Dear God, I pray that you will bless me and my church. Send people into our fellowship, and protect us all. In Jesus' name. Amen

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Sunday 15th January 2017

Church Health Check

Part One "Screening Questions"

Genesis 3:1; 3:9; 4:9



Welcome to worship.

A survey published this week revealed that over 70% of New Years resolutions are health or fitness related. The survey goes on to report that whilst 72% of resolutions are kept for the first week of the new year, only 60% of New Years pledges are kept beyond the second week and only 40% beyond the first month. It seems then that whilst many take the opportunity afforded by the New Year to evaluate their lives, their health and where they want to be, considerably fewer people are prepared to stick at the hard work of making that happen.

As a Church, and as Christians, we have a responsibility to do the same regarding our place in the world. Such evaluation affects every part of what we do- it touches our mission, our worship and our life together. We also have to think of where we want to be, and have the determination to follow this through, not giving up after the first few weeks. Over the coming Sundays therefore, we're launching a new series called "Church Health Check". This will afford us the opportunity to examine how the scriptures portray a healthy and vibrant Christian community and then for us to reflect on our own lives and the practice in our Church to see where we want to be, and how we're going to get there which will be a focus throughout 2017.

Before any Health Check is undertaken, there are often screening questions that are asked in order to give health professionals and patients alike early indicators or things that might crop up along the way. This morning, we're going to do the same by examining some "first" questions from the book of Genesis.

Lord, search our hearts this day! Callum

Prayer Requests Please...

Please remember those of our corps family who are unwell, Milly is still very poorly, both Roy and Patricia are both receiving treatment. Also please remember the family of Doris Wadmore whose funeral will be at 12 noon on Tuesday January 17th at Hawkinge.

The gift of flowers greatly enhances our worship environment. There will be a new Flower List on the notice board, please help if you can.

This week

Mon & Tues- Parent & Toddlers Wednesday- CAMEO

Coming events

Sunday 22nd Jan at 6pm – Shepway Community Choir practice

Tuesday 24th Jan - Refugee Response Forum. 7:30pm at Hythe URC Church. Organised by Churches in Hythe- an opportunity to hear about local responses to the refugee crisis and to find out about how you can get involved.

Saturday 4th Feb- East Kent Youth Fellowship. "Pancake Party" at Folkestone SA

SAVE THE DATE!! "Welcome Wednesday" It's been great to have so many people link up with our Church fellowship over the past twelve months. On Wednesday 22nd February at 7:30pm, anybody who has started to link up the past twelve months (or indeed anyone who still feels a bit "new"!) is invited to Berri and Callum's house for an informal get-together with nibbles and an opportunity to meet others and get some more information about the life of the Church. More details to follow.

Sunday 19th March - Youth Councils