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Street Jesus News: Welcome to the July edition of our e-news.

We hope you are enjoying the summer and all the light evenings. The Street Jesus team enjoyed a wonderful outreach at the Trinity park car boot in Ipswich last Saturday even though we had to get up at Silly o'clock. It started well as we gained free entry because we are a charity, so we were able to donate our normal entrance fee to a couple

raising money for their daughter who was living in a home run by Mencap in Essex. We gave out free chocolates to all the stall-holders as usual as well as many of the punters. We had lots of conversations during the day, some accepting prayer for healing, others had personal issues requiring reconciliation to which we offered a listening ear. We had a number of Jesus



conversations with "I am not religious" being a common refrain. We were able to speak of a God of relationship as opposed to just rituals, rules and regulations. We heard a number of interesting life stories. The ice cream vendor parked beside us and offered us free ice cream. He had remembered that we had given out free chocolates at our recent outreach at Woodbridge football club so wanted to return the favour. We took a new approach quite spontaneously on the day, two of the team went on walkabouts talking to all the stallholders where



normally we adopt an attractional approach preferring people to come to us. There was much laughter around the site as we circulated around with further interesting conversations. £26 was raised for the Beehive childrens foundation from the sale of African crafts. We received many fond goodbyes and waves from people as they left the site. During our debrief we prayed

for the many people we had met who are in need. We really felt that the Holy spirit was with us on the day. Our next outreach is this coming Sunday 3rd at the Ipswich music day in Christchurch park and we would love to meet with you there.

Following on from the Spring harvest theme of Restore Renew Rebuild and the idea that God may want us to do a new thing we have taken

different approaches in our last few outreaches. We have sung worship songs in
public for the first time, moved away from
the stall and circulated instead of being
static and we are now considering a new
area of work. We have felt for sometime
that our work is basically a seed sowing
operation. We rarely get to follow up on the
people we meet and further help people to

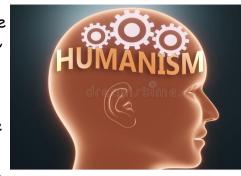
move closer to God or see what happens in their life. We have been praying about starting a group for seekers of faith and those who have



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been church goers in the past but who no longer go, for whatever reason. We have been consulting with a lot of experienced Christians who have run such groups in the past. The consultations have been interesting and we will be discussing what we have learned at our next meeting. What is also interesting is the significant increase in people i

have met, mainly in my work who are curious about faith. I have met people who are wanting to explore humanism, one who whilst bored had randomly picked up a bible whilst in hospital and wanted to know more, another who had been hurt by people in a church but still had a need to explore God. A 'spiritual' person beginning a new chapter in their life. An ex Jehovah witness who spoke about the



end times. Another person who felt very lost. There have been many opportunities to speak of the Lord to whom such a group could be helpful. If we agree to go ahead (probably in the Autumn) the meetings will include food, then take the form of a discussion where we will ask to be led by the holy spirit to help us in our knowledge, prayer and worship to grow together Its interesting that we are suddenly being asked lots of questions. We are very excited at the prospect and continue to seek Gods wisdom.

Humanism as an idea has become very popular in recent years and has



been promoted by the BHS (British Humanist Society) and National secular society. Humanism has its origins in the 1700;s as the enlightenment brought an explosion of scientific and philosophical ideas many based in the ancient writings of Greek and Rome. Writers such as Thomas Paine promoted the Rights of man with many beginning to reject religion particularly the supernatural and spiritual dimensions in favour of a materialistic outlook. People were also beginning to reject powerful authoritarian structures such as the

church seeing them as an impediment to freedom and liberty. Humanism is well intentioned and seeks the good but as it encourages people to be individualistic and to self actualise, that focus on the self can lead to some problematic places. We believe that our freedom is found in Christ alone and that focus touches the deeper parts of our humanity. We are to look outwards toward others We do not create our own contentment as we rely on Gods grace for every good thing

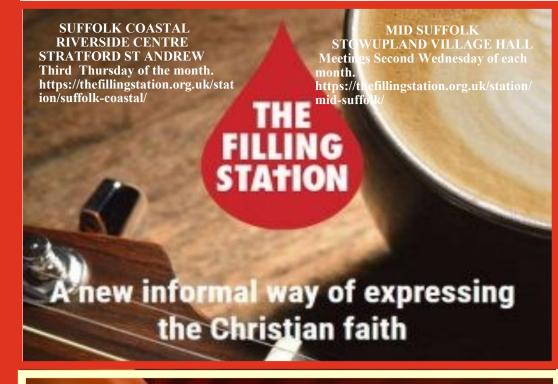
that we encounter. Interestingly the early humanists understood that it was natural for people to embrace faith and believe in God to help make sense of existence and recognises the benefits faith could bring to the individual. Humanism today Is less broad minded and largely rejects the idea of God and requires atheism.

