



The Way to the Mountaintop

When we are struggling, we often feel like we are in the bottom of a dark valley and long to climb back up to the top of the mountain again. **But which path do we take?**

We may choose one of the many paths, follow it but realise that we were heading back down into the valley again. Why does this happen—because we are focusing on the path itself and not the direction—up.

All we have to do is choose the higher path continuously. And if the path we are on stops climbing, then we need to choose another one. It doesn't matter where we commence our climb, the important thing is to focus on the top, the pinnacle because this represents God's calling in our life. His specific will and exact purpose and plan for our life is there.

And how do we get there? We don't have to know where the path is; all we have to do is continually ascend, continually choose the higher path, the higher ground and higher footsteps. If we do this we will end up in the exact, specific, appointed and perfect will of God, at the summit, the pinnacle of God's purpose for our life.

Today let's focus only on one course, one path, one journey, one destination and one direction—up. Let's aim to go higher with every step.

Who may ascend into the hill of the Lord. Or may stand in His Holy place? He who has clean hands and a pure heart. Psalms 24:3.

In all your ways acknowledge Him and He shall direct your paths. Proverbs :3:6

Our Ministry Team ...



The Pastor Is In: Pastor Judi is taking a break and will return on Sunday 7th October. While she is away our Elders and Fiona are available for pastoral support.

Latest News

Your Pantry Supplies: this is a call out to all to assist with items for our food pantry. Even if everyone bought one extra item each week this would be great for us to keep the cupboards stocked.

October Seniors Month: Kingston Council's brochure is available. Please explore all the wonderful activities that Seniors can do during October. Most are free.

Cancellation of Evening Services: Pastor Judi is discontinuing the evening fellowship service but will revisit this service for 2019 if people are interested.

Celebration Service for Gerald Rose: for those of you who know Steve Rose and family, his dad Gerald passed away after a loss battle with cancer. The funeral service is today (23rd September) at Southern Church of Christ in Cheltenham at 2.30pm. It is suggested car pooling for those who may be attending.

Community Lunch: is on today. Pastor Judi apologises for not being here and hoping that there will be enough food. All encouraged to attend.

Two new tenants: St Andrews Calisthenics will be using the hall every Wednesday from 5.30—9.30pm and occasional Saturdays. Baby Sensory will be using the chapel every Friday morning from 9.30—1.30pm. This may mean that Bible study, Prayer Meeting and Friday Games may have to be relocated into the Annexe.

MISSION/OUTREACH PROGRAMS

YOUR PANTRY

Wednesdays 7.00 to 12noon

This service provides free non-perishable foods and toiletries to anyone who may be struggling or just short of funds in between pensions.

Each guest is provided with a 10 minute slot to provide opportunities to talk over their situations should they desire to and/or to be referred to other community support agencies.

COMMUNITY BREAKFAST

Wednesdays 7.00—10am

This service provides a 3 course hot breakfast to anyone who is finding it tough. A healthy breakfast can be enjoyed amongst others with the hope that new friends may be found.

ORANGE SKY LAUNDRY

Wednesdays 7.00-9am

A free wash and dry laundry service for homeless and anyone struggling to pay power costs to have their clothes washed and dried.

Put your laundry in and enjoy a hot breakfast and friendship while you wait.

Any guest accessing either of the above can make a time for Pastoral Care and support with Pastor Judi

CHAPEL LOUNGE (just outside the Chapel)

PRAYER MEETING

Fridays 10-10:30am

All welcome to our weekly **Prayer meeting** where we thank God for His wonderful blessings and pray for guidance and support. Individuals are also prayed for.

LADIES BIBLE STUDY

Fridays 10:30—11:30am

Ladies are invited to our small **Bible study group** where we share God's word with laughter, tears and compassion. Bibles are provided. We do ask that you arrive on time as late comers can be disruptive to the session.

Chelsea Community Church of Christ Services

CHURCH SERVICES 10 am Sunday

Sermon Series

23 September 2018 **Guest Speaker:** Ruth from International Justice Mission.

30 September 2018 **Speaker to be identified:**

Scripture: Psalm 124 Bob and James 5:13-20 Val.

7 October 2018 **Speaker: Judi**

Scripture: Job 2:1-10 Marg and Mark 10:2-16 Bob

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EPHESIANS 1:18

May God enlighten the eyes of your mind so that you can see the hope that His calling holds for you.