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Passion for God. Compassion for People.
A church where Jesus is Lord and everyone is valued.



“But the wisdom that comes from heaven is first of all pure; then peace-loving, considerate, submissive, full of mercy and good fruit, impartial and sincere.” – James 3:17

A word from Bishop King;

Dear members and friends of NTCG Harvest Temple,

We greet you with grace and peace from Jesus Christ. You are in our prayers and thoughts as we all journey through this challenging season. May God grant healing to all who are sick, comfort for the bereaved, peace for troubled hearts and His reassurance of hope for time and eternity.

Stay Connected – Part I

Switch on God’s Lamp and Light for your life

“Your word *is* a lamp to my feet, And a light to my path.” Psalm 119:105 - Spending time daily to read and meditate on God’s Word is crucial, particularly in this time. The truth of Holy Scripture that abides forever will guide us through and beyond this pandemic – Matthew 24:35.

Totally Depend on God

“Pray without ceasing.” - 1 Thessalonians 5:17

Lean on God all the time and pray often and repeatedly. Never stop looking to Him for help. Make your default response to all circumstances a reach upward toward God – Proverbs 3:5-6.

Guard Your Heart

“Keep your heart with all diligence, For out of it *spring* the issues of life.” – Proverbs 4:23

We guard things that are valuable. Your heart is the authentic you – the core of your being that is constantly under attack from negative and sinful things. Everything depends on the condition of your heart; it is important that you guard it, so it is clean, healthy and submitted to God – Philippians 4:8.

Love and blessings from,
Bishop Ruben and Sister Sonia King

Music and Arts Department

Communication:

Currently, communication is working well during this lockdown period, the various teams are meeting remotely and are using the Zoom app to discuss and plan services and progress ministry.

The various WhatsApp groups are communicating effectively by sharing scripture readings, songs, inspirational quotes, good news and bad news.

Let's keep it up.

We know senior members of the choir are being contacted to ensure all is well. Let's continue to stay in touch during this time that we are not meeting up together.

Let's be mindful and use wisdom in what we are sharing among ourselves at this time, a lot of misinformation and unclarified information is currently being spread around ... **Remember Philippians 4:8 – “Whatever is true / honourable / pure... think about such things.”**

Music Ministry:

Brother Mark Willis has been recording back-in tracks for the choir and worship team to use. We are still working on using multiple vocals recorded at home without people meeting physically during this time, and are constantly looking at ways to develop this skill.

Sharing worship:

Please feel free to share your worship with us during this time, families are most welcome to contribute as well! We encourage all budding worship leaders and musicians to share, create and uplift us all in this troubling time.

Pray, Pray, Pray:

Let us continue to pray for our National Leadership, Local Leadership, Bishop King and family, and our district leaders, ministers, officers, Heads of Departments, for those mourning the loss of loved ones, and for our sick and elderly.

Men's Ministry Department

*Harvest Temple (NTCG) Lifebuilders
Men's Ministries*

The Men's Ministry here at Harvest Temple has come together in a new and exciting way in response to Covid 19 and the subsequent lockdown which, as we have all found, has made life that much more unusual for all of us.

The HT Men's Ministries have created a number of small groups which is headed up by selected group leads who will keep in regular communication with the men within their teams. Each group will have approximately 6 men of which there will be 2 to 3 elders.

The group leaders will coordinate all relevant actions/ activities particularly where elders are concerned. This could be to ensure elders are accessing the live broadcasts being delivered by HT, checking in on their general wellbeing or whether they need help with shopping. It really won't matter what the need is, the team will come together to try and address that need.

"Withhold not good from them to whom it is due, when it is in the power of thine hand to do it".
(Proverbs 3:27)

If you require further information on how can become involved in this initiative please call 07932 348894.



Women's Ministry Department

I'd like to greet all our women in the Mighty name of our Lord & Saviour, Jesus Christ and pray that in this time of lockdown they are keeping safe. I'd like to inform them that although we've not been able to meet monthly, as usual ministry has and is still taking place. This is in terms of weekly telephone calls that I myself and other board members have been making to numerous women, and we will continue to do so. We have also been able to help purchase shopping for our elderly shut ins, but this under extreme conditions, as we have to remember the government initiatives for us to stay safe and ensure that others are also safe. I'd like to also add that we are constantly praying and lifting up not just the women but the body of Christ locally, nationally, and internationally. Finally, I like to add that although myself and the board are not physically present, we are still available (by means of telephone) if anyone would like to speak to us or would like support.

Reverend Hshaana Knight – Local Women's Discipleship Ministries President

Youth Ministry Department

As your Local Youth Department, we are constantly developing our support for our children, young people and families. Since being quarantined, we have done a number of activities. Our 3 - 6 year olds have had 4 fabulous videos distributed by our Little Kingdom kids (formally Crèche) and these will continue weekly. For our 11-16's we have ran 6 Kingdom Builders online sessions & have also had young people older and younger attend too. We have had guest speakers join and deliver session and these will also continue weekly. For our 7 - 10 year olds who would normally attend Kingdom Kids we have attached some links for resources they can access.

In addition to this we have been supporting the National Youth Department in 40 days of prayer. We have also just had an excellent National Youth Convention, presented online for the first time – highlights can be viewed via Young Levites social media on YouTube, Facebook and Instagram.

I have been impressed at how resilient and adaptable our young people and their families have been. We thank you for working with us and praying for us during this unusual time. If you have had no contact from us in the past few weeks, please feel free to contact us via HTyouth@outlook.com or via the church number to receive further communication.

Revd. Nathan Hutchinson on behalf of the Local Youth Department

Stay Informed

Unfortunately, there is a lot of false information on the internet and it is important to ensure you have the correct information.

