

## PRAYER REQUESTS

We ask that you consider individuals whom you would like us to keep in our prayers this coming week. Write down their names & put it into the Prayer Box which is situated beside the vestry.

Please could you remember the following members in your prayers throughout the coming week:

- ◆ Sister Anderson & Family
- ◆ Brother Antonio
- ◆ Sister Bunny
- ◆ The Forbes Family
- ◆ Sister Linton & Family
- ◆ Brother littlejohn & Family



## CHILDREN'S ACTIVITY

### JOSHUA (CH. 2 - 4) WORD SEARCH

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| ALIVE       | ISRAELITES | SANCTIFY       |
| ARK         | JERICHO    | SCARLET THREAD |
| BATTLE      | JORDAN     | SPIES          |
| COURAGE     | JOSHUA     | STONES         |
| DRIED UP    | KINDNESS   | TERROR         |
| DRY GROUND  | LORD       | THREE DAYS     |
| FEET        | MOSES      | TRIBES         |
| FLAX        | MOUNTAIN   | TWELVE         |
| GATE        | PRIESTS    | TWO MEN        |
| GILGAL      | RAHAB      | WALL           |
| HARLOT      | RIVER      |                |
| INHABITANTS | ROOF       |                |

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### Bulletin Information

Email - rebecca1995@gmail.com  
All entries to be in by 8pm WEDNESDAY

## A WORD FROM ELLEN G. WHITE

Lucifer might have remained in favor with God, beloved and honored by all the angelic host, exercising his noble powers to bless others and to glorify his Maker. But, says the prophet, "Thine heart was lifted up because of thy beauty, thou hast corrupted thy wisdom by reason of thy brightness." Verse 17.

Little by little, Lucifer came to indulge a desire for self-exaltation. "Thou hast set thine heart as the heart of God." "Thou hast said,... I will exalt my throne above the stars of God: I will sit also upon the mount of the congregation.... I will ascend above the heights of the clouds; I will be like the Most High." Verse 6; Isaiah 14:13, 14. Instead of seeking to make God supreme in the affections and allegiance of His creatures, it was Lucifer's endeavor to win their service and homage to himself. And coveting the honor which the infinite Father had bestowed upon His Son, this prince of angels aspired to power which it was the prerogative of Christ alone to wield.

All heaven had rejoiced to reflect the Creator's glory and to show forth His praise. And while God was thus honored, all had been peace and gladness. But a note of discord now marred the celestial harmonies. The service and exaltation of self, contrary to the Creator's plan, awakened forebodings of evil in minds to whom God's glory was supreme. The heavenly councils pleaded with Lucifer. The Son of God presented before him the greatness, the goodness, and the justice of the Creator, and the sacred, unchanging nature of His law. God Himself had established the order of heaven; and in departing from it, Lucifer would dishonor his Maker, and bring ruin upon himself. But the warning, given in infinite love and mercy, only aroused a spirit of resistance. Lucifer allowed jealousy of Christ to prevail, and he became the more determined

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## ERDINGTON CHURCH

Sabbath 25th January, 2020

And be not conformed  
to this  
**World** but be  
**TRANSFORMED**  
by the  
**Renewing**  
OF  
YOUR **MIND**

ROMANS 12:2

### Worship Times

Sabbath School:	9:30 am – 11:00 am
Divine Service:	11:10 am – 1:00 pm
Prayer Meeting:	Wednesday 7:15 pm – 8:30 pm

### Sunset Times

This Week:	4:39 pm
Next Week:	4:52 pm

## WELCOME

Happy Sabbath and welcome to all our visitors and regular members. We are glad you chose to worship with us on this holy Sabbath day of rest. Today, God's word will be brought to us by our very own **Pastor Stojkovic**. May God richly bless us as we worship together.