We have been covering the book of Esther in our studies, it being one of the few books of the bible that does not mention God directly but it is so helpful and leads us to understand that

sometimes we may need to inconvenience ourselves even put ourselves in an uncomfortable position or danger. Jesus did this a number of times and ultimately on the cross that we might receive his boundless grace.

As we go out at the Ipswich music day may we realise that we too may feel uncomfortable but remember that she had to approach King Exerxes not knowing whether she might be executed for asking an audience with the King. May we have her courage. Blessings Graham









Trimley St Martin Memorial hall - Worship evening Every 4th Saturday of the month.



homeforgood.org.uk/connect-locally/suffolk







Clare priory

clarepriory.org,uk













PRAYER Every Tuesday 7pm Kelsale Village Hall IP172PB

Contact Paul or Mandy Weekes on 01728-604053

Open to God Service

1st Sunday of the month at 6.30pm





Network SUFFOLK

https://networksuffolk.org.uk/





Pop in and enjoy a cuppa and chat and find out how the Later Life Community Team can help you or your community.

The Community Cuppa is aimed at people aged 65 + living in Woodbridge and surrounding areas.

FREE Entry

Time: 10:00am - Midday

Location: Woodbridge Community Hall,

Station Road, Woodbridge, IP12 4AU

For more information: Tel: 07878 768288 Email: Tracey.Evans@bsevc.co.uk

*For over 65's in Woodbridge and surrounding area









Community Cuppa Calendar:

2022

Tuesday 24th May Tuesday 26th July Tuesday 23rd August Tuesday 25th October Tuesday 22nd November

