



# Trinity Baptist Church

## News Sheet

Sunday 19th April 2020

### Welcome to Trinity!

Due to the Coronavirus pandemic, we are currently not able to physically meet together. All Sunday services, courses, small groups and activities have had to be cancelled or postponed, although Foodbank is continuing. With this News Sheet is a transcript of Ron Jones' sermon for today on parts of Joshua 1, Matthew 14 and Romans 12 with the intriguing title 'Terry My Servant Has Retired, Now Therefore...' You can click onto our YouTube channel to see the sermon video along with some worship. The first video will go live at 10.30 am on Sunday, and then at 15 minute intervals. [https://www.youtube.com/channel/UC8vTabe\\_7Y0\\_2Ka7BtCdRUQ](https://www.youtube.com/channel/UC8vTabe_7Y0_2Ka7BtCdRUQ) There will also be chance to join in a video call via Zoom, details are in Kerry's email to you with this News Sheet.

### For Your Prayers

- Praise God for the skills and giftings we have within Trinity that have helped us get our services online in the last few weeks.
- Thank God for positive use of IT that keeps families and people together.
- Give thanks for the people that have responded to the call for help at Foodbank; pray for protection over them all as they continue this key work. Pray too that food donations will continue to come in so they can meet the needs of their clients.
- Pray for those known to us currently fighting the virus and front line workers of all kinds continuing to work for the benefit of society.
- Pray for parents as they begin home schooling again after the Easter holidays.
- Pray for those whose work or income is affected or under threat by coronavirus.
- Pray for the Kumi Community Foundation, as detailed below. Pray for God's mercy on the people of Uganda who face so much hardship.
- The Deacons are 'meeting' on Monday evening. Pray for them as they work out what needs planning for and how best to respond to any changes in government advice on lockdown and social distancing.
- Pray for those in authority and their advisers.

### Staffing Update

Andy returns from annual leave on Monday 20th April.  
Terry will be taking his remaining annual leave from April 27th-30th so Sunday April 26th is effectively his last working day.  
Alexa continues to be on furlough, Kerry is working from home and Jan remains working as normal on pastoral matters.

### Prayer Support

The prayer ministry team (a group of about 10 people) are still very happy to pray for you. You can fill in a confidential prayer request on the Trinity website. Alternatively, you can ask Scilla Stirling to email the prayer chain via [priscillastirling@yahoo.co.uk](mailto:priscillastirling@yahoo.co.uk)

### Trinity Diary

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| <b>Monday 20th April</b> | 1 - 3.30 pm Foodbank   |
|                          | 8 pm Deacons Meeting   |
| <b>Friday 24th April</b> | 10.30 - 12.30 Foodbank |

### Trinity Baptist Church Staff

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### Facing COVID-19 in Uganda

Having worked alongside the Kumi Community Foundation on his trip to Uganda, Dave Camp has been receiving updates from them. Locusts have returned to Kumi and devoured the crops, they are dealing with a drought and now Coronavirus.

The president has ordered restrictions but for those living in slums, social distancing will be impossible. The cost of basic food has trebled so the poorest will suffer from hunger and malnutrition. It is thought there is just 70 ventilators in the whole of Uganda and many face the threat of COVID-19 without soap or running water.