To ensure you keep up to date with the most relevant information on Coronavirus, please see the following links:

World Health Organisation (WHO):

<https://www.who.int/health-topics/coronavirus#tab=tab>

Government Website:

<https://www.gov.uk/coronavirus>

NHS:

<https://www.nhs.uk/conditions/coronavirus-covid-19/>

If anyone needs to check their symptoms, they should go to NHS 111 Online:

<https://111.nhs.uk/>

A reliable source of the latest news on the virus is the BBC:

<https://www.bbc.co.uk/news/coronavirus>

Your Wellbeing

It is very important during this difficult period to take time for your own physical and mental wellbeing. Please see some tips below to keep you healthy:

- Eat a healthy and nutritious diet to boost your immune system.
- Limit alcohol consumption and avoid sugary drinks.
- Don't smoke, "Smoking can increase your risk of developing severe disease if you become infected."
- Adults should 30 mins a day. Children, an hour.
- If you're working from home, get up and take a 3 minute break every 30 mins.
- Look after your mental health.
- Try not to read or watch too much news if it makes you anxious.

Spring Word Search

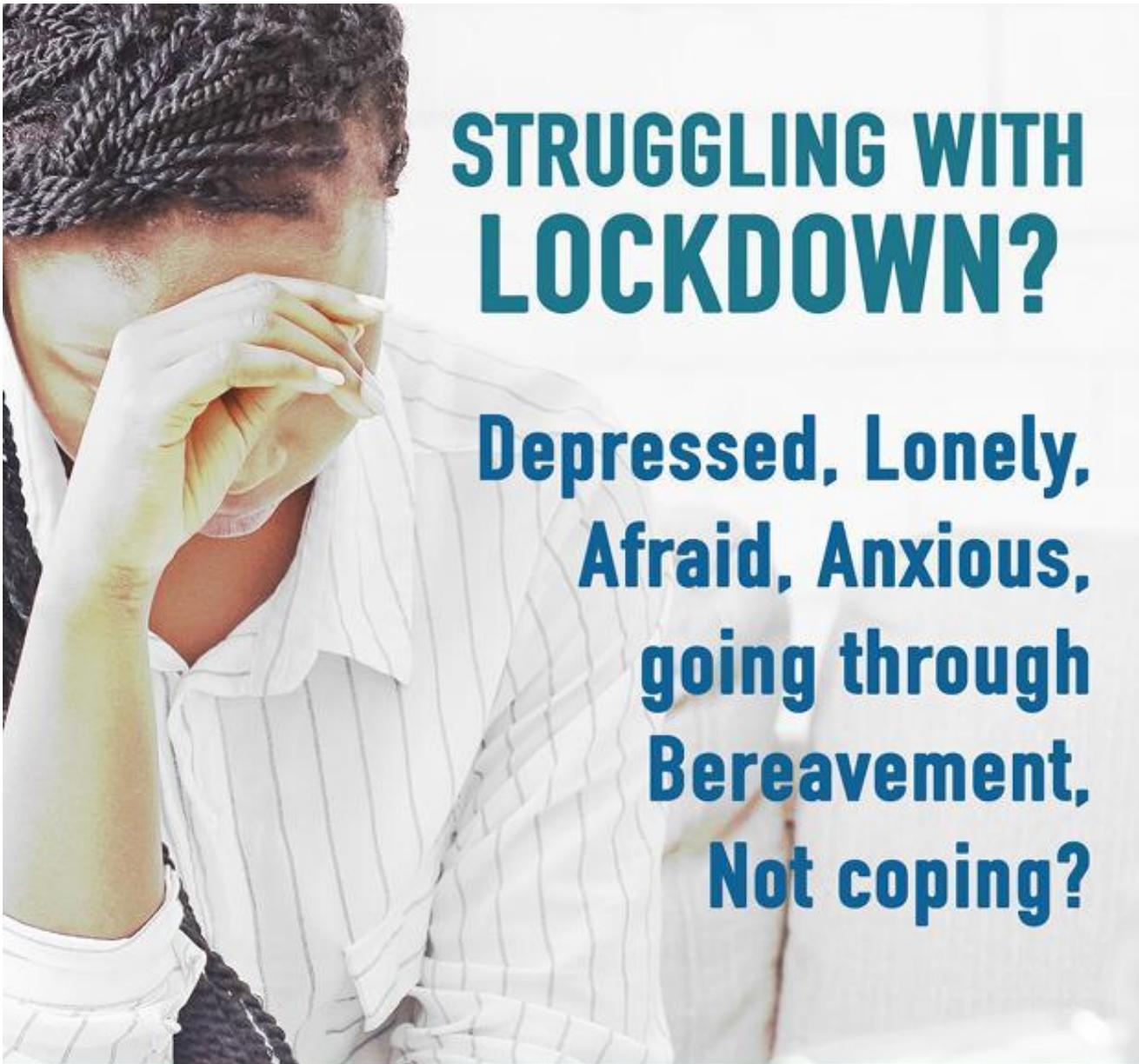
Test yourselves, relax and enjoy!



Below is a list of words associated with spring. See how many you can find. The words can go up, down, diagonally or backwards.

APRIL	BONNET
BULBS	GREEN
DEW	DAFFODIL
EGG	EASTER
FROST	FRESH
LIGHT	SNOWDROPS
SHOWERS	RAINBOW
BLOSSOM	RABBIT
CHOCOLATE	YELLOW
DUCKLING	LAMB
FLOWER	

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STRUGGLING WITH LOCKDOWN?

**Depressed, Lonely,
Afraid, Anxious,
going through
Bereavement,
Not coping?**

Find a local Christian Counsellor at:

The Association of Christian Counsellors

www.acc-uk.org/

**click on the link below and type in your postcode
for Counsellors in your local area.**