

Onward



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To help with understanding what I am writing in this edition you will need to have a Bible to hand.

I have just read a reflection on 1 Timothy 4 in the synod daily devotions.

Paul's 1st letter to Timothy chapter 4 offers advice to Timothy as a Minister but it can equally be applied to the Elders and Members of Hallfold Church family, as we minister to each other.

The letter starts with a warning against false and useless teaching, which may lead you into a wrong way of life. It rejects teaching that leads to enforced behaviour or restraint in favour of a grateful heart, full of thanksgiving for all God gives us, and a confidence in our faith. We are expected to be as generous as God with our dealings with others.

What the life of faith means in practice is a sustained and sustainable lifestyle, one that has to be worked at. It is easy to have thankfulness when things go well. However, when we are upto our neck in it, struggling to keep our temper, dignity or confidence we may find gratitude less easy. Verses 8 to 10 remind Timothy of the hope that is in us. A hope that can sustain us through thick and thin. We all need reminding of this from time to time.

Verse 14 implores *Do not neglect the gift that is in you*. This is a reminder and encouragement to all church family to be intentional in what they do. To consider how best to use their talents for God, in this place and elsewhere. But also to accept that no one person has all the gifts the Church needs but to accept that God has provided all the gifts so that the whole Church has the gifts and talents required for His mission here.

I am mindful that Elders are called to be servants to the Church, in humility and meekness and to strive for the Unity of the Church.

With the Members of this Church family we can work together to deliver His mission with grateful hearts, not because we have to, but because we want to.

Your **Secret'Arry**



This year Hallfold has taken part in the door to door delivery and collection envelopes in the area and has hosted a Big Breakfast. In total we raised £685 for Christian Aid.

Christian Aid believes in 'Life before death' and aims to send help to refugees and to eradicate poverty. Christian Aid state that 'Poverty is an outrage - it robs people of dignity and hope, of power over their own lives.' Their vision is to end poverty, believing that this vision can become a reality.

- 75p could pay for a malaria rapid diagnostic test kit in Zambia - early diagnosis saves lives.
- £1 could pay for a chick in Cambodia, helping a family to set up a poultry-rearing business. This will bring in extra money and provide them with a better diet.
- £5 could pay for 100 text messages to be sent to 100 farmers in Kenya to provide them with a local weather forecast update, helping them adapt their farming to the conditions.

SMALL CHANGE MAKES A BIG DIFFERENCE

Many thanks to all those who helped in any way

Brenda

Christine's Jottings

This year we decided to have a Mad Hatter's Tea Party. This was linked to the induction of Ryan as our new Junior Church President.

This was held on 3rd June and, together with afternoon tea in a paper bag, we enjoyed a few stalls and a Mad Hat competition.

Ryan, in his speech, thanked Conal Myers for his service on behalf of Hallfold over the last few years. Conal has been the longest serving President ever!! During this time he has grown from a boy to a very smart, young man.

Now it is Ryan's turn. He has attended Hallfold since being a baby and well deserves the job. Please encourage and support him in his presidency.

We are holding a Vintage Tea Party on Saturday 17th June between 3pm and 5pm. Admission is £5.00 which includes afternoon tea. Last year the attendance figure was very low, which was quite disappointing. Please try and support this event and also the Midsummer Celebration to be held the following week on Saturday 24th June at 7.30pm.

Please could I remind people that we are still looking for people to help in Junior Church over the holidays. The regular staff need a rest over the summer. If you could help at all over the 6 week period during July and August, please sign up on the list or speak directly to me.

Christine

Luke 11:17

But He knew their thoughts and said to them, "Any kingdom divided against itself is laid waste; and a house divided against itself falls".

