

## Pastors Comment ...

As Denis has already written, one of the highlights of last month was Doris' 100th birthday—what an amazing age! Of course, we also celebrated Good Friday and Easter Sunday and continue to remember the victory of the Cross and Resurrection of our Lord. The fellowship lunch was also very well attended with two new guests from the village—in fact the lunch is becoming so popular that we can just about squeeze everyone in! In other news, a youth badminton group also began on the 17th April providing free tuition; several people from the village, including myself, were CRB checked to continue supervising the club after the training is over. And ... the 'Spiritualized' bus will be coming to Malborough every Friday for the month of May (starting on the 4th at 8pm). We hope to meet up with youth in the village and get to know them. However, it needs volunteers who are willing to spend a couple of hours in a month to help out—you don't need to be young as long as you can talk and walk!!

Lastly, Helen Cole, Peggy, Marjorie, Sarah Rooney and certainly our postman, Alan, all need our prayers. *Pastor Tim.*



## Services

<u>May</u>	
6 <sup>th</sup>	Rev Tim Skillman
13 <sup>th</sup>	Mr Mal Young
20 <sup>th</sup>	Mr Denis King
27 <sup>th</sup>	Rev Tim Skillman
<u>June</u>	
3 <sup>rd</sup>	Rev Tim Skillman

## Door Stewards

<u>May</u>	
6 <sup>th</sup>	Mr B Collins
13 <sup>th</sup>	Mrs E Putt
20 <sup>th</sup>	Mr M Hollebhone
27 <sup>th</sup>	Mrs K King
<u>June</u>	
3 <sup>rd</sup>	Mrs J Tucker

## Flowers

<u>May</u>	
6 <sup>th</sup>	Mrs M Hallworth
13 <sup>th</sup>	Mr R Parsons
20 <sup>th</sup>	Mrs S Jones
27 <sup>th</sup>	Mrs K King
<u>June</u>	
3 <sup>rd</sup>	Mrs E Putt



## Hoovering (week ending...)

<u>May</u>	
5 <sup>th</sup>	Mrs K King
12 <sup>th</sup>	Mrs G Sterry
19 <sup>th</sup>	Mr H Jones
26 <sup>th</sup>	Ms J Brown
<u>June</u>	
2 <sup>nd</sup>	Mr E Putt



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# Fellowship News

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Morning Service 10:30 am Communion service held on the first Sunday of the month.

## CONGRATULATIONS 100 YEARS OLD!

Well done, Doris !

Receiving that coveted telegram from the Queen, dear Doris, her family and friends recently enjoyed a sumptuous tea party at the chapel, complete with a lovely cake and plenty of cream teas. So many folk crowded into the fellowship room that the official



photographer had to move groups into the chapel itself to record the event. Tim presented to her a specially etched glass vase for the occasion. This was a truly happy anniversary at which the Grace of God was acknowledged and celebrated. Like most churches these days the average age of our congregation is quite high and we are blessed in having some nonagenarians and few folk in their eighties, whilst many of us are already able to wave our bus-passes.

That wise old Greek, Socrates, once said that “the unconsidered life is not worth living”, meaning that every person should at some time wonder why on earth they exist.

The glorious message of the Gospel is that tiny as we are, mere specks in the universe, we really do matter and we each have a purpose in being alive. And what is that purpose? Micah tells us that God requires mankind to do justly, to love mercy, and to walk humbly with God, but it is Jesus who promises us the power to do that and much more by offering us a spiritual quality of life. As Doris has shown, the Lord is true to his Word,

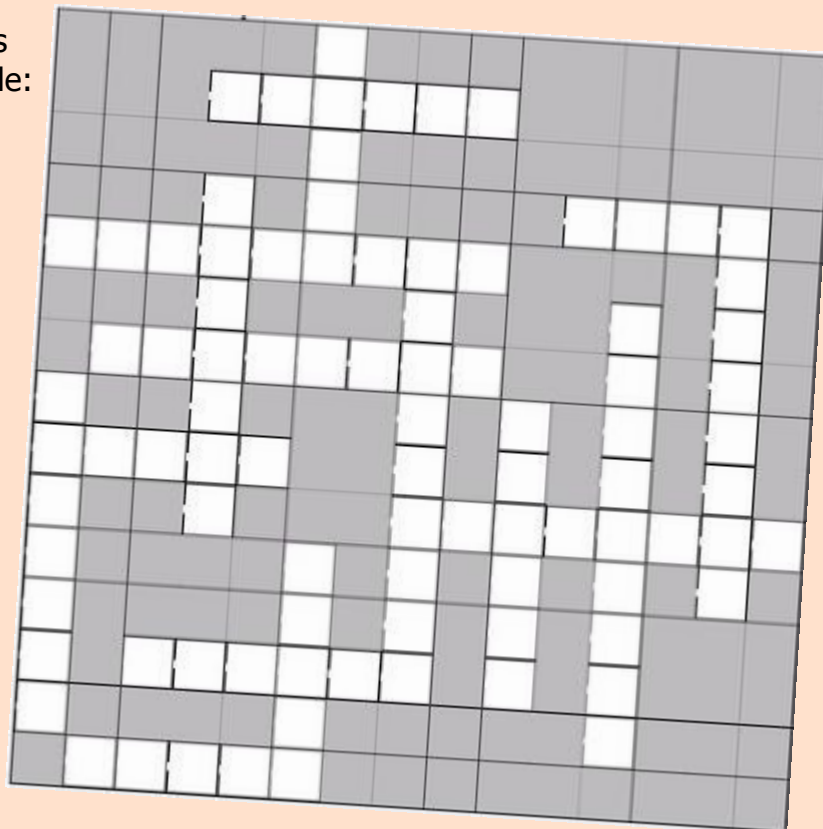
*“Even to your old age and grey hairs, I am He who will sustain you. I have made you and I will carry you, sustain and rescue you.”* Praise the Lord !

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### The Apostles of Christ Puzzle

Fit the names into the Puzzle:

- JAMES
- MATTIAS
- PHILIP
- LABBAEUS
- NATHANIEL
- MATTHEW
- APOSTLE
- SIMON
- CEPHAS
- THOMAS
- CANAANITE
- THADDAEUS
- SAUL
- ALPHAЕUS
- PETER
- JUDAS



### What's on this May ...

**3rd**—Deacons meeting, 7pm at the Chapel

**4th**—Spiritulized bus in Malborough (8-10 pm)

**7th**—May bank holiday

**10th**—AGM & QBM meeting, 7pm at the Chapel  
(with election of deacons and wardens)

**13th—19th** Christian Aid Week

**17th**—Fellowship Lunch, 12.30pm at the Chapel

**24th**—House group at Richard & Rachel's, 7.30pm

**27th**—Sunday Evening Worship at the Chapel, 7—8 pm  
*(to be confirmed)*

*“Who shall separate us from the love of Christ? Shall trouble or hardship or persecution or famine or nakedness or danger or sword? As it is written: ‘For your sake we face death all day long; we are considered as sheep to be slaughtered.’*

*No, in all these things we are more than conquerors through him who loved us. For I am convinced that neither death nor life, neither angels nor demons, neither the present nor the future, nor any powers, neither height nor depth, nor anything else in all creation, will be able to separate us from the love of God that is in Christ Jesus our Lord.”*

*Romans 8:35-39 (NIV)*