DayOne magazine



March - August 2024

In this issue:

His Royal Service | A Psalm a day keeps the Devil at bay? | "A sinner saved by Grace"



Editorial: *Mark Roberts*

Over the New Year, I have been reading part of John's gospel and two things struck me in chapter 20. This is John's account of the resurrection.

The Empty Tomb *Early on the first day of the week, while it was still dark, Mary Magdalene went to the tomb and saw that the stone had been removed from the entrance. So she came running to Simon Peter and the other disciple, the one Jesus loved, and said, "They have taken the Lord out of the tomb, and we don't know where they have put him!" So Peter and the other disciple started for the tomb. Both were running, but the other disciple outran Peter and reached the tomb first. He bent over and looked in at the strips of linen lying there but did not go in. Then Simon Peter came along behind him and went straight into the tomb. He saw the strips of linen lying there, as well as the cloth that had been wrapped around Jesus' head. The cloth was still lying in its place, separate from the linen. Finally the other disciple, who had reached the tomb first, also went inside. He saw and believed. (They still did not understand from Scripture that Jesus had to rise from the dead.) Then the disciples went back to where they were staying. Now Mary stood outside the tomb crying. As she wept, she bent over to look into the tomb and saw two angels in white, seated where Jesus' body had been, one at the head and the other at the foot. They asked her, "Woman, why are you crying?" "They have taken my Lord away," she said, "and I don't know where they have put him." At this, she turned around and saw Jesus standing there, but she did not realize that it was Jesus. He asked her, "Woman, why are you crying? Who is it you are looking for?" Thinking he was the gardener, she said, "Sir, if you have carried him away, tell me where you have put him, and I will get him." Jesus said to her, "Mary." She turned toward him and cried out in Aramaic, "Rabboni!" (which means "Teacher"). Jesus said, "Do not hold on to me, for I have not yet ascended to the Father. Go instead to my brothers and tell them, 'I am ascending to my Father and your Father, to my God and your God.'" Mary Magdalene went to the disciples with the news: "I have seen the Lord!" And she told them that he had said these things to her.*

1. I found Mary's reaction to the situation at the garden tomb fascinating. Mary stayed at the tomb after the disciples had left. Maybe she wanted to spend time by herself, or was so grieved that she felt unable to move. God's Word tells us that, although she saw Jesus, she did not recognise Him. During the past few days Mary's emotions would have been heavy. She heard of the arrest of Jesus, had seen Him battered and bruised and then hung on a cross to die. This was more than Mary could bear. Now, coming to the tomb on the first day of the week to spend time with the body of Jesus and finding Him not there, tears would have blurred her vision. The last thing she was expecting was to see Jesus alive. No wonder she did not recognise Him. But with just one word, 'Mary', she suddenly becomes aware that He is alive. Was it the way Jesus pronounced her name? Was it the power of His voice? Either way, her reaction was, 'Rabboni', which means Master. All doubts were gone; Jesus was very much alive.

2. Mary's reaction to the task Jesus gave her was interesting. She had just recognised that He was alive; she was looking at Him and wanted to cling to Him. Then Jesus asks her to leave and go tell the disciples. I am not sure that I would have wanted to leave Jesus at that particular moment. However, after all that has happened, and with Jesus alive and standing in front of her, with complete obedience she goes; not after a delay, but immediately. That is a great lesson for us to learn. No matter what situations we find ourselves in as we continue through 2024, I pray that we will be willing with complete obedience, and without delay, to follow His instructions and do His will. •

Certainty for an Uncertain Future

Authors: *David Campbell*

I wonder what your plans are for this new year. Some of you, I'm sure, have got a vacation booked and are counting down the weeks (or days). Perhaps there is a family wedding on the horizon or a special anniversary and you're busy getting ready. If your home is like mine there will be a calendar in one of the rooms with all kinds of things written on it, things that you hope to do. Your boss has doubtless got plans for you as well!

