

Dear Friends

I do hope that you are well and enjoying these beautiful spring days. Long may they continue!

FAMILY – Please pray especially for Beth and Duncan. I can now share with you that Duncan has joined the cast of “Harry Potter and the Cursed Child” which is running at the Palace Theatre in Shaftesbury Avenue, London (just over the road from where my father worked for the last 20 years of his working life). This is an amazing coup for him at the beginning of his acting career and we are delighted for him. He has been living with Hannah and Ian, in Putney, whilst he looked for accommodation and I am glad to say that he was able to move into a beautiful new flat in Kidbrooke (near Blackheath in South East London) last weekend. I ferried his possessions up to the flat on Saturday and it is absolutely wonderful. Pray for Beth and Duncan as they adjust to this very new life. Beth will continue her studies in Glasgow so it will be a challenging way of life.

PARISH NURSING – It is a joy to support the work of Parish Nursing. I had a superb time at their annual Symposium last month in Swanwick, and was inspired by the amazing work that is being done all over the country.

SPURGEON’S COLLEGE – I have had lots of contact with Spurgeon’s College over the years but was surprised by a recent invitation to become a Governor of the College. My initial response was to reflect that my life is already sufficiently full of good things! However, after reflection and a meeting with the Principal last month I agreed to let my name go forward. The College is facing some major decisions in the coming years and it will be a privilege to walk with them at this important time.

As ever, thank you so much for your interest and prayers. It is always a blessing to hear your news and to be able to identify with you in the opportunities and challenges that you face.

Every blessing,

Jonathan

APRIL 2019 DIARY

Monday 1st

Oxford visits

Eastleigh Leadership Team interviewing a ministry candidate

Tuesday 2nd

Meeting with Nicky our Supervising Social Worker

Wednesday 3rd

Meeting with Through the Roof staff and trustees at Morden Park Baptist Church, London

Evening Performance of C’s School Play (she’s very confident of her words!)

Thursday 4rd

Meeting with Sally, C’s Play Therapist

Waterlooville Church Members’ Meeting

Friday 5th

Newbury Office

Saturday 6th

Day Off

Sunday 7th

Preaching at Eastleigh Baptist Church

Monday 8th

Eastleigh Ministry Team Meeting, pastoral visits and evening Leadership Team Meeting

Tuesday 9th to Saturday 13th Going with Sue, Tom and C to Spring Harvest in Minehead

Sunday 14th
Newbury Baptist Church

Monday 15th
Newbury Office

Tuesday 16th
Gloucestershire visit

Wednesday 17th
Spurgeon's College Governors' Meeting

Thursday 18th
Waterlooville Baptist Church Deacons' Meeting

Friday 19th
Good Friday in Newbury

Saturday 20th
Day Off

Sunday 21st
Easter Day - Preaching at Waterlooville Baptist Church

Monday 22nd
Easter Monday

Tuesday 23rd
Oxford visits

Wednesday 24th
Enabling Church Course

Thursday 25th
Parish Nursing Trustees' Meeting in Peterborough
Eastleigh Baptist Church AGM

Friday 26th
Premier visits

Saturday 27th
Day Off

Sunday 28th
Assisting with a baptismal service at Newbury Baptist Church

Monday 29th
Mentoring Network Meeting at Andover Baptist Church
LAC Meeting at our house (LAC means Looked After Child and this is a regular meeting with C's Independent Reviewing Officer and social workers)

Tuesday 30th
Eastleigh Baptist Church Leadership Team Vision Meeting