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My Strength

Hairdressers are open again – yippee! It was 6 months ago that I last got a hair-cut (17/10/20), so I am shaggier now than at any time in my life. What a pleasure it will be to finally get into the barber's chair again and to see anything further than my fringe!

Samson was famous for not cutting his hair and possessing enormous strength as a result. It was only when he had his hair trimmed that he lost that power. But even though Samson had been cowed by the experience, God never abandoned him. When Samson called to God again in his time of need, that strength returned. (See further [Judges 16](#)).

I am currently very hairy indeed – but my strength has not noticeably increased in proportion to the length of my hair! I know that God has been with me throughout the past year – and even now when I more closely resemble a yeti than anything human, I know that God is with me and cares for even the smallest details within my life. What a relief!

And even the very hairs of your head are all numbered. [Matthew 10 v 30](#)

Paul Heath

PRAYER DIARY:

We invite you to pray for the following members of our fellowship during the coming week:

19th	Helen & Michael L, Gracey, Isabella, Joseph, Thomas & Leonie; Clive & Pauline E
20th	Tom C; Olive M; Loraine B; Haydn & Trudi B; Victoria H; Jill Wh; Carys H
21st	Molly A; Ashayi, Moses, Junior & Eli K; Brenda H; Peter & Valerie S; Nneka H
22nd	Laura & Neil B; Aidan N; Charlie T; Brian & Pat U; Barbara D; Malcolm & Mary W
23rd	Ted B; Bev, Jon, Jessica & Emily D; Kelvin & Linda J; Janine & Hywel J
24th	Ruth B; Phil & Tash J; Jen & Les P; John W; Karen R; Paul & Brenda C
25th	Elsie & Mike D; Doris P; Geoff P; Glynn E; Beth E; Emma, Sam, Noah & Riley R

“In all my prayers for all of you, I always pray with joy” [Philippians 1: 4](#)

FLOWERS:

If we were in the hall today, the flowers would have been provided by Olive and Gary Matthews in memory of Den.

ACROSS OUR FELLOWSHIP:



Becky Garner reaches a milestone this week – so we would all like to wish her a very happy 50th birthday!

GIVING ON-LINE:

We would like to thank you all once again for the continuing financial support that you provide to the corps: through regular standing orders, putting your giving envelopes to one side each week, donations sent through the post/passed on in person or via on-line payments.

Each week during our online services, there is an opportunity to give via the QR code that appears on the screen (shown here). Many smart phones will read the QR code automatically when the camera is pointed at it, or you can download a free App to read it – it will take you directly to a web page where you can give directly to the corps. These donations are anonymous as the donor's details are not shared with us, but they are, nonetheless, very much appreciated.



As the deer pants for the water

Salvation Army Song Book No 571

THE WEEK AHEAD:

Activities within our hall remain suspended until it is deemed safe for us to re-commence.

TODAY Sunday 18th April

- from 10am Lighthouse Club Session available online (ages 7-11)
- 10am Youth Group meets online (ages 11+)
- from 11am Sunday Worship – online
A King like no other “The King to believe in”
[John 20:24-29](#)

Tuesday 20th April

- 11am - 12pm Food Parcels available at Hall

Wednesday 21st April

- 2pm Extra Slice Group online
- 3.30pm Extra Slice Group online
- 7pm Extra Slice Group online
- 8.15pm Extra Slice Group online

Thursday 22nd April

- 11am - 12pm Food Parcels available at Hall
- 8.15pm Extra Slice Group online

Sunday 25th April

- from 10am Lighthouse Club Session available online (ages 7-11)
- 10am Youth Group meets online (ages 11+)
- from 11am Sunday Worship – online
A King like no other “The King’s barbecue”
[John 21:1-14](#)



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