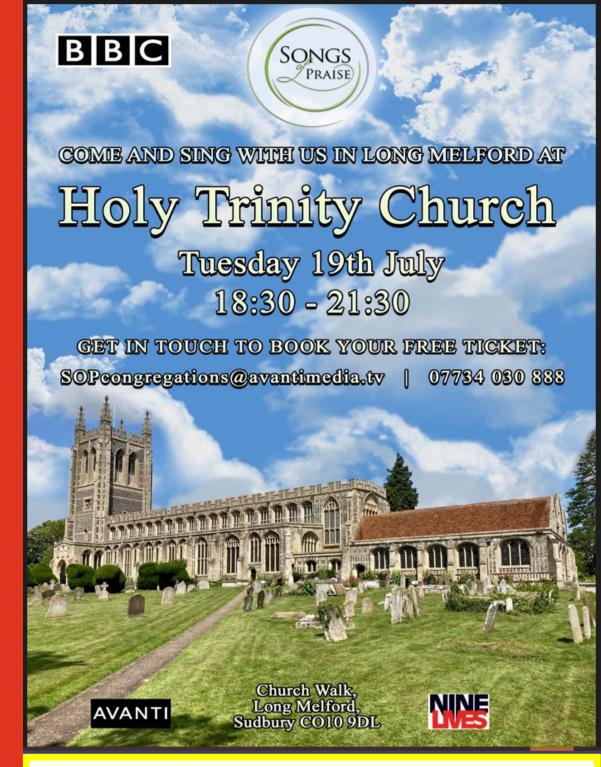
2023

Tuesday 24th January Tuesday 28th February Tuesday 25th April



Registered Charity: 1004198









The BASIC Life Charity

COMMUNITY POP-UP-SHOP

Come along to



2 Carr Road, Felixstowe, IP11 2FS

Friday Mornings at 11 am

AFFORDABLE FOOD

Fill a bag for £2.00

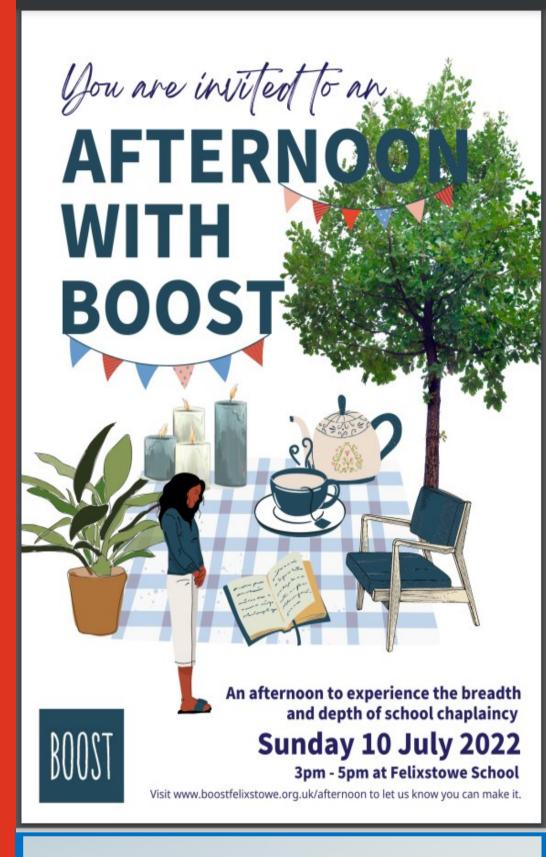
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Information Network



COME ALIVE

with PRAISE and TESTIMONY

River of life Church - Felixstowe

Third Sunday of Every Month

7:00 pm - 8:00 pm

Come together to enjoy a time of live worship and testimony.

Pilgrimage of Song – Shelland to Great Finborough

For our second Pilgrimage of Song in 2022 we will be visiting five small churches west of Stowmarket, singing a short service at each before ending with a meal.

WORKSHOP The day begins with a workshop in which we learn the music to be sung at churches on our route. There will be a variety of music to suit varying abilities, including both experienced choral singers and those who just enjoy singing the tune.

WALK and SERVICES After an initial service at Shelland Church, our route takes us to Harleston, Onehouse and Buxhall, finishing at Great Finborough for the final service.

WHO IS LEADING? Music will be directed by Richard Hubbard (St Edmundsbury & Ipswich Music Development Director).

MEAL The day ends with a hot meal at *The Shepherd and Dog*, Onehouse.

TRANSPORT Walkers will need to make their own arrangements to get to Shelland for the start of the walk, and to return there at the end of the day. Most people pair up with someone else and bring two cars. If you are coming alone, then there will be lifts back to Shelland.

HOW MUCH DOES IT COST? There is a suggested donation of £15 per person (under 18s free), to cover the costs of the event, including provision of music scores for the day. Donations can be more or less than the suggested amount.

The meal, at *The Shepherd and Dog,* Onehouse, is an optional extra. Main Course £11.95, Pudding £5.95. Menu choices can be found on the booking form.

IS IT SUITABLE FOR CHILDREN? Although the event is not specifically geared towards children, under 18s are welcome to attend if accompanied by an adult. Most children aged 9 and above will be able to enjoy the singing and walking.

CAN I BRING A DOG? Unfortunately dogs are not permitted.

WHAT IS THE ROUTE? Shelland – Harleston – Onehouse – Buxhall - Great Finborough. Total walk around 6 miles, but you can omit the section to Buxhall Church, thus shortening the walk to less than five miles. See map below.

This event forms one part of the (non-singing) Ethelbert Pilgrimage, from Falkenham To St Edmundsbury Cathedral, being held in 18 stages during the summer. For details on that pilgrimage (which is not organised by Cantus Firmus) contact <u>lan Angus</u>.

WHAT ABOUT LUNCH? Bring your own packed lunch and drink. We will be stopping for a lunch break at Onehouse. Light refreshments may be served at some churches.

WHAT SHOULD I WEAR? The walk will include public footpaths, which may be muddy. Please choose appropriate footwear, and bring waterproofs if there is a risk of rain.

HOW DO I BOOK? Advance booking is essential. Booking closes at 9am on Friday 8 July. Please use one form per person. Under 18s must be accompanied by a responsible adult, and their place must be booked by a parent or guardian.

Payment by BACS is preferred, with the option to send a cheque. Payment must be made by Tuesday 11 July. On booking you will receive an email with details of how to pay.



Examples of repairs:

- -A toaster that no longer works
- -Hem that's come down
- -A lamp with a broken switch









The Repair Cafe is run by volunteers who assist in the repairing of broken items for a voluntary contribution.





Runs within The Hub community cafe Do join usl Supported by:



First Monday of every month 10 am-12 Midday St Johns Church Woodbridge, IP12 1HS

PRAY FOR UKRAINE





Fostering or adoption – Is it for me?

