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"For the Word of God and for the testimony of Jesus Christ" (Rev 1:9)

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LORD'S DAY 14 MAY 2017

ORDER OF WORSHIP

	<i>Morning Service – 11am</i>	<i>Evening Service – 4pm</i>
<i>Prelude</i>	<i>The Lord Is in His Holy Temple</i>	
<i>Call to Worship</i>	Psalm 95:1-3	Psalm 135:1-3
<i>Opening Hymn *</i>	RHC 217 – <i>"Rejoice - the Lord Is King!"</i>	RHC 88 – <i>"Praise Him! Praise Him!"</i>
<i>Opening Prayer *</i>	John Poh	John Poh
<i>Gloria Patri *</i>	<i>Glory Be to the Father</i>	---
<i>Apostle's Creed</i>	Apostle's Creed	---
<i>Responsive Reading</i>	Psalm 63	---
<i>Second Hymn *</i>	<i>Psalm 63</i> (to the tune of Cleansing Fountain, RHC 173)	---
<i>Announcements & Memory Verse</i>	John Poh	John Poh
<i>Tithes & Offerings & Doxology *</i>	RHC 390 – <i>"Something for Thee"</i>	---
<i>Scriptural Text</i>	1 Corinthians 3:8-15	Jeremiah 22:24-23:8
<i>Pastoral Prayer</i>	Dr Carl Martin	Dr Carl Martin
<i>Sermon Message</i>	<i>Life and Labour</i>	<i>The Devil's Destructive Plot</i>
<i>The Lord's Supper</i>	Dr Carl Martin	---
<i>Closing Hymn *</i>	RHC 183 – <i>"Jesus Paid It All"</i>	RHC 532 – <i>"Saviour, Like a Shepherd Lead Us"</i>
<i>Benediction/3-Fold Amen *</i>	Dr Carl Martin	Dr Carl Martin
<i>Postlude</i>	<i>The Lord Bless You</i>	---

* Congregation Stands

THE LORD IS IN HIS HOLY TEMPLE

The Lord is in His holy temple,
The Lord is in His holy temple:
Let all the earth keep silence,
Let all the earth keep silence before Him -
Keep silence, keep silence before Him. Amen.

DOXOLOGY

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
Praise Him, all creatures here below;
Praise Him above, ye heav'nly host;
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

GLORIA PATRI

Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost,
As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be, world
without end. Amen, Amen.

THE LORD BLESS YOU

The Lord bless you and keep you;
The Lord lift His countenance upon you,
and give you peace, and give you peace;
The Lord make His face to shine upon you,
And be gracious unto you, be gracious,
The Lord be gracious, gracious unto you. Amen.

"Keep thy heart with all diligence; for out of it are the issues of life." - Proverbs 4:23

FIVE FINGERS OF PRAYER

Adapted from Maranatha Messenger, Sunday 19th March 2017

Someone came up with this interesting way of remembering the prayer items for one another. (Author unknown)

Matthew 21:22 says, *'And all things, whatsoever ye shall ask in prayer, believing, ye shall receive.'*

1. Your thumb is nearest to you. So begin your prayers by praying for those closest to you. They are the easiest to remember. To pray for our loved ones in our family is a privilege and a Christian's responsibility.
2. The next finger is the pointing finger. Pray for those who teach, instruct and heal. This includes teachers, doctors, missionaries, preachers, pastors and elders. They need support and wisdom in preparing the Word and for pointing others to Christ in the right direction. Keep them in your fervent prayers.
3. The next finger is the tallest finger. It reminds us of our leaders. Pray for the Prime Minister, President, leaders in business and industry, and judges (1 Timothy 2:1, 2). These people shape our nation and guide public opinion. They need God's guidance and leading.
4. The fourth finger is our ring finger. Surprising to many is the fact that this is our weakest finger; as any piano teacher can testify. It should remind us to pray for those who are weak, in trouble or in pain and the depressed. They need our prayers day and night and we cannot fail to pray for them (1 Samuel 12:23).
5. And lastly comes our little finger; the smallest finger of all. Which is where we should place ourselves in relation to God and others. As the Bible says, 'the least shall be the greatest among you.' Your little finger should remind you to pray for yourself. By the time you have prayed for the other four groups, your own needs will be put into proper perspective and you will be able to pray for yourself more effectively.

John 16:24 says, *'Hitherto have ye asked nothing in my name: ask, and ye shall receive, that your joy may be full.'*

Biblical Examples of Prayer

The New Testament records many instances of corporate prayer. While the disciples waited for the Day of Pentecost, *'these all continued with one accord in prayer and supplications with the women ...'* (Acts 1:14). When the apostle Peter was incarcerated it was the church that prayed for him (Acts 12:12). As they were praying for his release, Peter himself arrived - an answer to their corporate praying. It was as the elders at Antioch prayed and fasted together that the Spirit revealed his mission for Paul and Barnabas (Acts 13:1-3; see also 14:23).

Paul enjoined the Corinthians to pray for him corporately. In 2 Corinthians 1:11 he wrote: *'Ye also helping together by prayer for us that, for the gift bestowed upon us by the means of many persons, thanks may be given by many on our behalf'*. The first church in Europe has its genesis in a (Jewish) prayer meeting for women (Acts 16:13). Paul always asked churches to strive together with him in prayers to God. Romans 15:30 says, *'Now I beseech you, brethren, for the Lord Jesus Christ's sake and for the love of the Spirit, that ye strive together with me in your prayers to God for me'*. Talk to God about men before you talk to men about God.

