




Koinonia

Evangelical Church

- Sunday mornings: 10.30am
- Sunday evenings: 6.30pm

NEWSLETTER

May 2023



I am the light of the world:
he that follows me shall not walk
In darkness, but shall have the light
of life.

John 8:12 KJV

We welcome you to our services today. If this is your first visit, please make yourself known to us.

May you know God's blessing, as we worship our awesome God.

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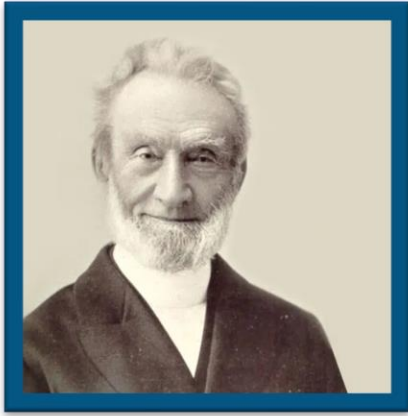
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The Inspiring Life of George Müller

Night was falling over the harbour of Bristol, England, and in the orphanage founded by George Müller and his wife, the children were getting ready for bed. George was working in his study when his wife arrived with alarming news. “We’re out of milk,” she said. “There isn’t enough for the morning oatmeal.” George laid aside his pen. This wasn’t the first time that money needed to buy food and other supplies was tight. The Müllers took in their first group of thirty girls in 1836, and their orphanage now housed over a hundred. From the first George remained resolved never to ask for funds from people or to borrow money. He went to God alone for every need, trusting wholly in the Lord’s faithfulness and provision.

The pastor rose from his desk and reached for his wife’s hand. “Mary,” he said, “let us pray.” Two orphanage employees joined them, and together they made their humble yet necessary request to God. Tiny, helpless mouths were depending on them for sustenance. “Be assured, if you walk with Him and look to Him and expect help from Him,” George reminded them afterwards, “He will never fail you.”

Someone knocked on the door. Mary hurried to answer, returning to the study a moment later. She handed her husband an envelope. “It’s a letter, George. Hurry up and open it.”

Enclosed was a sum of money, more than enough for the milk. Within minutes, two more letters arrived with money and pledges of support. This immediate and abundant response to prayer had become a typical experience for Müller. After he came to faith and started meditating seriously on the Bible, he determined to simply trust God at His Word. As a pastor, he decided to live without a salary, relying only on money given to him. George learned to pray faithfully from his heart, asking His Father to move the hearts of men so that they would supply him and his family with what they needed to survive.

George raised each and every penny for this wonderful ministry on his knees, through unceasing, persistent, thankful prayer and an unwavering faith in God.

May Diary

May 7 th	10.30 am	Don Olden
	5.30 pm	Prayer Meeting
	6.30 pm	David Sullivan
May 14 th	10:30am	Chris Hughes
	5.30 pm	Prayer Meeting
	6.30 pm	Neil Stickland
May 21 st	10:30am	Don Olden (communion)
	5.30 pm	Prayer Meeting
	6.30 pm	David de Oliveira
May 28 th	10:00am	Steve Wicks
	5.30 pm	Prayer Meeting
	6.30 pm	Steve Wicks

MEET UP WITH DON AT COSTA IN ANDOVER @ 11 am

This month Don will be available on the 2nd & 30th

HOUSEGROUP MEETINGS THIS MONTH on
3rd, 10th, 17th & 24th

At 1.30 pm 2pm and 7.30 pm.