Isn't it true, though, that we have no guarantee that any of these plans will be fulfilled? I often think about something King Solomon once said. You will find it in the Bible in the book of Proverbs: '**Do not boast about tomorrow**', counselled the king, '**for you do not know what a day may bring forth**.' These words were written several thousand years ago and they are just as true today as they were back then. We are always facing the unknown.

The upshot of course is uncertainty. We can never be sure in advance that our plans will come off. There is always the possibility that something unforeseen will happen. An accident perhaps. My parents once had a special vacation arranged for them by the family to mark their Golden Wedding. But when my father tripped and fell and broke his leg the vacation had to be cancelled. It was just one of these unforeseen things. We've all experienced them ourselves, and will do so again this year. Our health, our job situation, our family circumstances, may all unexpectedly change; our very lives may unexpectedly come to a close. Who can tell?

For Bible-believing Christians, however, there is a tremendous certainty we enjoy amid all this uncertainty. Our God is always with us. He has promised never to leave us, not even for a moment. And God always keeps his promises. It is the solidest of comforts as we face an unknown future. Whatever our circumstances, we know that God is always going to be there for us – to guide, to strengthen, to bless, to ensure that all things work out for our good, and, at the end of it all, to take us safely to heaven.

Do you know how all this has come about? Only through God's great mercy shown to us in Jesus his Son. That mercy enabled us to turn to Jesus in all our desperate need as sinners. It moved us to look to him to do for us what we could never have done for ourselves, to save us from our sins. Nor did he turn us away! He most lovingly forgave our sins and welcomed us into a friendship with God that will go on uninterruptedly for eternity.

And that is why we enjoy the abiding presence of God! Through Jesus it came to us as a free and utterly undeserved gift. And that's why you may enjoy it too. •



Through The British Museum with the Bible...

Author: *Mike Keeping*

On June 1st 2022 the British Museum lifted their Covid tour group restrictions and so I was able to report that by the end of July 2022, Ian Cooper, Glenn Shotton and myself were able to lead 12 tours between us, of the Museum's Biblical artefacts.

As a result of the last year's report, Jim Ransom from Faversham made contact and expressed interest in joining our guide team, so I met up with Jim at the Museum last September to show him what is involved. Jim is already a British Museum member and made a number of visits through the autumn and winter months to familiarise himself with the Bible artefacts there. His learning curve was also aided by Mark Roberts, who supplied Jim with copies of the Day One books "Evidence for The Bible" and "Background To The Bible". Since the first quarter of 2023 Jim has gradually begun to lead tours at the BM himself.

Since July 2022 and by of the end of July 2023, Ian, Glenn, Jim and myself will have led 63 tour groups around the Museum. Of these tours, 24 were on weekdays and the rest were on Saturdays: not all of our guides are available on weekdays. Added to records kept by Clive Anderson to mid-June, I estimate that to July end, we have hosted 457 adults and children.

A few of these tours were tailored for children including UK home schoolers; many were for UK adult church groups; for UK organisations involved with training young people and students; for a US university and for a US adult church group. Other tours have been for family groups from the UK, the USA, the Far East, South Africa and Australia.

Since July we had groups booked through August to December and are finalising tours for the first three months of 2024 when we have 14 tour requests for Saturdays alone.

We have had to decline a few enquiries this year when a guide cannot be available, either because of holidays,

illness or just busy schedules, as none of our guides are full-time. When we do decline, we have again referred enquirers to Ben Virgo at Christian Heritage London, and there have also been times when Ben has needed to ask us for help too.

The increased tour enquiries this year mean that we need more people to guide tours. Since all of us who lead these tours are getting older, it is important for us to train some younger people who are also motivated for Biblical apologetics.

Here is an example of the sort of apologetic opportunity that the British Museum's artefacts afford. Courtesy the British Museum, Figure 1 shows a relief that is located on a wall between Rooms G4 and G8 at the Museum and depicts Tiglath-Pileser III, who was King of Assyria between 744 & 727 BC.

