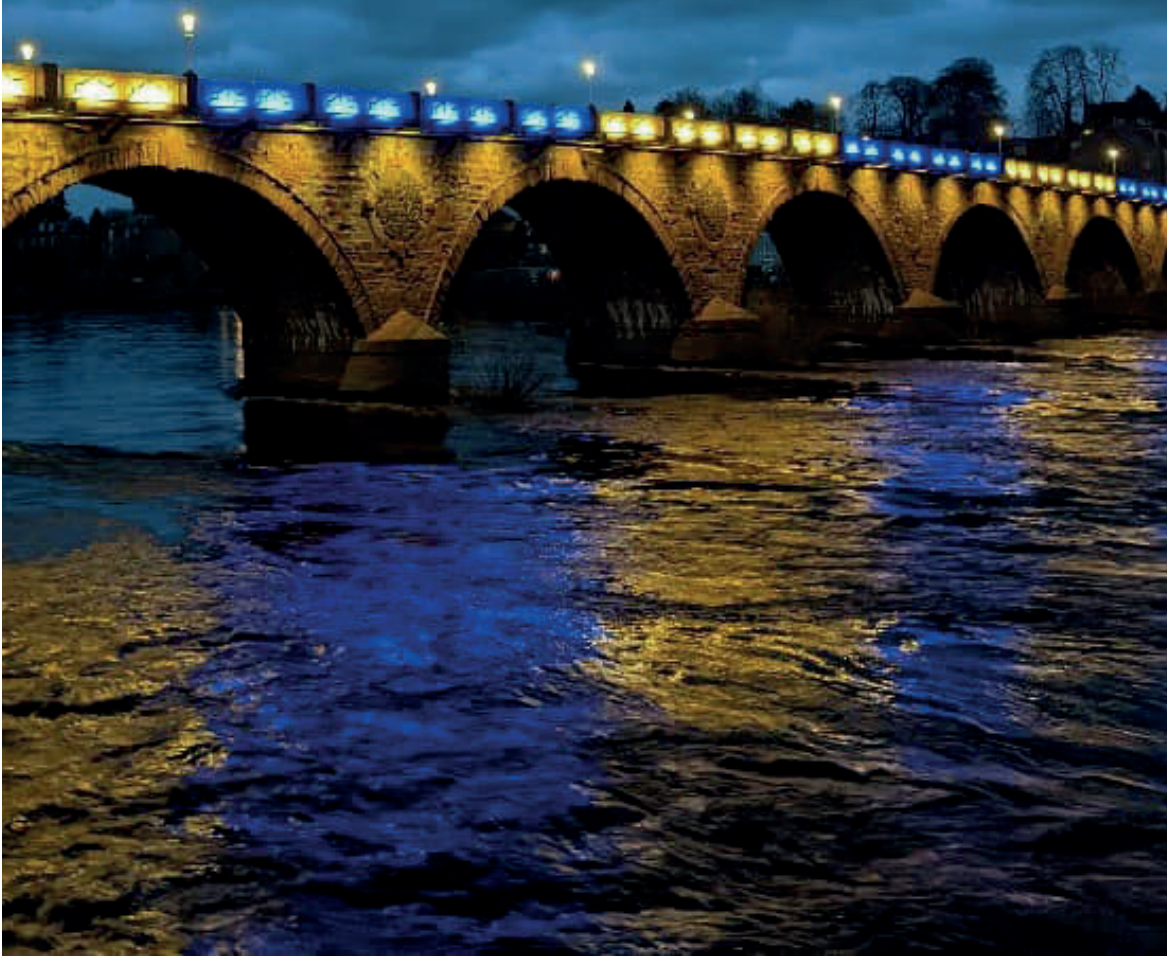


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Welcome to the Spring edition of **The Signpost**, a community magazine produced and distributed by **Perth Gospel Hall**. (www.perthgospelhall.com)

In this issue, amongst other things, we review some past activities, share some community news and consider what the Bible has to say about the current state of affairs in the world.

There are also details of a couple of exciting events taking place at Perth Gospel Hall very soon. **Hope Explored** is a series of 3 informal studies looking into the life-changing message of the Bible and its relevance for us today - it starts on Tuesday 5th of April! Just before that, on Monday 4th of April, we have our monthly **Community Friendship Lunch** - an opportunity to meet new people, make new friends and enjoy some lovely food together.

As always, we'd love to hear from you, so please **get in touch**! You'll find all the necessary contact details on the back page!



This month's cover photo shows Smeaton's Bridge lit up in blue and yellow in a show of support for those in Ukraine.



**As a church
we are
praying for
Ukraine.**

WHAT DOES THE FUTURE HOLD?

With everything that's happened in the past couple of years due to the Covid pandemic, and all that is going on currently in Ukraine, this is the question on everyone's mind. Let's think of it in two ways...

What does the future hold for THE WORLD?

When we look at the news, the world's future seems very uncertain, but when we turn to the Bible we find that God has a very clear plan.

We recently produced a 9 minute-video summarising all that the Bible says will happen up to, and beyond, the end of the world. You can find it on our website (perthgospelhall.com) or on our youtube channel.



The Bible teaches that some day soon Jesus Christ will return to evacuate all Christians from the earth (**the Rapture**). This will be followed by 7 years of intense trouble on the earth, including wars, disease, famine, and natural disasters on a scale that the world has never experienced before (**the Tribulation**).

