



March 2023

Regular readers of the Five Ash Down Chapel circular will know that for many years this has been written by Pastor George Rabey, in fact the March issue of 2001 was the first one he wrote and sad to say the June 2022 was the last. George faithfully ministered at the Chapel all these years and we are most grateful for his faithfulness, care and concern for all during this period. On Thursday, 14th July, George set out for the Chapel as usual but feeling unwell had to return home, subsequently suffering two TIA's. It was hoped that his health would improve sufficiently to allow him to return and continue his ministry, but this was not the case. With reluctance George had to retire as Pastor in November last year. We were unable to give these details in the December circular as it had gone to the printers before we received George's resignation. I am sure that all who knew George from the Chapel, Pop In, or village would join in sending him our very best wishes for a happy retirement and God's richest blessing for the future. We all miss him so much. Since July, Services at the Chapel have been conducted by visiting Ministers, this will continue God Willing until such time as we are able to welcome another Pastor.

In the meantime, it would be good to welcome you to any of our Services. On Good Friday we shall be remembering the crucifixion and death of Jesus on the cross at Calvary when He died for the sins of all who put their trust in Him "For God so loved the world, that He gave His only begotten Son, that whosoever believeth in Him, should not perish, but have everlasting life" (John ch 3 v 16). Easter Sunday, we remember His glorious resurrection from the dead "He is not here, but is risen" (Luke 24 v 6).

Elwyn Sweetman
(Secretary)

When I survey the wondrous cross,
on which the Prince of glory died,
my richest gain I count but loss,
and pour contempt on all my pride.

Forbid it, Lord, that I should boast
save in the death of Christ my God:
all the vain things that charm me most,
I sacrifice them to His blood.

See, from His head, His hands, His feet,
sorrow and love flow mingled down;
did e'er such love and sorrow meet,
or thorns compose so rich a crown?

His dying crimson, like a robe,
spreads o'er His body on the tree:
then am I dead to all the globe,
and all the globe is dead to me.

Were the whole realm of nature mine,
that were an offering far too small;
love so amazing, so divine,
demands my soul, my life, my all.

Five Ash Down Chapel Services

Sunday services are at 11.00 a.m. and 2.30 p.m.

Thursdays 7.30 p.m. Bible Study and Prayer Meeting
(Telephone for venue)

Good Friday Service

7th April 11.00 a.m.

Speaker Carl Houser from Jarvis Brook
Refreshments after the service

Easter Sunday Services

9th April 11.00 a.m. & 3.00 p.m.

Speaker Keith Mouland from Hastings
Refreshments after the afternoon service



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