Hello to our Sunnyside extended family!

We pray that God our Savior has been with you and filled you with peace during this past year of Covid. It has been a hard year for many, and for others, ironically, has been a year of blessings. We have heard many stories of blessings within our church families of how this Covid has forced some to slow down and focus on family and Him. At the same time, we continue to pray for those who are isolated, lonely, and struggling.

Sunnyside Camp 2021

By David Tano - Chair of the Camp Committee

Further to this, over this past year, we have lost two of our cherished Sunnyside family members. Our dear Auntie Sue Iwabuchi and Uncle Ike Ikenouye, both were ushered into the presence of their Lord and Savior and are now enjoying a pain free, joyous and peace in heaven. Though, we, the Sunnyside family will greatly miss them, we know that they are in paradise and are joyful for them. We send our condolences to their families for the losses as it is us here on earth that will miss their smiles, laughter, and wisdom.

It has been a very unusual year for our Sunnyside camp ministries. As you are aware, we had to cancel 2020 Sunnyside Camp due to Covid. Here in Alberta, we continued to struggle with escalating numbers and ongoing restrictions. Our camp committee has now met on a couple of occasions to try to discuss potential options for 2021. At this time, as we are unsure of Covid restrictions, we are taking things on a month-to-month basis and monitoring the overall situation. Our greatest hope would be that we would be able to hold 2021 Sunnyside camp even if it has to be in a modified fashion. We are looking at various contingency plans in case this is a possibility. Our Japanese side, have decided to have their camp online only and will celebrate together via the Internet.

We continue to pray for all in our communities during this time of the pandemic. Should there be a miracle, and we are able to host Sunnyside camp, we will send word to all of you regarding details. Please continue to pray for all those who are struggling.

Our Hope is in the everlasting; King of Kings and Lord of Lords. to Him be the Glory forever and ever. □

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The Northeast Nikkei Christian Conference (NENCC) was first held in 1986. Last year we were planning a spring Fellowship Picnic and fall Mini-Conference, but both had to be cancelled. At the beginning of the

COVID-19 lockdown, we had no idea what an "online conference" was. We were optimistic in believing that the pandemic will be over so that the Mini-Conference could be held in the fall. But as you know, that did not happen.

Sat. April 24, 2021 10 am - 3:30 pm

Speaker: Pastor Yutaka Ishiguro Victoria Japanese Church

For more info, please go to https://sites.google.com/view/nencc



As time passed by, and all churches began online services and other meetings, it opened up a new vision and an avenue of connecting with people throughout North America and Japan. It gave rise to the ability of online conferencing to join with others or to sponsor and/or resume conferences we held in the past.

We are now preparing for the first online NENCC to be held on April 24. Our guest speaker is Pastor Yutaka Ishiguro from Victoria Japanese Church.

The year 2020, and into 2021 were filled with many "first-time experiences". In spite of it all, we thank God for His grace and the development of technologies that are enabling us to connect with each other world-wide, an exciting experience that we did not imagined even an year ago. Technology is wonderful, however, it does pose a challenge to many seniors who are not as technically versed to log-on on their own. Many of our past participants are seniors. Please pray for the NENCC.

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God is Good...In Remembrance

CJM bid farewell to two of it's long-time faithful Nisei servants on February 5 of this year. Ironically, both were called home on the same day.



Sue Iwabuchi, came to know the Lord in the early years of the CJM Gospel outreach in Lethbridge, AB. Her nursing skills over decades of CJM summer camp ministries and her creative craft ideas always excited and added to the enjoyment of camp year after year. Her compassion, humility and soft-spoken wisdom comforted chil-

dren, youth and adults alike. God is so good to give us people like Sue to help us in our walk with the Lord.



Rev. Iwao Ikenouye, met the Lord as his Savior at the age of 19 years in Kelowna, BC. In 1951, as the first missionary of CJM, the Lord called him to serve in the war-ravaged country of Japan. Both Iwao and his wife Sachi served for years at the Kashiwazaki Bible institute and in pastoral ministry in Niigata ken. After their retirement in 1992

they made Calgary their home and served faithfully for many more years with the Calgary Japanese Gospel Church. □

CJM AGM/Conf. 2021

(Sat.) June 5 @ 12 noon EDT.