**BIG
FUN**

**BIG
WORSHIP**

**BIG
SPEAKERS**

JOHN PROCTOR
STEVE CHALKE
LAWRENCE MOORE

**BIG
DRAMA**

WORKSHOPS

**BIG 2017
DAY OUT**

**8TH JULY 2017
SOUTHPORT CONVENTION CENTRE**

**ADULT £8 BEFORE 17TH APRIL 2017/£10 AFTER 16 AND UNDER FREE
BOOKINGS:**

NW SYNOD OFFICE 0161 789 5583 EMAIL ADMIN@NWSYNOD.ORG.UK

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Diary of Church Events	
Jun 04 th	Family Church at 10:45am No Service <i>Pentecost - Riverside</i>
Jun 05 th	Service at Masseycroft – 2:00pm
Jun 06 th	Ladies “ <i>Exercise to Music</i> ” 8:00pm in the schoolroom. All ladies welcome - Admission £3
Jun 08 th	“Knit & Natter” - 2.00pm at Pam’s
Jun 09 th	3 rd Whitworth URC Rainbows - 6:00pm - 7:00pm
Jun 09 th	3 rd Whitworth URC Brownies - 6:30pm – 7:45pm
Jun 11 th	Family Church at 10:45am Elders Communion
Jun 12 th	Service at Masseycroft – 2:00pm
Jun 13 th	PMT at Lorraine’s
Jun 13 th	Ladies “ <i>Exercise to Music</i> ” 8:00pm in the schoolroom. All ladies welcome - Admission £3
Jun 16 th	3 rd Whitworth URC Rainbows - No Meeting
Jun 16 th	3 rd Whitworth URC Brownies - No meeting
Jun 17 th	Vintage Tea Party 3.00 - 5.00pm £5 including afternoon tea
Jun 18 th	Family Church at 10:45am Ian Royle
Jun 19 th	Service at Masseycroft – Easter no service
Jun 20 th	Ladies “ <i>Exercise to Music</i> ” 8:00pm in the schoolroom. All ladies welcome - Admission £3
Jun 22 nd	“Knit & Natter” - 2.00pm at Mary’s
Jun 23 rd	3 rd Whitworth URC Rainbows - No Meeting
Jun 23 rd	3 rd Whitworth URC Brownies - No Meeting
Jun 24 th	Midsummer Celebration 7.30pm - £5 at the door
Jun 25 th	Family Church at 10:45am Pulpit Exchange
Jun 26 th	Service at Masseycroft – 2.00pm
Jun 27 th	Ladies “ <i>Exercise to Music</i> ” 8:00pm in the schoolroom. All ladies welcome - Admission £3
Jun 30 th	3 rd Whitworth URC Rainbows 6.00 – 7.00pm
Jun 30 th	3 rd Whitworth URC Brownies 6.30 – 7.45pm

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Jul 02 nd	Family Church at 10:45am Gillian Dawson
Jul 03 rd	Service at Masseycroft – 2.00pm
Jul 04 th	Ladies “ <i>Exercise to Music</i> ” 8:00pm in the schoolroom. All ladies welcome - Admission £3
Jul 06 th	“Knit & Natter” - 2.00pm at Pam’s
Jul 07 th	3 rd Whitworth URC Rainbows - 6:00pm - 7:00pm
Jul 07 th	3 rd Whitworth URC Brownies - 6:30pm – 7:45pm
Jul 09 th	Family Church at 10:45am Elders Communion Church Anniversary
Jul 10 th	Service at Masseycroft – 2.00pm
Jul 11 th	PMT - ‘Paint a Pot’ at Horsecarrs
Jul 11 th	Ladies “ <i>Exercise to Music</i> ” 8:00pm in the schoolroom. All ladies welcome - Admission £3
Jul 14 th	3 rd Whitworth URC Rainbows - 6:00pm - 7:00pm
Jul 14 th	3 rd Whitworth URC Brownies - 6:30pm – 7:45pm
Jul 16 th	Family Church at 10:45am Judith Haughton Followed by church meeting
Jul 17 th	Service at Masseycroft – 2.00pm
Jul 18 th	Ladies “ <i>Exercise to Music</i> ” 8:00pm in the schoolroom. All ladies welcome - Admission £3
Jul 20 th	“Knit & Natter” - 2.00pm at Abbotsford
Jul 21 st	3 rd Whitworth URC Rainbows - No meeting
Jul 21 st	3 rd Whitworth URC Brownies - No meeting
Jul 23 rd	Family Church at 10:45am Stuart Nixon
Jul 24 th	Service at Masseycroft – 2.00pm
Jul 25 th	Ladies “ <i>Exercise to Music</i> ” 8:00pm in the schoolroom. All ladies welcome - Admission £3
Jul 28 th	3 rd Whitworth URC Rainbows - No meeting
Jul 28 th	3 rd Whitworth URC Brownies - No meeting
Jul 30 th	Family Church at 10:45am Joint Service with Lighthouse
Jul 31 st	Service at Masseycroft – 2.00pm
Aug 01 st	Ladies “ <i>Exercise to Music</i> ” 8:00pm in the schoolroom. All ladies welcome - Admission £3