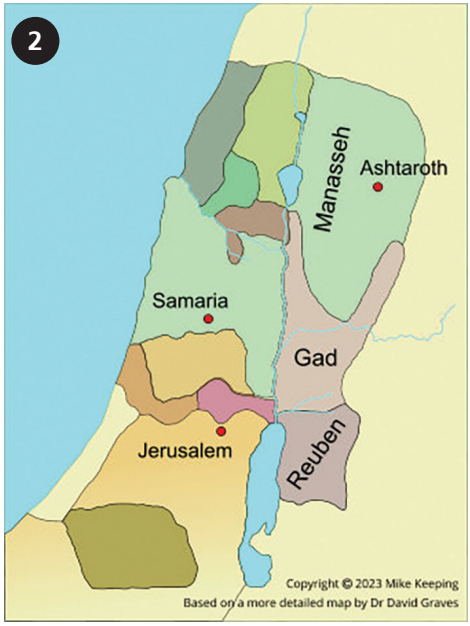
This King is mentioned explicitly in the following Old Testament references: 2 Kings 15:29; 2 Kings 16:7, 10; 1 Chronicles 5:6, 26 and 2 Chronicles 28:20. He is also the Assyrian King implied in Isaiah 7, when the Prophet rebuked King Ahaz of Judah for his unbelief.

Ahaz formed an alliance with Tiglath-Pileser III to help deal with Judah's opposing coalition of Aram and the Northern Kingdom of Israel (2 Kings 16:7, 1). Evidently this alliance proved to be not good for Ahaz (2 Chronicles 28:20).



1

Important for us to notice, however, is that between 734 and 732 BC, this Assyrian King was involved with the judgement and exile of the Northern Kingdom of Israel. 1 Chronicles 5:26 records that "..the God of Israel stirred up the spirit of Pul king of Assyria (that is, Tiglath-Pileser king of Assyria), who took the Reubenites, the Gadites and the half-tribe of Manasseh into exile..." (NIV UK).



King	Character	Years BC
Jeroboam I	Bad	930-909
Nadab	Bad	
Baasha	Bad	908-886
Elah	Bad	
Zimri	Bad	
Omri	Bad	885-874
Ahab	Worst of all	874-853
Ahaziah	Bad	
Jehoram (Joram)	Mostly bad	852-851
Jehu	Mostly bad	841-814

King	Character	Years BC
Jehoahaz	Bad	814-798
Jehoash (Joash)	Bad	
Jeroboam II	Bad	782-753
Zechariah	Bad	
Shallum	Bad	
Manaem	Bad	752-742
Pekahiah	Bad	
Pekah	Bad	737-732
Hoshea	Bad	732-723
Fall of Samaria		722

We may observe the character précis of the Kings of the Northern Kingdom from the Table. While the 208 years of the Northern Kingdom imply that God is slow to anger and rich in mercy, He is also just and so "drew the line" under the persistent Godless behaviour by Israel's Northern Kingdom.

God used this King, therefore, to begin the exile of Israel with these three tribes who, as Figure 2 shows, were living on the east side of the river Jordan.

Also courtesy the British Museum, Figure 3 represents a wall relief located in Room G6 at the Museum and shows Tiglath-Pileser III sieging the walled city of Ashtaroth. Figure 2 shows that this city, called Astartu by the Assyrians, was located in East Manasseh.

From the South West Palace at Nimrud, the wall relief includes an impression of the walled city of Ashtaroth, top left, which is above Tiglath-Pileser III in his chariot. The relief also shows four Israelites, top right, being led away by an Assyrian soldier. There is also a cuneiform inscription.

This artefact, then, provides independent evidence to verify what is recorded by 1 Chronicles 5:26.

The son of Tiglath-Pileser III, Shalmaneser V, later sieged Samaria, which was then the capital city of the Northern Kingdom of Israel (2 Kings 18:9-18). This siege ended in 722 BC, which means that the exile of Israel to Assyria took more than 10 years to conclude.

If you are interested in apologetics and in joining the Day One BM guide team, please make contact via our British Museum webpage www.dayone.co.uk/pages/british-museum-tours •



3



"A sinner saved by Grace"

Remembering Ian Cooper a much loved member of DayOne who died of cancer towards the end of 2023. Ian Cooper was a council member for DayOne for many years and is very much missed by the council and staff. The following extracts were taken, with permission from the family of Ian, from his thanksgiving service.