Jesus Christ will then return to the earth to set up His Kingdom and reign for 1,000 years, during which there will be worldwide peace and prosperity (**the Millennium**). After this there will be a final rebellion against Jesus' authority, which will lead to God destroying the world as we know it, and creating **new heavens and a new earth**.

What does the future hold for ME?

None of us know what's around the corner, but as individuals our future lies ultimately in one of two places - **Heaven** or **Hell**.

Contrary to what many believe, the Bible teaches that our final destination doesn't depend on how good or how bad we've been, or how often we've gone to church or given to charity.

Our place in Heaven depends entirely on whether or not we've personally received **Jesus Christ** into our hearts as Saviour and Lord and had our sins forgiven.

Jesus alone is able to forgive our sin because on the cross He suffered and died to pay for mankind's sin, before rising from the dead three days later.

When we **confess** and **repent** of our sin, and **trust** in Jesus, receiving Him into our lives, our sins are forgiven, we receive eternal life and God guarantees us a home in Heaven.

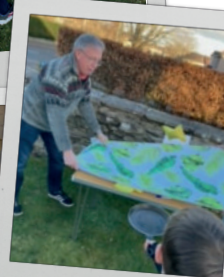
With our ultimate, eternal destination secure, we can face whatever's around the corner with a sense of **real hope**!

LOOKING BACK...

CAROLS BY CANDLELIGHT - DECEMBER



KIDS' PANCAKE DAY PARTY - MARCH



RECIPE: Eggsellent Easter Five-Minute Fudge



INGREDIENTS:

- 400g bar of chocolate or chocolate chips
- 395g tin of sweetened condensed milk
- Bag of mini marshmallows
- Bag of Mini Eggs

INSTRUCTIONS:

1. Melt the chocolate and milk in the microwave for 2 mins. and mix together.
2. Stir the marshmallows into the mixture.
3. Sprinkle some mini eggs into the bottom of a lined tin, then pour in the mixture.
4. Add more mini eggs on top, then put the tin in the fridge.
5. Leave in fridge until set, then remove from the tin and cut into pieces.



COMMUNITY NEWS



Love Letham

“**Love Letham**” is a group looking for people of all ages to join with them to work on a shared vision of what children and young people in Letham need to flourish.

For more information, take a look at their new website:
www.loveletham.org



Letham4All
Our Place Our Future



Work continues on the **Letham Hub** refurbishment project!

Check the **Letham4All Facebook page** for up-to-date info on the Community Fridge (119 Rannoch Road) and other activities.

EASTER:

The weekend that changed history!

EASTER FRIDAY



Jesus was presented to the crowds by the Roman Governor, Pontius Pilate. The religious leaders incited the people to call for His execution. Jesus was whipped, beaten, and spat upon before carrying His own cross to a place called Calvary (or Golgotha).

Jesus hung on the cross for a total of 6 hours. For the final 3 hours, in total darkness, He suffered God's punishment for mankind's sin.

After His death, Jesus' body was taken and laid in a tomb.

EASTER SUNDAY



Three days after His death Jesus rose from the dead, just as He had previously predicted.

When His followers visited His grave early in the morning they found that the stone had been rolled away and the tomb was empty. An angel announced, *"He is not here, He is risen!"*

Later in the morning Jesus made His first post-resurrection appearance, to one of His most faithful followers, Mary Magdalene.

THE FOLLOWING 40 DAYS



In the 40 days following His resurrection, Jesus appeared on numerous occasions, to over 500 different people, in a variety of places, before ascending back into Heaven where He remains today.

THE SIGNIFICANCE



Jesus' death and resurrection were central in God's plan to provide forgiveness of sins, eternal life, and a home in Heaven, to everyone willing to turn from their sins and trust in Jesus Christ.

"Christ died for our sins... and He was buried... and He rose again the third day... and He was seen..."

1 Corinthians 15:3-5



WHERE CAN WE FIND REAL HOPE?

3 Tuesday evenings:
5th, 12th, 19th April
@ 7.30pm - 8.45pm

Hope Explored is a relaxed, informal course for anyone who wants to find hope, peace and purpose in their life.

If you'd like to learn more about Jesus and how He can give you real hope today, please join us for this very interesting series of studies!

Each week we'll watch a short video and have some discussion over a cup of tea or coffee.

Everyone is welcome - the course is particularly good for people who don't normally go to church!

It's totally **free**, and **transport** can be arranged on request. If you'd like more information, please **get in touch!**

Community Friendship Lunch

1pm, Monday 4th April

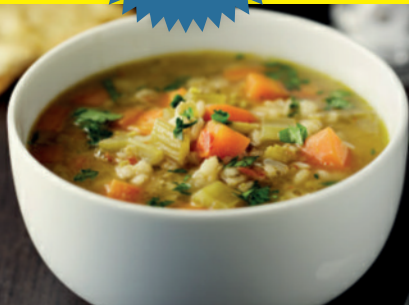


FREE!

If you're over 50, want to get out of the house, enjoy some lovely food, and make some new friends, please join us at Perth Gospel Hall for our **Community Friendship Lunch**.

We'll have homemade soup and a delicious dessert, and finish up by listening to a short, encouraging 'thought for the day' from the Bible over a cup of tea or coffee.

Let us know if you plan to join us, or just turn up on the day if you prefer. Everyone is welcome! If you'd like more information please get in touch.



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