Dear Friends,

I feel very blessed that, despite ongoing medical issues, I managed to fulfil all my diary commitments last month. My prostate operation took place on 15th May, a day after the scheduled date. It didn't go quite as smoothly as the surgeon had hoped and I was left in considerable discomfort for a couple of weeks, but I am delighted to say that I am now feeling very much better.

I continue to value my work for Premier Radio which celebrates its 30th birthday this month. It has been an incredible privilege to write daily bible reflections for them for the past five years. With thousands of people reading or hearing these devotionals each day I get a steady stream of correspondence and I enjoy that. Overwhelmingly they are very appreciative but I am grateful that people are also quick to notice when I get things wrong! Almost all of my contact with Premier is done remotely including my weekly recording session. So I am really delighted that there will be a face to face meeting for all staff later this month.

Thanks for keeping in touch. I cannot say how deeply I have appreciated your love and support through these difficult months. But please also remember that I love hearing your news as well.

In this month in which we celebrate the gift of the Holy Spirit, may you know the encouragement of his continual presence, wisdom and power.

Yours ever,

Jonathan

JONATHAN'S JUNE DIARY

Tuesday 3rd

Good News for Swindon Prayer Breakfast at the Mayor's Parlour. The town's new Mayor, Fay Howard, is a Christian and so it will be great to have this opportunity to pray with her.

Wednesday 4th

Speaking at the Premier Staff Morning Meeting

Thursday 5th

Leading a service before the First Thursday Lunch at Newbury Baptist Church Afternoon Bible Study at Central Church, Swindon

Friday 6th

Evening – Prayer for Swindon meeting at Christ Church, Swindon

Sunday 8th

Pentecost - Preaching at Central Church, Swindon

Monday 9th

Check up at the Royal Berks Hospital, Reading following my leg operation in April

Tuesday 10th
Chairing the Spurgeon's College Council meeting
Evening Bible Study at Central Church, Swindon

Thursday 12th

Going to London to hear Beth sing in her choir

Friday 13th

Neurology appointment about my tremors – delayed by a fortnight!

Saturday 14th

WebNet Annual Gathering in Chipping Sodbury – at which my good friend Nigel Coles will be farewelled

Sunday 15th

Preaching at Immanuel United Reformed Church, Swindon

Monday 16th

Spurgeon's Governors' Meeting

Tuesday 17th

Noon - Review meeting with Big Breakfast Plus, Swindon Afternoon – Central Church, Swindon Pastoral Meeting Evening – Mentoring in Oxfordshire

Thursday 19th

Afternoon Bible Study at Central Church, Swindon

Friday 20th

Mentoring in Hampshire

Sunday 22nd

Swindon Baptist Cluster Evening of Prayer

Monday 23rd

Mentoring in Hampshire

Tuesday 24th

Evening Bible Study at Central Church, Swindon

Wednesday 25th

Spurgeon's Governors' Meeting

Thursday 26th

Premier Staff Gathering in London

Sunday 29th

Preaching at Central Church, Swindon