The Signpost *





Welcome to the latest edition of **The Signpost**, a community magazine produced and distributed by the Christians who meet at **Perth Gospel Hall** on **Balgowan Road**.

As always, please **get in touch** using the contact details on the back page if you have any questions or comments about the magazine.

For the most up-to-date information about our services, activities and special events, please visit our website - **www.perthgospelhall.com**.

Join us for... GOOD NEWS Ø 4

Every Sunday at Perth Gospel Hall, Balgowan Road, PH1 2LH Tea & Coffee served from 3.45pm, followed by a service for all ages from 4-4.40pm, including a short message of hope from the Bible.





This month's cover photo was taken at the Sunflower Trail at Gloagburn Farm Shop just outside Perth.

THE COST OF LIVING CRISIS



With household bills rising rapidly, the UK is on the brink of an unprecedented financial crisis. Millions are already in debt and millions more could follow.

In the Bible we learn of another kind of debt - not a **financial** debt, but a **spiritual** one.

A Growing Debt

This spiritual debt is incurred by breaking **God's law** (summarised in the 10 commandments). Breaking these rules carries a **penalty** which we are unable to pay off in this life, and which will take forever to pay off in the next life, in **Hell**.

Every day the debt mounts up. The Bible says that *"all have sinned"* and *"the whole world is guilty before God."* We are all in over our heads and are drowning in this spiritual debt of sin.

This debt can't be worked off because the Bible teaches that we can't pay it back through the currency of good works, church attendance, charitable giving or acts of kindness.

A Generous God

Thankfully the Bible tells us that God is rich in **mercy** and **love** towards us who are spiritually bankrupt due to our sin.

God has generously offered to clear our debt at great personal cost. It cost Him His only Son, **Jesus Christ**. The Bible says "For God so loved the world that He gave His only begotten Son, that whoever believes in Him should not perish but have everlasting life."

Jesus Christ came down from Heaven and went to **the cross** to suffer and die to pay the penalty of sin. He, the perfect one, endured the punishment which we, the guilty ones, rightly deserved.

Three days later, *"God raised Him from the dead"* to prove that the price of sin had been fully paid, enabling our spiritual debt to be fully cleared.

A Great Offer

Today, as a result of Jesus' death and resurrection all those years ago, God extends an amazing offer to each one of us.

He offers to forgive our sins and clear our spiritual debt completely if we confess our sin, place our trust in Jesus Christ, and receive Him into our hearts as our Saviour and Lord.

With the debt cleared we can look forward to a home in Heaven, rather than an eternity in Hell. **Will you accept God's offer today?**

LOOKING BACK...

It's been a busy summer... here are some of the highlights!

The Perth Podcast



We featured on **The Perth Podcast** back in May, with interviews about our community work, and with some visitors to our Soup Kitchen. You can listen by searching for the Perth Podcast on Google or Facebook.

Platinum Jubilee Lunch



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We celebrated the **Queen's Platinum Jubilee** with a special Community Friendship Lunch in early June. The Gospel Hall was packed but we still managed to find a space for Her Majesty to join us for a lovely afternoon tea!

Platinum Jubilee Kids' Garden Party





The children weren't left out of the Jubilee celebrations as we had a **Kids' Garden Party** which was attended by over 200 people enjoying a wide range of different activities!

Perth Show 2022





We enjoyed a couple of days in the sunshine at **Perth Show** on the South Inch in early August, with lots of people stopping by our trailer to chat and to pick up Christian literature.

Summer Family Fun Day





We rounded off the summer holidays with another well attended **Family Fun Day** in the mid-August heatwave! The water games and ice-cream stand went down a storm!

LOOKING FORWARD...

We run a number of activities for children and families!

Little Treasures Toddlers' Group



Every THURSDAY • 9.30am For O-3 years Toys, crafts, singing and stories for the kids, and coffee, cakes and chat for the adults. Everyone's welcome!

For more details contact Marjory on 07506990347

Kids' Sunday Club



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SOON

Every SUNDAY • 2.30pm For 3-12 years Quizzes, games, singing and Bible stories each week, with special events and trips throughout the year.

For more details contact Adrian on 07767852452

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Children's Bible Club Week - September

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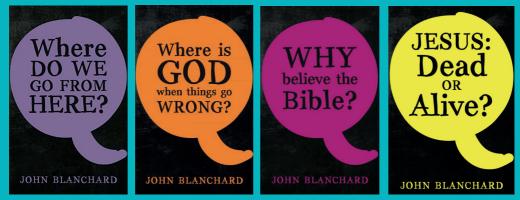
Mon 12th to Fri 16th September 6 - 7pm every night

Competitions, prizes, games, Bible stories and singing. Parents are welcome with their children. Free transport available on request.

For more details contact Adrian on 07767852452

GIVEAWAY!

These short books (40-70 pages) by best-selling author, **John Blanchard**, address some of life's biggest questions. If any of these book titles catch your eye, please get in touch (contact details on back page) and we'll arrange to get a copy delivered to you **FREE** of charge.



FIND US ON YOUTUBE...



RECIPE: OVERNIGHT OATS!

INGREDIENTS:

- 5-6 tablespoons whole rolled oats
- Milk
- 1 tablespoon Greek yoghurt
- 1 tablespoon chia seeds (optional)
- 1/2 tablespoon honey / maple syrup / jam
- Fresh fruit (blueberries, raspberries, etc.)

INSTRUCTIONS:

- 1. Pour oats into jar, glass or container
- 2. Add milk until oats are covered
- 3. Add yoghurt, chia seeds (optional) and honey / syrup / jam
- 4. Stir together and leave in fridge overnight
- 5. Mix in fresh fruit of your choice
- 6. Experiment with different quantities, ingredients and combinations!





COMMUNITY NEWS ...



Food Train - www.thefoodtrain.co.uk has launched its shopping service in Perth for anyone age 65+ who struggles to do their own shopping. Their friendly volunteers will collect your shopping list, shop for groceries and deliver to your home. They'll even put it away if required. Please contact Lorna Dunbar -07706353242 / pk@thefoodtrain.co.uk to find out more.



For up-to-date information about a wide range of local activities and the opening times of the **Letham Community Fridge** (located at 119 Rannoch Road), please check out the **Letham4All Facebook page**.





Healthy Way to Start the Day

Friendship Lunch

Ipm, Monday 5th September

Perth Gospel Hall



All Welcome!

On the first Monday of every month, people from the local area come together for a time of friendship and to enjoy some homemade soup and a delicious dessert! We have a fun quiz and share a short, encouraging 'thought for the day' from the Bible over a cup of tea or coffee. Come and join us! Get in touch for more details!



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