

In the previous News4Prayer letter I mentioned the importance of being extra careful about what we delete - to avoid losing things we still want! I then discovered, not for the first time in my life, that the Lord moves in mysterious ways!

The delay in writing this News4Prayer has been caused by the huge loss of information I have suffered in the last few weeks! In the space of ten days our two computers lost all their data and both required a new hard drive!

I was very relieved that I had carefully backed up files in two different places so that most of my work was not lost. However, I hadn't checked that the file that contained my diary, addresses and phone numbers was saving okay. It existed but it was no use at all! Then, to top it all off, 3 days later I lost all the phone numbers on my mobile phone too!

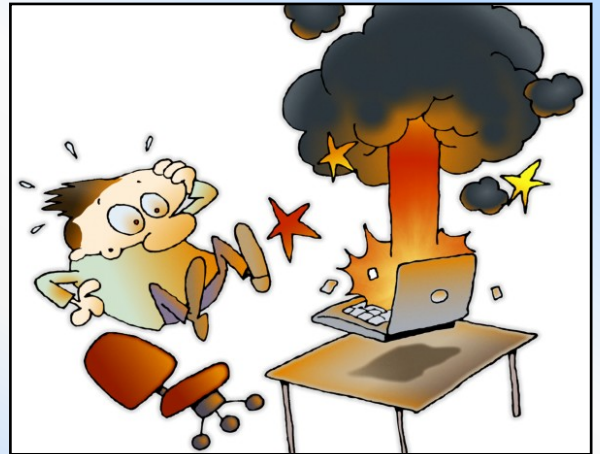
What was I too do - panic, cry, scream? I decided the only thing to do was to shrug my shoulders and relax in the knowledge that God works in mysterious ways! There are no accidents!

Proverbs 16v33 "The Lord is in control. The lot is cast into the lap, but its every decision is from the LORD."

That's a hard concept sometimes isn't it? Every decision of the

cast of the lot (dice) is of the Lord. So it seems like the Lord decides who wins the family game of snakes and ladders but it is also so much more than that! The Bible says He... "works out everything in conformity with the purpose of His will" Ephesians 1v11.

Where do we go with difficult and profound statements like that? What do we do with the many questions this raises?



allow time for locally tailored devotions to be written. This should enable future local websites to go live much faster, rather than

GOD WORK'S IN MYSTERIOUS WAYS!

Who is in control of our increasingly crazy world?

I believe the answer is that the Lord, the Maker of Heaven and Earth - the Lord God Almighty knows what He is doing!

Website News:

The new local evangelistic website is now complete and very nearly ready for launch.



I am really grateful to RBC ministries - www.rbc.org.uk for allowing us to use a selection of their daily devotions on the website to

having to wait for daily devotions to be written before it can be put online!

We are currently finding out which churches want to be involved in this project in our nearest town and then we will begin to find local Christian testimonies to place online.

Once this pilot website is complete and all the bumps and lumps ironed out we plan to make it a free resource for others to use to reach out to their local area.

(Everything would have been ready sooner had I not lost things in my most recent data crash! It's a great relief that God's timing is always perfect.)



Outdated already?

One of the problems I have to cope with is that everything moves so quickly! Whatever was the latest thing online one year is out of date and boring as soon as the next thing comes along! I know this is true in all of life but it seems to be true even more quickly in cyberspace!

It only feels like a little while ago that I was so pleased that the WhyBelieve.com website had been refurbished but the other day, when I looked back, I found out, to my horror, that it was launched in it's current form in March 2006 - that's over 3½ years ago, which for the Internet is like saying 3½ decades ago!

The WhyBelieve website is not huge but does have about 2000 different, unique visitors each year. Some simply browse the various pages on the site but others ask questions or want to discuss issues.

My problem always seems to be that I have plenty of ideas but finding time for them all is not easy! Please pray that I would know if it is important for me to redesign the site yet or to continue spending time on other things.

M'n'M Team

The MnM drama team have been let out again, for their third outing! This time with a 40 minute show called "Fish and Ships", it is a show all about the story of Jonah.

As I write this newsletter we are about a third of the way through taking our show to the local primary schools. At the end of next week we will have performed it 17 times.

The show consists of music, song, dance, drama, puppets, audience participation and many costumes. It has been very well received by both teachers and children. Please pray that our voices and energy would allow us to continue to put enthusiasm and excitement into all of the work we do in schools and that none of us would catch any of the nasty bugs and germs that are doing the rounds at the moment.

Mili is continuing to love performing with us and with others on the local big stages. She has been flying the nest more recently - staying away twice with the National Girls Choir and also on a Christian holiday and camp reunion weekend with NISCU.

Nicola is as busy as ever with her individual teaching and has recently, on top of everything else, taken on coaching the strings section of a community orchestra on Saturdays.

Matt is still enjoying soccer each week and on one occasion scored 9 of his sides 10 goals but still lost 11v10! (He didn't know if to be happy or sad!). He has also taken on a bit more of the teaching of Mili - responsible for science, computers and maths.

PRAYER DIARY

SUNDAY

Please pray for Matt, Nicky and Mili as they work in schools - performing assemblies, running clubs etc.

MONDAY

Please pray for Peter that he would understand that Christianity is about a relationship and that following Jesus is not about living your life by a set of rules.

TUESDAY

Please pray that the local evangelistic website would not experience further delays due to data loss etc and that we would be able to get it out there soon!

WEDNESDAY

Please pray that I would know what jobs are important to spend time doing and which ones can wait a little longer. Pray that I would be in tune with God's agenda and not my own.

THURSDAY

Please pray that Pal wouldn't walk away from God. Pray that he would realise his need to turn around and come back to him.

FRIDAY

Please pray that some of the people that have talked with me about Jesus in the past would be willing to talk again. Pray that I would know what to say to make them question where their faith is.

SATURDAY

Please pray that the Lord would continue to help even more people to stumble upon the Whybelieve website and that they would want to talk to me about Him and I would know how to help them.



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