

Letter from the Minister

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Dear Friends,

*“The earth is the Lord’s, and everything in it, the world, and all who live in it.”
(Psalm 24 v 1 NIV)*

I write this letter looking out of the window at Cornerstone and seeing the rain pouring down. I pray that over the summer months, as individuals and as a church family, we might feel the refreshing outpouring of God’s blessing and the Holy Spirit – we certainly need it don’t we!

The summer is also a time when perhaps we get more opportunity to spend quality time with people. We regularly welcome new people to Cornerstone but unless we make the effort to build relationships with them they may not stay around.

I have also been thinking about our whole life discipleship recently. I am constantly challenged by how we support each other in the knowledge that our lives are not just about what happens at Cornerstone. On Sundays through the summer we will be doing just that as we begin a short series entitled ‘Life on the Frontline’. This series is based on two firm beliefs: first, that God longs for us, his people, to grow as disciples of Jesus; and second, that as disciples, God longs to use us seven days a week wherever our everyday lives take us. Many of us spend most of our time surrounded by people who don’t know the joy of following Jesus. Our Frontlines are the places where we meet and interact with them.

One of the wonderful things about being a disciple is that God takes our strengths, our personalities, our situations and uses them for his purpose. Because he loves people, he will have already used us on our Frontlines, even if we’ve not been fully aware of it and of course he will continue to do so. It’s important that people realise that there are many ways that God will work through us; but, for that to happen, we need one another’s support and encouragement. I do hope this series will be a blessing to you.

One last thing – if you happen to go away over the summer, why not visit a church where you are going and be a blessing and encouragement to them. There is only ONE church by the way!

With best wishes for the months ahead.

Eddie