Conclusion

Prayer is not prattle, it is battle. If you are too busy to pray, you are busier than you ought to be. James 5:16 says, *'Confess your faults one to another, and pray one for another, that ye may be healed. The effectual fervent prayer of a righteous man availeth much.'* We are encouraged to share our prayer needs with the church elders so that they can intercede for us. Above all, make a conscious effort to come and join us for the church Wednesday night prayer meeting

- Rev Jack Sin

Apostle's Creed

*I believe in God the Father, Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth;
And in Jesus Christ, His only begotten Son, our Lord;
Who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary;
Suffered under Pontius Pilate; was crucified, dead, and buried;
He descended into hell;
The third day He rose again from the dead;
He ascended into heaven, and sitteth at the right hand of God the
Father Almighty;
From thence He shall come to judge the quick and the dead.*

*I believe in the Holy Ghost.
the holy catholic* church;
the communion of saints;
The forgiveness of sins;
The resurrection of the body;
And the life everlasting.
Amen.*

**meaning the universal Christian church--
all believers in Jesus Christ*

WELCOME TO NEW LIFE B-P CHURCH LONDON

Our worship services begin promptly at **11.00 am and 4.00 pm.**

Please stay back for Bible Study and fellowship lunch after the morning worship and for tea after the evening service. Do invite your friends to come to Church.

APPOINTMENTS FOR THE WEEK	WELCOME
Weds 17th May 7pm Mid-Week Outreach Bible Study	We extend a warm welcome to all worshippers this Lord's Day. We do hope that you have a blessed time of worship on this day.
Sat 20th May 4pm Bible Study & Prayer Meeting	

Next Lord's Day	Morning Service	Evening Service	LORD'S DAY DUTIES
Preacher	Dr Carl Martin	Dr Carl Martin	<u>TODAY: 14/05/2017</u>
Message	What Is a Healthy Church	The Lord Our Righteousness	Chairman: John
Text	1 Corinthians 3:16-17	Jeremiah 23:1-8	Organist: Anthony
			Pianist: Matthew
			Ushers: Jonathan / Daniel
			Sunday School: Hannah
			Lunch: Sharon/Maureen
			Washing Up: Volunteers
			PA Crew: Scott

NEWS/ANNOUNCEMENTS	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • No Pre-lunch Bible Study today. • Study of the Book of Psalms: at 3pm, Dr Martin will lead a Bible Study on the book of Psalms, using the book "<i>The Flow of the Psalms</i>" by Palmer Robertson. • Pulpit Ministry: Pray for Dr Martin as he serves as the minister and for the continuation of his PhD studies. • Church Maintenance Fund: The Church is currently undergoing some significant repairs; a Maintenance Fund has been set up for anyone wishing to offer a love gift to assist with the costs. • Metropolitan Tabernacle School of Theology: 4th-6th July 2017. The theme this year is "<i>Our Glorious Reformation Legacy - 500th Anniversary</i>" • Trip to Cambridge Round Church: 19th May, 7:30pm. Dr Martin is organising a trip to hear Dr Sinclair Ferguson speak. • The Church and Task Force would like to extend their congratulations to Rachael & Joel on their marriage. 	<p style="text-align: center;"><u>NEXT WEEK: 21/05/2017</u></p> <p>Chairman: Jonathan / Keene</p> <p>Organist: Michael</p> <p>Pianist: Matthew</p> <p>Ushers: John / Yetta</p> <p>Sunday School: Hannah</p> <p>Lunch: Volunteers</p> <p>Washing Up: Volunteers</p> <p>PA Crew: Scott / Jonathan</p>

Worship Service Collections – Last Sunday: £1016.40; Lunch: £59.05; Gift Aid refund 2015: £6845.05 Attendance - Morning: 48 (A) 9 (C), Evening: 23 (A) 4 (C)	Church Maintenance Fund Total: £3,390.50
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SHORTER CATECHISM QUESTION 66

Q: What is the reason annexed to the Fifth Commandment?
A: The reason annexed to the Fifth Commandment is a promise of long life and prosperity (as far as it shall serve for God's glory and their own good) to all such as keep this commandment.

Comments:

The Fifth Commandment stands at the head of the second table of the law. It requires us to honour our parents, to render due respect and obedience to all who are superior to us, and, in a word, to pay heed to the claims of those who are *related* to us in any way. This commandment bids us always show a certain respect to those above us in station, and requires certain duties to be discharged to all, whether above, beneath, or equal to us. It forbids us to refuse to pay honour to whom honour is due, or to neglect to discharge any of the duties we owe to our friends or neighbours. The special reason it gives for its observance is that God has promised to lengthen the days of those who keep it.

Scriptural Reference:

Ephesians 6:2-3

MEMORY VERSE

Last Week	This Week	Next Week
"In God is my salvation and my glory: the rock of my strength, and my refuge, is in God." Psalm 62:7	"I am the vine, ye are the branches: He that abideth in me, and I in him, the same bringeth forth much fruit: for without me ye can do nothing." John 15:5	"But as many as received him, to them gave he power to become the sons of God, even to them that believe on his name:" John 1:12