#### March 2025

E E N E VS Life Church Epping





## LEADERS LETTER

#### Dear Church,

Paul urges his young pastor Timothy to 'figh the good fight of faith', and that is what we also will have to do as believers when we step out in faith to fulfil God's promises on our life.

The word 'fight' is used here twice, and it comes from the Greek word 'agonidzo' which refers to a struggle, and great exertion, it is where we get the word agony which is used to convey great pain, anguish, despair. The fact that this word was used indicates that we are in a battle. The word was used to describe wrestling matches, and to depict conflict. We are in conflict against evil forces coming against God's will.

We are also in conflict with our flesh which does not want to go the way of the Spirit. We will encounter people who will 'fight' against us. We will fight our own mind which tries to talk us out of our faith walk as the devil fills us with doubt about God's faithfulness in the struggles we are now in.

But this fight is the 'good' fight coming from the Greek word 'kalos' meaning exeptional, outstanding. In other words this is a fight worth fighting, this is a struggle that will need all of our focus and all of our devotion as we stand

# 'Fight the Good Fight of Faith'

1 Timothy 6:12

against the forces coming against the establishment of God's kingdom.

I can guarantee that there will also be opposition in the physical world. Unsaved friends will leave us or we will have to leave them as our two worlds cannot co-exist comfortably any more. Family members will not believe what we are experiencing and divisions may erupt. We might have to change our job, we might have to lay down some things that were very important but now seem insignificant compared to the riches we have discovered in Christ!

But fear not, because this battle has already been won at the Cross, so the fight we engage in is actually rigged in our favour, in our fight we have Almighty God in our corner! So if you're are facing opposition to your faith walk today, keep fighting, don't give up. We are told to walk by faith not by sight, (2 Cor. 5:7) and this walk of faith is not an easy one, but it is an essential one. Essential to those who we will influence for Jesus. and to our eternity.

Every blessing Pastor David

| Sunday Service<br>Epping Hall<br>@10.30 - 12:00          | <b>Bible Study</b><br><b>The Box</b><br>@19:00 - 20:30           | <b>Prayer Meetings</b><br>Every Sunday<br>@10:00 - 10:25   | Encounter Night<br>The Box<br>@19:00 - 20:30 | Limitless Youth<br>The Box<br>@19:00 - 21:00 |  |
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| 02 March<br>09 March<br>16 March<br>23 March<br>30 March | Wed. 05 March<br>Wed. 12 March<br>Wed. 19 March<br>Wed. 26 March | Prayer Online<br>@19:00 -19:30<br>Thurs. 06 March<br>Thurs. 13 March<br>Thurs. 20 March<br>Thurs. 27 March | Fri. 07 March<br>Fri. 21 March               | Fri. 14 March<br>Fri. 28 March               |  |

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## Lent Lunches 2025



Each Saturday during lent (March - April) one of the churches in Epping will offer a simple lunch for a voluntary donation, **between 12:30pm and 2pm.** 

All proceeds go to a range of charities.

A chance to meet friends and support our local charities

Please bring your friends - everyone is most welcome

No booking required

#### Dates and Venues:

Saturday 8th March – Epping Catholic Church, Church Field Saturday 15th March – Epping Green Chapel, Epping Green Saturday 22nd March – Epping Restore, The Box, St John's Road Saturday 29th March – St John's Church, St John's Road Saturday 5th April – United Reformed Church, Lindsey Street Saturday 12<sup>th</sup> April – Life Church, Epping Hall, St John's Road

'Christian freedom does not mean being free to do as we like; it means being free to do as we ought.' – William Barclay



#### £5,000 GOAL.

In Memory of our twins, TLT will be building a water well in their name to help thousands of people have access to clean water.



John 7:37-38 37 On the last and greatest day of the festival, Jo and said in a loud voice, "Let anyone who is thirs me and drink. 38 Whoever believes in me, as Scr said. rivers of living water will flow from withi

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### **Prayer for Families in Conflict**

#### Father in Heaven,

- Help families find unity in their differences, peace amidst their struggles, and compassion in their disagreements.
- Help them seek and know your wisdom and clarity instead of continuing with how things have always been.
- Give them an understanding in how to relate to each other in love.
- We ask for Your healing hand to mend and restore any broken relationships.

#### In Jesus' Holy Name. Amen

#### **CHURCH LEADERSHIP TEAM**

Senior Pastor: David Tarr - pastor@lifechurchepping.org.uk Elder/Church Treasurer: John McCredie Elder: David Smith Deacon: Linda Stringer Deacon: Janti Charalambous

#### **MINISTRY LEADERS**

Children's Ministry: Janti Limitless Youth: Alex & Ayesha Ladies Ministry: Lynette Worship Ministry: Lynette Men's Ministry: Pastor David

biblical method of baptism because of its symbolic representation of the death, burial, and resurrection of Christ.
Water baptism is a beautiful picture of what our Lord has done for us.
Water baptism also illustrates the spiritual

Christians should be baptized out of obedience

Water baptism by full immersion in water is the

to and love for our Lord Jesus (John 14:15).

- cleansing we experience when we are saved; just as water cleanses the flesh, so the Holy Spirit cleanses our hearts when we trust Christ
- Water baptism symbolizes the believer's total trust in and total reliance on the Lord Jesus Christ, as well as a commitment to live obediently to Him.
- Source: https://www.gotquestions.org/water-baptism.html

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