

When You Can't Go On

"Because of the Lord's great love we are not consumed . . . great is [His] faithfulness." Lamentations 3:22–23

In 2006, my dad was diagnosed with a neurological disease that robbed him of his memory, speech, and control over body movements. He became bedridden in 2011 and continues to be cared for by my mom at home. The beginning of his illness was a dark time. I was fearful: I knew nothing about caring for a sick person, and I was anxious about finances and my mom's health.

The words of Lamentations 3:22 helped me get up many mornings when the light was as gray as the state of my heart: "Because of the Lord's great love we are not consumed." The Hebrew word for "consumed" means "to be used up completely" or "to come to an end."

God's great love enables us to go on, to get up to face the day. Our trials may feel overwhelming, but we won't be destroyed by them because God's love is far greater!

There are many times I can recount when God has shown His faithful, loving ways to my family. I saw His provision in the kindness of relatives and friends, the wise counsel of doctors, financial provision, and the reminder in our hearts that—one day—my dad will be whole again in heaven.

If you're going through a dark time, don't lose hope. God can help you to not be consumed by what you face. Keep trusting in His faithful love and provision for you.

By: Karen Huang - Taken from odb.org



Watch the **Traditional Service** online with Earl Ramharacksingh



Watch the Parallel Service online with Pastor Geert Tap

Announcements / News

We will celebrate the 60TH ANNIVERSARY OF THE TOY SERVICE on Sabbath 11th December at 11a.m. As in former years, the children will be invited to bring their toys to the front of the church. Next week a list of suitable toys for age groups will be supplied. We encourage you to plan to attend this special service so that those who will receive gifts of love may know of the reason for the Season.

Prayer Meeting on Wednesday at 7pm. Zoom Meeting ID: 863 32812854 Password: 063944. LINK

The Adventurers Club is looking for keen and eager councillors to join our club to teach children between the ages of 4-6. Please, contact Megan Joseph if you want to help.

- Adult Sabbath School has started meeting in person at church with two classes currently in the Maple Room and Oak Room from 10am to 11am. The lessons will also be accessible via Zoom with the following links:
 Oak Room class: LINK Meeting Meeting ID: 825 8426 3628 || Passcode: px1vB7
 Maple Class: LINK Meeting ID: 757 070 1887 || Passcode: 111000
 (Or by phone: +44 203 481 5240)
- ADRA ANNUAL APPEAL If you would like to join this endeavour by acknowledging a birthday or to give thanks to God by donating to ADRA - please go to <u>https:justgiving.com/fundraising/Audrey-Balderstone1</u> Thank you.
- Women's Ministry Join us for another prayer session this sabbath, entitled "He is listening" presented by Sister Milimo Mumbo from 3pm - 5pm. Meeting ID -72779659834 | Passcode - WMmeeting

□ **The flowers** at church are in loving memory of Peter Hinks who would have celebrated his 90th birthday on Wednesday 17th November. Also to thank the church family for the love & support they have shown to Jean & family.

ADRA VIRTUAL GIFT BOX APPEAL 2021: Last year we raised £10,000 to help children in the UK that were affected by the pandemic. This year our Virtual Gift Box campaign will benefit children in rural Chad. We would like to provide them with a basic school kit, a hygiene pack and a toy. What a difference this will make. We ask you to donate £10 per child on our <u>JustGiving website</u>: donate as much as you can e.g. a £50 donation will benefit 5 children.

With our local partner, ADRA Chad, the gifts are handpicked for every group of children making sure the gifts they receive will fit their specific needs. Whether pens, crayons, soap, a toothbrush and of course a toy, please know that you have given them a reason to smile!

This year we have kept it simple: make a donation on our <u>JustGiving page</u> or, alternatively, send us a cheque.

The Sale and Tea event last Sunday raised £1440 for The Watford Peace Hospice Charity. A big thank you to all who came and spent and those who came to serve.

We are sad to announce the deaths of the following and ask for your prayers on behalf of the families.

Pastor John Arthur, former BUC President and valued former member of our congregation.

John passed to his rest on Sunday, November 14. He leaves behind his beloved wife Ruth,

children Christine and Andrew and their families. Andrew's wife, Julie, sadly lost her Mother, Margaret Lowe, on November 10. A double blow for Andrew and Julie.

Ron Surridge, much loved former Pastor of Stanborough Park church, died on Monday, November 15. His wife Rachel mourns his passing as does his son, John and his family. Karen Hubbard's Mother, who lives in Weymouth, also died on November 17. We send our deepest sympathy to Karen.

Come, Lord Jesus.

Please pray for:

- Donna Wray, recovering from surgery.
- Adewale Ademuyiwa.
- Bronwen Atkinson and for her husband, Roy.
- Pastor Terry and family.
- Ken Spicer.
- Lydia and Les Dean, Becca and Nick and the rest of the family.
- Please keep praying for all those who need God's healing touch.

Family Service - 20th November

Welcome & Announcements - Bheki T. Moyo Prelude Invocation - Bheki T. Moyo Opening Hymn 1 NAH - Praise My Soul the King of Heaven Tithes & Offerings - Bheki T. Moyo Scripture Reading: Earl Ramharacksingh Children's Story - Jackie Ramharacksingh Family Prayer - Richard Gayle Musical Item: Day by Day - Yui Hanada and Rhae Layson **Sermon: "The Final Solution" - Earl Ramharacksingh** Closing Hymn 470 NAH - Not I but Christ Benediction - Earl Ramharacksingh Postlude

Sabbath School from 9:45am

Welcome & Opening Prayer - Massimo Molteni Opening Hymn: NAH 637 - All the way Facilitator: Chris Levy Panel: Peter Walton, Florence Allen, Erna Herteliu, Ioan Herteliu

First Partial Report of the Nominating Committee 20 November 2021

Eldership: Florence Allen, Audrey Balderstone, David Burgess, Bernell Bussue, Louis Guenin, Steven Moser, Bheki Moyo, Roger Murphy Church Clerks. Membership: Milimo Mumbo, Church Board: Alix Roberts

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Children's Sabbath School Superintendent: Paolo Carillo

Adult Sabbath School Superintendent:

Massimo Molteni **Team:** Nitish Khetavath, Volker Herkner

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Deputy: Stha Nyamussara **Assistant:** Fay Christie Centre **Sales Ledger:** Clinton Quarshie

Conference Funds: Leader: Peter Walton Deputy: Judy Plaatjes Assistant: Sheila Stickland

AV Team: Leader: Eric Wolfram Deputy leaders: Audrey Wolfram, Paul Perry, Neilson Roberts, Carl Swain **Committee:** Roland Guenin, Larry Ivan, Pastor, Elder, Treasurer, Centre Manager, Head Deacon, Head Deaconess, Health & Safety, Kitchen Manager

Health & Safety: Faith Allen

Welfare: Pat Walton, Norma Machicado

Seniors' Club Leader: Amanda Powell Assistant Leader: Roslyn Guenin

Toddler Club Leader: Alessandra Ferraz, Team: Student Volunteers

ADRA Fundraising: Audrey Balderstone

These names will be left with you for the week and will be voted on next Sabbath 27 November 2021. Should you wish to clarify a name, please contact Pst Geert Tap or Dave Burgess. Should you wish to speak to the Nominating Committee about a concern please let Pst Tap or Dave Burgess know and you can be invited to the Nominating Committee on Thursday 25 November 2021 where your concern will be considered.









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