

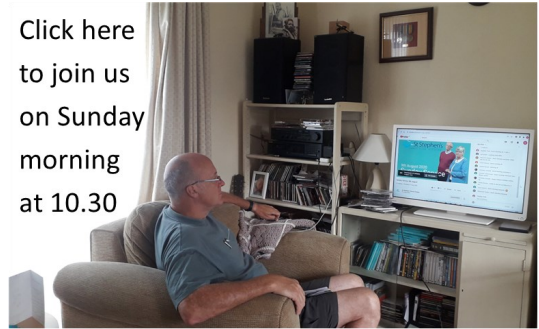
# Church Without Walls

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## Preston Churches in Prayer

On Tuesday mornings at 7.30  
join Christians from around  
Preston for prayer on zoom  
email Andy Pratt:  
andrewpratt1@btinternet.com  
for an invitation

Click here  
to join us  
on Sunday  
morning  
at 10.30



## The Great Broadgate Quiz Night

Saturday 14th November from 7.30pm via Zoom\*...



Community Connectors invites all local residents to join in a fun filled night, meeting your neighbours online

Greg Smith has offered to be quizmaster for the evening and will host a variety of team and individual activities which will entertain and amuse as well as test your general knowledge. There will be a chance to get together in small groups or teams through the Zoom breakout rooms feature.

If you would like to lead a guest round of 10 questions of your own devising please contact Greg with an idea of your chosen topic and we will see how many we can fit in.

So put the date in your diary, stay home with your family in front of your laptop, tablet or smartphone, stock up with drinks and snacks, and remember to record or watch Strictly on catch up TV.

we will send the Zoom link out by WhatsApp and Facebook on the day.

(\*Zoom works on PCs, Laptops, Tablets or Smartphones. You will be prompted to download the software when you click the link)

## How are you coping with lockdown this time round?

Do you have any photos of yourself watching the service? Or photos of you or your family finding ways to keep active and occupied - we'd love to see them. If you're happy to share them on here or on our Facebook page, please email them to the office. (Remember to ask permission from anyone else in the photo first, as this newsletter will be visible on our website)



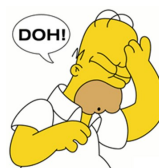
## Correction

Last week we mentioned the Salvation Army's appeal for toys and Christmas food items. These should be taken to the Salvation Army in



**Harrington Street** not  
Hartington Street as we stated.

Apologies for any confusion

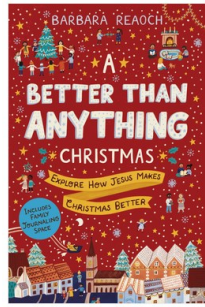


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## Preparing for Christmas

*A Better Than Anything Christmas* is an Advent devotional for families written by Barbara Reaoch.

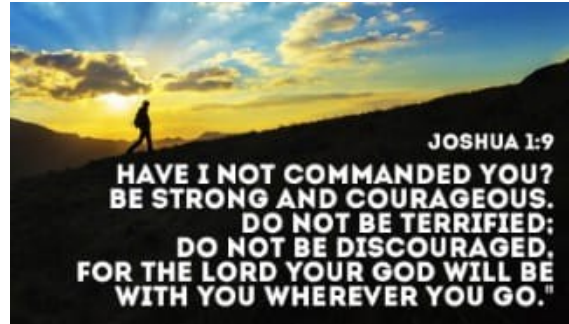
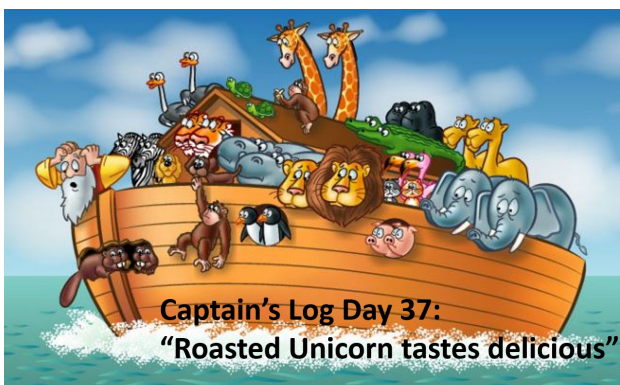
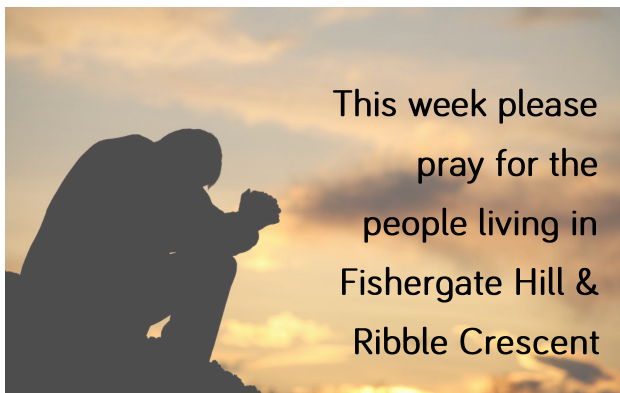


These daily devotions in the Gospels give a thorough investigation of why Jesus came. In the lead-up to Christmas, families will explore 25 reasons why Jesus came, and they will see that what Jesus gives us is better than anything else we could wish for.

Each day there is a passage to read together, questions to think about, an explanation and a prayer. There are also age-appropriate application questions, some for younger children and some for older children, as well as journaling space so that each family member can write or draw their own response to what God has shown them.

Take just ten minutes each day in December to look at God's word together so that kids get more excited about Jesus than anything else that Christmas offers.

This is suitable for 4 - 11 year olds and you can buy it [here](#) for £5.09 (with a free e-book.) There are discounts for 5 or more copies, so why not get together with another family to order and save some money.



***This article is from Wycliffe Bible Translators, an organisation which St Stephen's supports***

## Jesus by the sea



The very remote Aru Islands are located in the south-east corner of Maluku Province, Indonesia. A total of 17 languages are spoken across the 28 inhabited islands, which are home to about 90,000 people. For the communities on the Aru Islands, the sea is a big part of life, with many relying on it for an income, food for their families and travel. This has helped lead the Wycliffe team who work with local churches to share the gospel.

Being able to share Scripture in a way which is culturally relevant is vital to enable people to apply it to their own lives. For local Aru churches this means helping people come to know God through the person of Jesus who was involved with fishermen, and the apostles who sailed to preach the good news.

For many, being able to access Scripture in their own language can unlock new truths as understanding becomes clearer. This is something which is bringing great joy to local people in the Aru community.

Local man Wens Wehtabtabah shared his gratitude at finally being able to access Scriptures in his own language, rather than just Indonesian, and the happiness this brought him. Hearing Scripture and the Apostles' Creed taught in his language revealed to him new promises:



'Whenever I read it over and over I know that God chose me to be one with Jesus. So, now I know that Jesus isn't far away from me.'

[You can read more about this here](#)

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