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Aug 04 th	3 rd Whitworth URC Rainbows - No meeting
Aug 04 th	3 rd Whitworth URC Brownies - No meeting
Aug 03 rd	Knit & Natter” - 2.00pm at Abbotsford
Aug 06 th	Family Church at 10:45am Anne Fitton
Aug 07 th	Service at Masseycroft – 2:00pm
Aug 08 th	Ladies “ <i>Exercise to Music</i> ” 8:00pm in the schoolroom. All ladies welcome - Admission £3
Aug 08 th	“ <i>Funny You Should Say That</i> ” PMT Meeting at Whitworth Museum 7.30pm
Aug 11 th	3 rd Whitworth URC Rainbows - No meeting
Aug 11 th	3 rd Whitworth URC Brownies - No meeting
Aug 13 th	Family Church at 10:45am Elders Communion
Aug 14 th	Service at Masseycroft – 2:00pm
Aug 15 th	Ladies “ <i>Exercise to Music</i> ” 8:00pm in the schoolroom. All ladies welcome - Admission £3
Aug 17 th	“Knit & Natter” - 2.00pm at Abbotsford
Aug 18 th	3 rd Whitworth URC Rainbows - No meeting
Aug 18 th	3 rd Whitworth URC Brownies - No meeting
Aug 20 th	Family Church at 10:45am David Foss
Aug 21 st	Service at Masseycroft – 2:00pm
Aug 22 nd	Ladies “ <i>Exercise to Music</i> ” 8:00pm in the schoolroom. All ladies welcome - Admission £3

Jesus, thank you for Summer.
Thank you for light and warmth.
Thank you for the sun.

Thank you for the gifts of nature and for the annual cycles and seasons.
Today, give us that grace again, to see you as the Creator, the One who lifts
us up to be with you forever, even now.

Amen.

John 4:20-21 If anyone says, “I love God,” and hates his brother, he is a liar; for he who does not love his brother whom he has seen cannot love God whom he has not seen. And this commandment we have from him: whoever loves God must also love his brother.

3rd Whitworth URC Brownies & Rainbows

In March, Brownies Rainbows & Guides from all across the UK were invited to attend a special screening at Odeon Cinema's of the Disney film "Beauty & The Beast. 600!! of us took over the entire Odeon Cinema at Sandbrook Park, We had a fantastic time meeting "Belle" and her friends.

April 23 was the St George's Day celebration at the Civic Hall; we paraded down the road, following a huge Dragon, then watched the Pace Egg play, performed at the Riverside. We have watched the performance for a few years, but it seems different every time.

We held our Annual Sponsored Walk, for Hallfold Church, around Cowm Reservoir in May. Brownies, Rainbows, along with parents and friends joined us for the walk. The highlight as usual was feeding the ducks.

Rainbows will be joining Brownies for our annual ROSSENDALE DIVISION SPORTS evening held at B.R.G.S. We will be taking part in different activities along with other Brownies Rainbows & Guides from the Division.

Rainbow's are celebrating their 30th Birthday this year. They will be attending a Special Birthday Party in Haslingden. 3rd Whitworth U.R.C. Brownies & Rainbow's have been formed for 27 years. Where has the time gone?

Brownies, Rainbows and Guides, will be taking part in Whitworth's Scarecrow Festival. The theme will be "Rainbow 30th Birthday". Look out for our Scarecrow Display in the Church car park from the 30th June.

Then, we will be breaking up for our summer holidays in July after another fun year in Guiding.

Pam Matthews

Brownie & Rainbow Guider

Church Flowers



		Remembering
29 th Jan	Mr & Mrs B Thomas	Margaret's mother
5 th Feb	Dorothy Crowther	Dorothy's father Mr Coates
12 th Feb	Mr & Mrs B Thomas	Brian's parents
19 th Feb	Mr & Mrs Donald Nuttall	sister Elsie and father John Rudman
26 th Feb	Mrs Betty Harvey	mother Nora Mercer
5 th Mar	Isobel Lees	parents William & Edna
12 th Mar	John Harris	John's brother Tom
19 th Mar	Paula Bradbury	father Bill Daniels
26 th Mar	Eileen Garbutt	husband Ian and Ian's brother Terry
2 nd Apl	Graham & Brian Furness	parents Grace & Ronald
9 th Apl	Mr & Mrs I Walker	Hazel's parents Sally and Arnold Jackson
16 th Apl	Jack Dalton	Jack's partner Christina
23 rd Apl	Karen Grayson	parents John & Enid Hutchinson
30 th Apl	Tony Shepherd	wife Barbara

Hail the Earth that first appeared,
 When a word from God was heard.
 Let the Earth arise and be,
 Filled with living mystery.

