

January Calendar

Sunday 30thDec: Sunday service 10:30am, Ivan Daniel-Sam
Wed. 2nd January: Bible study, 7.30pm at Glen & Debbie's
Thursday 3rd: Bible study, 10.30am at Margaret's
PFI prayer meeting, 7.15pm at Ruth & Tony's
Saturday 5th Jan: Men's Prayer Breakfast, 7am at Andy's

Sunday 6th: Sunday service, 10.30am, Andy King
Monday 7th: Prayer meeting, 7pm at Ruth & Tony's
Israeli Dance, 2.15pm, Scartho Library
Wed. 9th: Bible Study, 7.30pm at Glen & Debbie's
Thursday 10th: Bible study, 10.30am, location TBA
Friday 11th: Bible study, 7.30pm at Andy & Karen's

Sunday 13th: Sunday service, 10.30am, Andy King
Monday 14th: Prayer meeting, 7pm at Eva's
Tuesday 15th: Ashgrove service, 2.30pm
Wed. 16th: Bible Study, 7.30pm at Glen & Debbie's
Thursday. 17th: Bible study, 10.30am, location TBA
PFI prayer meeting, 7.15pm at Ruth & Tony's
Friday 18th: Bible study, 7.30pm at Andy & Karen's

Sunday 20th: Sunday service, 10.30am, John Lavric
Monday 21st: Prayer meeting, 7pm at Margaret's
Israeli Dance, 2.15pm, Scartho Library
Wed. 23rd: Bible Study, 7.30pm at Glen & Debbie's
Thursday 24th: Bible study, 10.30am, location TBA

Sunday 27th: Sunday service, 10.30am, Andy King
Monday 28th: Prayer meeting TBA
Wed. 30th: Bible Study, 7.30pm at Glen & Debbie's
Thursday. 31st: Bible study, 10.30am, location TBA
PFI prayer meeting, 7.15pm at Ruth & Tony's
Friday 1st February: Bible study, 7.30pm at Andy & Karen's
Saturday 2nd: Men's Prayer Breakfast, 7am, location TBA
Sunday 3rd: Sunday service, 10.30am, Ant Spitteler

May we wish everyone a happy and blessed new year for 2019! Despite the storms and difficulties of life, as we walk hand-in-hand with the Lord He will lead us and help us everyday if we trust in Him. Proverbs 3:5-6

God bless you,
Andy & Karen.



Welcome

...to Scartho Celebration Church!

God is our refuge and strength, a very present help in trouble. Therefore we will not fear, even though the earth be removed, and though the mountains be carried into the midst of the sea; Though its waters roar and be troubled, though the mountains shake with its swelling. Selah. There is a river whose streams shall make glad the city of God, the holy place of the tabernacle of the Most High. God is in the midst of her, she shall not be moved; God will help her, just at the break of dawn.

Psalm 46:1-5

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Scartho Celebration Church
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God is shaking the nations

“For thus says the Lord of hosts: ‘Once more (it is a little while) I will shake heaven and earth, the sea and dry land; and I will shake all nations, and they shall come to the Desire of All Nations and I will fill this temple with glory,’ says the Lord of hosts.

As we go into the new year, there is no doubt that God is allowing our nation to be shaken. The political crisis we are witnessing is a symptom of that shaking. As a nation over the last several decades we have turned our back on God and His Word, and in many ways we are only reaping the fruit of that rebellion. Yet in His mercy He calls us to return to Him. The purpose of the shaking is to call us to repentance!

I believe it’s important for us to recognise the spiritual battle that is raging for the nation at this time. If we don’t call it as it is we are in danger of being defeated already. We are at a critical juncture in the life of our country. The abbreviated article from *Prophecy Today* below, states this is “a battle between post-modernist, globalist, atheist forces, born in the 18th-Century Enlightenment, and Britain’s centuries-old Judeo-Christian heritage”.

I believe that describes it correctly. I have edited the article to remove much (though not all) of the political comment but I wanted to include the main body of it in our newsletter because it gives important spiritual insight into current events. It goes without saying we need to seriously pray for our nation at this time. Andy King.

Days of Crisis *Edited article by Clifford Hill dated 14 December 2018*

How do we read the situation facing us as we contemplate the frightening prospect of another year with all the old problems unresolved and even more on the horizon? Is there something very simple that we are all missing? Is there another dimension that would enable us to see the whole thing from a different perspective? It’s like watching snooker on a black-and-white television – it just doesn’t make sense; you can’t know what’s going on. Change to colour TV and suddenly it all becomes clear.

Paul describes this situation: he says that there are some things that can only be understood if they are viewed from a spiritual dimension. He says: *“The man without the Spirit does not accept the things that come from the Spirit of God, for they are foolishness to him, he cannot understand them, because they are spiritually discerned”* ([1 Cor 2:14](#)).

Among the hundreds of prophecies in the Bible, the one that makes the most sense in our present situation is the little word from [Haggai 2:7](#) that we have quoted lots of times in *Prophecy Today UK* and in the old printed magazine of the same name: it is that **God is shaking the nations**. And not only the nations; that prophecy says that God will also shake the whole of the heavens and the earth – in other words, all of Creation. Why would God do such a thing? There has to be a reason!

Clearly God does not want to see the destruction of his Creation and the annihilation of human beings. But the Bible makes clear that God will do what is necessary to

soften hard hearts and get people’s attention – because he desires all people to come to a knowledge of him and respond to his offer of salvation. There are plenty of other passages of Scripture that speak about terrible destruction coming upon the nations of the world. Since the invention of atomic weapons and other weapons of mass destruction, passages such as Isaiah 24, which describes the devastation of the earth’s surface, have taken on a new significance.

I am not saying that God is warning us of the imminent risk of nuclear warfare. But I do foresee that large parts of the world are moving into a highly disturbing time of anarchy – of the challenge to law and order, of urban warfare – even repeating the kind of civil war that has devastated Syria in the past seven or eight years. In Britain the demand for a ‘People’s Vote’ may sound innocuous, but it could very quickly lead to the kind of open conflict on the streets of London and other cities similar to that which is taking place on the streets of Paris.

In order to understand the significance of the battle within the Conservative Party, which is a reflection of the division in the whole nation, we have to see the spiritual forces that are at work. This is a battle between post-modernist, globalist, atheist forces, born in the 18th-Century Enlightenment, and Britain’s centuries-old Judeo-Christian heritage. In the last decades, it is the latter that has been losing ground in this battle. The Brexit crisis has simply brought everything to a head; the outcome will determine the future, not only of Britain but of the whole Western world.

This is why it is such a prolonged and confusing battle that is so difficult to understand. It is actually a battle between the forces of darkness and the forces of light. I am not saying that all the politicians who voted against the PM are the goodies and the others are the baddies – or vice versa! I doubt if many of them really understand the true nature of the battle and the spiritual significance of what is happening in our lifetimes.

We are moving towards what Christians call the end times – the turbulent days foretold in Scripture leading up to the Second Coming of Christ. We can only understand what is happening in our daily news bulletins when we see it in the context of the whole revelation of truth in the Bible.

The secular humanists are fighting very hard to keep Britain locked into the European Union: this is why they have seized upon the Irish border as the weakest point in the Brexit agreement: a way for them to continue to exercise power over Britain. It is becoming increasingly clear that the best solution would be for Britain to leave with no deal at all, which would also save paying £39 billion to the EU. It would probably cause some economic disruption for a short period but in the end would lead to far greater prosperity and new opportunity to seek the blessing of God upon the nation.

We greatly need to pray to God to protect Britain in the turbulent days leading up to 29 March 2019.