



NEW LIFE

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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 12 MARCH 2023

ORDER OF WORSHIP

Morning Service – 11am

Prelude

The Lord Is in His Holy Temple

Call to Worship

Psalm 117

Opening Prayer

Pr Mok Chee Cheong

*Opening Hymn **

RHC 65 – “*And Can It Be That I Should Gain?*”

Responsive Reading

Psalm 46

*Second Hymn **

Psalm 46 verses 1-7

(to the tune of Ellacombe, RHC 29)

Scriptural Text

Acts 2:1-13

Pastoral Prayer

Pr Mok Chee Cheong

Sermon Message

The descent of the Holy Spirit

*Closing Hymn **

RHC 231 – “*Come, Holy Spirit, Heavenly Dove*”

*Benediction/3-Fold Amen **

Pr Mok Chee Cheong

Postlude

The Lord Bless You

* *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.

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.

SHORTER CATECHISM QUESTION 51

Q: What is forbidden in the Second Commandment?

A: The Second Commandment forbiddeth the worshipping of God by images – or any other way not appointed in his Word.

Comments:

This command forbids us: 1. To make use of images in worship; 2. To make use of any other means than those God has appointed.

Scriptural Reference:

Deuteronomy 4:15, Matthew 15:9

QUOTATIONS FROM HORATIUS BONAR

“All that will live godly in Christ will suffer persecution. The road to the kingdom is rugged and perilous.”

“He makes us to glory in tribulation: for this is the road by which all the former saints went to the kingdom; the way by which all are going now; the way by which the Master went during His sojourn here.”

“Our way winds, and the road is rough, and the world is dark, and enemies are many, and snares are subtly laid for our feet. We need a guide, and that guide must be divine. Jehovah is to us now what He was to Israel when He led them through the wilderness with His pillar-cloud.”

“The road is rugged, and the sun is hot. How can we be but weary? Here is grace for the weariness—grace which lifts us up and invigorates us, grace which keeps us from fainting by the way, grace which supplies us with manna from heaven and with water from the smitten rock. We receive of this grace and are revived. Our weariness of heart and limb departs. We need no other refreshment. This is enough. Whatever the way be—rough, gloomy, unpleasant—we press forward, knowing that the same grace which has already carried thousands through will do the same for us.”

“The road to the Kingdom is not so pleasant, and comfortable, and easy, and flowery, as many dream. It is not a bright sunny avenue of palms. It is not paved with triumph, though it is to end in victory. The termination is glory, honour, and immortality; but on the way there is the thorn in the flesh, the sackcloth, and the cross. Recompense yonder, but labour here! Rest yonder, but weariness here! Joy and security yonder, but here endurance and watchfulness, the race, the battle, the burden, the stumbling-block, and, oft-times, the heavy heart.”

Quotation taken from *Treasures of Bonar*; available from Chapel Library

Horatius Bonar (1808-1889): Scottish Presbyterian minister and prolific author of tracts, books, and hymns; born in Edinburgh, Scotland.

WELCOME TO NEW LIFE B-P CHURCH LONDON

Our Lord's Day activities begins with the **Church Prayer Meeting** at **10:15 am** followed by the **Worship Services** at **11.00 am**. Do invite your friends to come to Church.

NEWS/ANNOUNCEMENTS

Dear Worshippers, we extend a warm welcome to you this Lord's Day. We hope that you have a blessed time of worship with us today.

For those unable to attend Church in person, we are streaming our worship services online. To join our online services or for more information, please call the church manse, or email us at [admin 'at' newlifebpc.org.uk](mailto:admin@newlifebpc.org.uk).

Tithes & Offerings – There is an offering box at the entrance to the Church Sanctuary for you to place your offerings in.

Children's Sunday School – held after Morning Service at 1:30pm.

After-Service Fellowship – Join us for lunch fellowship after the morning worship service. Please bring your own lunch as only drinks will be provided.

Afternoon Service will be postponed until further notice.

Worship Service Collections: Last Sunday – £610.00,
Hospitality Gift - £20.00

**Church Maintenance
Fund Total: £16,190.50**

MEMORY VERSE

Last Week

*"In every thing give thanks:
for this is the will of God in
Christ Jesus concerning you."*

1 Thessalonians 5:18

This Week

*"Now faith is the substance of
things hoped for, the evidence
of things not seen."*

Hebrews 11:1

Next Week

*"But ye shall receive power, after
that the Holy Ghost is come upon
you: and ye shall be witnesses unto
me both in Jerusalem, and in all
Judea, and in Samaria, and unto the
uttermost part of the earth."*

Acts 1:8

Pre-cautions for Worship Services held at the church premises:

Dear all,

While the legal Covid restrictions having been lifted, we will continue to observe the following precautions:

- We continue to urge those who feel unwell (especially with Covid symptoms) to stay home and join us at our online services.
- No offering will be collected during the worship service. Offerings can be made at the offering box when entering or exiting the church.
- During worship services, please continue to sit with your own households.
- While not required, the use of face covering is voluntary. Please bring your own face covering.

To join our online services or for more information, please visit the church website (www.newlifebpc.org.uk) or call the church manse (020 73280869).

With the Lord's blessing,

John Poh & Jonathan Kim,
Task Force Members