Every fifteen minutes in the UK, a child will come into care

Many will have suffered neglect or abuse, all will experience trauma and loss. Each one deserves a home where they will be loved, nurtured and enabled to thrive, whether that's through short-term or long-term foster care, with a new adoptive family, or through supported lodgings.

- Are you aged 21 or over?
- Do you have a spare room?
- · Do you have time and love to give?

WHY NOT TRY OUR NEW EARLY STEPS ONLINE INFORMATION EVENING

Our new termly information session to help support those who want to discover more, those who are in assessment or those preparing to welcome children through fostering, adoption or supported



NEXT SESSION

Wednesday 29th June 8pm on Zoom.

Please email hello@homeforgoodsuffolk.org.uk

To register your interest as ask for the meeting codes.

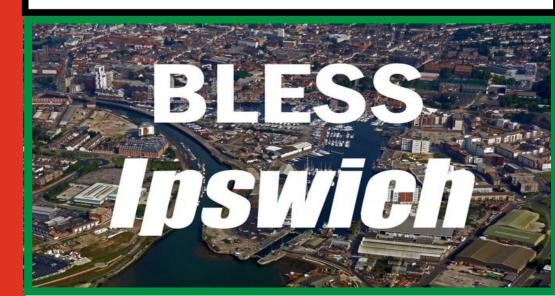
Early Steps

Home for Good: Suffolk is Christian response to the social need for more foster families and adoptive home by raising awareness of the local need through connecting and partnering with Suffolk Churches. We do not assess or place children but signpost enquiries and work closely with our local authority. Suffolk fostering and adoption teams.

We are separate from but connected to national charity Home for Good, operating under local charity

Transforming Futures – Suffolk (Charity No. 1169250

We provide groups, activities and events throughout the year to connect families in Suffolk who foster, adopt or have special guardianship. We want to ensure all families feel supported and connected – Everyone is welcome regardless of faith or background!



Information Network





Bike Ride and Stride Saturday 10 September

Along with Churches across Suffolk, River of Life will be open from 9.00 am to 5.00 pm on Saturday 10 September 2022 for the annual Suffolk Historic Churches Trust Sponsored Bike Ride.

Walkers are encouraged too so it is a Bike and Stride!

We will need 2 volunteers for each hourly slot to welcome cyclists or walkers, sign their forms and offer some refreshment.

Some might also like to see round the Church.

If you would like to help, please contact Anita in the Church Office.



If you would like to take part in the bike ride and stride, full details on how to register, including sponsorship forms are available via the Suffolk Historic Churches Trust website: https://shct.org.uk/ride-and-stride/





Foxearth Meadows Nature Reserve

on the banks of the River Stour

A free event for National Meadows Day

Saturday, 2 July

(10.30 am-3.30 pm)

- . Nature Activities including Pond-dipping
 - . Simple crafts for families
- FoxeARTh: art and nature, for beginners and experienced artists alike, led by artist and printmaker Stella Davis. (Please book a place for this on 07599 398866 or e-mail: artwisestella@gmail.com)
- · Bring a picnic and enjoy our beautiful landscape

For further information, contact Mark Prina on 07548 209652 / mark.prina@arocha.org or Andy Jowitt on 07584 751093 / andy.jowitt@arocha.org

FOXEARTH MEADOWS NATURE RESERVE, FOXEARTH, CO10 7HZ

The reserve is about a mile north of Foxearth village, between the River Stour and the lane west of Constable's Farm and Constable's Barn (CO10 7HZ).

From Long Melford travelling west towards Clare (A1092), turn first left after GCB Cocoa (formerly Philips Avent), signposted 'Pentlow Road'. Then take the next left (signposted 'Liston') and the site is about 200 metres on the left.

Follow 'what3words': charm.dragonfly.townhouse Grid Ref. TL 8331 4598

✓Eco-toilet ✓Car park on site

arocha.org/events



Commit & Connect Course

Committing to Jesus & Connection to the Church

Saturday 30 July

9.45 am at Christian Life Centre

If you want to become a member or just want to know us better, our 'Commit & Connect' membership course is for you.

This is your opportunity to find out about River of Life Church and how we are part of God's plan for fulfilling His purposes.

Please register your interest:
Website: www.riveroflifechurch.net [Connect Joining RoL]
Email: mail@riveroflifechurch.net or
Phone: 01394 273700

CAP Money Course



The CAP money course is a FREE 2 session course for everyone.

