News & Update

Welcome to IGC (the International Gospel Church) we hope that you will feel at home whether you're just visiting or you're considering being with us more regularly. Our aim is that IGC will prove to be an inclusive graceful community where you will be enabled not simply to live gracefully, but to live fully by grace. Meetings are held on Sundays at 10:30 a.m.

B. A. S. K.

B.A.S.K is a safe place for people to eat together, pray together. It is held on Wednesday between 7:30 pm to 9:30pm in the lower hall.

Prayer Meeting

Prayer Meeting is held every Tuesday morning at 9.30am -12.30pm in the upper hall.

Love In Action

The Mind Of Christ | Mindful of Man

Bring what you can, Take what you need



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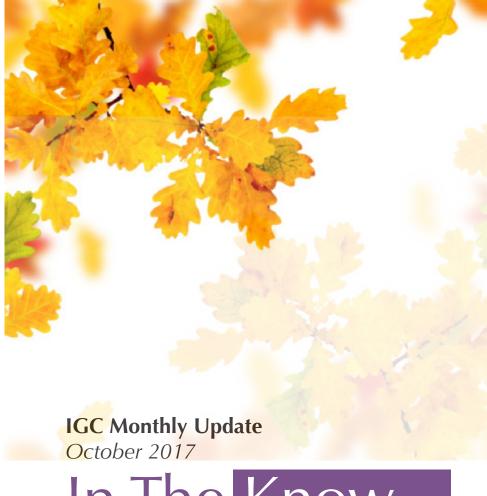
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Grace Notes

Welcome back after what I hope proved to be a restful summer. We're excited to be starting the autumn season with our annual baptism service. Of all our traditions, this one is, together with sharing in the so-called Lord's supper has a special place of affection in my spiritual walk. When I was baptised, gosh, when was that again, 1987 I think I remember that I had rushed back to the service from a weekend in Somerset. It was in fact Pastor Wilbert who baptised me. I'll never forget the experience of my past being drowned in the waters of baptism. When eventually (and it did seem like a long time Wilbert) that I came up from the waters, a lady, by the name of Karen Douglas was sat on the platform. Gently but with more significance than she could have possibly known she read these words: "For my father and my mother have forsaken me, but the LORD will take me in." - Psalm 27:10. What a word from God for a man who was orphaned at birth. Abandoned by both my father and mother but taken in by the Lord.

Baptism didn't give me anything that I didn't already have; nothing can do that; you already have everything you'll ever need for everything you'll ever need. But what it did was settle things for me. My strongest sense as I write is that this baptism service is a milestone moment for one or two of us, the moment that we finally see that we can live in the wonderful eternal present, the unfolding now; no longer haunted by regrets from our past decisions and choices and no longer anxious about our future. Just present – in the here and now with the God who is and always is... To our candidates I say this: 1 For I do not want you to be unaware, brothers, that our fathers were all under the cloud, and all passed through the sea, 2 and all were baptised into Moses in the cloud and in the sea, 3 and all ate the same spiritual food, 4 and all drank the same spiritual drink. For they drank from the spiritual Rock that followed them, and the Rock was Christ. - 1 Corinthians 10:1-4

The Apostle Paul was looking back to a time when Moses led the children of Israel out of captivity in Egypt. Today, you and I have been led out of bondage, addiction, fear, anxiety and our limiting beliefs, not by Moses, but by Jesus; and just as Moses said to the people he led, "Fear not, stand firm, and see the salvation of the LORD, which he will work for you today. For the Egyptians whom you see today, you shall never see again." - Exodus 14:13. So will it be for you – may you appropriate much quicker than I did, it's taken me fully 30 years but it's yours for the seeing. Life up to the point of my baptism made me fear-full; grace made me fear-less, but now, loved had made me fearless. "The LORD [has] will fight for you, and you have only to be silent."

Happy Baptism.

Paul & Hayley

