

WMC Church Family Day, 18th September 2016

For our Church Family Day this year we are planning to go to the Ulster museum on the Stranmillis Road, Belfast.

Following the normal church service on Sunday 18th September we will catch the train at 12.15 from Whitehead (*though cars will also be available for anyone who wouldn't be able to do the walk at either end*).

We have a big room booked for eating packed lunches - bring yours with you. The restaurant will also be open for lunches, teas and coffees if you prefer. After lunch we will have an afternoon in the museum and around the Botanic Gardens and Palm House so there are many things for people of all ages to see. There is also a shop in the museum for souvenirs. We will then come home by train and be back in Whitehead about 5.30 or 6.30pm.

There is a poster at the back of the church - please put your name on the sheet beside it to let us know you are coming and tick the box if you require transport. There is no cost for the day but the museum itself suggests a donation simply for its upkeep.

Like all our previous Family Days, this is a day for EVERYONE, it's not just a Sunday School event so we hope that everyone can come along on 18th September for our special day at the museum.

Please send announcements to me by Wednesday before 9.00pm

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The Back Pew - Jeff Larson

Let my YES be YES and my NO be simply NO? What about my MAYBE?
The entire infrastructure of my life is built around my MAYBE.



The simple truths of **1st 5:37** appear to be a point of contention for Wes.

Sunday 18 September

10:30am WMC Worship Rev Gary Millar
 12:00pm IMC Worship Rev Gary Millar
 12:15pm WMC Family Day *Depart from Whitehead Train Station*

Monday 19 September

10.30pm Hall planning meeting Houston Room

Tuesday 20 September

8.00pm WMC Fellowship Houston Room

Thursday 22 September

7.30pm Circuit Executive Greenisland MC

Sunday 25 September

10:30am WMC Harvest Worship Rev Gary Millar (Tear Fund Tea)
 12:00pm IMC Worship Mr Brian Connor
 7.00pm WMC Harvest Worship Rev Christopher Skillen (*Larne Circuit*)

The Harvest Letter is available in church this morning – details of church services in the locality will be reported as I discover them.



Many congratulations to Mr Billy and Mrs Noreen Barclay who are celebrating their Diamond Wedding Anniversary on this very day! The first hymn in worship this morning was sung at their wedding service.

And many congratulations also to the newly weds Mr Charlie and Mrs Rosie Robinson of Islandmagee who were married in a quiet ceremony in our church yesterday. Our very best wishes and prayers for the future for both these couples – from your church family.



EVEN AFTER HE WAS UNJUSTLY IMPRISONED, PAUL TELLS US TO PRAY FOR THE AUTHORITIES?



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YES, WE PRAY FOR THOSE IN CHARGE, NOT TO THEM. THE ONLY SAVIOR IS JESUS.



OOOH, THAT'S SUBTLE... BUT GOOD.



1 TIMOTHY 2:1-8

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Following on from our District Synod last week, ministers have been asked to publicise the fact that a meeting will be held on **13th October**, in Doagh Methodist Church at 7.30pm, for anyone interested in mission, to share what is happening in their church/circuit, to hear what is going on across the District and also to hear from Rev Dr Heather Morris (Gen Sec of HM Dept) about what is happening across the Connexion and how the Home Mission Department can help.

Gossip

My name is Gossip. I have no respect for justice. I maim without killing. I break hearts and ruin lives. I am cunning and malicious and gather strength with age. The more I am quoted, the more I am believed. I flourish at every level of society. My victims are helpless. They cannot protect themselves against me because I have no face. To track me down is impossible. The harder you try, the more elusive I become. I am nobodies friend. Once I tarnish a reputation, it is never the same. I topple governments, wreck marriages, and ruin careers -- cause sleepless nights, heartaches, and indigestion. I spawn suspicion and generate grief. I make innocent people cry in their pillows. Even my name hisses... I make headlines and headaches. Before you repeat a story, ask yourself, Is it true? Is it fair?

Is it necessary? If not – shut up!

Laura Schlessinger: The Significance of God's Laws in Everyday Life, p. 203

The clock is my dictator, I shall not rest.
 It makes me lie down only when exhausted.
 It leads me into deep depression.
 It hounds my soul.
 It leads me in circles of frenzy, for activities sake.
 Even though I run frantically from task to task,
 I will never get it all done,
 For my ideal is with me.
 Deadlines and my need for approval, they drive me.
 They demand performance from me,
 beyond the limits of my schedule.
 They anoint my head with migraines,
 My in-basket overflows.
 Surely fatigue and time pressures shall follow me
 All the days of my life.
 And I will dwell in the bonds of frustration
 Forever

Source unknown