

Connsbrook Avenue Congregational Church

Welcome!!!

September 2009

Newsletter

Mark 10:1-12

The opening verse of this passage shows us the patient perseverance of our Lord Jesus Christ as a teacher. We are told that "Jesus then left that place and went into the region of Judea and across the Jordan. Again crowds of people came to him, and as was his custom, he taught them."

Wherever our Lord went, He was always about His Father's business, preaching, teaching, and labouring to do good to souls. He threw away no opportunity. In the whole history of His earthly ministry, we never read of an idle day. Of Him it may be truly said, that He "sowed beside all waters," and that "in the morning He sowed his seed, and in the evening withheld not His hand." (Isaiah 32:20. Eccles. 11:6.)

And yet our Lord knew the hearts of all men. He knew perfectly well that the great proportion of His hearers were hardened and unbelieving. He knew, as He spoke, that most of His words fell to the ground uncared for and unheeded, and that so far as concerned the salvation of souls, most of His labour was in vain. He knew all this, and yet He laboured on.

Let us see in this fact a standing pattern to all who try to do good to others, whatever their office may be. Let it be remembered by every minister and every missionary, by every schoolmaster and every Sunday-school teacher, by every district visitor and every lay agent, by every head of a house who has family prayers, and by every caretaker who has the charge of children. Let all such remember Christ's example, and resolve to do likewise. We are not to give up teaching, because we see no good done. We are not to relax our exertions, because we see no fruit of our toil. We are to work on steadily, keeping before us the great principle, that duty is ours, and results are God's.

There must be ploughmen and sowers as well as reapers and binders of sheaves. The honest master pays his labourers according to the work they do, and not according to the crops that grow on his land. Our Master in heaven will deal with all His servants at the last day in like manner. He knows that success is not in their hands. He knows that they cannot change hearts. He will reward them according to their labour, and not according to the fruits which have resulted from their labour. It is not "the good and successful servant," but "the good and faithful servant," to whom He will say, "Enter into the joy of your Lord." (Matt. 25:21.)

Daily Readings For The Month



Sept 1	Psa 135-136,	1 Cor 12	<input type="checkbox"/>
Sept 2	Psa 137-139,	1 Cor 13	<input type="checkbox"/>
Sept 3	Psa 140-142,	1 Cor 14:1-20	<input type="checkbox"/>
Sept 4	Psa 143-145,	1 Cor 14:21-40	<input type="checkbox"/>
Sept 5	Psa 146-147,	1 Cor 15:1-28	<input type="checkbox"/>
Sept 6	Psa 148-150,	1 Cor 15:29-58	<input type="checkbox"/>
Sept 7	Prov 1-2,	1 Cor 16	<input type="checkbox"/>
Sept 8	Prov 3-5,	2 Cor 1	<input type="checkbox"/>
Sept 9	Prov 6-7,	2 Cor 2	<input type="checkbox"/>
Sept 10	Prov 8-9,	2 Cor 3	<input type="checkbox"/>
Sept 11	Prov 10-12,	2 Cor 4	<input type="checkbox"/>
Sept 12	Prov 13-15,	2 Cor 5	<input type="checkbox"/>
Sept 13	Prov 16-18,	2 Cor 6	<input type="checkbox"/>
Sept 14	Prov 19-21,	2 Cor 7	<input type="checkbox"/>
Sept 15	Prov 22-24,	2 Cor 8	<input type="checkbox"/>
Sept 16	Prov 25-26,	2 Cor 9	<input type="checkbox"/>
Sept 17	Prov 27-29,	2 Cor 10	<input type="checkbox"/>
Sept 18	Prov 30-31,	2 Cor 11:1-15	<input type="checkbox"/>
Sept 19	Eccles 1-3,	2 Cor 11:16-33	<input type="checkbox"/>
Sept 20	Eccles 4-6,	2 Cor 12	<input type="checkbox"/>
Sept 21	Eccles 7-9,	2 Cor 13	<input type="checkbox"/>
Sept 22	Eccles 10-12,	Gal 1	<input type="checkbox"/>
Sept 23	Songs 1-3,	Gal 2	<input type="checkbox"/>
Sept 24	Songs 4-5,	Gal 3	<input type="checkbox"/>
Sept 25	Songs 6-8,	Gal 4	<input type="checkbox"/>
Sept 26	Isaiah 1-2,	Gal 5	<input type="checkbox"/>
Sept 27	Isaiah 3-4,	Gal 6	<input type="checkbox"/>
Sept 28	Isaiah 5-6,	Eph 1	<input type="checkbox"/>
Sept 29	Isaiah 7-8,	Eph 2	<input type="checkbox"/>
Sept 30	Isaiah 9-10,	Eph 3	<input type="checkbox"/>

Dates For Your Diary

Wednesday 2nd

7.45pm Bible Study & Prayer Meeting.

