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### **Sunday 22nd January 2023**

This morning 10.30am: Morning Worship in the Social Hall

Led by students from IBTI

We offer a warm welcome to all visitors to our worship today If you would like to know more about us, please ask one of the leaders

12.30pm: Jacket potato lunch in the Social Hall, all welcome

Monday 9.30am: Little Lambs Play & Sing Toddler Group in the Social Hall

7.00pm: Prayer meeting on Zoom

Tuesday 7.30pm: Home Group at Steph & Shell's Wednesday 9.15am: Coffee Shop in the Social Hall

**Next Sunday** 9.00am: Open up and set up hall for worship

> 9.30am: Prayer Meeting 10.00am: Tea & Coffee

10.30am: Morning Worship in the Social Hall, including communion

Worship: Viv Evans

#### Thought for the Week – from Caroline

Proverbs 13:20 "Whoever keeps company with the wise becomes wise, but the companion of fools suffers harm."

Many years ago, when I was still a novice Christian at Holy Trinity Church, Tilgate, with a massive amount to learn, I struck up a friendship with a non-Christian lady who was living with her current lover. This man thought very highly of himself, in fact, he actually called himself Mr Smart on any forms he filled in, I kid you not. He would obtain vast amounts of money from the DHSS, using every trick in the book to defraud them. He claimed for a bad back, but was more than able to lift very heavy furniture, even taking a piano upstairs one day. I liked my friend, his partner, she was fun and appeared caring. However, I was lacking in biblical wisdom and discernment and didn't realize this friendship was unhealthy and destructive. The fact that I was a Christian had no impact on them, and if anything they thought me rather quaint. I won't go into details, but my family and I suffered greatly from this friendship. God showed me through a book I was reading exactly who this lady was, and I managed to walk away, but my "fingers were badly burnt" (Google it if you need an explanation).

Getting back to Mr Smart, who is actually dead now, he thought himself so clever because in his mind he outwitted everybody and got away with it. His proof of his cleverness was he always had wads of banknotes, so much money. This proverb comes to my mind, 1:18, "These men lie in wait for their own blood; they ambush only themselves!" Trying to get ahead by defying God will only lead to disaster, nobody gets away with anything. Mark 8:36 says, "What good is it for someone to gain the whole world, yet forfeit their soul?" All sin will be punished, only the gospel gives us the means to avoid the fate we deserve.

### **Diary Dates**

Saturday 4th February, 10.00am–12.00noon (coffee from 9.30): Prayer Ministry workshop in the Church, with Rev Richard Poole of St. Andrew's, Furnace Green, open to anyone interested in praying for others. For more information contact Sarah on 01293 524804 or vicarstb@worthparish.org

Saturday 18th-Sunday 19th March 2023: Church Weekend at the De Vere Horsley Estate, East Horsley, Surrey Saturday 29th-Saturday 5th August 2023: Revive 2023 "Pursuing The Unshakeable" at Ashburnham Place; bookings now open at revivelive.co.uk, 10% discount for bookings made and paid for by 31st May 2023