



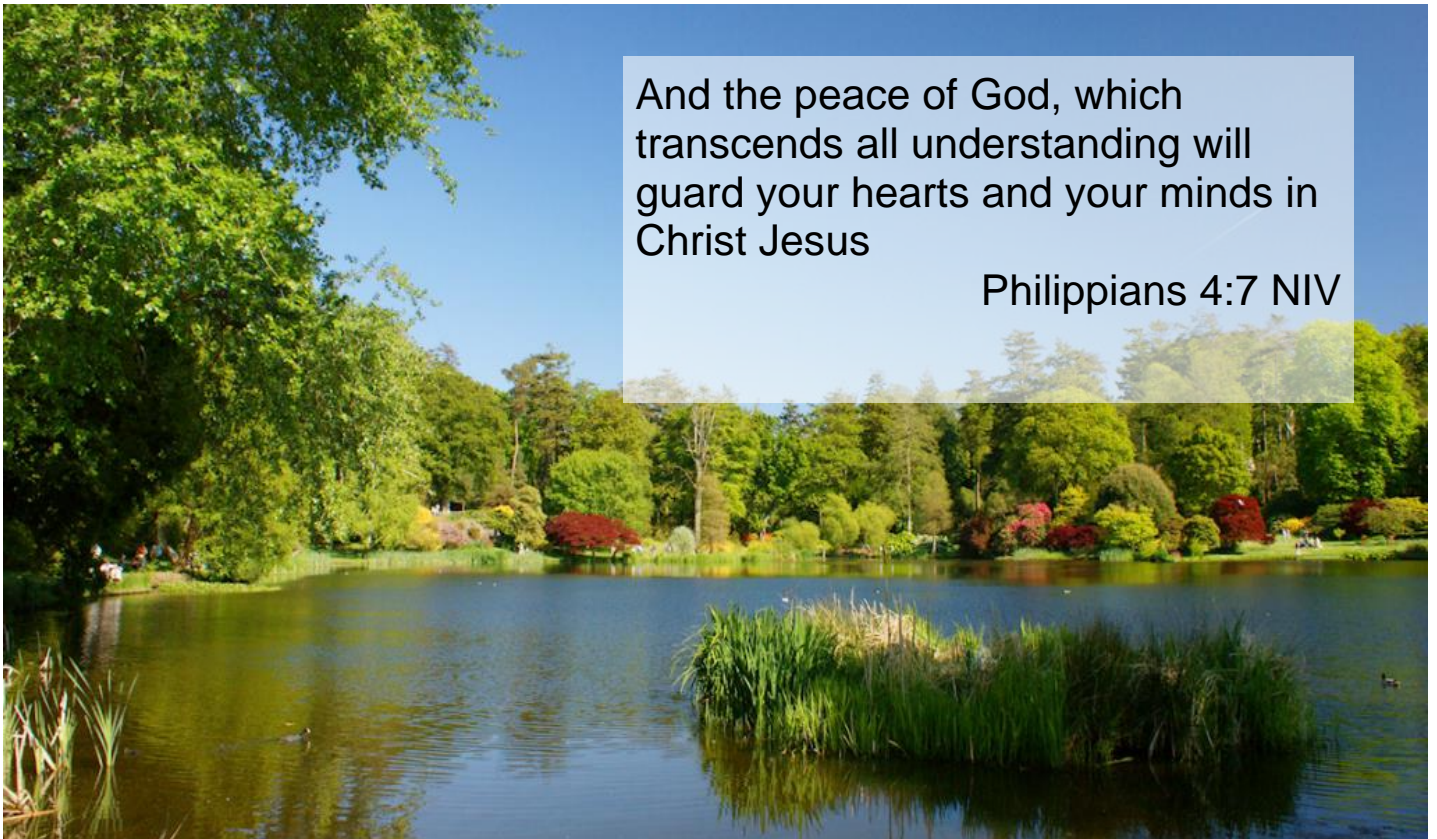
Koinonia

Evangelical Church

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

NEWSLETTER

July 2023



And the peace of God, which
transcends all understanding will
guard your hearts and your minds in
Christ Jesus

Philippians 4:7 NIV

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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Any items for inclusion in the newsletter should be passed to Laurence 1 week prior to the last day of the month ✉ laurencechetwood@icloud.com

BIG TOP HOLIDAY CLUB

21-25
AUGUST
2023

AGES
5-15

9.45AM
TO
12.30PM

£1.00
a day



Admission by pre-booking only.
Scan this code to book your child's space.



**COME AND JOIN US FOR A WEEK OF
SPORT, CRAFT & STORIES FROM THE BIBLE.**

For more Information:

<https://www.koinonia-andover.com/holiday-club/>

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Endeavour School - Kirk Campus
Andover. SP11 6RD



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July Diary

July 2 nd	10.30 am	Don Olden (Communion)
	5.30 pm	Prayer Meeting
	6.30 pm	Don Olden
July 9 th	10:30am	John Lewis
	5.30 pm	Prayer Meeting
	6.30 pm	Don Olden
July 16 th	10:30am	Don Olden
	5.30 pm	Prayer Meeting
	6.30 pm	David Sullivan
July 23 rd	10:00am	Chris Hughes
	5.30 pm	Prayer Meeting
	6.30 pm	Don Olden
July 30 th	10:00am	Don Olden
	5.30 pm	Prayer Meeting
	6.30 pm	Tiaan de Klerk (SASRA)

CHURCH PICNIC AT BURGHCLERE DOWN
On 1st at 3pm.

