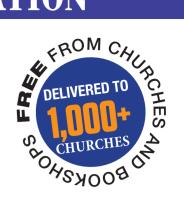
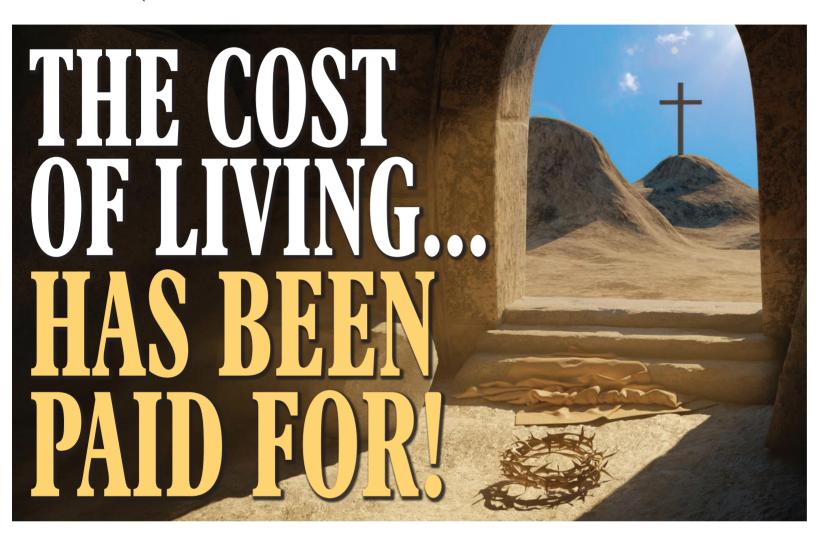
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Cost of living "crisis", energy bills doubling, global warming increasing, supply chain breakdowns, food and energy shortages, new viruses – we're surrounded by negative messaging

'any living in today's global world of fear simply don't know which way to turn. It is almost impossible to find genuine messages of hope and encouragement that are long lasting and convincing.

This world gives us unlimited ways of short-term escapism from our fears and worries for our futures - but once we are alone with our thoughts, the problems remain.

What hope is there for mankind in 2023?

Believe it or not, the Bible tells us that worry is a sin. God wants us to be at peace, trusting in him alone.

Jesus asked: "Which of you, by worrying, can add one hour to the length of his life?" (Matthew 6:27, Amplified Version) God tells us to:

"Fear not...Do not worry about today...Be transformed by the renewing of your mind... Set your mind on things above, not on things on the Earth.'

But how DO we follow biblical principles that are the complete opposite of everything we are seeing, hearing about and even talking about with our colleagues, friends and family?

By believing that Jesus offers us a new life, here on earth.

How do we get that new life?

By realising that he has dealt with our sins of worry and fear once and for all, 2,000 years ago, by shedding his blood on a hill outside Jerusalem. The Bible says that sin can only be paid for with blood, and so Jesus took our sins on himself when he hung on the Cross for six hours, disfigured beyond human imagination.

The true cost of living is being a sinner – and facing an eternal penalty when we die

The Bible also says: "The wages of sin is death, but the gift of God is eternal life in Christ Jesus our Lord." (Romans 6:23)

So the true cost of living will be the price of everything we've done wrong - and facing an eternal penalty when we

Unless we believe what Jesus said: "I am the way, the truth

and the life. No-one comes to the Father except through me.' (John 14:6)

Three days after his brutally efficient Roman crucifixion, Jesus rose from the dead - and nobody has ever been able to find his body. Eye-witness accounts of meeting the resurrected Saviour are recorded in the Gospels.

It was a stunning, cosmic victory over sin, so that the worst 'sinner' could have a second chance at life if they put their trust in Jesus.

Jesus defeated death, and with this he overcame fear, anxiety and depression. He did not give us a spirit of fear, but power, love and a sound mind.

Look to the victory Jesus has won for all mankind and make it real in your own life. Drop your worries at the foot of the empty Cross and give Jesus all your fears. He's waiting to walk the rest of your life alongside

With thanks to Pastor Ian Shaw of Church of the Way, Maidstone





What the collapse of three banks means



MPs outlaw silent prayer



Pilgrim's Progress an exciting new musical

KATE FORBES WAS

SNP members voted for Health Secretary Humza Yousaf to replace Nicola Sturgeon as Scotland's first minister becoming the first Muslim in the role In second place was Christian MSP Kate Forbes, who was frontrunner among Scottish voters.

Mrs Forbes had a lower standing among SNP voters and even lower amongst fellow SNP MSPs after openly declaring her traditional Christian views at the beginning of the campaign.

Her stance on same-sex marriage and transgenderism sparked attacks from the media and gay activists, which were condemned by the head of the Free Church of Scotland as "anti-Christian intolerance" from a "baying mob".

She was against having a child outside marriage

Scottish newspaper The Herald photo-shopped a large Bible into Forbes' hand on its front cover, prompting an investigation by press regulator IPSO.

Forbes, who is a Scottish Free Church member, lost the support of several leading SNP figures when she revealed that she would have voted against same-sex marriage if she had been an MSP at the time, was against having a child outside of marriage and disagreed with aspects of the SNP's gender recognition bill.

However, in late February a Panelbase and Sunday Times survey found



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Kate Forbes – lost contest to replace Nicola Sturgeon as Scotland's First Minister

nearly a quarter of the Scottish public would have liked Forbes to win the SNP leadership, compared with just 15 per cent for Humza Yousaf. In early March, a Channel 4 News poll gave Forbes an eight per cent lead. However, it was the SNP's 72,000 members' votes that decided the contest.

Former Lib Dems leader Tim Farron, who lost his position after a media interrogation over his Christian beliefs about homosexuality, told Premier: "I could have been wiser when guizzed about sexuality. Kate Forbes has done much better.'

FREE CORONATION GOSPELS

Pocket-sized booklets with the Gospel of John (NIV), the words of the National Anthem and a quote from King Charles about the Christian faith are freely available from the Pocket Testament League (PTL).

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Do I need this?

BEING A CHRISTIAN is about a relationship with Jesus Christ, the only Son of the living God, who died in our place, to pay the price for our sin. He desires to welcome you into God's family here on earth and into heaven when you die.

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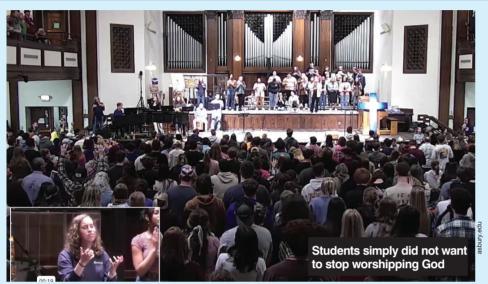
invite Christ to come into my heart and life as my personal Saviour."

The churches featured in this paper will be happy to welcome you and explain the importance of daily Bible reading, daily prayer, baptism, being part of a congregation where the Bible is preached and believed, and telling others about what Jesus has done for you.



PEOPLE & PLACES

ASBURY REVIVAL – "MAY ADONAI KEEP THIS FIRE ALIVE!"



THE outpouring started with a handful of students gathering for a prayer meeting with staff at Hughes Auditorium in Asbury University, Wilmore, Kentucky on 8 February.

Asbury is a private Christian university, so they were praying together for spiritual renewal and worshipping God. It was meant to end – as with any typical prayer meeting – in a timely fashion.

Nobody expected the prayer meeting to carry on for another two weeks. Worshippers simply did not want to go home. Online videos of participants worshipping en masse went viral and outsiders were soon flying to the meeting from all corners of the USA. Footage clocked up 133 million views to date on social media channel, TikTok.

Former Vice President Mike Pence even tweeted about it: "Deeply moved to see the revival taking place! The Lord is at work at Asbury and lives will be changed forever!"

Carolyn Hyde, an Israeli worship leader, wrote on Facebook: "At last there is some good news to share, that revival has come to an American university. May Adonai keep this fire alive on the altar and let it spread!" However, she encouraged people to pray for the host students, who were struggling to feed and house fellow students converging on their campus. The town has 6,000 inhabitants but 50,000 people attended the unexpected revival event.

Law enforcement officials were concerned about having enough staff for the mass influx of visitors, so Asbury's President, Dr Kevin Brown, announced the revival's closure on 24 February.

Dr Brown said: "Regardless of how we choose to describe what we have seen and experienced over the last weeks – revival, renewal, awakening, outpouring – this movement is not finished. Other colleges and churches are experiencing similar services. Rather, we are encouraging the continued movement of God through other people, places, and ministries."

Asbury has a previous history of revivals in 1905 (during a blizzard!), 1908, 1921, 1950, 1958 and, most recently, on February 3 1970 when classes were cancelled for a week during 144 hours of revival – the chapel was full of people rejoicing in the Lord.

Chris Eyte

HOW GOD REPAID A DEBT

Paul Slennett, owner of the Southend Christian Bookshop, reports that a £50,000 loan was repaid in ways he'd never expected.

He had taken out the loan in spring 1988, secured against his building. Meanwhile he was busy sending mail all over the world with his own Jesus is Alive!' postmark, so that every piece of post proclaimed the truth.

Paul needed to repay the loan, but felt that an appeal from the shop for funds would not succeed.,

Seeking advice from a lady he called his 'spiritual mum', Dorothy, he was told, "The only person who needs to know your need already does know your need (God)"

After Dorothy prayed for the funds to

be released, a miracle happened. Paul says: "Between April-June 1988, all the money came in, mostly £10 or £20 notes. The largest gift was £1,000. God was faithful."

Pastor
Christy Smith
had a prophecy
of three signs in
our national life
- these have
now happened.

See p14



LINKING UP SMALL GROUPS

Two years ago, we printed Pastor Paul Taylor's radical vision for church in the 21st century.

Now he gives an update and an invitation

In 2018, I wrote a booklet titled '21st Century Church Reformation' out of a deep sense of God's heart for his 'ekklesia' Church to return to her true identity and function.

As Covid spread across the UK in 2020, I realised how timely this book was in returning to the truth of God's Word and regarding the ekklesia.

The last few years have been a time of shaking of God's Church, so that the things that are true will stand. The ref-



Paul Taylor and his family live in Cornwall, where he leads a fellowship

ormation that the Holy Spirit is initiating continues to develop so that our focus is on Christ alone and we

become the bride prepared for his soon return, empowered as his witnesses to reap the end-time harvest of people.

VISION FOR 21ST

Many believers are gathering in new groups to worship and encounter Jesus, seeking him and his Kingdom in prayer, and reaching many with the Gospel. If you are part of such a group and would like to share what the Lord is doing, please connect to our new forum that will be updated with what the Holy Spirit is doing. This is an opportunity to encourage and learn while following his leading.

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M FAST-TRACKS SEX ED EVIEW AFTER CHRISTIAN P'S CAMPAIGN a judicial review against the Department for Education. Meanwhile, a Christian mother has accused her child's school of "indoctrination" after her four-year-old was forced to take part in a gay pride event.