Hail the planet blue and green,
 Where the face of God is seen.
 Glory filling all the Earth,
 Celebrating every birth.

Hallfold PMT Group



Return of the popular Peter Watson
who will speak on the subject of

“FUNNY YOU SHOULD SAY THAT”

An informative and amusing talk on the origins of popular
sayings and phrases



7.30pm on Tuesday, 8th August 2017
at

Whitworth Heritage Museum
North Street

£3.00 - pay on the night

Further details from Paula Bradbury 01706 344554

The Night Sky

If you happen to be still up at 10:26pm on Tuesday June 6th look up to the sky and you should see the International Space Station passing over our location. It will be visible for about 5 minutes. (This of course depends on the sky being free of clouds which sadly is impossible to guarantee in North West England). The ISS was built to be a space environment research laboratory and observatory, where crew members could conduct experiments in many scientific fields including: biology, human biology, physics, astronomy, and meteorology. It has 2 bathrooms, a gym and more room than a 6 bedroom house. Up to April 2017, 227 individuals have made 390 spaceflights to the ISS, The International Space Station travels in orbit around Earth at a speed of roughly 17,150 miles per hour (that's about 5 miles per second!). This means that the Space Station orbits Earth once every 92 minutes. The ISS orbits Earth at an altitude of between 205 miles and 270 miles. When the astronauts have free time they enjoy looking down at our beautiful Blue Planet.

Counting Rota

11 th June	J Garside	J Whitworth
18 th June	C Crowther	K Grayson
25 th June	L Mark-Bell	I Mason
2 nd July	G Myers	E Garbutt
9 th July	E Dyson	C Marshall
16 th July	J Garside	J Whitworth
23 rd July	C Crowther	K Grayson
30 th July	L Mark-Bell	I Mason
6 th Aug	G Myers	E Garbutt



Refreshments Team

11 th June	P Matthews	K Hill
18 th June	B Garside	C Marshall
25 th June	H Pilling	E Garbutt
2 nd July	M Booth	E Dyson
9 th July	P Matthews	K Hill
16 th July	B Garside	C Marshall
23 rd July	H Pilling	E Garbutt
30 th July	B Mason	L Hoyle
6 th Aug	M Booth	E Dyson



Bible Reading

11 th June	Karen Grayson	01706 344632
18 th June	Peter McDonough	01706 357937
25 th June	Christine Marshall	01706 638711
2 nd July	Jed Garside	07816 911556
9 th July	Dorothy Butterworth	01706 343046
16 th July	Eileen Garbutt	07455 152229
23 rd July	Graeme Myers	07794 412808
30 th July	Dorothy Crowther	01706 853447
6 th Aug	Brenda Garside	07816 911559



Gillian Dawson will be on standby for any Sunday that the listed reader is unavailable. If you are unable to do your reading please contact her directly on 01706 665369 or 07717 758338.



If you need a lift or are willing to go on a rota please see the Secretary. If you cannot fulfil your duty can you please arrange a swap or replacement and inform the Secretary.

Car Ferry Service

	Doreen Roberts Tel: 854134	John Harris Tel: 342251
		Dorothy Butterworth Tel: 343046
Date	Driver	
11th June	Brian Thomas	
18th June	Lorraine Mark-Bell	
25th June	Dorothy Crowther	
2nd July	Brian Thomas	
9th July	Lorraine Mark-Bell	
16th July	Dorothy Crowther	
23rd July	Brian Thomas	
30th July	Lorraine Mark-Bell	
6th Aug	Dorothy Crowther	

Church - Duty Rota

Date	Welcome	Bible	Minister/Communion
11th June	P Bradbury	M Cawley	C Sewell/K Myers
18th June	E Garbutt	P Bradbury	J Whitworth
25th June	H Pilling	E Garbutt	E Garbutt
2nd July	B Garside	H Pilling	C Marshall
9th July	B Mason	B Garside	K Grayson/J Myers
16th July	M Cawley	B Mason	D Crowther
23rd July	P Bradbury	M Cawley	G Dawson
30th July	E Garbutt	P Bradbury	M Cawley
6th Aug	H Pilling	E Garbutt	P Bradbury



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