Bishop Sutton Community Church Letter

Following on from last month's article about Bert Biscoe, the Deputy Lord Lieutenant of Cornwall and others having a taste of hell with darkness, pain and torment beyond anything words could describe, some 25 years ago I met an Irish man who had died on the operating theatre and had a taste of heaven. Gerry Dunphy found himself leaving his body and looking down on the operating theatre where the doctors and nurses were frantically trying to revive him. He was carried along a bright beautiful tunnel of light to a door where he met with Jesus. "Do you love your wife?" Jesus asked him, Gerry replied "I don't know. "Do you love your daughters?" Jesus continued, Gerry replied "I don't know". Then Jesus said to him "You had better go back for the key to the Kingdom is love". At that point Gerry found himself back in his body where the doctors told him that he had been dead for 20 minutes when his heart started beating again and he came back to life.

Gerry has since learnt how to love not only his wife and daughters but many others as he pastors a Church in Waterford. Paul Mundy had a similar encounter with Jesus a few years ago and will be recounting his story on one of our Monday evening fellowship meetings in the near future that you are very welcome to join on Zoom.

When Jesus, who came to show us God's love, was asked which was the greatest commandment, He replied "Hear, O Israel, the Lord our God, the Lord is one. And you shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, with all your soul, with all your mind, and with all your strength. This is the first commandment. And the second, like it, is this: You shall love your neighbour as yourself. There is no other commandment greater than these" (Mark 12:29-31). This is what we were created for.

God bless,

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Bishop Sutton Community Church Activities:

<u>Sunday gatherings</u>: We are closing our Sunday services as we have no place to meet in the village at the present time but will be joining with other fellowships with details on our web site and facebook pages.

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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