NATIONAL Prime Minister Rishi Sunak has called for a government review of sex education to be fast-tracked after Christian MP and former teacher Miriam Cates criticised the content.

Miriam Cates MP has criticised RSE

Cates, whose objections were supported by 50 Conservative MPs, says Relationships and Sex Education is currently "age inappropriate, extreme, sexualising and inaccurate"

The Prime Minister has asked the Department for Education for an urgent review of the lessons, which are now compulsory.

The 50 MPs warned that children

are "being taught about extreme and dangerous sex acts, (and) encouraged to share intimate details about sexual desires with classmates and teachers" and that "even primary school children are being indoctrinated with radical and un-evidenced ideologies about sex and gender'

So outraged is the campaign group Let Kids be Kids that they are initiating The Evangelical Times reports that the school told Izzy Montague that her son could not opt out. After raising her concerns. Montague was banned from the school and Christian Concern reports that she has launched legal action against the school "on the grounds of direct and indirect discrimination, victimisation and a failure by the school to uphold its statutory duty.

Children are "encouraged to share intimate details with classmates and teachers"

In another case, a Christian teaching assistant is appealing her case after she lost an employment tribunal over her sacking, allegedly for her religious beliefs. Kristie Higgs was fired from a C of E school in Fairford, Gloucestershire in 2019 after sharing on Facebook a petition against the compulsory teaching on gay issues and sex education.

Izzy Montague – a mother banned from her son's school for protesting against its

The school called her views "pro-Nazi right-wing extremist" and Higgs lost her tribunal because the judge said the school could fire her if other people perceived her to be homophobic, even though he accepted she was not homophobic.

• This newspaper has printed articles warning about 'grooming' via RSE lessons in the Feb/Mar 2023 and Dec/Jan 2022-23 issues. These can be read at www.heartpublications.co.uk, along with a list of campaigning groups, or ordered from the office: 01903 209383 for £4.92 (one of each paper).

ONLINE SAFETY BILL NEARS COMPLETION BUT MAY STILL NOT PROTECT CHILDREN

The Online Safety Bill, which began as the Online Harms White Paper in April 2019, may soon end its journey through Parliament – but how much it will protect children is still in doubt.

The revised Bill covers a wide range of measures to address online abuse and harassment, and puts a duty of care on tech firms to protect under-18s, but it does not mandate the use of specific age-checking technology.

78 per cent of adults backed ageverification checks to prevent children from accessing online pornography

Yet in a survey for GB News in February, 78 per cent of adults backed age-verification checks to prevent children from accessing online pornography. Only five per cent disagreed. According to the Christian Institute, Lord Bethell is seeking to amend the Bill in order to force porn websites to verify the age of users within six months of the legislation being passed.

Age verification checks were approved under the Digital Economy Act 2017, but abandoned in October 2019. The Bill is currently at Committee stage in the House of Lords.

However, freedom campaigners point out that online age verification is an apparently harmless way of introducing the next generation to using a digital

GOVERNMENT ORDERS POLICE PROTECT FREE SPEECH

Home Secretary Suella Brayerman's migrant boats policy has been under the media spotlight for months, but her attempts to tackle 'woke' police practices have received significantly less atten-

Braverman has said she will introduce new legislation requiring the police to



Home Secretary Suella Braverman: police should focus on serious crime, not 'hate' incidents

concentrate on serious crime rather than so-called 'hate' incidents.
She told the Daily Express: "It is only

common sense that their focus must remain on catching dangerous criminals and bringing them to justice, not getting embroiled in political debate where no laws are being broken.

'That's why we're taking action to ensure a clear threshold must be met in order for 'non-crime hate incidents' to be recorded. Under new safeguards, the police will only record these incidents when it is absolutely necessary and proportionate, and never simply because someone is offended.

'Our new code, laid in Parliament today, will protect the fundamental right to freedom of expression, and better protect people's personal data.

Writing in The Times, she added that the work of a police officer "must never include politically correct distractions. People are perfectly entitled to say things about politics, gender, and religion that others find offensive. Disagreement is not incitement, and nor is irreverence or mockery.'

METHODIST COLLEGE LECTURER SACKED FOR DEFENDING ORTHODOX THEOLOGY

An evangelical theology lecturer has been fired for a tweet and even threatened with a counter-terrorism referral.

Cliff College in Derbyshire, a Methodist institution, sacked Dr Aaron Edwards after he raised the traditional Christian view of homosexuality on Twitter. Edwards wrote: "Homosexuality is invading the Church. Evangelicals no longer see the severity of this b/c they're busy apologising for their apparently barbaric homophobia, whether or not it's true. This *is* a 'Gospel issue', by the way. If sin is no longer sin,



Dr Aaron Edwards has lost his job for expressing conservative biblical views

we no longer need a Saviour."

The Methodist Church allowed samesex marriages in its churches in 2021 and, according to Premier, Edwards has "long argued that free speech for conservative evangelicals would be threatened by the Methodist position on marriage.

"If sin is no longer sin, we no longer need a Saviour"

After the college asked Edwards to delete the tweet and he refused, he was sacked and threatened with being reported to Prevent - the Government's counter-terrorism programme – which could affect his entire future career.

The dismissal has had a significant impact on Dr Edwards' family, leaving them with no income. At the same time, they face eviction from their home within a matter of weeks.

He said: "We don't know what's going to happen, but we know God's going to

MPs showed their concern for animals by unanimously backing a ban on importing hunting trophies this March, yet a few days earlier had voted to ban all prayer and 'consensual conversations' outside abortion clinics, which have saved human babies' lives.

Campaigner Christian Hacking, who has himself been arrested for pro-life protests, says of this attack on free speech:

"IT'S NOT OUR RIGHTS WE **SHOULD BE CONCERNED ABOUT, BUT THOSE OF THE BABIES"**

n 8 March Labour MPs Rupa Huq and Stella Creasy pranced down a House of Commons corridor mimicking the words of Jon Bon Jovi's famous song, 'Livin' on a Prayer'.

How do I know this? Because Ms

Creasy published it on her own Instagram channel.

The cause of their elation? The successful passage of their law prohibiting any attempt to "influence any person's decision to access, provide or facilitate the provision of abortion services"

More specifically it was the defeat of a last minute bill constructed by concerned, predominantly Christian MPs, seeking to distinguish and protect "silent prayer", together with consensual conversations, as at least two activities that could take place in these 150 zones.

But MPs squashed the amendment by 299 to 116, meaning that when these



Christian Hacking moments before being arrested for praying outside Ealing Abortion Clinic in August 2019

zones are put into practical effect around all 373 of England and Wales' active abortion clinics, silent prayer may well be enveloped in the term "influencing" and subsequently prohibit-

This is distinct from the six clinics that already specifically prohibited "prayer" using the more localised legal tool of Public Space Protection Orders (PSPOs).

Christians will get taken to police stations and slapped with fines. However, they will not get poisoned, ripped apart, dissected and discarded into clinical waste

Creasy's choice of 'Livin' on a Prayer' as her victory anthem could not have been more ironic. The lyrics "Oh we're halfway there, to criminalise prayer would have been a better fit. Nor should it go unnoticed that the first place where prayer is being effectively banned is outside the places where children are being sacrificed to the gods of sexual liberty, fear, career progression or just pure self. A total of 220,000 British babies were deliberately killed last year (although around half of these deaths were in homes by means of DIY abortion pills).

The matter is grievous in God's eyes and should be a cause for constant lamentation and upset to the Church. The words of Psalm 10 - the 'victim psalm' come to mind:

Arise, Lord! Lift up your hand, O God. Do not forget the helpless.



Igunnubole after they were acquitted at Birmingham Magistrates' Court



Why does the wicked man revile God? Why does he say to himself,

"He won't call me to account"? Yet Christians must not fall into the

trap of thinking that we are the victims here

Yes, the restricting of religious liberty and the introduction of thought police is worrying. And yes, the omission of thousands of mothers from this debate, who have benefited from pavement counsellors and have the children to prove it, is unjust. Of course, as a result of the 8 March vote, Christians will,

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A Dramatic Answer to Prayer: The Miracle of Dunkirk

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A CALL FOR PERSONAL AND NATIONAL REPENTANCE

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with increasing frequency, get taken to police stations and slapped with fines. However, they will not get poisoned, ripped apart, dissected and discarded into clinical waste, which is happening to our babies, every single day. The only person I have heard who clearly made this case was a caller to LBC radio!

Christians must not be found to be insisting on their rights for their own sakes remember, we are blessed when our rights are trampled on (Matthew 5:11).

If we simply insist on our right to pray silently outside state approved "medical centres", we look as if we are insisting on the right of weird people to be weird wherever they want

If we simply insist on our right to pray silently outside state approved "medical centres", we look as if we are insisting on the right of weird people to be weird wherever they want. Freedom of religion, thought and conscience are indeed vitally important, but they're secondary to the much stronger case we should be making, that it's morally wrong to kill innocent human beings and that we, the Church, will peacefully exercise all of our faculties and resources, accepting arrest when necessary, to bring this injustice to an end.

I commend the bravery of people like Isabel Vaughan-Spruce, Adam Smith Connor and others who are publicly defying these buffer zones. My only request is that these arrests primarily become a means, not to lament our loss of freedom, but to talk about the real victims. Until the world understands what is happening to the babies inside



the clinic, they will never understand why we are so desperate to pray outside them. Christian Hacking is Public Engagement Officer for the Campaign for Bio-Ethical Reform UK (CBR UK)

ARRESTED FOR

After Isabel Vaughan-Spruce, founder of March for Life in Britain, was arrested for praying silently outside an abortion clinic, her case hit the headlines and in February all charges were dropped, along with those of Fr Sean Gough, who was also charged for praying; Fr Sean said the police expressed anger over his bumper sticker stating, "Unborn lives matter"

Ms Vaughan-Spruce was arrested again on 6 March and has been released on bail under conditions prohibiting her from attending prayer vigils outside clinics. At the time of printing, she is waiting to hear wheth-

er she will be charged.

Meanwhile legal advocates ADF are appealing a fine that was issued to Adam Smith Connor for praying for his deceased son. A petition it start-ed calling on Home Secretary Suella Braverman to "protect freedom of speech and of thought" had 2,788 signatures by 23 March.

WHEN END OF LIFE CARE GOES WRONG

Patients are still dying of thirst, while "comatose" from excessive doses of **Midazolam and Morphine**

BY MELANIE SYMONDS

THS patients are still routinely dying of thirst and even starvation, while under a "chemical cosh" of Midazolam and Morphine.

Despite the "now infamous" Liverpool Care Pathway being scrapped in 2014, it has reappeared in different guises, a new report reveals.

The 234-page report from the Lords and Commons Family and Child Protection Group says: "Excessive and tection Group says: "Excessive and inappropriate use of Midazolam and Morphine, rendering a patient comatose, coupled with the withdrawal of food and hydration, have combined to impose a death sentence from which, in the current climate, there is no right of appeal."