How can we sum up Ian who had such broad interests and engaged with so many lives?

Son of Maureen and Rodney, brother of Neil, Ian grew up in the Somerset village of Martock.

Ian spent Saturdays helping on a relative's farm, falling off the tractor into dung, and building dens on an old railway from abandoned asbestos sheets. He was an active member of the Martock drama group, the village cricket team score keeper, and the winner of several ballroom dancing awards. Not to forget many hours spent doing DIY, drinking tea and learning life skills on the allotment, including the dangers of putting a garden fork into a wasp's nest!

However, all this faded if he saw the local policeman on a job and, jumping onto his push-bike, he would follow the excitement. It was a habit that continued throughout his life even during the years he drove a police response car himself!! Many a visit to London Ian's wife would find herself suddenly abandoned on the pavement as Ian dashed to the road junction to try and see the source of the two-tones going past!

As a boy Ian was sent to the Methodist Sunday school in the village and quickly ended up teaching his own class but was saddened to realise later he had never heard the true message of Salvation.

It was not until he attended church youth meetings in Ilminster as a teenager he finally came to know his sins forgiven and peace with God. He was always thankful for the welcome he received from Mike and Margaret Bennett as they and their four children generously opened their home and lives to him showing him what the Christian life looked like practically. Ian and Mike spent hours, and hours…. and hours (!) in the loft with the huge





model railway, another interest which spanned the years until the present time. Not being able to be so active while on chemo Ian built a model railway with and for his grandsons, much to their delight as they ran the trains, modelled the scenery, and spent precious time with him.

By 16 he began to pursue his dream to join the police force starting as a police cadet and left home for the Wiltshire force. He had many adventures, including completing his Gold DofE award. Finally at 18 he entered the regular force. Then the sermon illustrations came thick and fast:- The bull on the roundabout, help to the cash point thief, point duty, the crashed beat car, solstice and the bean field, the miners' strike, the iron, the trousers, and the floor to name but a few!! ……And he loved all 17yrs of it!

The only thing that could part him from the Police force was his clear calling from the Lord to the ministry, serving willingly and wholeheartedly for the last 28 years.

Ian and Jacky met in 1981 whilst both leaders at Plovers Christian Camp, held near Climping, Sussex. When Jacky was called upon to nurse half the camp as they suffered a rampant stomach bug over the week it was Ian's practical thoughtfulness, gentle manner and engaging humour that endeared him to her, as among other things he saved her meals insisting on looking after the youngsters himself while she ate. He always maintained he knew he would marry her from the very first day!

The wedding followed a year later and within a few years two girls joined the family. Ian always made time for us, first around his shifts making sure we had a 'Daddy day' out each year, and then here when on Friday





night he would unplug the phone for a few hours to play an exceptionally competitive board game. Monday chinos became a regular feature and we continued to be a close family in our friendship and faith.

Ian used humour to build relationships everywhere. Mischief at holiday clubs and many church functions will be missed and especially perhaps his reaction to the children's presents on Christmas Day services. The year he showed them his gift of a coffee frother was memorable when he forgot to turn it off returning it to his full water glass. He, the table, his notes and acetates for the sermon were soaked and his hankie quickly overwhelmed trying to wipe things. His remarkable appeal and ease with children was something he sought to develop, always wanting the gospel to be accessible to them.

For the same reason he involved himself in many of your lives. You have known his practical advice, help viewing potential houses and assistance with your DIY projects. Ian quietly sought to bring the presence of Christ in times of great trauma or sadness as well as happy dedications, baptisms, and weddings.

Our family camping holidays were always special and Ian joked they should be 'tax-deductible' as they gave rise to so many illustrations for sermons, children's talks, and talks at lunches for retired folk. Of course, the more dramatic the better and so we would often laugh (once back safe!) as to how he would use THAT event!