Speaker: Pastor Akira (Allen) Takano Associate Pastor: Yonezawa Kojo Church Yonezawa, Yamagata ken, Japan

Please register for this virtual conference at https://www.CJMin.com/

to receive your link to join from your home.

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From Calgary to Cambodia

Testimony of Minako (Goto) Polischuk



Minako with husband Darren

was five years old when I accepted Christ through Auntie Noreen Kitagawa at the Calgary Japanese Gospel church when it was held at Immanuel Church on 1st Street, SW. Who knew I would end up in Cambodia working with villagers who scavenged in the city garbage dump. Not me, but God knew.

In 1967, Canada opened its borders to Japan, for the first time after WWII. Welcoming believers from CJM waited at the airport for the new Japanese arrivals. My dad, Kohei Goto, came first and we later joined him in Calgary and connected with Rev. Akutagawa. Those were good years, and both my parents became believers and was baptized within the year. We were faithful members of the church, and my faith grew especially memorizing scripture verses while going to Sunnyside Camp.

Fast-forward to 1984, I fell in love and married a non-believer. For 13 hard years my heart ached because Darren was not saved. One day I prayed to God saying that I would do anything, if he became a Christian. And then by His grace, my husband accepted Christ. Soon afterwards, he spoke of serving abroad. I was excited but leery, saying, we needed to save, our children weren't finished school yet. But then, God reminded me of my promise. So we went to seminary and finally to Cambodia.



Minako in back with ladies from her sewing class

After our first year in Siem Reap, God called us to the marginalized in the city garbage dump. We saw their desperate need, and started meeting once a week in their village. Then in 2019, God opened the doors to begin a sewing center. Now, we have 10 ladies and they have sewn 20,000+ facemasks, t-shirts, and sports outfits. (Continued on page 3)

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VICTORIA JAPANESE CHURCH

Meeting at First Baptist Church 877 North Park St., Victoria, BC V8W 1S9 Sunday Worship service - 1:30 pm. Pastor Yutaka Ishiguro Tel: 778-265-6092 Email: ymishiguro@shaw.ca Website: www.vicjapanesechurch.com



Pastor Yutaka & Miho Ishiguro

Pastor Yutaka Ishiguro

give praise to the Name of our Lord. Today, we are in 2021, and the restrictions on the church regarding the coronavirus continues. Due to this, we are holding our worship service and other gatherings in other ways. All of

our meetings are held on Zoom as the church is still not able to open. Even in this situation, the Lord is blessing our gatherings, as many are helping so we can be blessed through music and sharing of His Word. We thank the Lord for His directions, and thank all those who have helped in making this possible.

The Lord encouraged us in November of 2020 in a special way. Although, not with many witnesses, but a few were gathered together around our bathtub to witness a very moving baptismal service. The following Sunday we had a special time to thank the Lord for this baptism and rejoiced together. We are truly thankful to our Lord. In the following month of December, this sister in Christ was married to one of our very handsome church members. We rejoiced with great joy and thankfulness to our Lord for the two events.

Our theme Scripture for 2021 is Colossians 3:16 "Let the message of Christ dwell in you richly". Our church is built on the Holy Scriptures, not just as knowledge, but as the living Word living in us. Let us memorize the Scripture, and give praise from the bottom of our hearts. As we trustGod and His Word, He will truly support and lead us. It is my hope and prayer that we will memorize the

Scriptures, be of one mind, turning our eyes upon Him, and letting His Word live within our hearts. Please continue to remember the Victoria Japanese Church in your prayers. We will be ever



Following the December wedding in the church santuary

Calgary Japanese Gospel Church

2203-15A St. SE, Calgary, AB Sunday Worship - 10:00 am Pastor Tomoyuki Horiuchi (J) Tel: 587-434-1783 (J) website: http://calgaryjapanesegospel.com/wp.