Families were "stunned at the inhumane treatment suffered by their relations"

It speaks of a "fatal combination" of misdiagnoses as to quality of life, together with "a failure to appreciate the respect and care required for those approaching their last days'

The report details 16 medically analysed and validated accounts between 2012-2021, out of over 600 complaints by bereaved relatives. Details were provided by families left "stunned at the inhumane treatment suffered by their relations'

The cases have been analysed medically by Emeritus Professor of Palliative Medicine Sam Ahmedzai.

At the report's House of Commons launch on 7 March, Prof Ahmedzai said: "Withdrawal of hydration oc-curred in no less than ten of the report's 16 cases and families said they were forbidden to even approach the patient with a glass...in one case heart failure medications were taken away so the patient deteriorated within days

Cases included a man who died after going to hospital with constipation and a girl of 21 with severe learning difficulties who died three and a half weeks after a routine operation, although her family had begged for her to be fed.



Prof Sam Ahmedzai hopes for changes in palliative care practice



Barrister James Bogle specialises in clinical negligence cases

Barrister James Bogle, who specialises in clinical negligence, has written a legal overview of the cases and told those attending the launch that a criminal case might be needed to bring the negligence to wider public attention and effect change.

He said: "The representative cases se-



want to empower families"

lected make harrowing reading. There culture in our health vice that we thought had with passed the Liverpool Care Pathway – but it hasn't."

The port's main author, Rev

Lynda Rose of VfJUK, concluded: "These were all people who wanted to live. We want to bring this report to the attention of lawmakers and to empower families.

She recommends the use of a 'Re-SPECT' form that expresses your wishes in the event of being hospitalised. Standing for 'Recommended Summary Plan for Emergency Care and Treatment', the two-page form should be discussed with your doctor and taken to medical appointments.

A petition called 'Managed death stop end of life abuse!' can be signed at VfJUK.com.

The report, 'When end of life care goes wrong' includes the ReSPECT form and can be ordered for £13.99 from www. vfjuk.org.uk or Voice for Justice UK, PO Box 8893, OX1 9PY

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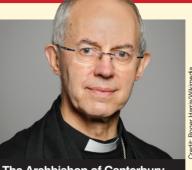
GLOBAL

ANGLICAN COMMUNION STARTS TO FRAGMENT

The General Synod's decision to offer blessings to same-sex couples may be the final straw for international Anglicanism.

The C of E has broken from biblical sexual ethics

The Global South Fellowship of Anglican Churches (GSFA) will now "disassociate" from the Church of England. The Guardian explained that "the leaders of Anglican churches in some developing countries, including South Sudan, Uganda and the Democratic Republic of the Congo, have said they no longer recognise Justin Welby... as the head of the global Church." In a statement, the GSFA said that the C of E had "departed from the historic faith". Allowing clergy to bless same-sex couples was "contrary to the faith and order of the orthodox provinces of the communion



The Archbishop of Canterbury has been unable to hold together his global Church

whose people constitute the majority in the global flock".

The group said it "breaks our hearts" that the Church of England has "disqualified herself" from leadership by breaking from biblical sexual othics

LifeSiteNews also reported that the Anglican archbishop of Kenya, Jackson Ole Sapit, says his church may now ignore the Church of England's decisions and pronouncements.

CANADA



PARLIAMENT CONSIDERS ASSISTED DEATH FOR KIDS



The Centre Block, the Canadian Parliament building, with the Peace Tower in front, in Ottawa, Southern Ontario

A Canadian parliamentary committee has recommended that the country's assisted suicide laws should be extended to cover children.

The Special Joint Committee on Medical Assistance in Dying (MAID) says that "mature minors" and "individuals whose sole underlying medical condition is a mental disorder" should be allowed an assisted death

death.

MP Mark Strahl said the Government "should focus on offering treatment and help, not assisted death, to those who are suffering."

The Euthanasia Prevention Coalition warned that helping children to commit suicide would "give Canada the most permissive euthanasia law in the world".

PANAMA



GAY MARRIAGE NOT A 'HUMAN RIGHT'

Panama's Supreme Court has decided not to legalise samesex marriage, upholding the country's law supporting traditional marriage and families.

According to LifeSiteNews, the Court declared in February that same-sex unions are not protected by the constitution and aren't a "human right".

The Court said its Family Code has been "objectively and reasonably justified in the general interests of giving precedence to those unions capable of establishing families, giving continuity to the human species, and therefore, to society."

Panama is a majority-Christian country – 49 per cent Catholic and 30 per cent Evangelical Protestant according to the US Department of State in June 2022.

GLOBAL

Covid 'lab leak' theory gains increasing recognition

This newspaper first told the British public about the 'lab leak' theory for the origin of Covid-19 at a time when it was suppressed by international scientists, politicians, national news agencies and social media giants. Now it has become serious mainstream opinion.

Anyone supporting the idea in the early days was accused of misinformation or conspiracy theories, but as we last reported in our October/November 2022 issue, even a professor working for the leading medical journal The Lancet, Professor Jeffrey Sachs, was "pretty convinced it came out of US lab biotechnology" being carried out in China, with US funding.

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Now FBI director Christopher Wray has told Fox News that the virus "most likely" came from a Wuhan laboratory, and a report from the US Department of Energy has concluded that Covid probably came from Chinese experiments.

experiments.

Wray said: "The FBI has for quite some time now assessed that the origins of the pandemic are most likely a potential lab incident in Wuhan... So, here you're talking about a potential leak from a Chinese

government-controlled lab that killed millions of Americans, and that's precisely what that capability was designed for."

The natural origin theory still holds sway among many scientists and some of the media, but the lab leak proposal can no longer be dismissed as fringe'. It is now known that staff at the Wuhan Institute of Virology (WIV) fell ill in October 2019 with symptoms exactly like Covid-19, and the lab's virus database was taken offline on 12 September 2019, as well as 22,000 coronavirus samples. The same day, security was increased and an order was given to replace the lab's air-conditioning system.

The Chinese Communist Party said nothing about the incident in the vital early weeks of the 'pandemic' and allegedly both a Wuhan lab scientist and other whistleblowers were "disappeared".

It is also reported that there was a massive purchase of coronavirus test kits in Wuhan in late 2019. China's co-operation with the later World Health Organisation investigation was also questionable.

What may be most telling is that, according to MercatorNet, the February 2020 letter in The Lancet in which 27 scientists rubbished the lab leak theory was organised by the president of EcoHealth Alliance, a major recipient of American grants for bat research at the Wuhan

A Covid origins hearing in the US House of Representatives had begun as we went to press. Both theories were to be considered.

USA

New York pays \$250K to adoption agency it tried to close

After trying for years to shut down Christian adoption agency New Hope Family Services, the state of New York has been ordered to pay the agency \$250,000.

The state "needlessly reduced the number of agencies willing to help vulnerable children"

The payment covers NHFS's legal fees and costs after defending itself for four years against New York's Office of Children and Family Services, which had targeted NHFS because it refused to place children with same-sex couples and unmarried cohabitating couples.

Representing the agency, Alliance Defending Freedom (ADF) Senior Counsel Roger Brooks said: "The state's attempt to close New Hope violated its core rights protected by the First Amendment and needlessly reduced the number of agencies willing to help vulnerable children.

"New Hope is a private religious ministry that doesn't take a dime from the government. Further, New Hope's faith-guided services don't coerce anyone and do nothing to interfere with other adoption providers who have different beliefs about family and the best interests of children."

New Hope's Executive Director Kathy Jerman said: "Every child deserves a home with a loving mother and father who are committed to each other."

In the UK, Christian adoption agencies were forced to either close or place children with gay couples.



AFTER THREE US BANKS AND CREDIT SUISSE COLLAPSED WITHIN DAYS OF EACH OTHER...

D'S MONETARY

BY GRAHAM BRIDGER

he collapse of Silicon Valley Bank (SVB) in the US shocked most people since it was listed as the 17th biggest bank in the world with assets of \$729 billion.

It was bad enough that SVB's fall ranked as the second-largest bank collapse in US history, but it was rapidly followed by the collapse of two other US banks, Signature and Silvergate.

But when the announcement came of the impending collapse of Credit Suisse, one of Europe's largest banks, regarded as a "systemically important financial institution" (SIFI), and therefore considered "too big to fail", investors' concerns reached boiling point.

A thoroughly corrupt money system has grown into something far more sinister since the 2008 crisis

However, within a matter of hours, the government and Central Bank intervened and Credit Suisse was taken over by UBS Bank, another giant, for the knockdown price of £2.6bn. According to The Daily Telegraph, the 167-yearold lender was valued at more than £65bn at its peak. But this purchase took place behind closed doors without

the shareholders of UBS even having been consulted.

Unsurprisingly, financial commentators, who have been discussing the near certainty of a complete collapse of the entire world's monetary system since the Global Debt Crisis of 2008, began to speak of impending doom. It was, after all, Gordon Brown, then Prime Minister of the UK, who stated that the entire system had come to within one hour of its complete demise. Had it done so, we would all be living in a very different world today.

The problem is that most people have no idea what that would mean in reality and probably wouldn't want to know. But in the case of the Global Crisis of 2008, events were caused by pure fraud involving the sub-prime mortgage market; many pundits consider this was completely avoidable had the offending banks been allowed to fail. There would, in their opinion, have been no systemic crisis as predicted by the money men who effectively blackmailed Congress into a massive bail-out using taxpayers'

we finally arrived at the Have point where we might see a complete meltdown of the entire banking system?

sos bill today a key difference in the CBDC is that central bank will have absolute control

Agustín Carstens of the Bank for International Settlements

After all, little has changed in the cavalier attitude of bankers towards the ever-increasing, eye-watering levels of trillion according to the IMF Blog.

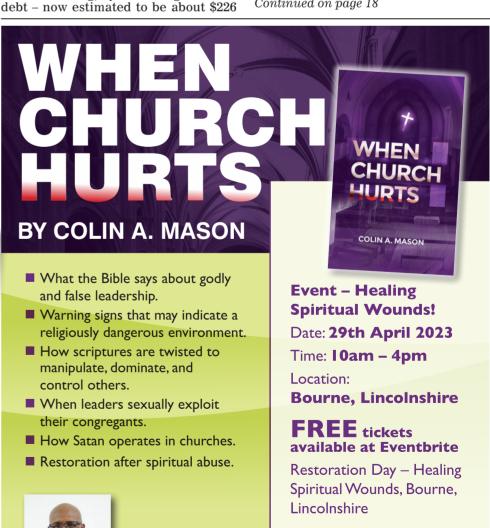
If such a meltdown were to occur, millions of people would be likely to see their entire savings and investments disappear in a puff of smoke. None of us really knows yet, because of the multicomplexity of a thoroughly corrupt money system which has grown into something far more sinister since the 2008 crisis

Silicon Valley Bank was involved with the Big Tech industry, hence its name. Its billionaire customers, far shrewder than ordinary investors, saw the rapidly rising interest rates and knew exactly when to pull their money out.

