

Dear Friends

At long last the sun is shining! What a relief it is to have bright sunny days after months of dullness. I do hope you are well and that you will enjoy this beautiful weather.

I am delighted that I have a date for the operation on my left leg. This will take place on Thursday 6th March at the Royal Berks Hospital in Reading. The Baker's Cyst and accumulation of calcium pellets have been causing increasing discomfort and it will be wonderful to resolve this.

As you may recall Central Church, Swindon is blessed with an amazing building which is known as the Pilgrim Centre. Built in 1990 it offers superb accommodation and we are delighted that it is really well used. I am pleased that we have just appointed Neil Boulton (husband of Baptist Minister Ali Boulton) as the Centre Co-ordinator. The building accommodates three churches and a large number of events including the daily Big Breakfast Plus. On 7th March the Lord Lieutenant will be attending to present to Big Breakfast Plus the Kings Award for Volunteering.

I hope you have a great month.

Thanks for staying in touch.

Yours ever,

Jonathan

JONATHAN'S MARCH DIARY

Sunday 2nd
Preaching at Central Church, Swindon

Monday 3rd
Attending Keswick in Devon at All Saints, Sidmouth ... this is the church we normally attend when we are staying in Sidmouth. It's a delightful church and we always get a good welcome.

Tuesday 4th
Keswick in Devon

Wednesday 5th
Keswick in Devon

Thursday 6th
Operation at the Royal Berks Hospital in Reading. I will probably be in overnight.

Sunday 9th
Preaching at Basingstoke Baptist Church Anniversary

Tuesday 11th
Afternoon – Newbury Baptist Church Pastoral Team Meeting
Evening – Woodley Baptist Leadership Team Meeting

Wednesday 12th
Speaking at the Premier Staff Meeting online

Thursday 13th
Swindon Baptist Cluster Ministers' Lunch
Afternoon - Bible Study at Central Church, Swindon
Evening – Central Church, Swindon Executive

Friday 14th
Lent Lunch in Swindon with the other churches in Central Swindon

Sunday 16th
Preaching at Cullompton Baptist Church to mark 25 years of Glen Graham's ministry. I had the privilege of introducing Glen to his first church in Devon 25 years ago.

Tuesday 19th
Big Breakfast Plus Review Meeting in Swindon
Evening – Central Church Swindon Bible Study

Friday 21st
Mentoring in Eton

Sunday 23rd
Preaching at Central Church, Swindon

Thursday 27th
Postcard Fair in Bridgwater, Somerset – Tom will be joining me for this two day event. It's always a very busy and happy fair.

Friday 28th
Postcard Fair in Bridgwater, Somerset

Saturday 29th
Speaking at the Thanksgiving Service for Pat Temple, the wife of Dr Gordon Temple a good friend of mine and a former Chief Executive of Torch Trust for the Blind

Monday 31st
Meeting at Central Church, Swindon about the possibility of appointing a Methodist deacon

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