

Dear Friends

As many of you know my leg operation was postponed twice last month. The first time because of the failure of the hospital's heating system and the second time because of an outbreak of Norovirus. I am happy to say that the operation is due to take place today. I am due at the Royal Berks Hospital in Reading at 11.00am.

March was a splendid month. It began with a delightful visit to Keswick in Devon in Sidmouth and then I had a further visit to Devon in the middle of the month to celebrate Glen Graham's 25th anniversary as a minister. It was also good to spend time with Hannah, Ian and an increasingly mobile and talkative Flora in the Cotswolds. Last week Tom and I spent two days in Somerset for a very successful postcard fair, and last Saturday I had the huge blessing of speaking at Pat Temple's Thanksgiving in Northamptonshire. And how wonderful to have almost every day bathed in glorious sunshine.

Thank you so much for your love and interest. I have been truly blessed by the number of thoughtful messages I've received over the past month as I have awaited surgery.

May the Lord bless you and encourage you as we celebrate afresh the wonder of Easter.

Yours ever,

Jonathan

JONATHAN'S APRIL DIARY

Tuesday 1st

Royal Berks Hospital

Wednesday 2nd

Royal Berks Hospital

Saturday 5th

Speaking at the Men's Breakfast at Newbury Baptist Church

Sunday 6th

Morning - Preaching at Central Church, Swindon

Evening - Preaching at St Nic's, Newbury

Monday 7th

Premier Recording Session

Thursday 10th

Afternoon Bible Study at Central Church, Swindon

Saturday 12th

7.30pm Newbury Choral Society Concert – The Dream of Gerontius by Edward Elgar at St Nic's Newbury

Monday 14th

Speaking at the Thanksgiving Service for Tony Sayer at Clevedon Baptist Church. (Tony and his wife Pam were members of Southgate Church where I served from 1983 to 1991)

Tuesday 15th

Evening Bible Study at Central Church, Swindon

Wednesday 16th

Speaking at the Premier Staff Meeting

Thursday 17th

Maundy Thursday service at Central Church, Swindon

Friday 18th

Good Friday service at Central Church, Swindon

Sunday 20th

Easter Day Service at Central Church, Swindon

Thursday 24th

Afternoon Bible Study at Central Church, Swindon

Tuesday 29th

Evening Bible Study at Central Church, Swindon

Wednesday 30th

Spurgeon's College Governors' Meeting online