Pastor Brian Lavender (E) Tel: 403-606-5483 (E) website: http://gpfellowship.org/





Pastor Tom & Takako Horiuchi with daughter Marie

By Pastor Tom Horiuchi

e enjoyed a Zoom Christmas celebration on December 25th with those who wished to receive a Christmas dinner box that we prepared and distributed along with some cookies and sweet beans mochi for

dessert.

Today, we are grateful to be able to see each other face to face even though it is over the internet and not in person to worship and to praise the Lord. In this way, we can still support one another in prayer and a brief fellowship each week.

Pastor Ike Ikenouye went home to be with the Lord on February 5. His departure was like "falling asleep" with his last words being, "I am OK". His memorial service was held at the Calgary Japanese Gospel Church with live streaming on Feb. 13. We all miss him very much as we were all blessed through his prayers!

I close with words from William Carey: "Expect Great Things; Attempt Great Things this year."

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Metal welding shop to train men to develop this skill

We bought land in that village area and Darren started a metal welding shop with 8 men building playgrounds, fish farm, etc. But most importantly, are the daily devotions, as they find true hope and love in Jesus.

Thank you CJM for serving God for so many years. Because of it, my parents are now in heaven and I am serving in Cambodia. "For the Lord is good and his love endures forever; his faithfulness continues through all generations" (Psa. 100:5).

PS. This is one of the verses I memorized at CJM Sunnyside Camp!

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Vancouver Japanese Gospel Church

Church location:
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VJGC Staff: (L-R) Mai Yoshino, Pat & Tony Schmidt, Tetsuya & Mari Fukusaku & Homi Akitaya

Pastor Tetsuya Fukusaku

Praise the name of the Lord!

The spread of COVID-19 and its restrictions on church activities have continued for over a year, and

all CJM churches have

been greatly affected.

During this time, our church has had weekly online worship services, prayer meetings, and small group activities. Through the wonders of technology and by God's grace, participants in these ministries also include those who have returned to Japan and those who now live in other areas. However, as soon as possible, we hope that in-person worship service, fellowship, and other activities will be able to get started again. We do not know when that time will come, but from all the experiences of last year, as we continue to trust and walk in search of His will, He will give us the creativity, strength, and hope through these uncertain times.

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God has saved us through the cross of our Lord Jesus Christ, and we are now His children and part of the family of God. Therefore, I encourage us all to faithfully worship and continue walking in hope through all the uncertain circumstances we face each day. No one knows when or what will happen in our walk here on earth, so let us encourage and prayer for each other being thankful that we can leave this in the Lord's hands.

Isaiah 40:31 "But those who hope in the Lord will renew their strength. They will soar on wings like eagles; they will run and not grow weary, they will walk and not faint." □



VJGC New Year 2021 virtual gathering screenshot

Crossover Japanese Church of Calgary

Meeting at Westview Baptist Church 1313 Ranchlands Way NW, Calgary, AB Sunday Worship: 2:00 pm. Pastor Yoichi Taniguchi Tel: 403-455-0074 Email: ymtaniguchi@hotmail.com Website: www.crossoverjapanesechurch.com





Pastor Yoichi & Miyuki Taniguchi with daughter Mana

By Pastor Yoichi Taniguchi

isiting a resident in longterm care homes had not been allowed since the COVID-19 lockdown began over a year ago. Although sometimes we visited seniors and talked to them through the window. When we spoke to one of our church members residing in one of these care homes, I asked if there is anything he wanted to say to our church members. He said, "We can't have our regular Sunday

services right now, but please trust, trust in the Lord to strengthen your faith. Our daily renewal of relationship with God is crucial. So please give prayers of gratitude every day." This man is in a wheelchair and now his speech is not as smooth as it used to be. I was deeply impressed by the depth of his trust in the Lord

When David was driven away by Abimelech, he said, "I will extol the Lord at all times; his praise will always be on my lips." Psalms 34:1. We need to also praise the Lord in any situation and at any time, as this too will be the secret to overcome the pandemic.

In 2003, my wife and I went for one week to a fasting and prayer house run by a Korean pastor. We were searching for God's guidance about coming to Calgary, Canada. That prayer place was old and cold. But the pastor's words warmed our hearts. He said, "I have served the Lord in Korea for 15 years and in the United States for 15 years. My life has had ups and downs, but what I can say now is the Lord is good."