They knew that the SVB could not possibly prevent a run on its deposits when the bank had previously made investments into 30-year treasuries with

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ISRAEL'S 'NIGHTMARE' STALEMATE Benjamin Netanyahu is facing pressure from all sides "Anyone who thinks that a real civil war, of human life, is a line that we will not reach has no idea, the abyss is within touching distance"

This was Israel's President Herzog's stark appraisal of the apparent political stalemate between Prime Minister Benjamin (Bibi) Netanyahu's rightwing coalition and all those – from just about every segment of Israeli society – who oppose the measures being steered through Israel's Knesset to curtail the openly acknowledged overreach of Israel's judicial system...especially its Supreme Court.



President Herzog is challenging politicians to pull back from the brink

The claim by the current governing coalition (like its predecessor) is that the 15 judges of the Supreme Court – who are currently chosen solely by other members of Israel's left-leaning judiciary – have regularly interfered in government business by exercising their veto.

They have curtailed the freedom of Israel Defence Force (IDF) units from carrying out their legitimate security duties in past conflicts with the nation's enemies and blocked government plans to build homes in various Jewish communities.

Yet the judges have turned a blind eye to the ongoing illegal building by Arabs on government-controlled land, which has been going on for years, and is funded by taxpayers in the UK, the EU, and the USA, among others.

But tens of thousands of citizens have been demonstrating every Thursday in Tel Aviv, Jerusalem and other major Israelis cities; they come from all strata of Israeli society. Hundreds of IDF reservists are refusing to turn up for training exercises, while professionals from the financial sector, from hospitals, schools and universities, the legal professions, dock workers in Haifa and Ashdod are all lamenting, as loudly

as they can, that these measures to curb judicial interference in government policy are "A threat to democracy!"

- President Isaac Herzog

The puzzling thing is that part of what these "pro-democracy" protestors want is to topple a democratically elected government, and above all else remove the current Prime Minister from office. Some have even openly called for the assassination of members of the government!

Tens of thousands of citizens have been demonstrating every Thursday

But what many will not acknowledge is that the opposition leaders of this protest movement, such as the previous Prime Minister, Yair Lapid, and his then Defence Minister, Benny Gantz, were once calling for these same reforms...but of course, that was when they were in power.

What most of the left-leaning media do not report is that although many IDF reservists have said they will not turn up for training exercises, several thousand serving members of the IDF – in all branches – have signed a petition saying that they will serve the nation under any circumstances and are calling for the IDF to be left out of these political wranglings.

The sad reality is that to become Israel's Prime Minister again, Benjamin (Bibi) Netanyahu and his Likud Party have allied themselves with several smaller, right-wing religious parties. The latter all have very specific agendas and are led by inexperienced political hotheads.

You only need to note the unwise comments from Bezalel Smotrich, the Finance Minister, who had to very quickly row back comments about wiping off the map the Arab town of Huwara, after two young Israelis were recently assassinated in it. Or Itamar Ben-Gvir, the Security Minister, who in a very public way is at loggerheads with Israel's Attorney-General over the judicial reforms, as well as with several senior police officers over the way the ongoing ant-reform protests are being handled...or not, as far as he is concerned. So, Israel-watchers are seeing the "fruit" of these uneasy alliances ripen before their eyes.

Bubbling away in the background are also the moves in the parliament to bring another religious political leader, Ariyeh Deri, back into the cabinet. He has several corruption convictions to his name and had to be removed from the government – although not from the Knesset – when the Supreme Court ruled that he was not fit for public office. And of course, there are the various court cases against the Prime Minister himself. Netanyahu's critics argue that he intends to weaken the Supreme Court's 'veto power' and then 'adjust' Israel's law to disallow a standing PM from being convicted or imprisoned.

Israel's reputation for deterrence is being shredded in the eyes of her enemies

So, Bibi's problem is that unless he keeps these religiously motivated parties onboard, his coalition will collapse, and he will be out of power yet again. Yet to keep them onside, he is facing a looming head-on confrontation with the Supreme Court.

President Herzog has called for a halt to these judicial reforms being steered at top speed through the Knesset. The Opposition leaders are now willing to actually sit down and discuss the reforms with the current coalition leaders.

But the Prime Minister has publicly rebuffed both. So, who will win this one is anyone's guess...but it will most likely be even messier than the present political and legal stalemate.

In the meantime, Israel's reputation for deterrence is being shredded in the eyes of her enemies. All are positively salivating over this chaotic confrontation and the divisions it is causing among Jewish people worldwide.

The ancient Hebrew prophets – especially Ezekiel – warned the Israelites about "profaning" (bringing into disrepute) the Name of the God of Israel among the nations by their behaviour. Once again, we see this happening before our eyes, as this mess unfolds in the eyes of the whole world. But without a doubt, God and his reputation will not be mocked.



Robin Benson has reported on current events in Israel for many years. He appears regularly on Revelation TV's 'Politics Today' and 'Middle East Report'

'HORROR SCENARIO

"As Israel seems set to implode, at least one general says the armies of the Muslim world stand ready to invade."

So wrote Aviel Schneider for Israel Today on 21 March.

He added: "Unilateral judicial reform will throw Israel into chaos", pointing out that the second and third readings of the new judicial reform laws were approaching.

ing.
"It can be assumed that the Supreme Court will reject the new legislation and the State of Israel will fall into a deep constitutional crisis from that moment. It's a horror scenario that everyone in the country fears....

"Experts predict that there will be a split and dissolution within the army, police, Shin Bet and Mossad...The rightwing officers and soldiers will obey their government, while others will say they are following the rule of law as directed by the General Staff."

"The Arab enemies will attack on five fronts"

Schneider quoted former General Yitzhak Brick predicting an attack when Israel appears unable to defend herself: "The Arab enemies will attack Israel on five fronts, including infantry troops that will breach Israel's borders to the north, south and east, armed with rockets, anti-tank missiles and artillery from Lebanon, Syria and the Gaza Strip. At the same time, serious unrest will erupt in the country with thousands of armed Jewish rioters, as will a third Intifada in Judea and Samaria. Under certain conditions, Iran can also take part in the last war."

BID TO OUTLAW SHARING THE GOSPEL IN ISRAEL

Evangelicals were relieved to hear that PM Netanyahu had quoshed one of the regular attempts to introduce a law that would make anyone sharing the Gospel in Israel liable to prison.

WHY ISRAEL HASN'T SENT ARMS TO UKRAINE

The Iranian Mullahs believe a nuclear attack on Israel will usher in the Mahdi, the Islamic Messiah, and the entire world will surrender and become Islamic.

For this reason, says Dr Mike Evans of the Jerusalem Prayer Team, Israel has not sent weapons to Ukraine, as it knows that President Putin's alliance with Iran will lead to Russia protecting Iran from any attack, as it has done in Syria, where it has been fighting for nearly 12 years to keep President Assad in power.

Writing in the February 2023 issue of his Friends of Zion magazine, Dr Evans said: "As Russia loses troops and massive amounts of weaponry in Ukraine, Iran is returning the favour by giving Russia thousands of drones, along with the support of the Iranian Revolutionary Guard in Crimea to train Russians in how to use them"

Dr Evans also wrote: "Iran believes that Russia will guarantee the Islamic terrorist state a nuclear umbrella."



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by Charles Gardner

BRITISH JEWS TARGETED FOR ASSASSINATION

The Iranian regime is reportedly targeting British Jews for assassination in the event of an attack by Israel, which could well be imminent

UK Security Minister Tom Tugendhat has confirmed testimony from a French Jewish journalist that the rogue nation has gathered intelli-gence on Jewish diaspora communities so they can be attacked by death squads. Moreover, Iran is said to be employing the criminal underworld in its deadly mission.

Speaking to Parliament about the threat Iran poses to British journalists critical of the regime, he also said: "Between 2020 and 2022, Iran tried to collect intelligence on UK-based Israeli and Jewish individuals... We believe this information was a prepara-

tion for future lethal operations."

He added: "We know that the Iranian intelligence services work with organised criminal gangs, and I can assure the house and the public that we will go after anyone working with them.'

French journalist Catherine Perez-Shakdam told the Jewish Chronicle that she was present during a high-level meeting in Tehran in which an assassination plot was discussed that would be activated in the event of a war between Israel and Iran, so that "the diaspora would have a very nasty surprise

A Middle East analyst at the Henry Jackson Society think tank, Perez-Shakdam took part in a fact-finding visit for journalists to Tehran and dressed in a burkha. A Jewish Chronicle photo showed her smiling and standing next to Iran's late propaganda chief Nader Talebzadeh. She doubted that the Iranians knew she was Jewish, but denies being a Mossad spy.

This story was also published on Israel's Arutz Sheva news site on 21 February.

Christians in Britain need to pray for - and stand with - our Jewish community as never before.



Meanwhile, an Iranian Shiite imam - a prominent critic of the Islamic regime - recently made a secret visit to Israel and met with officials close to Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu, i24News reported. The imam is a former student of Iran's Supreme Leader Ali Khamenei.

ZIONISTS

A pro-Palestinian group in London is urging British workers to root out 'Zionist' colleagues and have them fired. A pamphlet posted on Instagram by a Brixton branch of the Palestine Solidarity Campaign adds that you should refuse to speak to people who support the existence of the Jewish state.

BARCELONA BAN

The mayor of the Spanish city of Barcelona has suspended all ties with Israel for "repeated violations" of Palestinian human rights. Ada Colau informed Israeli Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu of her decision.

MUSLIM CHARITY APOLOGISES FOR

An historic London synagogue has been sold to a Muslim organisation linked to extremist views which raised money to buy the building by describing it as "a former place of worship for non-believ-

The decision by the United Synagogue to sell the Wembley site to the UK branch of the Dawat-e-Islami, a Pakistan-based educational charity, is facing widespread criticism. And the charity has been forced to apologise for describing Jews as 'non-believers'

The National Union of Students has failed to sufficiently challenge anti-semitism and hostility towards Jews in its own structures, an independ-ent investigation has found. Jewish students have been "subjected to harassment" and NUS policies have been breached, its report said.

For its part, the NUS apologised to Jewish students and said it would implement the report's recommen-

PA CALLS FOR

A communique issued by the Palestinian Authority "calls for the direct destruction of Israel and praises terrorism," according to military intelligence expert Yossi Kuperwasser.

Meanwhile Labour could drop a commitment to the immediate recognition of a Palestinian state from its election manifesto. This is part of a shift towards a slimline document "for a party fit for government, rather than one wishing to remain in opposition", Jewish News re-

MASSACRE

Amichai Chikli, a Likud member of the Israeli Knesset (parliament), shared on Twitter a photo of corpses at a Nazi concentration camp posted by the Palestinian Campaign for the Academic and Cultural Boycott of Israel. The photo was claimed to depict an Israeli massacre of Palestinians.