Here are the three aims:

- 1. To equip you to improve your money management.
- 2. To encourage you to look at your own finances and make changes that are tailored specifically to your needs.
- 3. To enable you to successfully budget, save and keep out of debt.

1st & 8th July, 10am to 12pm
St Philips Community Hub, Wadgate Road,
Felixstowe, IP11 2LY. Call 07394 177634 to book.
FREE Tea, Coffee & Cake!



budget. save. spend.









CAP is the award winning charity established in 1996 by John Kirkby. Charity registered numbers: 1097217 (England and Wales)



WOODBRIDGE AREA

BIGY FAMILY DAY OUT

HOG ROAST, ICE CREAM,

CREAM TEA, BOUNCY CASTLES, ENTERTAINMENT

SUNDAY 17 JULY 10AM - 1PM

Kingston Field, Woodbridge, IP12 4AX

Jubilee Celebrations

at St Matthew's Church Ipswich



Saturday 4th June, 2:30pm, Songs of Praise followed by Cream Tea.

For catering purposes please book in by signing-up below. Or Call the Parish Office: 01473 251630

Donations accepted on the day.



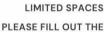




AT RUSHMERE BAPTIST CHURCH

A free Bible based holiday club for primary school aged children.
Crafts, games, stories, songs, dancing experiments and endless fun.

2ND -5TH AUGUST 10AM-1.00PM



FORM BELOW TO REGISTER





Affordable Food



Community

Business And Service In Christ

The BASIC Life Charity Pop-Up Shop

St.Felix Church, Rendlesham

Every Tuesday 11am

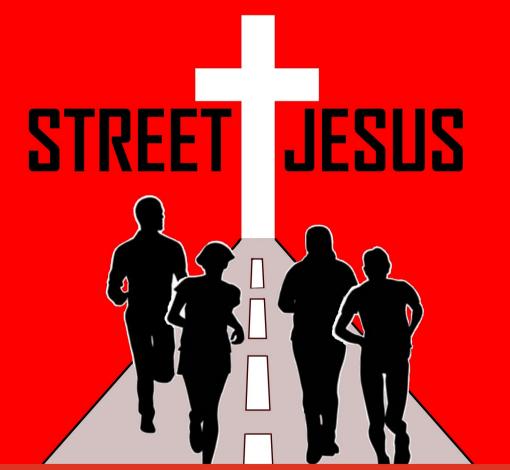
All Welcome!



CHURCHES THAT RUN ALPHA COURSES

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Outreach



Our next outreach will be at The Music day in Ipswich 12 noon-8pm on Sunday July 3rd

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BLESSING JARS

Supporting the Beehive Nakuru Kenya A great place to put your loose change in and say a blessing at the end of the day. To obtain a jar please e-mail thepaellalady@gmail.com or Pam@jenkins-net.co.uk





Join one of our free Community Safety Ambassador events to learn more about supporting older people in your community.

This event will focus on the potential dangers faced by older people in their everyday life and share vital messages and services which can help save lives.

Register now to learn more about fire safety, home security, anti-social behaviour, Warm Homes Suffolk, personal safety, digital aids, falls preventions, doorstep crimes and much more!

Monday 6th June at 09:45 - 12:30

The Hotel Victoria, Kirkley Cliff Road, Lowestoft, NR32 OBZ

Wednesday 8th June at 9:45 - 12:30

Kesgrave War Memorial Community Centre, Twelve Acre Approach, Kesgrave, IP5 1JF

Register now!

Register for one, or both, events now: communities@eastsuffolk.gov.uk 0333 016 2000.







Welcome to Alive@4

We meet in St. Michaels Church

At 4pm on the 3rd Sunday of the month

This is a family worship with a difference, with activities for children and families including crafts, music, and games and a special tea for everyone.

We currently meet in St. Michaels Church ready to start at 4pm.

There will be a short time of worship as we begin Everyone is welcome; please let us know if you are planning to come so that there is plenty to eat.

For more information, or to tell us you are coming, please contact:

Revd. Mary Lamb, marylamb1952@googlemail.com

or Wendy Phelan on 01728 720125 or check details with the parish office ...framparish@gmail.com We have had great fun in the past and look forward to seeing old and new families.

