Bishop Sutton Community Church Letter

Bert Biscoe, the Deputy Lord Lieutenant of Cornwall, county councillor and former Mayor of Truro, made the national news recently with his account of being in a coma in Trelisk Hospital following a seizure from a diabetic condition: "I was out of it for ten days, unconscious for a chunk of it and then put into a controlled coma. I had no idea of the passage of time or what was going on. I was dead, I had a profound time on the other side in the dark but didn't like the accommodation and came back".

Others have had similar experiences of hell describing darkness, pain, and torment beyond anything words could describe; their accounts are documented on the internet. Isaiah spoke of this darkness as living in the shadow of death but also spoke of the hope of Jesus coming as a great light (Isaiah 9:2). When Jesus (whose name means Saviour) came to the earth, He said "I have come as a light into the world, that whoever believes in Me should not abide in darkness" (John 12:46) and "I am the light of the world. He who follows Me shall not walk in darkness, but have the light of life." (John 8:12).

God wants us to spend eternity with Him in paradise but gives us the choice: everlasting life in the Kingdom of God or an eternity of darkness and torment.God so loved the world that He gave His only begotten Son, that whoever believes in Him should not perish but have everlasting life. For God did not send His Son into the world to condemn the world, but that the world through Him might be saved." He who believes in Him is not condemned; but he who does not believe is condemned already, because he has not believed in the name of the only begotten Son of God (John 3:16-18). The choice is yours... do you believe in the Son of God, God the Son....Jesus?

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Bishop Sutton Community Church Activities:

<u>Sunday gatherings</u>: 10:00am at 24 Highmead Gardens or on Zoom for a time of worship, teaching, fellowship, encouragement and prayer; we can include live transcription on Zoom for those with hearing difficulties.

Mid-week courses and fellowship meetings: Monday morning prayer meeting 9:30-10:30am on Zoom: please let us know any prayer requests.

Monday evening fellowship meetings: 2nd and 4th Mondays in the month 7:30-9:00pm on Zoom. Thursdays 11:00am-12:30 Worship at South Bristol Christian Centre, 5 Churchlands Road, Bristol BS3 3PW. We also offer a range of bible courses that can be arranged at a time to suit you. More details are on our facebook page and web site, please get in touch if you would like to join us.

<u>Ukrainian Hub:</u> Please continue to hold these broken families and Ukraine in your prayers.

<u>Keynsham Food Bank:</u> The following can be donated at the Co-op in Chew Magna: Chick peas, Peanut butter, Squash, Sponge puddings, Instant custard sachets, Crackers, Mayonnaise, Razors, UHT milk (semi-skimmed, and whole). If you hear of people in difficulty, contact Dave/Jenny to help.

A number of food banks in Bristol are running seriously short of food so if you shop in Bristol, please consider donating food in the baskets at supermarkets in the City.

<u>Lonely or self-isolating</u>? If anyone is lonely or self-isolating and would appreciate a call, internet meeting or in need of help, please contact us.

<u>To join us online on Zoom</u>: Click on the link on our facebook page / web site or use the Meeting ID: 871 1725 3595 and Passcode: 578732.

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