"Rows of bodies of dead inmates filling the yard of Lager Nordhausen, a Gestapo concentration camp," Chikli tweeted, were used "to lie about a fictional massacre during Israel's War of Independence".



Former US Secretary of State Mike Pompeo has defended Israel's decades-long control of the Palestinian territories by claiming that the Jewish state has a biblical claim to the land

and is therefore not occupying it.
Pompeo, who told BBC's 'Today' programme in February that he and his wife were praying about whether he should join the 2024 presidential race, said: "Israel is not an occupying nation. As an evangelical Christian, I am convinced by my reading of the Bible that 3,000 years on, in spite of the denial of so many, [this land] is the rightful homeland of the Jewish people.





GARDNER'S WORLD

BIG PLANS FOR IESUS' BAPTISM SITE

Jordan has announced an ambitious \$100m plan to mark the supposed 2,000 year anniversary of Jesus' baptism in 2030 with a biblical village aimed at attracting a million Christian pilgrims.

The plan recognises that the Jordan river and its valley are also loaded with religious importance for Jews and Muslims. The baptism site, also known as Bethany Beyond the Jordan, is a UNESCO World Heritage site where the ruins of Roman and Byzantine churches, a monastery and baptism pools are preserved in the wilderness near the lowest point on earth. They were uncovered in 1995 after Jordan's peace treaty with Israel.

Prior to that, both sides of the river had been a closed military zone since the 1967 Six-Day War when Israel captured Judea and Samaria (the West Bank) from Jordan following the latter's illegal annexation in 1948/9.

UK OFFICIALS ERASE ISRAEL

Controversy has followed an annual 'Palestine Marathon' held by the Palestinian Authority (PA) on 10 March. A PA logo map for the event entirely erased the territory of Israel. Members of the British Consulate in Jerusalem were seen wearing T-shirts with the logo during the event.

ROOTS - THE VITAL ISSUE

"The vital issue for the Church is to decide whether to look for roots in Judaism and consider itself an extension of Judaism, or to look for roots in pagan Hellenism and consider itself as an antithesis to Judaism"

tithesis to Judaism."
Israel Today's David Lazarus was quoting Abraham Joshua Heschel, a rabbi who articulates better than most a challenge to the Church of our day, in 'The Insecurity of Freedom'; (Schocken Books, 1972) pp 169-70.

Other recent articles by Charles Gardner, which can be found at www. heartpublications.co.uk, include:

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"WE'LL NO LONGER BE ABLE TO RELY ON THE THINGS WE



Pastor Christy Smith with his wife Linda when he pulled a wooden cross around Brighton one Easter

THE PROPHECY OF THE SIGNS

Three years ago, Pastor Christy Smith of Brighton Elim Church gave a prophecy during a meeting that three signs would herald an "unprecedented" time for Christian life in the UK

The three institutions that used to represent our Christian heritage the Church of England, the Crown and the Government - would no longer do so.

The first sign would be that the Queen would die and King Charles would not be the 'Defender of the Faith' that Christians would need unless there was a major change in

The second sign was the arrival of a non-Caucasian prime minister who had no Christian heritage. After Liz Truss was ousted from office after just 44 days, Rishi Sunak, of Indian heritage and a practising Hindu, was ushered in, contrary to Tory party

The third sign was that the Anglican Church would capitulate those pursuing unbiblical relationships and go so far as apologising to them. After this, with the deepening economic crisis, keeping all its buildings open would be unsustainable.

Pastor Christy says: "The three institutions which used to represent Christianity have now been compromised. We'll no longer be able to rely on the things we used to



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FREEDOM WATCH

A HOLLOW CROWN

The people have ultimate power in law over Monarch, **Church and Parliament,** says Philip Quenby



King Charles's coronation on 6 May 2023 will largely follow a tried and trusted format.

As for the last 900 years, it will take place at

Westminster Abbey. An Archbishop of Canterbury will preside, as he has since 1066.

Like his mother, Queen Elizabeth II, Charles will pledge to "rule according to law, to exercise justice with mercy ... and to maintain the Church of Eng-

What is the point of maintaining the Church of England if it no longer upholds biblical truth?

Look behind the façade, though, and all may not be quite as it seems. The problem is, our constitutional forms increasingly lack substance.

What is the point of main-

taining the Church of England if it no longer upholds biblical truth? How can we agree what justice and mercy look like if we no longer accept Judaeo-Christian morality? And what does it mean to rule according to law if what we used to call rule of law has increasingly given way to rule by lawyers?

The newly crowned king will receive an orb (a globe topped by a cross) and sceptre. The orb symbolises Christ's dominion over the world, and asserts that our kings and queens are Jesus representatives on earth.

The sovereign's sceptre also has a cross, representing the earthly power of the monarch.



But in a nation that no longer recognises our heavenly King, the coronation oath threatens to be meaningless and the crown hollow. King, Church, and nation all need our prayers.

TOO CLEVER BY HALF

ChatGPT wrote a four page essay in about three seconds, according to a viral video by Professor Jordan Peterson. Peterson's verdict was that even he wouldn't be able to tell he hadn't written it.

In six months' time, it will be far more intelligent. Elon Musk thinks the world will be controlled by the person who produces the most functioning AI system, the fastest. He, like many others, including the Chinese Communist Party, are working on these systems.

From Trumpet Sounds issue no 146 by Philip Wren: www.trumpetsounds.net

A book called 'Smoke and

Mirrors' by Edward Fitzgerald asserts that the people ultimately hold the power and contains a Petition of Right to the King for the Restoration

of the Rule of Law under the constitutional provisions laid down in 1215 (the year Magna Carta was signed), and reasserted over the next 800 years.

In her foreword, Professor Dolores Cahill writes: "These absolute natural rights are above all else, above the creations, documents, constructions of men/women, the so-named man-made, written documents, above the role of Monarch, Church and Parliament."

HEALTH WATCH

COVID NARRATIVE 'WAS DECIDED'

THE whole approach taken by former President Trump's Chief Medical Advisor Anthony Fauci on Covid's origins was "antithetical to science.

That was the view of Dr Robert Redfield, CDC director under Former President Donald Trump, in a Congressional hearing. He said scientists were pressured by Fauci to write a paper in February 2020 that supported a theory that the virus came from a wet market in Wuhan.

Redfield said: "This was a narrative that was decided. They were going to... negate any discussion that this came from a lab.'

He also queried why lab sequencing was deleted at the BS4 Wuhan lab, with lab control switching from civilian to military and why contractors re-did the ventilation system

THIS VACCINE IS **KILLING PEOPLE**"

Dr Peter McCullough, one of the world's most highly qualified cardiologists and whose Texas team is the most experienced in treating Covid-19, has stated in a video that it is clearly established that "These Covid-19 vaccines are killing

Graham Bridger, who has writ-

ten on finance matters for this paper, says: "The reason many people are simply unaware of such facts is that governments have been involved with the mainstream media in censoring every other voice in the news.



Dr Peter McCullough, former Researcher and Vice Chief of internal medicine at Baylor University Medical Center and professor at Texas A&M University

COVID VACCINES CAUSE **GRAPHENE SHEDDING** WARNS DOCTOR

The doctor whose blood slides previously featured in this paper has fresh evidence that Covid vaccinated patients are 'shedding' graphene to the unvaccinated.

Dr Philippe van Welbergen, Director of the Biomedical Clinic, released images in 2022 showing that the blood of a child with vaccinated parents contained graphene, which can lead to severe thrombogenicity and immune cell activation. He also noted that graphene's "reaction with surrounding blood cells has changed" and now has a magnetic polarity.

A NEW (THEART) PARTNER MINISTRY

THE REBIRTH OF A VITALLY RELEVANT CHRISTIAN CLASSIC

Brenda Taylor of Dovetail Shalom Ministries introduces the new musical of 'Pilgrim's Progress'

ne of the most widely read Christian books, outside of the Bible, is 'Pilgrim's Progress' by John Bunyan.

Written while he was in prison for his faith, it was given to him supernaturally by the Lord.

In Bunyan's own words, this experience was "From this world to that which is to come, delivered under the similitude of a dream".

The book covers the major events a Christian may experience during his lifetime, with keys to overcoming. Many have found solace in its pages since Bunyan wrote it in 1678.

The book covers the major events a Christian may experience during his lifetime, with keys to overcoming

I read it for the first time in Spain, where my husband Roy and I were missionaries. For many years I had carried a worship anointing, and quite spontaneously new songs began to be birthed in my spirit, so I realised 'Pilgrim's Progress' was about to become a musical! In the end, two churches pooled their

talents, and many were saved as it was performed.

You can imagine my surprise some 18 months ago, when I began waking up with these songs ringing in my spirit, and finally realised that the Lord wanted to resurrect it. Our daughter, Julie, who is co-producer and vocalist on many of our worship CDs, was delighted, as she had been in Spain with us, and loved the musical. After many years, she hadn't forgotten the songs, and we both felt the prompting of the Lord to revive it, and worked on producing it together.

Now, finally, after much hard work, the film is ready! There is also a CD, and a devotional handbook, which we pray will be a sort of 'Beta' to Alpha. What wonderful testimonies we have to the Lord's goodness and provision. Many gave financially to help this vision become a reality to bless the Kingdom.

Our prayers are that this musical will reach beyond these shores, and bring many to faith in Jesus Christ, as well as encouraging the saints.

Thank you to everyone who has contributed in any way to bring this God-given project to life.



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PERSECUTION WATCH

by Andrew Halloway

NIGERIA

ELECTION PROMISES LITTLE FOR COUNTRY'S SUFFERING CHRISTIANS

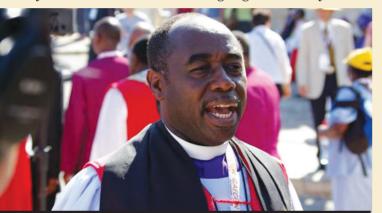
ola Tinubu won Nigeria's presidential election on 1 March, continuing the dominance of the ruling party.

That may be bad news for Nigeria's Christians, who were hoping for change. Release International (RI) had warned: "Ongoing internal security is the number one issue... Over the past two decades Christians in the north of the country and across its central

belt have faced horrific, violent persecution at the hands of Islamist militia groups.

The 70-year-old former Lagos governor received 37 per cent of the vote, but turnout was only 27 per cent - one of the lowest since the end of military rule in 1999.

Archbishop Benjamin Kwashi told RI: "Christians are going to leave this country... in droves. Christians are going to run to anywhere



Archbishop Benjamin Kwashi says Christians will flee

INDONESIA

SUNDAY WORSHIP HALTED BY OFFICIAL

local government official stopped a worship service at a church in Sumatra in February.

Wawan Kurniawan, head of the Rukun Tetangga area of Rajabasa Jaya village, entered the Tabernacle of David Christian Church and demanded the congregation stop their service. About ten local residents joined in. Morning Star News reports that one of the mob held the pastor by the throat, choking him, so

the congregation dispersed.