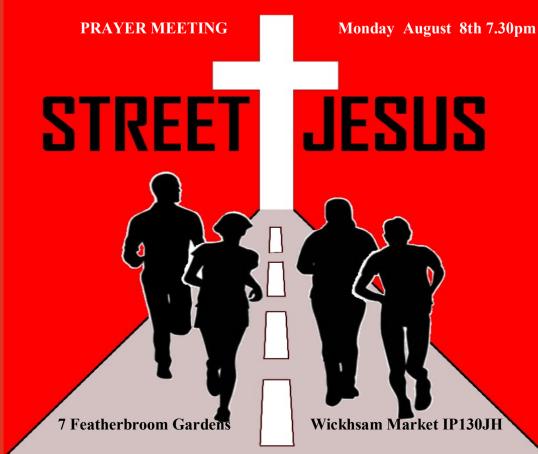




CROSSROADS-Saxmundham High Street THE RUNWAY-St Michaels and all Angels Martlesham OPEN DOORS -All Saints Wickham Market-Every Friday morning.

HUB COMMUNITY CAFÉ-St Johns Woodbridge - Every Monday morning 10-12



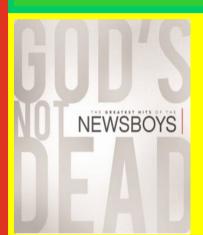


Gallery



The Street Jesus team at our recent outreach at Trinity park car boot sale in Ipswich

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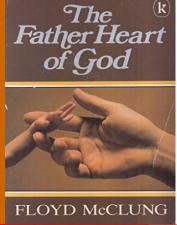


CD of the month

God's not dead.

The News Boys

Book of the month



BOOK OF THE MONTH

.This book by Floyd Mc Clung is written from the perspective of his work on the hippy trail and in the red light district of Amsterdam. It explores the inner hurt of the people he met, many of whom were desperately lost, many went there as a form of escapism. It explores the father relationship and compares it with the healing perfect love of father God.

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Think tank on religion and society

www.theosthinktank.co.uk

Gatherings

New Wine July 23rd—August 3rd 2022 www.new-wine.org Spring Harvest April 10th –14th 2023 www.springharvest.org Big Church day out May 29th –31st 2022 www.bigchurchdayout.com Keswick July 16th-August 5th 2022 Keswickministries.org Greenbelt August 26th-29th 2022 www.greenbelt.org.uk Word Alive April 1st-6th 2023 www.wordaliveevent.org Davids tent August 26th-29th 2022 www.davidstent.net illsong Conference July 27th-29th www.hillsong.com 2022 Newday August 20th-22nd 2022 www.newday.co.uk



Bible reading

On the third day of the fast. Esther put on her royal robes and entered the inner court of the palace, just across from the Kings hall. The King was sitting on his royal throne, facing the entrance when he saw Queen Esther standing there in the inner court, he welcomed her and held out the gold sceptre to her. So Esther approached and touched the end of the sceptre. Then the King asked her "What do you want Queen Esther? What is our request? I will give it to you even if it is half the Kingdom. And Esther replied "If it pleases the King, let the King and Haman come today to a banquet I have prepared for the King. The King turned to his attendants and said "Tell Haman to come quickly to a banquet as Esther has requested" So the King and Haman went to Esther's banquet. And while they were drinking wine the King said to Esher "Now tell me what you really want. What is your request? I will give it to you even if it is half the kingdom" Esther replied "This is my request and deepest wish If I have found favour with the king and if it pleases the King to grant my request and do what I ask, please come with Haman tomorrow to the banquet I will prepare for you. Then I will explain what this is all about" Esther 5:1-8

Prayer

God of many names O God of many names Lover of all nations. We pray for peace in our hearts in our homes in our nations in our world The peace of your need The peace of our need Amen

Quote to note

"God never said that the journey would be easy, but He did say that the arrival would be worthwhile" -

Max Lucado.

Please get

If you have a heart for sharing the good news of Jesus Christ with others and would like to become involved with our project then please contact us for more information. If you would like us to promote any of your Church events we will do our best to include them in our e news. If you would like to contribute to e-news with any information or recommendations such as a book, music C D, film, article, a prayer, or a bible verse then please e mail us on streetjesus2012@ gmail.com.

Our next meeting will be on Monday 4th July at 7.30 pm. At 7 Featherbroom Gardens Wickham Market IP130JH

THANK YOU!

Thank you for showing interest in the Street Jesus project. If you do not wish to receive our e news or would like more information about the project please e mail streetjesus 2012@gmail.com