Ian had a passion for mission and the church groups he led to Ghana and Ukraine were a blessing both to the team and churches they served out there. In later years he was thrilled to support the growing global church with his teaching trips to Burma to help in the training of church leaders and pastors. He also delighted to lead Day One tours to Israel and sharing his Biblical knowledge and wisdom to enrich people's Christian walk and encourage their faith.

His ever growing interest in Biblical archaeology and sharing his passion for the truth of the Scriptures found him frequently leading tours at the British museum. The variety of groups would make a book in themselves but Ian adapted to engage with each. In September, despite his pain and needing Mum to push him in a wheelchair all day, Ian was determined to honour his commitment to a final tour, telling Biblical truths to a group of Jewish ladies.

It was the quiet man who for the sake of the Gospel helped many a needy, often unbelieving, individual who would find him at church over the years spending his lunchtimes building the church kitchen and then the main extension and many other jobs.

A gentle, wise and humble man, Ian would not have been comfortable with being the centre, for he was always conscious of pride and acutely aware that he was a sinner saved by Grace. He would say "don't put me on a pedestal but look to Jesus the saviour of my soul". •

Your Gift to Day One Christian Ministries

Title: Mr ☐ Mrs ☐ Miss ☐ Rev. ☐ Other ☐ _____

Christian Name _____ Surname _____

Address _____

_____

Email _____ Daytime Telephone _____

How would you like your gift to be used?

	Single		Monthly**
General Fund	£	General Fund	£
Prison Ministry	£	Prison Ministry	£
Free Literature	£	Free Literature	£
I enclose my total gift (as allocated above)	£	I enclose my total gift (as allocated above)	£

** If you wish to give via Bankers Order-please complete blue section

You can make a donation either by Cheque, Postal Order, Credit Card, Debit Card, Charity Card, or Banker's Order. (*See over for Gift Aid donations*)

If you are giving by Credit Card, Charity Card or Debit Card, please tick one of the following:

Charity Card ☐ Mastercard ☐ Visa ☐

Card number

☐☐☐☐ ☐☐☐☐ ☐☐☐☐ ☐☐☐☐ ☐☐☐☐

3-digit CSV security number, which is on the back of your card: ☐☐☐

Expiry Date ☐☐☐☐

Signature _____

Please tick if you require a receipt ☐ Please add my name to your Day One: *Magazine mailing list* ☐ *Email updates* ☐ *Catalogue mailing list* ☐

Membership

The charity has a membership which you can join. Our members have to agree and sign the doctrinal basis of constitution as on the back page. If you would like to become a member please do read this and sign afterwards. Any donation above £10 would make you eligible to be a member. As a member you get 10% off all items in the catalogue and on line.

If you would like more details please do get in touch with us.

giftaid it

Charity Gift Aid Declaration – single donation

Boost your donation by 25p of Gift Aid for every £1 you donate

Gift Aid is reclaimed by the charity from the tax you pay for the current tax year. Your address is needed to identify you as a current UK taxpayer.

In order to Gift Aid your donation you must tick the box below:

☐ I want to Gift Aid my donation of £_____ to:

Name of Charity _____

I am a UK taxpayer and understand that if I pay less Income Tax and/or Capital Gains Tax in the current tax year than the amount of Gift Aid claimed on all my donations it is my responsibility to pay any difference.

My Details

Title _____ First name or initial(s) _____

Surname _____

Full Home address _____

_____

_____

Postcode _____ Date _____

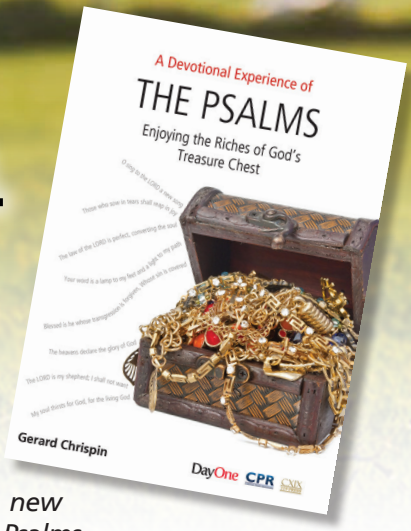
Please notify the charity if you:

- want to cancel this declaration
- change your name or home address
- no longer pay sufficient tax on your income and/or capital gains

If you pay Income Tax at the higher or additional rate and want to receive the additional tax relief due to you, you must include all your Gift Aid donations on your Self-Assessment tax return or ask HM Revenue and Customs to adjust your tax code.

