we have already used some at the Chapel. This made me think: 'Why do Christians sing?' There's more than one answer: The Psalms are the Bible's hymnbook; Jesus sang a hymn with his disciples before He went to the Cross; Moses and the Israelites sang after being delivered from the Egyptian army; the angels sang at the Creation; in Heaven, according to Revelation 5 and 14, a new song will be sung. There are many more Biblical examples. Another implication of the question is: What is it that stirs us to sing? We want to burst into song when we consider how great God is (see My favourite hymn, left) or when we are filled with thankfulness for His love to us. Maybe just now you don't feel like singing because life is difficult. Yet it might lift you and dispel the darkness-it did for Paul and Silas when they were wrongfully imprisoned in Philippi (Acts 16:25) and the book of Job says that God our Maker gives songs in the night (35:10)!

## For your diary

This month we look forward to another visit from **Clive Williams** for the morning service on Sunday **8th**. He still works as an associate evangelist for the Open-Air Mission. Some will remember that Clive led five

Holiday Bible Clubs for us a few years ago. We also have **David Herring** with us for the evening service on the **15th**. The *Aroma* coffee morning this month is on Saturday the **28th**, opens at 10.30 as usual.