Sunday 6th

11.30am Morning Worship & The Lord's Supper.

7.00pm Evening Worship.

Monday 7th

2.30pm Ladies' Meeting [Charles Collins].

Wednesday 9th

8.00pm Bethany Baptist Church [see back page].

Thursdays 10th

10.00am Mums & Tots.

Friday 11th

7.00pm Trekkers [Groups 1 & 2]

8.30pm Trekkers [Group 3]

Sunday 13th

11.30am Morning Worship.

7.00pm Evening Worship.

Monday 14th

7.30pm Quarterly Members' Meeting

Wednesday 16th

7.45pm Bible Study & Prayer Meeting

Thursdays 17th

10.00am Mums & Tots.

Friday 18th

7.00pm Trekkers [Groups 1 & 2]

8.30pm Trekkers [Group 3]

Sunday 20th

11.30am Morning Worship.

7.00pm Evening Worship.

Monday 21st

2.30pm Ladies' Meeting [Herbert McCracken].

Wednesday 23rd

7.45pm Bible Study & Prayer Meeting.

Thursdays 24th

10.00am Mums & Tots.

Friday 25th

7.00pm Trekkers [Groups 1 & 2]

8.30pm Trekkers [Group 3]

Sunday 27th

11.30am Morning Worship.

7.00pm Evening Worship.

Tuesday 29th

2.30pm Service at Hollygate Nursing Home

Wednesday 30th

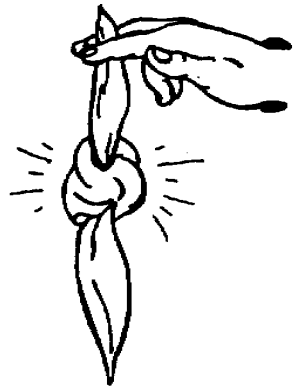
7.45pm Bible Study & Prayer Meeting [Glen Hanna]

On Prayer.....

*Because God is the living God, He can hear;
Because He is a loving God, He will hear;
Because He is our covenant God, He has bound
Himself to hear.*

C.H. Spurgeon

Remember, our Morning
Worship reverts back to
11.30am on the 6th
September.



*'Therefore, since we have been justified by
faith, we have peace with God through our
Lord Jesus Christ'*

Romans 5v1 [ESV]

Special Events

Ballycraigy Congregational Church

Opening Service

for their new Church Halls.

Saturday 12th Sept. 2.30pm



Whiteabbey Congregational Church

Wed 30th Sept 8.00pm

The Life of John Calvin

by Rev NP Dowling

Thurs 1st Oct 8.00pm

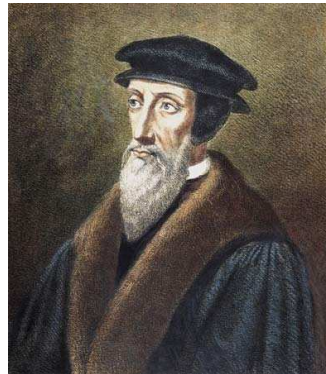
Calvin's Outreach

by Dr D McKay

Fri 2nd Oct 8.00pm

Calvin's part in The Reformation

by Dr A Woolsey



Bethany Baptist Church, Bangor

Tuesday 8th September

Dr John Blanchard

Has Science Got Rid Of God?

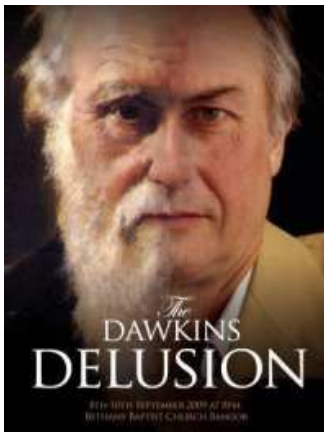
Wednesday 9th September

“The Voyage That Shook The World”- The Film
Introduced by Philip Robinson (Creation Ministries
International)

Thursday 10th September

Rev David Robertson

Deconstructing Dawkins



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