A PSALM A DAY KEEPS THE DEVIL AT BAY?

'A Devotional Experience of THE PSALMS – Enjoying the Riches of God's Treasure Chest'



Mark Roberts asks Gerard Chrispin about his new devotional and evangelistic commentary on the Psalms.

Mark: Well Gerard, DayOne has just published your book on the Psalms. When did you get time in your busy life to write it?

Gerard: Very sadly, Covid brought heartache and misery to millions, but it also gave me the added time and opportunity to write. Initially, I was forbidden legally to go into prison to teach the Bible, preach the gospel, and do personal work because I was categorised as 'very high risk' medically speaking, and Phillippa as 'high risk.' So, I had time in the long initial period of confinement at home to get to grips with the Psalms and write my book, with Phillippa on hand to put me right where I was wrong!

Mark: Why did you choose the Psalms?

Gerard: In fact, Psalms chose me! I just had a burden to write what is intended to be a relatively brief in-context exposition and commentary that would be a blessing devotionally, theologically and also evangelistically. I so love the Psalms – even more now – and I have been sharing the thought in the prisons that 'A Psalm a day keeps the devil at bay' and encourage them to read a Psalm each day and think about the comments on it. Psalms contain every aspect of Scripture, to help us get and stay close to God, to learn important truths about God, to point to the need to unsaved people to come to know God personally, and to encourage us all to get to know Him better every day. The variety on offer in the Book of Psalms is amazing – I can't stop reading them! I like the very short ones and the very long ones – though Psalm 119 can take a little longer to study even though it has one main theme, namely the wonder of God's inspired and infallible word!

Mark: In what way is your book evangelistic, as well as devotionally and theologically helpful?



Gerard: I believe the whole of Scripture points to the Lord Jesus Christ. Remember that the risen Jesus did not just 'wow' people by His resurrection appearance but 'opened their understanding that they might comprehend the Scriptures' and taught 'that all things must be fulfilled which were written in the Law of Moses and the Prophets and the Psalms concerning Me.' Just read Luke chapter 24! I cannot preach Jesus without making known His cross and resurrection. We only understand God's word spiritually because we have come to know God through Jesus having borne our sins and their punishment on the cross and having risen from the dead with the power of an endless life. Sometimes the connection in the Psalms is obvious. It is always implied. So the comments on each Psalm refer to the gospel.

Mark: I can see what you say. Is it helpful also for young or untaught Christians, as well as more mature believers?

Gerard: I hope so! I think this book could be great to 'kick-start' or re-start a personal quiet time with the Lord each day. One Psalm a day which is read, thought about, and 'prayed in' can really help to begin or recover a devotional daily walk with God. I now know a number of very different people – in prisons and in churches – who either have started or resumed a quiet time based on a Psalm a day, or (myself included) have added to their existing Bible reading planning at least one Psalm a day. I hope the thoughts on each Psalm will either remind people of truths they already know (we all need to be reminded!) or to introduce some precious truths to them. I hope to read at least a Psalm a day until I get to Heaven, where I will need no Bible for the very first time in my Christian life!

Mark: I do hope that your book will be blessed by God and help many people. DayOne have published this 476 page book, which includes all the 150 Psalms in the NKJV, in a hard back cover as we hope and recommend it will be used on a daily basis. It could be a great blessing to give to friends and families – as well as prisoners, Gerard!

