

SPECIAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

PASTORAL CARE

Pastoral Care is a vital part of Gateway family life and we want to be there for you. Your first point of contact will always be your Life Group Leaders.

Life Groups are held in our homes where we come together as a church family to learn, to grow, to fellowship and to share.



If you are not part of a Life Group and would like to know more, please contact the church office for more details.



CARERS' SUPPORT

Carers

If you have any issues you would like to discuss, need help, advice, assistance with completion of Benefit forms and Appeals or support at Tribunals please contact David and Denise through the Church Office (01454 322616 option 0) and we will do our best to help you.

We are also available to pray with you and "just to listen" and will respect your privacy.

David and Denise

Prime Time

...an opportunity for all over 50s to spend quality time together

Every other Tuesday at 2:00pm
Speak to Don or Doreen for more details



Exciting things are happening with the Children's work

There will be:

- 1st Sunday: Connection
- 2nd Sunday: Ignition
- 3rd Sunday: Connection
- Last Sunday: Family Sunday

Please Contact the church if interested.



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To the Gateway family

I remember once seeing a video of a runner at the Olympics. He was a long-distance runner, and it was obvious that he was near the end of the race. In this video, the runner was leading the race, and was about to win. When this runner was on the home stretch, suddenly, his body gave up, and he fell over because of really low energy levels. But then, the video showed the runner who was in second. And instead of the runner in second running past him, he stopped, helped up the exhausted runner, and they crossed the finish line together.

Hebrews 12:3 says, "Consider Him Who endured such opposition from sinners, so that you will not grow weary and lose heart."

When we come against opposition and difficulty, it can be really easy to want to give up. It can be easy to let ourselves become weary and throw in the towel. The original hearers of this letter to the Hebrews were facing persecution and serious opposition, and it had caused them to become weary, and were about to give up.

Sometimes, we can let ourselves become weary and make us want to give up. But at times like that, let me remind us all, that we can look to Jesus, and remember His great love for us; how He empowers us to persevere through even the most difficult of circumstances.

As we lean into Him more and more, we see His sustaining hand in our lives. The Lord is very clear that we will face opposition. But even in that, we can take heart, because He has overcome the world.

We can take heart because even though He went to die for us on the Cross, He has defeated death by rising again. We can take heart because He is seated on the Throne of Heaven, and as His ambassadors, we've been given the authority to advance His Kingdom on Earth. We can take heart because, as He has overcome, we are more than conquerors in Him.

As we lift His Name over our lives, our families, our community, over Gateway, we'll see His Kingdom advance, we'll see people healed, we'll see people set free, and we'll see all this done for the glory of His Name. All this is possible, if we don't lose heart, and if we don't give up, and if we help others to cross the line as well.

Much love

Pastor Marty & Rebeca