Wawan later claimed the church had no permit. The church applied for a permit in 2014, but officials did not respond.

The Open Doors' 2023 World Watch List says: "In some regions of Indonesia, non-traditional churches struggle to get permission for church buildings, with the authorities often ignoring their paperwork."

UNITED KINGDOM

ISIS PRISONER PLAY TOURS CHURCHES

play based on the true story of a Christian aid worker imprisoned by Isis in Sudan is being performed at churches across the

Based on the book 'Imprisoned with Isis: Faith in the Face of Evil', the multi-media production, 'If Prison Walls Could Speak', tells the story of Petr Jasek, imprisoned in 2015 for aiding the persecuted Church in Sudan. Featuring testimonies of God's love in the midst of persecution, it featured at the 2022 Keswick Convention.

Pastor Andy Rees of CityGates Church in Norwich, which hosted the play on 1 March, told Network Norwich: "It is a very powerful piece which gives us perspective on what it actually means to be persecuted for your faith. It has a really superb production quality and I think it is a must see for any Christian."



Ayuba Yusuf, 31, was wounded when his uncle was kidnapped in November. His brother was kidnapped in May and his cousin was murdered by kidnappers in July

in the world but Nigeria. They will not wait for the persecution that will happen", and RI believes none of the presidential candidates were convincing on security issues.

Meanwhile, Christian Solidarity International reports that 26 women and two infants were kidnapped from a church in Katsina state on 15 January. Terrorists demanded a 50 million naira ransom. When Islamic militants again attacked on 17 February, all the remaining Christians fled. Repeated attacks in the region are believed by some to be an attempt to eradicate the minority Christians in the state.

NORTH KOREA

PERSECUTION ON THE RISE

the number of attacks on believers has increased in North Korea over the last year, according to Open

The Christian charity told The Daily Telegraph that on nine occasions Christians have been executed after their churches were discovered.

This year, North Korea returned to the top of the Open Doors World Watch List as the most dangerous place to be a Christian

UGANDA

40 KIDS **RESCUED FROM** TERRORISTS

gandan police have reportedly rescued 40 Christian children kidnapped by a Muslim man pretending to work for a Christian charity.

Morning Star News reports that a man is believed to have attracted children aged 5 to 16 to a hotel by falsely promising them an education. It is thought the plan was to kidnap them and sell them on to a terrorist group.

The pastor of the church the children attended contacted the police when he heard about the incident, and police rushed to the scene and recovered the children on 2 February.

LIBYA

ix Christian men who were kidnapped in Libya in February have been freed.

The Egyptian men were travelling to work in Libya when they were attacked. Egypt's foreign ministry said the men had been held at a detention centre for migrants that is controlled by militia groups, and confirmed their release.

Premier reports that a Libyan militia group had demanded a ransom, and some local media said the men's families had paid about £2,600 for each of the hostages.

IRAN

PASTOR RELEASED FROM PRISON

astor Yousef Nadarkhani was one of three Christian converts set free from prison in February as part of a general amnesty for 10,000 inmates. The move marked the anniversary of Iran's 1979 Islamic revolu-

"Their pardon hardly addresses the suffering that they endured"

Nadarkhani came international attention in 2010 when he was sentenced to death for converting from Islam. This was later reduced to a prison sentence and then he was released in 2012. However, in 2016 he was arrested again and sentenced to ten years for his work with house churches. In 2020 his sentence was reduced to six

years, and now he is free again.



families endured. But we are glad for their sakes that they are free and with their families





PERSECUTION WATCH

LORD ALTON REMEMBERS MARTYRS

by Chris Eyte

"Do you reject Christ?"

It was a stark choice given by the Isis jihadist to the West African man kneeling meekly on the Libvan beach. He was a Ghanaian, not Egyptian like his friends who were also kneeling beside him in orange boiler suits.

Their God is my God."

With those words, Matthew Ayariga was beheaded and his martyred soul went to Jesus Christ, alongside the 20 other men who prayed simply, "Lord Jesus Christ", as they too were executed by Isis for their faith.

His martyred soul went to **Jesus Christ**

The story of the 21 martyrs who died on February 15 2015 must never be forgotten, says Lord David Alton, in a strongly worded commemoration article calling for the Church to do more for the 250 million believers facing persecution around the world.

"Matthew's decision to stay with his brothers is an extraordinary expression of common humanity and an example of solidarity, sacrifice, and love," said Lord

"His act of extraordinary solidarity



Matthew Ayariga refused to leave his friends in Christ

shames so many of us when we consider our tepid response - often based on political expediency, institutional considerations, or trade and business - to the persecution which is experienced by religious and ethnic groups the world over – discrimination that morphs into persecution; then persecution which morphs into crimes against humanity; and then ultimately into the crime above all crimes, genocide."

Lord Alton added that such an example of heroic bravery demands a better response from the wider Church, "even if it is only a pale imitation of the remarkable act of solidarity by Matthew Ayariga on that deadly beach in Libya in 2015.

Matthew's act of extraordinary solidarity shames so many of us

'When Matthew stood with his Coptic brothers, he did so in an uncommon, atypical, display of common humanity.

Are we willing to do the same?"

Lord Alton has visited Egypt and more recently Iraq where he met members of ancient churches. He said that their "deep faith and gentle love and extraordinary dignity stand as a rebuke to those who persecute, defile, abduct, rape, and even murder them."

The 21 martyrs were mostly migrant workers who were kidnapped from Sirte in Libya. The Islamic State published a video online on February 15 2015, showing the gruesome slaughter. A mass grave with the remains was later found in October 2018.

Matthew's remains were transported to Egypt in September 2020 to be buried, alongside his fellow martyrs, in the church of the Martyrs of Faith in Al-Our.



IS THIS THE BEGINNING OF THE FINAL STAGE OF THE COLLAPSE OF THE WORLD'S MONETARY SYSTEM?

Continued from page 9

the vast amounts of cash that had previously flooded in during the low-interest period of the last 14 years. When interest rates rose, the value of these so-called safe securities would - and did - fall.

But then Signature and Silvergate Banks failed. Known as the two main Crypto Banks, they would have held huge deposits of Crypto Currency exchange funds.

Millions of people would see their entire savings and investments disappear in a puff of smoke

Here we must resort to conjecture because there are so many factors at play that have worldwide implications.

History recorded that between 1986 -1995, the Savings and Loan crisis in the US saw the collapse of 1,043 out of 3,234 community-based banks (savings and loan associations, dealing in mortgages and savings). The cause was stagflation – high inflation, triggered by an energy crisis and a decline in growth.

The crisis cost \$160 billion; taxpayers paid \$132 billion, and the S&L industry paid the rest.

Many believe that the biggest banks made a killing during this crisis and that something similar is at play now. After all, it seems that the thousands of smaller US banks that remain could yet hit the wall with a great transfer of money into the hands of the giant, systemically important banks.

So, what is so sinister now? Today, three highly significant issues affect the global economy.

1. The World Health Organisation (WHO) is very close to taking over all sovereign governments' decision making with a revised treaty which would enable them to call a pandemic for any number of obscure reasons.

2. The world's Central Banks are on the verge of introducing a new world money system called Central Bank Digital Currencies (CBDCs). The General Manager of the Bank of International Settlements (BIS), Agustín Carstens, has stated that Central Banks will soon implement and enforce a new digital currency system. CBDCs will enable Central Banks to take complete control of all personal spending. Our own Prime Minister, Rishi Sunak, is currently promoting a new Digital Pound with the aim of making the UK a world leader in digital currency.

3. Crypto currencies, which can be privately traded without central bank control, have "lost the battle" against Central Bank fiat currency after last year's crypto turmoil, according to Agustín Carstens. Thus the Central Banks' control has been tightened. CBDCs will, in effect, be the end of freedom, as many understand it.

Indeed, the US government has "declared war" on crypto currency, according to Mike Adams of Natural News. "It is actively filing lawsuits against crypto influencers, releasing white papers to discredit crypto, and working behind the scenes to annihilate private crypto that the feds don't control. The goal is to end it all, and replace it with a Central Bank Digital Currency (CBDC) that would spell the end of human freedom.

Freedom will have been forfeited

Meanwhile, the idea of using a Digital ID linked with such a system is gaining traction all over the world.

The public at large remains unaware of what is going on, but a combination of the three events will enable the final piece of the great Satanic plan (the World Economic Forum's Great Reset, previously featured in this paper) to fall into place and bring with it a fully authoritarian control system designed to enslave the population of the world. Freedom will have been forfeited by people who failed to see this gigantic authoritarian regime emerging.

This, of course, is nothing less than the system prophesied in the Bible in the books of 2 Thessalonians and Revelation over 2,000 years ago by Paul and John who took his instructions straight from the spirit of Jesus. In Revelation 13 Jesus told John to write that a time was coming when people would no longer be able to buy and sell without the "mark of the beast".

This mark, either received on the right hand or the forehead, would show allegiance to the wicked power system that emerged.

We have reached a point where people need to get serious and make a vitally important choice. Either they believe and receive the words of Jesus Christ or they continue to put their trust in man.



Bridger's Graham background in banking, fund management and financial strategic planning led him to begin researching the root causes of the 2008 global financial debt crisis. In his 2018 book,

'Converging Signs and Rejection of Truth - Are we Ready for the Return of Jesus Christ?' he considers how current world events are in line with Bible prophecy, with the need to prepare for the Messiah's return. His books are available from his website, Illusion2Reality.com.



Britain's own Auschwitz" - the murder of nine million innocents

A challenge to the Church to repent of its silence

Whose Child? UK Abortion, a Gospel Matter

By S Nye

Printed in the UK by Amazon

his is such an important book on a vital subject.

The foreword says: "The massive scale of abortion (in the UK) surely makes it the number one social justice issue in our time."

It is calling for nothing less than for the Church to repent of its silence, as the effects of the 1967 Abortion Act are acted out in society today.

Abortion may not have affected your life, but it does affect us all. The author shows how the UK Church at large – through a survey by the Evangelical Alliance – has adopted very similar views on abortion to society at large, ignoring the Bible's teaching on the subject.

Some of the expressions used in the book are evocative – such as "Britain's own Auschwitz", as the author depicts the appalling massacre of nine million innocents since the 1967 Abortion Act. Another is telling us that World War 1 infantry soldiers, in the trenches, had



healing through prayer

a 10 per cent chance of being killed,
whereas a baby in the womb today has

a 24 per cent chance of being aborted. But this is not a book based on emotion. It is thoroughly researched, with solid scientific facts.

I wondered what had happened in the author's life to cause 'S Nye' to spend so much time meticulously researching subjects such as: what makes us human, at what point in life does humanity begin and the effects that abortion has upon women spiritually, emotionally and physically. At that stage I did not even know if 'S Nye' was male or female!