Gerard: I fully agree! •

His Royal Service

Authors: *David and Esther Hails,*
Ebenezer Evangelical Church, Neath Abbey


Miss Martha Morphew

"I would ask for your prayers as I go forth in His Royal Service, seeking to win boys and girls for the Saviour and leading them into a knowledge of the joy of keeping the Lords Day Holy"

Thus wrote Miss Martha Morphew as she was introduced to readers of the Joy and Light (The Lords Day Magazine January - March 1958 No 226). She was just beginning her role as a new young peoples worker in the South of England where she served for many years. After working for LDOS, Martha served the Lord in other ministries including a number of short term visits to Sri Lanka.

Sharing her testimony in Joy & Light, Martha wrote:

"I had the privilege of being brought up in a Christian home, and for a long time I thought I was automatically a Christian too. When I was about 12 years old, I started going to some evangelistic meetings in London. There I realised that I needed to know the Lord Jesus as a personal Saviour but my pride got the better of me. How could I acknowledge before my friends that I needed a Saviour when all along they imagined that I was a Christian? So I would not listen to the Lord knocking at my heart's door.

After leaving school I went out to work but I was not really satisfied. At the back of my mind I knew that I not only needed a Saviour but also that I wanted to work for him. The following Easter I went to a conference at Hildenborough Hall, Kent and there the Lord met with me, and I acknowledged him as Saviour and Lord of my life to do with it whatever he would. Shortly after this the Lord led me to training at Redcliffe Missionary Training college and how I praise the Lord for all the many lessons He taught me there. After leaving college no definite door opened as to where the Lord would have me serve him. Then constantly within the last few months I seemed to keep coming into contact with the Lords Day Observance Society. At first again I did not want to listen to the Lord. But now how I praise the Lord that he said to me again and again

"This is the way, walk ye in it". What peace I knew when I said *"Yes Lord"* and sent my application forms into Headquarters! After being accepted the Lord gave me a complete assurance of his leading and my heart is bubbling over with praise to my wonderful Saviour."

Former colleague Margery Fawcett (nee Moore) joined the society in 1964 and as part of her training joined Martha as she conducted a five day outdoor children's mission. She writes "I could see that Martha had a gift for speaking to children. It was a joy to stay with Martha's parents and her sister Mary during the time spent in this area. It was always good to renew fellowship with Martha once a year at the staff gatherings which were held at HQ (55 Fleet Street, London). Martha & I have continued to keep in touch....and I shall really miss her faithful friendship"

Martha went to be with the Lord in September, aged 87. The last few months of her life were spent in hospital due to failing health but she continued to witness to those around her - patients, staff, chaplains & visitors - and would eagerly share with us opportunities she had taken! Martha was always a joy to talk to, sharing her love of the Lord, praying for those in the fellowship and its witness. She continued to show an interest in the work of LDOS and was thrilled to learn we had connections and knew of the work. We first met Martha over 60 years ago after she was introduced to LDOS and she continued to bubble with praise and serve her Lord! She was always an encouraging smile in the congregation. We are grateful to the Lord we had the privilege of getting to know her over the last 3 ½ years. Let us give thanks for a life of service to the Lord and pray that there will have been much fruit from her labours. Let us also be challenged to consider the privilege it is work for the Lord in His Royal Service and pray our hearts will also bubble over with praise to our wonderful Saviour.

With thanks for a faithful servant, in loving memory of Miss Martha Morphew 19 January 1936 - 4th September 2023 age 87. •



Our prison diaries

Once again last year we gave out over 190,000 diaries to prisons all over the UK. The response from the prisoners and chaplains is always an encouragement to us.

I share a few comments with you, please do pray for this work.