We will be continuing our studies in the book of Acts

Wednesday 31st at 7:30pm

Special Church Members Meeting

Held at BSPF

PRAYER REQUESTS

- *Heavenly Father we humbly pray that you watch over our Church, and bring peace, tranquility and strength, to each and every one of us. We ask in the precious name, of Your Son, Our Redeemer, Jesus Christ.*
- *Pray for our pastor Don and thank God for him and all he does for us. Pray that the Lord will sustain him with good health. Pray that the word of God will be open and vibrant to him as he prepares the sermons each week. Pray for guidance and wisdom for him and for our management team as they lead our church. Pray for God's blessing on Don's preaching and on the preaching of our visiting speakers each week.*
- *Pray for our musicians as they practice and rehearse each Tuesday evening. Thank God for them and all the hard work they put in as they serve us faithfully each week. Pray that God will bless them as they lead us in our worship in the Sunday services. Pray that God will encourage them.*
- *Pray for our Sunday School teachers and thank God for them. Pray for God's blessing on their preparation and on the sessions each Sunday morning. Thank God for all our children. Pray that each one will come to faith in Jesus as their Lord and Saviour. Pray that more non-Christian children will come along to our church.*
- *Pray that the Lord will help us all to know whether Steve Wicks is the right pastor for our church. Pray for Steve Wicks as he seeks the Lord about whether our church is the right church for him. Pray that we may all be in agreement as we face this very important decision together.*
- *Pray for the people of Malawi as they recover from the recent cyclone. Pray for the people of Turkey and Syria as they recover from the recent earthquakes.*

THE MANY WONDERS OF GOD'S CREATION

EACH MONTH WE'LL BE HIGHLIGHTING SOME FEATURES FROM THE NATURAL WORLD, WHICH DEMONSTRATE THE OMNISCIENCE OF OUR AWESOME CREATOR.

THE LIFE OF THE HONEY BEE

Honey bees have different roles and responsibilities within the hive. The queen bee is the star of the hive. The largest bee in the colony, the queen is the only female bee with fully developed ovaries and is capable of laying eggs. She releases pheromones to regulate the colony. The drone is a male honey bee. Drones make up about 10-15% of the colony. The primary focus for a drone is to mate with the queen. Drones compete with one another during the mating flight. Once a drone mates with a queen, it dies shortly after. The worker bee keeps the hive functioning. Depending on its age, the worker bee will play different roles in the hive. A young worker bee acts as a nurse bee, nurturing and feeding bee larvae as well as processes nectar, feeds the queen, and makes and caps the honey. An older worker bee is on foraging duty.

The life cycle of honeybees consists of four stages: eggs, larva, pupa and adult. This entire process varies lengthwise amongst the different honey bees. It takes about 16 days for the queen, 18 to 22 days for the worker bees and 24 days for the drones. The queen bee lays from 2000 to 3000 eggs a day in the honeycomb, one in each cell. The fertilized eggs, which will become female honey bees – worker bees, are laid in smaller cells as opposed to the unfertilized eggs, which become male honey bees – drones.

Three days after an egg is laid, it hatches into a worm-like form called larva. The larva has no legs, wings or antenna. A larva that is fed only royal jelly, a substance secreted from the glands of the nurse bees, will emerge from its cell, known as the queen cell, as a queen bee. Other larvae, which grow into worker bees and drones, are fed royal jelly for their 2-3 days and then switch to turn bee bread (pollen and honey).