There, my wife and I each received the same Bible verse; Judges 6:14. You cannot imagine how much we were surprised to hear the verse from each of our mouths. We were able to come to Calgary with the assurance from God with this verse.



Celebrating Pastor Taniguchi's birthday

This summer, I will retire and our 18 years of ministry will be over. Looking back, if I can say one word, I will say the same words as the Korean pastor said. "My 18 years of church ministries had many ups and downs, but I can say this with great confidence, **God is good! God is faithful!**" This will be my last report for CJM. Thank you very much for your prayers, various supports, and the warm fellowship in Christ!

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Montreal Japanese Christian Fellowship

Meeting at Peoples Church (basement) 2097 Union Ave., Montreal, QC Bible Study: 2:00 pm. (3rd Sunday of the month) Fellowship/Events: (1st Sunday of the month) Contact: Haruyo Yoshino-Platt or Kyoko Mathew Email: montrealjapanesechristian@gmail.com Tel: 514-342-8509 Website: www.mjcf.ca





Haruyo Yoshino-Platt, husband Richard with son Jonathan and daughter Aiko

By Haruyo Yoshino-Platt

Let us examine our ways and test them, and let us return to the Lord."
(Lamentations 3:40)

This verse is our theme verse for this year. It has been one year since the pandemic started. We

have been isolated from each other, but it also gave us more time to spend alone with the Lord to examine our ways. I thank God that our group stayed strong this past year, and I could say even stronger. We continued to meet twice a month. We were blessed to have different guest speakers each month, and we continue our study on the book of Genesis.

I thank God that the ministry is growing. Every Wednesday morning, we meet for prayer, and the number of participants has grown. God has answered our prayers in so many ways! We also meet online to listen to sermons in Japanese every Thursday. God has sent us a young Canadian man back from Japan who became a Christian in Japan. He has been a real blessing to our group, and with him, we recently started the children's service every Sunday!

The Japanese mothers' group is growing as well. More people from other provinces and the U.S. join us now. We started to meet twice a month, instead of once a month. Mothers are getting to know each other, and we always have good sharing and discussion times.

It is beautiful to see the members caring for those who are struggling and suffering and then see God's work in these individuals. We continue to pray, seeking the Lord's guidance in regards to planting a Japanese church in Montreal. □



Screenshot of Easter Service gathering, April 4, 2021

Edmonton Japanese Christian Church

Meeting at
Zion Baptist Community Church
9802 - 76th Ave. NW, Edmonton, AB
Sunday bilingual Worship Service - 2:00 pm.
Pastor Toshihiro Tamura Tel: 587-986-8161
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Website: www.ejcc.ca





Pastor Toshihiro Hiromi Tamura with daughter Hinata (8)

By Pastor Toshihiro Tamura

o all our brothers and sisters in the Lord, Praise be to His Holy Name!

Because of the worldwide Corona pandemic, many of our annually planned activities were cancelled during the past year. The restric-

tions that have been placed upon us have impacted our daily lives in many ways. Some of these restrictions may disappear at the end of the pandemic, while in all likelihood, others will remain in place. In any case, we are in a time of great transition.

In the area of church vision, we at the Edmonton Japanese Christian Church, recognize, that, on one hand we need more than ever to develop new and flexible ideas that don't rely on the ways we have always done things, while on the other, we need to ask ourselves what are the things we need to protect and preserve. We are called to be the salt of the earth and the light of the world.

As we prayed about a verse that would serve as a theme for our church in 2021, we were guided to Romans 8:38-39. The "love of God that is in Christ Jesus our Lord", is indeed the life of the church, the promise that will never change, and the foundation that we need to return to whatever challenges may face us.

For I am convinced that neither death nor life, neither angels nor demons, neither the present nor the future, nor any powers, neither height nor depth, nor anything else in all creation, will be able to separate us from the love of God that is in Christ Jesus our Lord. Romans 8:38-39

Many people are experiencing fatigue, pain, and uncertainty due to the effects of the pandemic. For these people, this scripture passage offers comfort and encouragement, and it is with prayer and hope that these words would serve to help our people come back to the foundation of our faith. No manner what trials or tribulations we face in life, nothing can separate us from the love of God that is in Christ Jesus our Lord.