MEET UP WITH DON AT COSTA IN ANDOVER @ 11 am

This month Don will be available on the 11th & 25th

HOUSEGROUP MEETINGS THIS MONTH on
5th, 12th (19th Individual group socials)

At 1.30 pm 2pm and 7.30 pm.

We will be continuing our studies in the book of Acts

PRAYER REQUESTS

- *Thank God for our pastor Don. Pray that the Lord will keep him in good health. Pray that the Lord will guide him and give him wisdom as he looks after us and ask the Lord to bless him as he prepares the sermons and group studies each week.*
- *Thank God that he made the way ahead clear for us concerning the appointment of Steve Wicks as our new associate pastor. Pray for Steve and Holly that the Lord will bless them as they draw their work in Cambridge to a close and prepare to move to Andover.*
- *Thank God for those who arrive early to set up the school for our services each Sunday and stay afterwards to pack equipment away and clear up. Thank God for those who run the sound desk and for those who shop each week for the tea, coffee, milk and biscuits. Pray that God will bless them as they serve us.*
- *Thank God for the Holiday Club, which will run in August. Pray that the Lord will bless Helen and all those working with her to prepare for the Club. Pray for the group leaders that God will bless and guide them as they plan the sessions. Pray that many non-Christian children will come along and hear the gospel.*
- *Thank God for the 'Answers in Genesis' conference which we will host at the end of September. Pray that the Lord will guide those who are preparing the publicity and advertising material. This is a form of outreach so pray for God's blessing on our advertising and pray that many non-Christians will come along.*
- *Pray for those suffering from health problems. Pray particularly for healing for Carmina Adams, David Sullivan and Ian Waite. Pray for Carl Henderson as he returns to work at the start of July. Pray for those who care for elderly parents, family members and friends. Pray that the Lord will comfort brothers and sisters who have been bereaved and miss loved ones. Pray for Andre and Daniela as they prepare for the birth of their daughter Lily on 4th July (thanks for the safe arrival of Lily).*
- *Pray for the wider church in our nation. Pray that our churches will once again proudly proclaim Jesus as Lord and Saviour. Pray that many in our nation will become Christians. Pray that God will raise up faithful labourers for his church.*
- *Pray for the spread of the gospel around the world. Pray that the Lord will bless every effort to present the gospel, whether by preaching, sharing, radio or TV. Pray that Jesus will appear to many people in dreams and visions.*

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 AFRICAN BAOBAB TREE

African Baobab trees scientifically known as *Adansonia Digitata*, are some of the oldest living organisms in the world. Baobab trees originated in West Africa and spread over time to other parts of the world, creating new species.

There are 9 baobab species, of which 6 have originated in Madagascar, 2 in Australia and 1 in Africa. The fruit from the baobab tree that is used for our Bao-Med products comes from South Africa, proven to be the most nutrient rich variant. The Baobab fruit is known as one of the world's best superfoods, and contains more vitamins, minerals and dietary fibers than almost any other food/fruit on the planet.

The oldest baobab trees have been carbon dated to be at least 1275 years old. These super-trees can reach up to 98 feet or 30 meters in height, up to 36 feet or 10 meters in diameter. The Baobab is a fibrous tree that consists of around 75% water. This water is stored in the cells of their trunk, which gives the trees their characteristic swollen shape. This helps them survive in the driest regions of Africa.

The baobab tree carries leaves during the summer months. These leaves are a valuable food source to many communities that live close to these trees. It is boiled and consumed the same way as spinach.

Baobabs grow a small flower bud that looks a lot like a small baobab fruit. The flower bud opens for one day only. A large white flower opens slowly as the sun sets to be pollinated during the night. In most parts of the world, bats pollinate the baobab flowers but studies in South Africa have found that Hawkmoths are the main pollinators of baobab tree flowers and not bats at all. The flower will then wilt, and the fruit will start growing from the pedicle. In South Africa, this takes place in November from where the fruits usually will start falling off the trees around 6 months later when they are ripe and dry.

These fruits are picked up by the locals and not harvested from the trees. Thus, the fruit is not a product of agriculture and is referred to as wild fruit which is sustainable by nature. The baobab fruit is known as one of the world's superfoods. The baobab fruit contains more vitamins, minerals, dietary fiber, etc than almost any other food/fruit on the planet. The baobab fruit has a hard exterior and is covered with short velvety hair. The shape can vary from elongated to round. Large fruits can weigh more than 2 kg and contain more than 400 seeds, smaller ones can be the size of an apple with just a few seeds. Inside the fruit there is a dry, white fruit powder in which the seeds are kept, connected in a loose network of red fibers.

The seeds are dark brown and kidney shaped. They are approximately one centimeter long and have a soft interior. Oil can be extracted from the seeds and used on the skin and hair.

THIS MONTH'S BIBLE CROSSWORD

Answers Are Below, In No Particular Order.

ACROSS

4. Feet of the statue in Nebuchadnezzar's dream (3 words)
5. Azariah's appointed name.
8. Prophet who is shown exact detail of the future Temple.
9. Hananiah's appointed name.
10. Jesus quotes Daniel's prophecy in this Gospel.

DOWN

1. Pray to Darius or be thrown here! (2 words)
2. Penalty for not worshipping Nebuchadnezzar's statue (2 words)
3. Head of the statue in Nebuchadnezzar's dream.
6. The rock represents the destroyer of the statue in Nebuchadnezzar's dream.
7. Mishael's appointed name.