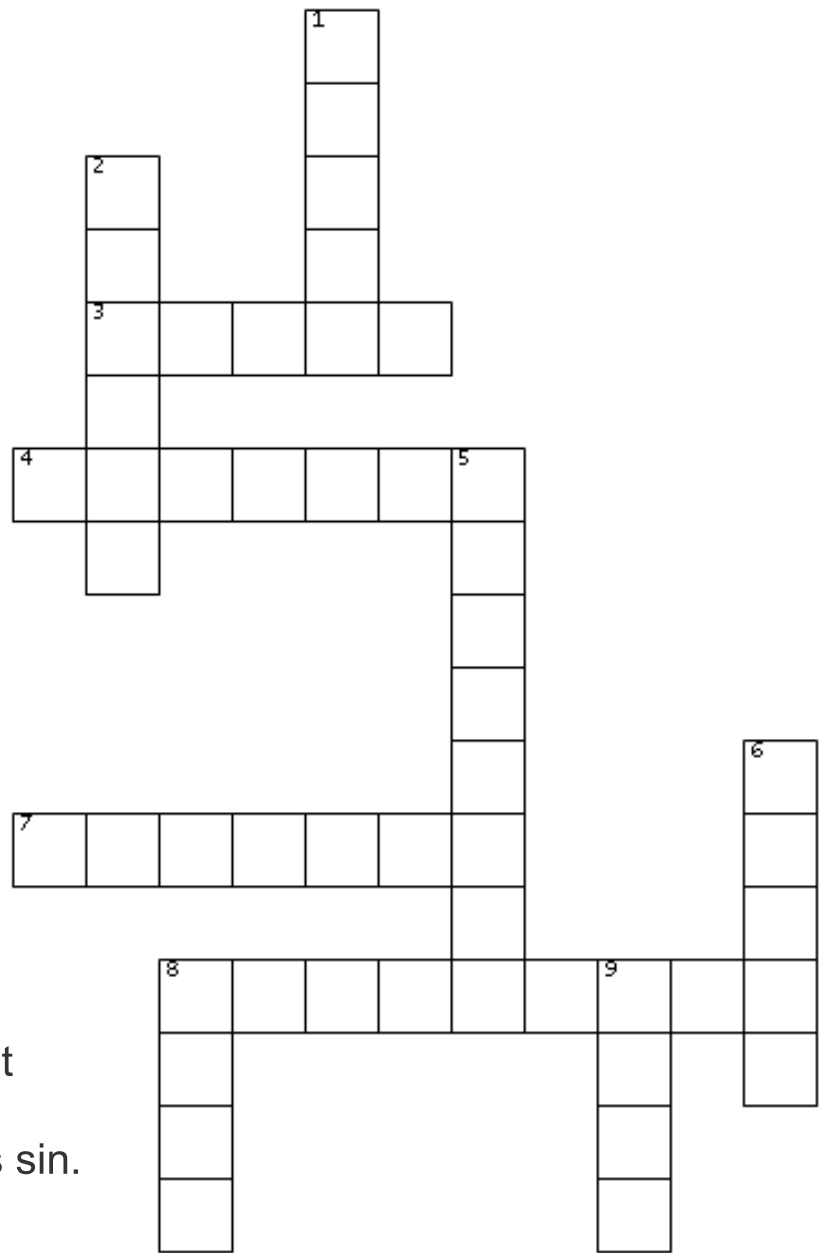
The larva is capped within the cell with wax. It spins a cocoon around its body and eventually pupates. The pupa develops wings, legs, head, eyes, thorax and abdomen and begins to look like an adult bee. After about 7 to 14 days, the bee chews its way through the wax capping and hatches out of the cell.

The waggle dance is a well known feature of honey bee biology. The waggle dance usually takes place in the dark on the vertical face of a comb in the brood nest, usually close to the nest entrance. The dance is performed by a successful forager *i.e.* one that has located a good source of pollen, nectar or water, and provides information on the presence, the quality, identity, direction and distance of the source, so enabling nest-mates to find and exploit it. The dance consists of two phases.

The figure of eight-shaped 'return phase' in which the bee circles back, alternately clockwise and anticlockwise, to the start of ... The 'waggle phase', which is a short linear run in which the dancer vigorously waggles her abdomen from side to side. The **direction** of the food source is indicated by the **angle** of the waggle phase from gravity *i.e.* a vertical line down the face of the comb. This angle indicates the bearing from the direction of the sun that needs to be followed to reach the food source. For example, if the dancer performs a waggle phase vertically down the face of the comb, the food source must be opposite the current position of the sun. The **distance** information is conveyed by the **duration** of the waggle phase. The longer this run is, the more distant the source. A run of 1 second duration indicates the food source is about 1 kilometer away. The **quality** of the food source is indicated by the vigour of the wagging during the waggle phase and the speed with which the return phase is conducted.

THIS MONTH'S BIBLE CROSSWORD

Answers Are Below, In No Particular Order.



ACROSS

- 3. He that is without sin, to cast this first.
- 4. Describes whoever commits sin.
- 7. Daniel eats pulses for this time(two words)
- 8. Jesus describes God's Earth as this.

DOWN

- 1. Those who do this shall be comforted.
- 2. Do not hide the candle light under this.
- 5. Greek word for tribulation.
- 6. God instructs Moses that these shall not be made.
- 8. Iron and clay in Daniel's vision.
- 9. Greek word for wrath.

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