So I wrote to find out. Sarah wrote back to me and shared her own story. The chapters in the book began to make sense. Sarah experienced a violent marriage and for a time a child was a pawn between the two parents. Through prayer, Sarah has experienced healing and is able to forgive. Above all, her experiences taught her the importance of not being judgemental about other women's actions.

She longs for the Church to offer prac-

tical options to those wondering about abortion and towards the end includes an interview with David Brennan, head of Brephos, a UK ministry dedicated to equipping and motivating churches to speak out for the unborn.

She longs for the Church to offer practical options to those wondering about abortion

Brephos was a new word to me. It is a Greek word for baby and is used in Luke 1 when John the Baptist as a foetal 6-month-old, "leapt for joy in the womb" and in Luke 2 referring to the new-born Jesus "lying in the manger".

O that this book will be used so that many more babes in the womb will become infants of great joy.

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- A positive book full of hope as well as the challenge.



Kindness and politeness is killing off churches

Being nice is all very well, but it needs a purpose, says Hugh Osgood

Is kindness killing the Church? Letters to seven 21st century churches

By Hugh Osgood

Malcolm Down Publishing

was intrigued by this book's title. After all, isn't kindness one of the fruits of the Spirit listed in Galatians 5:22?

Page 18 gives an inkling as to why the author chose it: "Overly cautious negotiating is the sort of 'kindness' we have to avoid. Strength was a characteristic of the Church in New Testament times – strong convictions, strong commitments and strong arguments, all existing side by side. Kindness has its place, it always has, but without wholehearted engagement it risks reducing the Church to a state of lukewarm vagueness."

I have great respect for Hugh Osgood and I am sure he must have more information about all the different churches in our land than almost anyone else. Elected as the Moderator of the Free Churches Group in 2014, he has also served two terms as President of Churches Together in England.

So Hugh has seen the churches, studied them, preached in them and is in a good position to compare seven typical UK churches of today to the seven churches of Revelation 2 and 3.

Being a preacher, he has managed to

give every one of them a name beginning with the same letter: the Conciliatory Church, the Conforming Church, the Comprehensive Church, the Curious Church, the Concerned Church, the Courteous Church, the Confident Church. You may well recognise your local church and the challenges Hugh says you need to face.

"What today's Church needs isn't more niceness, but individual disciples who have rekindled their passion, and can argue for their faith"

Hugh believes passionately in unity. We know from John 17 that Jesus's final prayer for the Church was for a togetherness – "that they all may be one." Hugh's challenge is for churches to stop being 'wishy-washy' (that's my expression), where kindness and politeness to each other is killing them off.

Hugh's study of Revelation's seven churches leads him to conclude that what today's Church needs isn't more niceness, but individual disciples who have rekindled their passion, and can argue for their faith.

He describes the Church of the New Testament as "real, rugged, and robust without accommodating the slightest hint of superficiality, superiority or sentimentality". His longing is for today's Church to move from "polite, passive kindness" to a body "demonstrating robust and unbreakable love".

Let me give the final word to Hugh, who has dedicated the book as follows:

"To my fellow church members
– from those who prefer to sit at the

back
To those who faithfully serve at the

front –
A thought provoking look at the unity

of the Church,

Advocating greater engagement and An openness to more robust problem-solving."



Hugh Osgood is calling for more conviction and commitment

BOOKREVIEW

By Gordon Pettie

Are heaven and hell figments of the imagination?

The Transparent Truth, Making Sense of the Christian Faith

By Martin Whitehouse

wonder how many times you have questions about your . faith but don't know where to find the answers?

Martin Whitehouse has done the work for you. The back cover of this book says it will help those who aren't sure about the whole God thing. Believe me, it will also help those of us who are sure of our faith but have not worked out all the answers to the difficult questions.

The book - all 422 pages of it was born as Martin Whitehouse tried to find answers to his own personal questions. He pulled together as much information as he could find from other books, read scholarly research



Martin Whitehouse set out to answer his own questions

papers, studied archaeological and historical documents, then checked all he had found against what Christians believed.

He writes: "My motivation was personal study to get to the root of many of the gripey questions of my faith that never seem to get a clear answer.'

The more he researched, the more the reliability of Scripture was confirmed

He was amazed that the more he researched, the more the reliability of Scripture was confirmed. "I found that science was not the enemy of my faith,

An added bonus in the book are its encouragement for readers to check out the answers the author has given for themselves. It is full of endnote links, references to relevant research, and Scripture references.

Here are some of Martin's hard questions that he found answers for:

What is sin? How does sin affect my children?

Can I ever consider evolution as a Christian and where do dinosaurs fit in?

Can I be sure about God?

Are natural human virgin births possible?

Can I rely on what is written in the Bible?

Were Adam and Eve real peo-

Are heaven and hell just figments of imagination?

Is God too kind and loving for indaement?

If you are looking for a well-researched book with answers to your many questions and follow up references, all contained in one book, this could be the one for you.



wife Lorna

Gordon, along withwife Lorna, is part of the leadership team of Revelation TV, a 24/7 Christian television station that broadcasts in the UK on Sky 581 and Freesat TV 692, and throughout the world via the Roku Box and Apple TV. Gordon's passion is writing and he is the author of eight books.

—— REVIEW BY CHRIS EYTE ——

ESUS REVOLUTION KCITES MOVIEGOERS

'The Jesus Revolution' film is exciting churchgoers across the pond with its story about a spiritual searcher, Greg Laurie (Joel Courtney), meeting hippy preacher Lonnie Frisbee (played by 'The Chosen's' Jesus actor, Jonathan Roumie).

In later life, Frisbee was said to be a practising homosexual, although this is contested, especially by his brother Dan. But the film focuses on the 1970s period in the US when he influenced many youngsters to turn to Christ with help from Pastor Chuck Smith (Kelsey Grammer) who, in the movie, offers his struggling church for an alleged revival. Time Magazine called the movement a Jesus Revolution' - hence the film's title



Roger Stanway, who runs Kingdom Heritage Productions with his wife, Kate, has made a short YouTube video about the effect of the film and says: "Whatever the messiness and mistakes made at the time of the Jesus People Movement (JPM), this particular move of God had

a huge impact on both needy, lost young Americans and the American Church in general. Although debated, some consider that this time could be considered the fourth Great Awaken-

Smith for a relatively short time, before moving to Florida (to try and save his marriage) and then to other places, some of which turned out to be wildernesses with accompanying temptations to return to his old sinful lifestyle. But his preaching and witnessing sprang from the sound biblical teaching and oversight of an experienced Pastor.'

Revolution': https://youtu.be/

ing in the history of the USA.
Stanway adds: "Frisbee was
only involved with Pastor Chuck Link to video about 'The Jesus IAH9JlwDOyc



Rev David Wilkerson debating with some of the Jesus People over their lax approach to drug taking

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NEW AUTHORS

DO YOU FEEL LONELY IN YOUR CHURCH ENVIRONMENT?



Tope Pearson is an author and speaker who has ministered at various churches internationally and co-founded Equipping the Saints Ministries alongside her husband, Tim.

In 'The Lonely Soldier', Tope Pearson compares Lot's struggles as a remnant in Sodom and Gomorrah to current events, showing how the goodness of God prevails. The book also provides practical tips on how to stand firm in your Christian-Messianic faith during these end times.

Many churches are not awake to the end times we are currently living in. 'The Lonely Soldier' offers encouragement and solutions

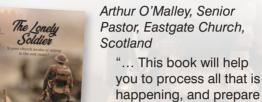
There is a lot of deception in the world today, with the mainstream media hiding the truth, along with world leaders preparing the way for the Antichrist. As

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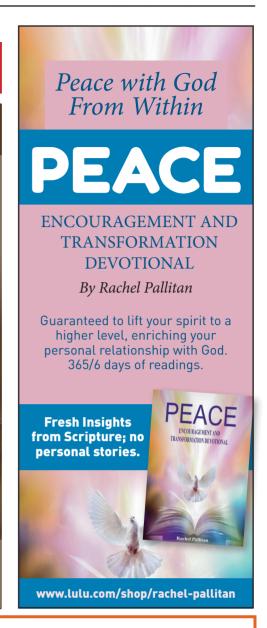
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Brenda Taylor, Founder,

Dovetail Shalom Ministries,
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"'The Lonely Soldier' needs to be read prayerfully and shared."

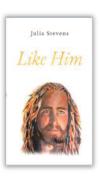




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"As a child Julia Stevens saw her severely depressed mother's life transformed by faith. In time she followed her mum's path and discovered her own transformational faith. Julia has come a very long way from a young girl with anxiety and OCD. Her great faith has given her strength, self-worth and it's very clear that she has a calling and deep commitment to helping others to both understand who Jesus is, and to understand just how important they are to Him. Each chapter has something which is likely to resonate with or challenge the reader. Later sections of the book talk about choices we make day by day, to be more aware of God as an ongoing part of life, during work, rest, and worship." Anne Rogers, Author

'Like Him' is a dynamic devotional full of Biblical revelation, understanding and wisdom from above. Explore your identity in Jesus Christ, be immersed in inspirational testimony and Christ-centred spiritual experience. Receive practical pointers as well as deep insight from God.

"This book should be compulsory for all broken people, those new to the faith, or those who simply need a boost to be firmly grounded in Christ. Buy it, work through it. The Lord will speak to you as you reflect on your journey." **Matthias Hepworth, Author**

"I've been a Christian for over 35 years, yet 'Like Him' has really brought things together for me and I feel so much more loved. Great for those who want to go deeper in their faith. Perfect for anyone who has been 'broken' in any way. The prayers to use as a guide are also very good." Amazon review

Purchase for £7 at: https://www.treeof-life.co.uk available at Amazon and Kindle. Based in Southampton, the author lives in a cottage set in idyllic grounds, offering retreats for individuals and small groups to experience God's presence through creativity. Pray, create and/or soak in The



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Asbury 'revival'

The Asbury 'revival' has been viewed many times on social media, but some Christians' opinions are voiced unkindly, which saddens me and hurts the Body of Christ. Please be more loving to those who have a different opinion over Asbury and other issues.

We all support the congregations and groups that reflect our own beliefs. However, the basics are to believe the Word of God and not just to the letter but also to comprehend God's intention, helped by the presence of the Holy Spirit, who teaches us. Remember, Jesus said to step out of darkness into the light.

I pray good will come out of this 'revival', but if sin is still evident in attendees in a year's time, then what will this event have done? Time will tell.

Susan Hill Eastbourne, East Sussex

The weight of evidence

Contrary to Tony Pearce's conjecture in his article 'No way out?' that Putin has expansionist aspirations, evidence points to his being a Russian nationalist and a realist, with no interest at all in recreating the former Soviet Union, nor in retaking any formerly Communist countries.

The restraint Putin has shown for years in the face of NATO's unlawful expansion is evidence. However, while occupying Ukraine may never have been Putin's goal, the West's escalation of the war may be forcing his hand.

This is a well-planned and long provoked war by NATO and the US against Russia with NATO's intentions being the destruction of Russia and to obtain Russia's extensive oil and gas reserves.

