

Notices



Court Farm Evangelical Church

Aug 2019

'Petersfield Meeting'

Saturday 14th September 1.30pm

'Worship & Ministry from the Word'

Gerard Kavanagh Leading

John Hayward Speaking

Village Hall, Petersfield

See Gerard Kavanagh for full address

Pre Service Prayer Meetings

Please come and join us in Prayer for the
Sunday Morning Service.

9.50am to 10.15am

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For our light affliction, which is but for a moment, worketh for us a far more exceeding and eternal weight of glory.'
(2 Corinthians 4:17).

We often think of afflictions as stumbling blocks to spiritual progress, but nothing is arbitrary with the Lord. Once we are born of the Spirit of God, washed in the blood of the Messiah, the Lord's calling is upon us, and He has an end thought in mind, to bring us unto glory. The book of Hebrews shows us that, He is 'bringing many sons to glory,' (Hebrews chapter 2:10).

The Lord is determined to see us come through, unto this glorious eternal purpose! The question is, how do we come through to such an end? We would imagine it would be by means of going from one mountain top experience to another. Yet, so often it is going through the valley that we find the Lord take us from one degree of glory to another.

Paul says in this passage that the suffering we endure is working for us a more exceeding and eternal weight of glory. In another place, Paul says, 'If we suffer, we shall also reign with Him...' (2 Timothy 2:12). In fact, suffering and glory run as a theme throughout the whole of the New Testament. If we would be without any conflict, difficulty, and afflictions we may appear reasonably happy, but there will be no depth to our walk with God. Authenticity is won through the crucible of God's proving of us. The Character of Christ, if not to be mimicked by the flesh, must be produced in us by the Spirit of God, who will bring us through hardship unto the expressing more of the glorious Life within!

Dear friends, we are not ascetics! We do not look for difficulties, or consider pain as merit in and of itself. Rather we are to, 'count it all joy when we fall into divers temptations; knowing this that the trying of your faith worketh patience. But let patience have her perfect work, that ye may be perfect and entire, wanting nothing.' (James 1:2-4)

By the Lord's grace alone, we can come through. If we are going through hardship, may the Lord by His grace grant us to see beyond the immediate, and perceive something of the glorious outcome He has in mind.

Let me end with the testimony of the Psalmist who said this: 'For Thou O God hast proved us; Thou hast tried us as silver is tried. Thou broughtest us into the net; Thou laidst affliction upon our loins. Thou hast caused men to ride over our heads; We went through fire and through water: But Thou broughtest us out into a wealthy place.' (Psalm 66:10-13).

Month at a glance - August

Thurs 1st Prayer Meeting 8pm @ CFEC

Sunday 4th Morning Worship
& Communion 10.30am
Baptism Service
Meet & Greet: Leo
Leader : Chrissy Rodgers
Speaker : John Hayward

Thurs 8th Prayer Meeting 8pm @ CFEC

Sunday 11th Morning Worship 10.30am
Meet & Greet: Barry
Leader: Chrissy Rodgers
Speaker: Guy Kassongo

Thurs 15th Prayer Meeting 8pm @ CFEC

Sunday 18th Morning Worship
& Communion 10.30am
Meet & Greet: Leo
Leader : John Hayward
Speaker : Gerard Kavanagh

Thurs 22nd Prayer Meeting 8pm @ CFEC

Sunday 25th Morning Worship 10.30am
Meet & Greet: Barry
Leader : Jerome Quartey
Speaker : John Hayward

Thurs 29th Prayer Meeting 8pm @ CFEC