Dear Friends,

In last month's letter I was rejoicing that I hadn't succumbed to Covid. I tested positive the next day! Happily after two very sleepy days I had no more than a heavy cold for the next few days, so it didn't slow me down that much. Happily the rest of the family didn't go down with Covid.

CENTRAL CHURCH, SWINDON – Last Wednesday we had a meeting to pray and discuss the possibility of the church's wonderful buildings being used as a hub for Christian social action in the centre of the town. About forty people attended which was a huge encouragement. They represented a number of different churches and organisations and there was a very strong conviction that it would be good to take this forward. Please pray that we will gain a clear idea as to how this can be progressed.

C – We continue to be deeply grateful for the interest that you show in our foster daughter. She is now 12 and has been with us for six years. She is co-operative and helpful at home, but school continues to be a daily struggle. She is generally resistant to her teachers and regularly gets detentions. A significant part of the problem is that she is dyslexic and has a reading age of about $6\frac{1}{2}$. Please pray for us, the social workers and school staff as we seek to support her.

Thank you, as ever, for your interest and prayers.

Yours ever,

Jonathan

MAY DIARY

Sunday 1st Morning - Preaching at Central Church, Swindon Evening – Playing the piano (a lovely grand piano) at St Nic's Church for their informal service (I have recently agreed to play for them on a monthly basis)

Monday 2nd Bank Holiday

Tuesday 3rd Mentoring

Wednesday 4th Writing Day

Thursday 5th Recording a presentation on Parish Nursing

Friday 6th Mentoring

Saturday 7th Home for Good event in Milton Keynes

Sunday 8th Worshipping in Newbury

Monday 9th Morning – Eastleigh Baptist Church Ministry Team Meeting Evening – Eastleigh Baptist Church Leadership Team Meeting Tuesday 10th Oxford visits

Wednesday 11th Newbury Office

Thursday 12th Swindon meetings

Friday 13th Northamptonshire visits

Saturday 14th Day Off

Sunday 15th Morning - Preaching at Central Church, Swindon Evening – Preaching at St Nic's Church, Newbury

Monday 16th

Physiotherapy appointment – my right knee replacement has been a great success, but the left knee (which has never previously presented any difficulties) is now giving a lot of pain. So this appointment is the first step towards having a similar knee replacement for the left knee.

Tuesday 17th Newbury Office

Wednesday 18th Speaking at the Premier Team Morning Meeting

Thursday 19th Swindon meetings

Friday 20th Spurgeon's College meeting

Saturday 21st Speaking at a Through the Roof online meeting about how to help church leaders to engage with disability issues

Sunday 22nd Preaching at Eastleigh Baptist Church

Monday 23rd Mentoring

Tuesday 24th Swindon meetings

Wednesday 25th Mentoring

Wednesday 26th Leading devotions online for Torch Trust Swindon meetings

Friday 27th Postcard Fair in Woking Saturday 28th Postcard Fair in Woking

Sunday 29th Newbury Baptist Church – the final service for Richard Littledale as our minister

Monday 30th to Saturday 4th June Half Term Holiday

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