May God strengthen and encourage us through His abundant love, so that we can continue to serve and share the Gospel of Jesus Christ our Lord in 2021. \square

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Winnipeg Japanese Alliance Church

Meeting at Trinity Baptist Church 549 Gertrude Ave. W., Winnipeg, MB R2L 0M9 Sunday Worship Service: 2:00 pm. c/o Miyako Ogasawara - Leader Email: winnipegjapanesechurch@gmail.com Website: www.wjac.weebly.com





Leaders Tom & Miyako Ogasawara with sons Kei (7 yrs.) & Yuma (5 yrs.)

By Miyako Ogasawara

and shortly after that became a member of the Winnipeg Japanese Alliance Church (WJAC). Many things have happened since that time. Today I want to share with you one encounter that I believe is God's special touch and leading. At WJAC, there was a granny from Korea. Our story really struck a chord. I had lived in Korea for 3 years after

graduation from university, and traveled back and forth each year. When granny heard this she was thrilled. As we talked more and more we realized that the place where granny lived in Korea and the place that I had lived were no more than five minutes apart. The times that we lived there, however, were about 20 years apart, so, of course, we never passed each other on the street. But what a coincidence that even though it was a city outside of Seoul, we had lived so close to each other. We were both equally surprised.

The area where we had lived was not heavily populated and there were very few Japanese living there. So the more we thought of it the more we realized that this was definitely an encounter that God had given us. Since that time granny took a deep interest in me and treated me like her own child.

Granny grew up in Japan but went back to Korea to get married. A few years later her husband died, leaving her to raise three wonderful children through very difficult times When her children moved to Canada they invited her to come to live with them. In Canada she began to attend a church. There she heard about God's love for the first time. She came to faith and was baptised. She would often

say to me in a powerful voice, "I came to know Jesus later in life but as I look back, I realize that God always loved me, protected me, and led me in His ways. I am so thankful for that."



Miyako on left, Granny on right of photo

I can still see her before me today. She was such an encouragement to me. Granny has now entered heaven in a triumphant procession, but even today when I think about her I feel like she is behind me and gently encouraging me to move forward.

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(Share by permission of grandma's family)

Grace Japanese Christian Church

Banff, AB

Meeting at Banff Full Gospel Church 407 Cougar Street, Banff, AB Sunday Worship: 9:00 am. Pastor Minoru Enoki Tel: 403-707-6132 Email: banffgjcc.enoki@gmail.com



Pastor Minoru & Izumi Enoki with daughters Yuika (5), Mitsuki (3) & Wakana (1) mos.)

By Pastor Minoru Enoki

reetings to all member of CJM. Praise the name of the Lord.

As a warm spring weather is about to come, the Rockies are still covered deep in snow. We are, however, thankful for His grace, giving us great expecta-

tions of what God will be doing in our community.

Due to the ongoing restriction that is imposed on our community, 90% of our church ministries are still taking place online. However, only about 50% of our regular worship service attendees are joining us online. In some respect we feel a sense of disconnection with some people due to the fact we cannot see each other in person. Even though we are still in the midst of thr corona pandemic, we are grateful for the amazing technology that allows us to see and virtually communicate with each other.

I firmly believe that His church is unstoppable, regardless of our situation. He makes something beautiful out of the misery and darkness that we encounter in our lives. He is a good God who has created us for a purpose and assigned us in our various locations as CJM churches to impact our community for Christ.

In spite of our current pandemic crisis we were able to launch two small groups, one in Banff and the other in Canmore. These groups meet every other week with their group leader and immerse themselves in His word and in His presence. They share their life experiences and pray together which is of vital importance in this ministry. This further creates a sense of connection and belonging to each other. It is having a major impact in the lives of our congregation and grateful to the Lord as things are going very well right now. God's presence is very evident in our midst through our small steps of faith. Recently, a lady confessed her faith in Jesus and placed her trust in Him. Praise His Name!