In order for this war to end we need to pray that God would expose the American globalist cabal and their institutions; for



should Vladimir Putin unleash his hypersonic RS-28 Sarmat missile, it could potentially obliterate the UK 1,600 miles away, in just six minutes. A sobering reality indeed!

Pamela Stevens Stockwell, London

Head coverings

I fully agreed with David Measures' article on head-coverings (Dec/Jan 2022-23).

I have worn a head-covering to Church these past 40 years after being born again in a house fellowship that (loosely) belonged to a movement of house fellowships, which subscribed to the practice of women wearing head-coverings, though it was never forced.

For three and a half decades I have attended churches where I was often the only woman in a hat!

During that time I experienced several unpleasant attempts to "change my mind", to "liberate" me, which made me feel extremely awkward. Nevertheless, I persevered and have been so glad that I did. I am completely convinced of the benefits of head covering for women; I whole-heartedly believe that yes, the angels, including and possibly especially, the fallen ones, are watching intently the head-covering, or not, of women. I see it as an immense privilege that only women are blessed with.

I am happy for people to contact me for further information.

Eleanor Pomagalski (Mrs) POOLE, Dorset 01202 246802

Wake up call

An early wake up call on 26 February prompted me to grab a pen and write: "Let your yes be yes and your no be no; the future of nations is at stake!" Matthew 5 finishes with "for whatsoever is more than these comes of evil"!

It's not appropriate to overlook such a warning, especially when the EU Pres-

ident was visiting our PM to revise the Irish border protocol, the King's coronation is on 6 May and there's unrest among the people in Scotland!

Are the outcomes of all these big decisions going to work together for peace and harmony? We must continue daily to watch and pray, being anxious for nothing as we remain faithful for the advancement of the Kingdom of God.

Let's be expectant that he will perfect what concerns him for his glory to be revealed not only in the these islands but all nations. Isaiah 24:14: "They shall lift up their voice, they shall sing for the majesty of the LORD, they shall cry aloud from the sea".

Sally Rickard London

Open the King's eyes

I have often found myself asking Jesus how to pray for unbelievers, but I cannot find a Bible verse that shows us how.

Paul asked friends to pray that he might proclaim the Gospel clearly. So I pray that unbelievers will hear the Gospel from someone.

pel from someone.

I don't know what King Charles believes but there is William Tyndale's final prayer: "O Lord, open the King of England's eyes."

Anthony Reynolds Amersham, Bucks

Sexual grooming of children

The sexual grooming of our children (article by Dr David Mackereth, Feb/Mar 2023) makes me very angry.

But the Lord, "whose eyes run to and fro throughout the whole earth" (2 Chronicles 16:9) is even angrier! The Bible says that children are "a heritage of the Lord: and the fruit of the womb is his reward", (Psalm 127:2). Christ says: "Suffer little children; and forbid them not to come unto Me: for of such is the kingdom of heaven" (Matthew 19:14).

Sexual grooming is a global pandemic: a heinous, indecent, despicable act – especially when involving children – babies, even: and young persons! The vile spread of this disease is enabled by easily available unbridled internet content and 'un'social media.

Tragically, it does often feel too late to restore the age of innocence for this generation. But we must belatedly speak up. We owe this to our young people.

Valerie A Vince (Mrs) Bedhampton, Hampshire

Leave the building

I felt God telling me to warn believers to get away from the idea that a building is where we are to worship. He reminded me from the book of Acts

He reminded me from the book of Acts how the early Christians met in homes to worship. I believe that God wants to call us back to that way of worship, and that in the next two years we shall see the closure of many buildings that people wrongly call 'church'. We, the people of God, are the Church.

Buildings will close due to the rising costs of heating and maintaining them. I believe God will let this happen to bring us back to a New Testament style of worship

Furthermore, I felt God spoke to me about mass public unrest across the UK, which will lead to civil war. God highlighted Matthew 24:7, which mentions kingdom going to war against kingdom;



we are called the United Kingdom. This will come about because of extreme abortion, transgender laws and the rising cost of living. People can contact me on glasgowiain85@gmail.com.

Iain Lewis Sharp Glasgow



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Ukraine: Putin was provoked

Tony Pearce's article about NATO's current Ukrainian 'proxy war' with Russia (Feb/Mar 2023) contained a number of arguable statements.

The world was kept in the dark about the 2014 US coup in Ukraine, the Maidan horror, the accompanying resurgence of Ukraine's neo-Nazi Azov Battalion and the silent, cruel war against the ethnic Russians in the Donbass region of Eastern Ukraine.

The reason for the current conflict was the refusal of Ukraine to recognise the independence referendum of the two Donbass provinces, Donetsk and Luhansk, and officially grant them the right of self-determination and autonomy. One can hardly call Putin's military intervention on behalf of these ethnic Russian residents, persecuted by Ukraine for eight years, an invasion.

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Several false, publicised atrocities were attributed by Western media to Russian forces, yet never retracted. However, inhumane acts by Ukrainian forces against Russian prisoners have been completely ignored. NATO's destruction of the causeway bridge to Crimea, and the US sabotage of the Nord Stream pipeline, which constituted a war crime against Russia and Germany, were not censured by the West at all.

A way to bring an end to this war would involve NATO upholding their original agreement with Russia to refuse Ukraine membership. Since NATO's promise to Russia in 1991 that they would not expand 'one inch' to the East, 14 Eastern bloc countries, including Poland, have been admitted to NATO in breach of that agreement, plus the negotiations for Ukraine to also become a member.

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NATO's member states are annually required to maintain a level of armament procurement, hence a NATO-controlled Ukraine would present a very real threat to Russian borders; thereby making Putin's subsequent action a justifiable defence of his own country's security. Not to mention the threat posed by the now proven existence of the 34 potentially deadly US bio-weapon labs located in Ukraine.

The claim that the Russians are losing this war is refuted by the higher levels of Ukrainian losses and Zelensky's ongoing pleas for more armaments and money, despite receiving \$40 billion from the US, and tanks from the UK, Germany, the US and Poland.

Western globalists are escalating

Western globalists are escalating this into a wider war despite the clear diplomatic resolution available.

A cursory investigation into this war's



background exposes the US and NATO as the prime initiators of the conflict, not Russia... while Ukrainian people and armies on both sides suffer the fall out!

Susette McLachlan South London

A new way of living

In the early 1980s we were visited by my sister-in-law from the USA.

At the time my wife Carol and I were running a church in the south of Namibia near the Namib desert. My relative encouraged me to wait on the Lord in my times of prayer.

Once doing so, the voice of the good Shepherd began to speak quite clearly within my heart: "When will you begin to build my Church?"

Shocked, I replied: "I have done so for years and in different countries."

In his own loving way, the Spirit was convicting me that I spent all my time and effort building a legalistic church – and that was not his kind of church.

That realisation changed my life drastically as a minister of God forever. Carol and I moved on in a totally different direction and we became fruitful, fulfilled and happy.

A song that summed up what we were experiencing went: "I found a new way of living, I found a new love divine, I have the fruit of the Spirit, I'm abiding, abiding in the vine..."

Like the religious Pharisees of old I had accumulated many rules, regula-

tions and doctrines and burdened my people with them. But I lacked love, humility, meekness, mercy, loving-kindness, gentleness and forgiveness from the heart... I was like the foolish Galatians who horrified the Apostle Paul.

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I lacked love, humility, meekness, mercy, loving-kindness, gentleness and forgiveness from the heart

The first things that went out of the window were pride, judgementalism and criticism (the pointing of the finger). I was prompted to give up all of my pet doctrines. I felt that I was losing all my props but in exchange the head of the Church was with me such as never before and still is to this very day.

Carol and I loved people into the Kingdom, accepting them as they were and expecting only the Holy Ghost to advance them into maturity.

I cannot emphasise the principle of

"walking in the Spirit" enough. The Apostle Paul said: "Those who walk in the Spirit, they are the sons of God..."

Since the 1980s, God moved us on with his cloudy pillar and we are now in England. Every day we determine in our

heart the way God is moving and we move with him.

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by Geoff Chapman

Copying nature (biomimicry) is now big business.

According to the Biomimicry Institute (biomimicry.org), "Solutions to global challenges are all around us... nature has already solved many of the problems we are grappling with."

Janine Benyus, the Biomimicry Institute's founder, described biomimicry as "a new science that studies nature's best ideas and then imitates these designs and processes to solve human problems."

However, "nature" is just a description of what we see, so how could it possibly have "ideas"? Strangely, although the scientists and engineers involved in biomimicry use their intelligence, they won't admit that what they are copying also suggests an intelligent origin.

We could make a very lengthy list of examples of humans plagiarising God's

PLAGIARISING GOD

Lots of our best products have simply been copied from God's designs

designs. These include:

Helicopters — based on the mechanism used by dragonflies and hummingbirds

Wind turbine blades — based on the design of whales' flippers

Solar panels — based on the design of flies' eyes

Air-conditioned buildings — based on the architecture of termite nests

Optical lenses for CD and DVD players — based on the eyes of mantis shrimps.

In fact, the list of "God's firsts" is almost endless.

The natural designs that humans copy clearly display



Whales' flippers inspired the design for wind turbine blades

evidence of intelligent design, however much people deny it. Ideas always come from a mind! So it doesn't make sense when 'Nature' and 'Evolution' are spelled with a capital letter, which reports about the natural world often do when claiming that evolution or nature "discovered" something, as though they somehow have intelligence.

Whether they realise it or not, scientists who copy nature are acknowledging that design exists, and design points to a Designer! Yet some scientists appear to be wilfully blind. The late atheist and biologist Dr Francis Crick wrote: "Biologists must constantly keep in mind that what they see was not designed, but rather evolved." Why? Because he, and many others like him, don't want to believe in a Creator.

However, John Lennox, Professor of Mathematics at Oxford, rejects the argument that advances in scientific knowledge have removed the need to believe in a Creator. He says: "The major evidence for God is not in what we don't understand, but in what we do understand. It's the science that I do understand that points me towards God, not the science I don't." (emphases added).

Actually, we all recognise design when we see it. No one, looking at the images of US presidents at Mount Rushmore, would suggest that natural processes formed them, even if they didn't know who did it.

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The same logic should apply to design in nature. Two thousand years ago, the apostle Paul wrote: "For since the creation of the world God's invisible qualities – his eternal power and divine nature – have been clearly seen, being understood from what has been made, so that people are without excuse." (Romans 1: 20).

Yet Paul knew nothing of many of the wonders of creation since discovered, which add even greater weight to the evidence of intelligent design. Human inventors always claim credit for their designs, so why should the ultimate Designer be denied the credit for his designs which they love to copy? References:

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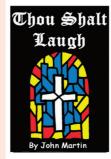
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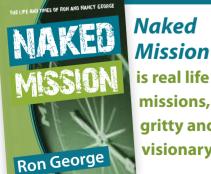
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