

Dear Church Family,

The Lord had said to Abram, "Go from your country, your people and your father's household to the land I will show you.

*"I will make you into a great nation,
and I will bless you;
I will make your name great,
and you will be a blessing.
I will bless those who bless you,
and whoever curses you I will curse;
and all peoples on earth
will be blessed through you."*

Genesis 12:1-3

Abram was called to leave everything that was familiar to him and head for a land he had never seen. God promised to multiply his descendants and make him into a 'great nation'.

God's promise to Abram reveals a principle which applies across the years - as much today as it ever did.

God blesses people so that they, in turn, can be a blessing.

So may we each be a blessing to others.

Prayer Update

In addition to those mentioned in Tuesday's email please pray for:

Penny Hipwell's Mum, Elizabeth Martin, who is very poorly in the Royal Infirmary, Edinburgh after emergency surgery for a ruptured Aortic Aneurysm.

Kate and Graham Robinson's grandson, Finley, as he recovers from an operation to sort out an impacted bowel.

Headteachers and School Governing Bodies as they face very difficult decisions on school re-openings.

****Stories & News For Online Services****

If you have some news or a story you would like to share as part of our Sunday service please contact us at hbccentre@tiscali.co.uk.

HBCC Online

Our next online service will be available on Sunday from 10:30.

All services can be found on the HBCC Facebook page and are also on YouTube.

<https://www.facebook.com/Hesketh-Bank-Christian-Centre-137989929662209/>

<https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCI-q5TmlygGFnooTXluT6kg>

Post Service Zoom Catchup

We will be running another Zoom 'catchup' for anyone who'd like to connect with others live after the service on Sunday; this will start at 11:00. Details will appear on HBCC Family Facebook.

Devotional Talk & Bible Study

These will continue on Wednesday and Friday respectively on the HBCC Family Facebook page.

Birthday Congratulations

Happy Birthday to Nick Taylor who will be celebrating his 50th birthday on Monday 25th May!

*Please can you let us know if you would like us to share news of special birthdays, anniversaries or occurrences in our weekly bulletin. Send details to the church email address - hbccentre@tiscali.co.uk

Walking Day Sunday

Sunday 31st May would have been Hesketh Bank Walking Day. This always falls on Pentecost Sunday and gives the churches in Hesketh Bank an opportunity to process around the village in an act of witness and prayer.

As we cannot walk together this year we are suggesting that as individuals you might like to 'prayer-walk' in the village and on your street instead. This would be a simple way of asking God to bless our community. Please see the attached 'Walk & Pray' resource attached to this email.

Online Giving

Don't forget you can give directly to the church using online banking.

Bank Sort Code: 40-24-14

Account No: 10429627

Contact Numbers

You can reach us on the numbers below:

Mark	- 07526 989665
Steve	- 07484 268297
Alex	- 07701 042458 (Youth and Young People)

Please also keep in contact with all the groups of which you are part with the social media tools at your disposal.

Blessings so that you can bless,

The Leadership Team 21.05.2020