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EFC of Lethbridge

Meeting at: Evangelical Free Church 4717-24th Ave. S, Lethbridge, AB Contact: Ed & Suni Arinobu Tel: 403-381-7354 Email: arinobu@hotmail.com Website: https://www.efreelethbridge.ca/





Suni & Ed Arinobu

By Suni & Ed Arinobu

Great is His faithfulness; His mercies begin afresh each morning. Lamentation 3:23

Prior to the devastating impact of COVID 19, Lethbridge had been enjoying an influx of international student at the University of Lethbridge, and at

Lethbridge College. Although things remain uncertain, we are hoping by the fall semester, the pandemic will subside and classes will be in person. This will provide us with the opportunities to share God's love again.

One of the mandates of our church, the Evangelical Free of Lethbridge is to be a bridge builder to the community, not just locally but internationally as well. We have an intercultural pastor, engaging with local internationals as well as missionaries abroad. During the pandemic, the church held activities that kept people connected; ie. phone contacts, zoom ESL conversational classes, special gifts for the internationals at Christmas and Easter.

Our ESL conversational classes have been conducted online using the Zoom platform and have had upwards of 20 students. Since last fall, two Japanese girls. who originally came as exchange students from Gakushuin, in Tokyo joined us. Their relationship with their host families are positive so they had enjoyed attending church activities and to this day, they remain connected. We are looking forward to the time when many more Japanese students will again study in Lethbridge.

One of our joys living in Lethbridge is connecting and developing relationships with former Lethbridge Japanese Christian Fellowship attendees. One of them is Yamada Keiko san, who started attending the Evangelical Free Church about two years ago. Since March 2019, we have been sharing the messages over the phone. We attend the 9 am service online, and Keiko calls at 11:00 am, we share the message and visit. She has blessed us richly as we see her growing in the Lord. \Box



One day, Lord willing, we'll meet like this again!

Wesley Chapel Japanese Church

Meeting at: Wesley Chapel 2385 Warden Avenue, Scarborough, ON M1W 2L6 Sunday Service at 1:00 pm Pastor: Misa Mochinaga Tele: 416-904-5496 Emai: misa.mochinaga@gmail.com

Website: https://www.wesleychapeljapanesefmc.com/





Pastor Misa Morinaga

By Pastor Misa Mochinaga

ovid-19 was undoubtedly the greatest challenge we experienced last year. The church building was closed on March 29, 2020, after our service was over. Who knew that that would be our last in-person gathering for the rest of the year? We had to change the way we did church and transition to online services within one week.

The journey wasn't always smooth, but we managed some-how. Yet our biggest concern was how to stay connected and nurture meaningful relationships with members of the congregation, especially those without access to technology. I am thankful to our leaders who stepped up and took on the responsibility of contacting people regularly (in spite of their own busyness), and to our volunteers who have been contributing with prayers, readings, leading worship, and preaching. We see God's Spirit working in and through them inspiring them to serve. I can't say we are thriving, but we are here and we are thankful to have learnt to find contentment in the now, to seek God in the midst of the pandemic, and to accept the things we cannot change.

I pray that we will come out of the pandemic as different people than when it all started. More mature, more Christ-like, more compassionate and with a deeper love for Jesus and our neighbours.

How will we remember this time 5 or 10 years from now? How and what does God want us to remember? It's too easy to dwell on the negative, but I want our church to remember God's faithful Presence and grace in the midst of the pandemic: how He sustained us, how He met with us in our fear and uncertainty, how He protected us and kept us healthy, how He carried us on his back when we felt we couldn't take another step, how He helped us grow in our love for Him and for our neighbours... This desire is what has shaped the direction we've taken: learning to pray and meditate, to wait upon God, to attend to the formation of our souls, to learn to see how God is at work in our lives, to imagine ways in which we can love and serve our neighbour.

One of our members shared how the pandemic helped her to get to know herself better and pay attention to areas of her life where change was needed. I pray that we will come out of the pandemic as different people than when it all started. More mature, more Christ-like, more compassionate and with a deeper love for Jesus and our neighbours. \Box