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

- ◆ Would you like to give thanks to God for something He has done for you, i.e. answered prayer, birthday, anniversary etc. If so, could we suggest you contribute to the purchase of the sanctuary flowers - if you would like to do this, please see a Deaconess.
- ◆ Today, Witnessing on the High Street
- ◆ Monday, Exercise Class at 6:30pm here at Erdington Church
- ◆ Thursday, Resilience Course at 7:15pm-8:30pm here at Erdington Church
- ◆ 26th-27th January, Mental Health Awareness Training, from 9:30am-5:00pm. Course cost: £50 per person. Venue: Rochdale SDA Church, KYP Unity Building Unique Enterprise Centre, Belfield Road, Rochdale, OL16 2UP
- ◆ 1st February, Sabbath School Emphasis Day at Windsor Street SDA Church
- ◆ 1st February, Business Meeting after AY at 5:15pm-7:15PM
- ◆ 2nd February, Sabbath School Teacher Training 1 at Windsor Street Church
- ◆ 9th February, Food Safety in Catering Level 2 Course, 9:30am-5:30pm. Cost £40 per person. Venue: Great Brickkiln SDA Church, 215 Great Brickkiln Street, Wolverhampton, WV3 0PN. To register for this course book online at [uk.bookingbug.com/home/33185](http://uk.bookingbug.com/home/33185)
- ◆ 9th February, Sabbath School Teacher Training 2 at Windsor Street Church
- ◆ 16th February, Sabbath School Teacher Training 3 at Windsor Street Church
- ◆ 21st-23rd February, Healthy Thriving Churches, Suitable for Pastors, Elders and Church Leaders. Venue: De Vere Wokefield Estate, Goodboy's Lane, RG7 3AE. Single Occupancy: £170 per person, Sharing/Double: £140 per person. Booking information available from Mavis Bramble: 01923232728
- ◆ 22nd February, Personal Ministries Day at Erdington Church –Guest Speaker Maureen Rock
- ◆ 22nd February, Sabbath School Emphasis Day at Sutton Coldfield SDA Church
- ◆ March 7th & 8th, Area 5 & 6 Hope FM Roadshow & Training 2020. For more information visit <https://nec.adventist.uk/events/event/em/2020-03-07-hope-fm-roadshow-training-2020-areas-5-6-wolverhampton/>

## SABBATH SCHOOL

Welcome:	Elder A. Grandson
Opening Prayer:	Elder A. Grandson
Opening Hymn:	652
Scripture Reading:	Sister R. Ngoma
Lesson Study:	Brother D. Benjamin
Mission Report:	Sister C. Forbes-Grandson
Visitors Welcome:	Sister C. Forbes-Grandson
Closing Hymn:	656
Closing Prayer:	Sister E. Mlambo

In an event of a fire, please note that the fire assembly point is situated opposite the front entrance of the church on the grassland.  
First Aiders on Duty: Debora Anderson, Goodleisure Ngoma & Allenah Lawrence-Hsmilton

## DIVINE SERVICE

Introit	Be Still for the Presence of the Lord
Opening Prayer:	Pastor Stojkovic.
Welcome:	Sister K. Green-Rose
	Praise & Worship
Opening hymn:	6
Scripture Reading:	Luke 9:23
Pastoral Prayer:	Sister K. Green-Rose
Tithes & Offering:	Sister C. Morgan-Davis
Children's Story:	Sister R. Ngoma
	Building up the Temple
Meditational:	Sister T. Richardson
Sermon:	"I Am Not Fun"
Closing hymn:	522
Benediction:	Elder G. Ngoma
Extroit:	Let the Beauty of Jesus be

## SEVENTH-DAY ADVENTISTS BELIEVE...

- ◆ In a personal God (Hebrews 1:1 - 3)
- ◆ In Jesus Christ, as the Divine Son of God, Creator and Saviour (John 1:1 - 4; Hebrews 7:25)
- ◆ In the Holy Spirit, the Divine Comforter (John 15:26)
- ◆ That the Bible is the inspired Word of God (2 Timothy 3:16)
- ◆ In the new birth, through the acceptance of the gospel (John 3:1-7; John 1:12, 13)
- ◆ That the second coming of Christ is very near. That it will be literal, personal and visible to all (John 14:1-3; Acts 1:11; Matthew 24:30)
- ◆ That man by nature is mortal (Job 4:17; 1 Timothy 6:15,16)
- ◆ That immortality is the gift of God and is received only through Christ (Romans 6:23; 1 John 5:11, 12)
- ◆ That the dead are unconscious (Ecclesiastes 9:5; John 11:11 - 14)
- ◆ There will be a literal resurrection of the dead (1 Thessalonians 4:16, 17)
- ◆ That righteousness comes by faith (Romans 4:3 - 5)
- ◆ That the law of the Ten Commandments is the standard of righteousness, by which all will be judged, and which all Christians are commanded to obey (James 2:10 - 12; 1 John 2:3 - 6; Exodus 20:3 - 17).
- ◆ That the original Seventh-day Sabbath has never been changed by Divine authority, and therefore all Christians should want to keep it holy (Genesis 2:2, 3; Luke 23:52 - 54)
- ◆ In the support of the Gospel through tithes and offerings (Malachi 3:8 - 11)
- ◆ In the ordinances of humility and the Lord's Supper (John 13:4 - 17; 1 Corinthians 11:23 - 26)

## WHAT DO YOU BELIEVE?