Prisoner in Nottingham

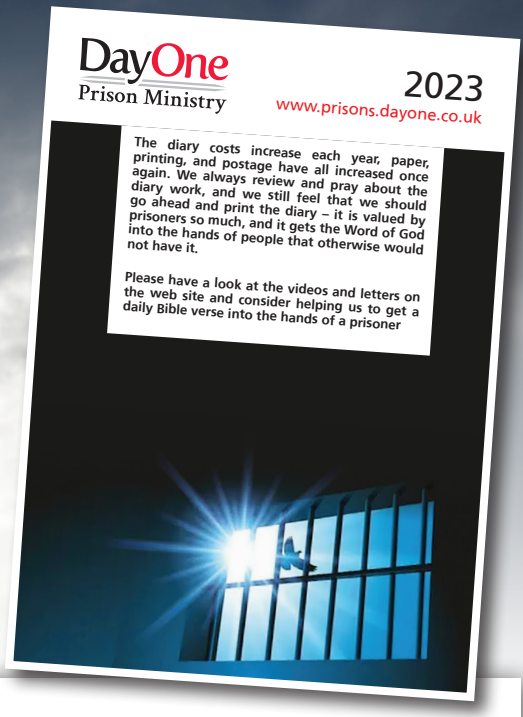
"The Prison Chaplaincies of England and Wales. I have just received a visit from one of the chapel workers and he was telling me that the little diary you receive on arrival are all donated. So I just what to say a massive thank you to the people that donate for us to receive them. They are a massive help and are very much appreciated"

Chaplain in Scotland

"This is such a wonderful ministry. I love that God's word is in the hands of many who wouldn't think of picking up a Bible."

Chaplain in England

"I was on the Healthcare wing today visiting a young man who is of Cypriot heritage with a mixed Muslim and Christian background. He was recently given an Islamic booklet but objected to the instructions to repeat certain phrases one hundred times or to repeatedly bless the name of the prophet in order for Mohammad to intercede for him. Then he picked up his Day One diary to write in his court date and was immediately struck by the verse quoted on the 23 January, which he felt was as if God was speaking to him. This prisoner is very open to the Christian faith and was extremely appreciative of prayer. So I thank you for your diaries which are always being requested by prisoners here."



Prison visitors

"We have two diary stories retrieved from our memories:

- A prisoner told one of our chaplains that when he reads the verses he tries to remember what comes next. As a child he had attended Sunday School, so had some Bible knowledge. He asked if he could have a Bible, which was given. We do not know what became of him, (an everyday fact of prison ministry life), but we do know that the diary was the means of him starting to read again the word of God he first encountered as a child.

- A man (a lifer) converted in prison told us that he loves the diaries, as they give him the chance to speak to inmates what the verse of the day means; he encourages them to look up the whole verse, and then to read the whole chapter it comes from. As they read the word of God he asks them if they understand what they have read, like Philip and the Ethiopian in Acts 8, and he explains the gospel to them.

"

DayOne
magazine

DayOneChristianMinistries
Incorporating
The Lord's Day Observance Society
Day One Prison Ministry
Day One Publications
Day One Tours

President:
Mr John G Roberts

Managing Director:
Mr Mark J Roberts

Council:
Clive Anderson
David Hails
Gareth James
Colin Jones
Howard Sayers
Don Olden
Paul Williams
Jim Winter

Headquarters: DayOne, Ryelands Road, Leominster, HR6 8NZ
☎ 01568 613 740 | info@dayone.co.uk

ISSN 1463–9459 | Charity Reg. No.233465
A Company Limited by Guarantee | Registration No. 260869

Basis of Faith

1. Belief that we should make every effort to proclaim the Gospel of the grace of God through Christ Jesus.
2. Belief in the whole Bible consisting of the 39 books of the Old Testament and the 27 books of the New Testament as the inspired and inerrant Word of God, being God's complete authoritative revelation in all matters of doctrine and practice.
3. Belief that all are sinners and come short of the glory of God; and in the necessity of the new birth by the Holy Spirit in order to become children of God through faith in Christ Jesus.
4. Day One exists to uphold and proclaim the Lord's Day as:
   - A creation ordinance
   - A command of God
   - A celebration of the resurrection of the Lord Jesus Christ
   - A day of rest and worship for the glory of God and the benefit of man.
   - We seek to do this through preaching, publications and parliamentary action. We seek, at the same time, to proclaim the Gospel and to promote righteousness.
5. Belief in the essential Deity of the Lord Jesus Christ, His incarnation and virgin birth, the truth of all His words, His all-sufficient atoning substitutionary death and bodily resurrection, ascension and coming again.

Name: _____ Signature: _____